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#### JUNIOR LIVESTOCK ASSOCIATION HAVE GENERAL MEETING

The Borden County Junior Livestock Association will meet on September 14, 1989 at 7:30 p.m. in the Borden County Courthouse - District Courtroom for a General Meeting.

The agenda for the meeting includes the following:

- 1. Review the new association rules
- Treasurer's Report
   Election of three directors

Two positions on the Board of Directors will be vacated, as Van York and Joe Belew have declined to run. The other position expiring is that of director, Kenny Hensley.

All interested persons are urged to



#### "CLASS OF 2002"

Proudly displaying their First Day Certificates are: (L. to R. kneeling)Rika Copeland, Jessica Ellison, Anderia Lozano, and Brittney Dyess. (Standing L. to R.) Jeff Story, Jacob Zant, Rudy Portales, Mark Sanders, Ky May, and Jade Harris.

financial plans.

Dawson and Borden farmers with County loans from the Farmers Administration Home are invited to a meeting on September 27, 1989 on how FmHA's computer program is used in considering loan servoptions such as rescheduling and FmHA write-downs, Supervisor County Grogan, said Rickey today.

The meeting will be at 2:00 P.M. at Parkway Holiday the Inn in Odessa, Texas.

Grogan Mr. said the meeting is particularly important for FmHA borrowers behind in their payments and those having difficulty with their loans.

"We will go over all the options available to those borrowers and explain how to go about finding one that will keep them in operation," Grogan said. "We will be putting emphasis the Debt and Loan Restructuring (DALR\$) computer program that developed for this purpose."

Grogan said DALR\$ does many mathematical calculations quickly and in a number of (not pictured: Laura Murphy) combinations in helping

the analysis of farm

"If a restructuring plan exists that will keep the borrower the farm, DALR\$ will find that plan, that plan will

minimize of debt restructuring, "he said.

DALR\$ was developed as a tool to help debt restructuring authorized by

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### LOCAL ANGLERS QUALIFY FOR CLASSIC



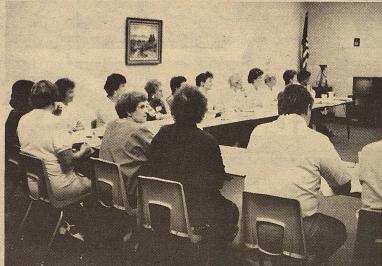
Blane Dyess of Borden County and James White of Howard County have qualified for the Anglers Choice Classic to be held the first week in October.

The two Anglers have fished in the Angler's Choice circuit since February. 240 qualified teams throughout 4 states will fish this event at Toledo Bend Resivoir. Blane and James finished this fishing season 11th place of over 75 teams in their division.

Prizes being any Anglers dream are 1st; 2 fully rigged Skeeter Bass Boats and trailers, 2nd; 1 fully rigged Skeeter Bass Boat and 3rd; a new pick-up.

#### TEACHERS ATTEND READING WORKSHOP

Wheeler of Burbank, California, a reading conducted workshop at Borden County I.S.D. on August 28, 29 and 30. Mrs. Wheeler gave a detailed illustration on the Method for Herman Reading Reversing Failure. The workshop was attended by over teachers from thirty the state. around Teachers from Plano, Abernathy, New Deal, Lamesa, Spur.



Borden greatly benefited from the three day development staff The Herman sessions. Method was developed by Renee Herman more than two decades ago benefit children to

with reading difficulties. Her success has spread throughout the nation and now is one of the most successful reading programs existance.



#### ANITA WHEELER

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TO: PARENTS

BORDEN COUNTY I.S.D.

SUBJECT: BORDEN COUNTY I.S.D. 1989-90 CHAPTER 2 PROGRAM

DATE: SEPTEMBER 1, 1989

Ouring the 1989-90 school year, Borden County I.S.D. will receive Federal funds through the Education Consolidation and Improvement Act, Chapter 2.

Upon reviewing guidelines for expenditure of these funds, and consulation among the administrators and librarian, it has been determined that Chapter 2 funds will be used to provide a curriculum consultant. Sandra Erwin of the ESC will be that person.

These funds are received through special application, must be used for designated purposes, and are to be supplemental to existing programs.

If you desire further information or wish to give input concerning these Chapter 2 funds, feel free to contact the Borden County Independent School District's Superintendent's

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STUDENT LUNCHES September 11-15, 1989

Tacos with Cheese Monday

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Salad Bar

Cowboy Biscuits Thursday

Pinto Beans Vegetable Salad Fruit

Salad Bar

Friday Hamburgers French Fries

Lettuce/Pickles Tomatoes Bun

Cookie Milk

Salad Bar

#### BORDEN COYOTES

GAIL, TEXAS



#### BORDEN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

1989 Football Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT PL	ACE	TIME
Aug. 24	Klondike (scrimmage	T	6:00
Sept. 1	Highland (scrimmage)	H	6:00
Sept. 8	New Home		7:30
Sept. 15	Wellman	H	7:30
Sept. 22	Jayton	H	7:30
Sept. 29	Wilson		7:30
Oct. 6	Ira		7:30
Oct. 13	Loop	T	7:30
Oct. 20	Klondike		7:30
Oct. 27	Dawson (Homecoming)		7:30
Nov. 3	Grady		7:30
Nov. 10	Sands		7:30
Head Coach: Joe Bon	d Assistant Coaches: Duke		
Superintendent: Jame			

es McLeroy

Principal: Mickey McMeans Sponsor: Sue Jane Mayes

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#### BORDEN JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL 1989 Football Schedule

DATE		OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Oct.	5	Sands	T	6:00
Oct.	12	Loop		
Oct.	19	Klondike		
Oct.	26	Dawson	T	6:00
Nov.	2	Grady		

## COYOTE



#### COYOTES OUTRUN HORNETS

Borden in preparation for the 1989 season. The Coyotes were tested areas of the in all game, and the scrimmage provided some needed experiences for them. The Covotes outscored the Hornets 5 touchdowns We also had touchdown called on a penality. The first score came a 60 yard pass to Marc Latimer from Brian Bond. Jimmy Rios scored next on yard run. Jimmy a 6 also scored the next

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County for another 60 yard Coyotes met the Highland score. Marc Latimer Hornets in their second capped off the scoring final scrimmage with a 44 yard pass from Brian Bond.

> The defense was tested. and really they did a good job. Coyotes came Three up with interceptions Shane Jimmy Rios, Brian Kemper, and Bond made interceptions drives that ended for the Hornets. Other made Coyotes that the scrimmage a success was James Smith, Cody Cooley, Paul Sturdivant, Cole Vestal and Patrick Herridge.

The Coyotes open the regular season this Friday at New Home. The junior varsity team will play Grady Thursday, in Gail, Sept. 7, to open their season.

## **BOOSTER CLUB**

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County The Borden Booster Club met Sept. 1, 1989, immediately following the football scrimmage. There were 20 boosters in attendance. The Treasures report was given by Ross Sharp.

Elections were held for new club officers results were, Craig Woodward, President, Richard Laverty, Viceand Terri President Secretary-Buchanan. Treasurer.

supper Homecoming was discussed deciding

2 desserts per on Membership family. remain at fees will \$10.00 per •family, with a Booster Club Cushion given to each family that joins.

The Booster Club supports all extra curricular activities

at Borden County I.S.D. Please come and join with us at the next meeting to be held September 15, 1989. at the football field at 7:00 p.m.



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(not for students only)

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Or is your grin what's in?

dear?

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OUR FIRST MODEL - wearing our "GROUCHY FACE" or as its usually "what. called. the do you mean I've got to get up for school now? GROUCHY face. popular FACES are for morning wear, although people perfectly fee1 comfortable wearing them throughout the entire day. GROUCHY FACES may be worn alone or accompainied by GROUCHY matching PERSONALITY.

Then there's next. model, WORRIED FACE. Wrinkled forehead, giving that layered look. The WORRIED FACE tends to hang its head the sad is part not only is it causing itself PAIN in the NECK but most likely its become a pain in the neck to those it's around.

Here comes MAD FACE. Sneers in and are evervones rushing The only to get one. problem is - it takes lots of facial muscles to make a MAD FACE. In fact it takes alot more than it does to make a smile.

Another popular look is "THE POUT" ... The POUT is usually worn with the bottom protruding lip over upper lip. Somethe twitches Tip times may be added for that "right look". It may be worn to all major and minor disappointments, or saved for those special occasions when you want to have So, OWN way. if this is the look you want, remember THE POUT - Don't throw tantrum without a

Our next model is sporting the JEALOUS FACE. note the "green envy" facial

our tint. The major drawback the JEALOUS FACE of finding clothes is to match. Sure, you could get Kermit the Frog's hand-me-downs, but the shoulders might be little By the snug. the only fashion accessories to qo FACE with a JEALOUR are misery and unhappiness.

> Our final model wearing the HAPPY is FACE. This is by far the most popular face, however, we do get lot of returns. a People just can't seem to get it on-They return it a MAD FACE, a GROUCHY FACE, a WORRIED FACE, or THE POUT. Frankly I don't know why they'd rather wear one of those faces. Our HAPPY FACE is the easiest face of all to wear. It doesn't take a whole lot of effort, it looks good on you, and one size fits all.

And so, this concludes FACIAL FASHION our SHOW. Thank you joining us. We hope you've learned that a smile is ALWAYS in Style.

In His Love,

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#### WHAT! ANOTHER FISH STORY ..



A trip up the Concho River This summer was not without pain. Fighting ticks, mesquitos, and chiggers, Baiting hooks for our fortune to claim.

In a gym I've never been this miserable. As the rain dripped down off my chin. I know why they called it Water Valley, The only place where rain has been.

Then one morning a 30 plus pound yellow cat Took a hook and went on a tear.
All others were really excited,
I was cold, and really didn't care.

Big deal, slimy fish was now on the bank A hugh mouth that could use a visit to the dentist. Fishing is OK, I guess, when you catch one like this, As for me, I'll stick to basketball and tennis.

/s/ Bill May

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LET ME GET MY HAT

by Dennis Poole

## Roughage Selection and Use For Feeding Horses

Horses have a physio- in logical and psycholo- which gical requirement for adequate diet. other is grity of the digestive tract and to facilinormal rate of through passage the system. Furthermore, roughage serves to minimize certain vices such as wood chewing tail problems chewing, often observed in stalled or confined horses.

The quality of the roughage to be fed is of great importance. Hay should be selected for apparent leafiness, emphasis being placed on a high leaf: ration. Color, cleanliness and aroma also key factors selecting hay on visual characteristics. Horses are rather sensitive to mold. hay that looks smells the least moldy should never to horses. situations where large quantities of

being are considered, it may wise to obtain core samples for testing nutrient content prior to purchase.

Extension State Specialist, Dr. Pete Gibbs, points out that mature, idle horses and non-milking mares in early pregnancy normally can be on good quality pasture hay. These horses will. consume 2% to 3% of body seight

roughage will satisfy the majority of nutrient bulk requirements. being important fed traditional blended to maintain the inte- concentrates or individual cereal as primary energy and protein sources, hay or grazing required on a daily basis. Gibbs suggests that good a thumb rule to use for hay intake is 1% of body weight per day. means 1000 pound performance horse should receive approximately 10 pounds hay every day. Horsemen feeding large of grain to young halter or race prospects should keep a close eye on roughage consumption to insure such horses actually eat enough roughage on a regular basis.

> economics From an standpoint, the type hay purchased for horses may be an important consideration. Legumes such as alfalfa contribute may excessive amounts protein intake mature performance However. horses. purchased relative cost per pound protein, legumes

#### Horse Program at Texas A&M Announces 1989-90 Horse Breeders' School

Four Texas A&M Horse including Breeders' Schools have been announced for 1989-90. The 3-day schools are designed people who own broodmares and desire learn the most of way managing for stud managers breeding farm managers who want intense treatment of breeding procedures. "Hands-on" skills be emphasized that participants Dr. have opportunity to develop skills for all aspects of breeding management

make good sense as the roughage source milking mares young, growing and owners Horse very have feeding effective with either program grasses or legumes. The type of hay will nutrient dictate the needed a grain or concentrate mix for mares young horses.

In summary, roughage often serves as the foundation for a good feeding program designed provide horses with adequate bulkiness total diet. choose Horsemen may from grasses or legumes, but two very important considerations quality and consistancy in selecting and feeding roughage to horses.

collection evaluation. artifical insemination and natural breeding. Lectures will include latest information on equine reproduction. These courses will be offered December 1-3. and 14-16 1989 and January 12-14 and 25-27, 1990.

Enrollment is limited each school to for personalized enhance instruction. The schools coordinated are by Warren Evans Dr. and Gary For further information application forms, and please contact Dr. J. Warren Evans, Equine Sciences Program, Anima 1 Science Department, Texas A&M University, College TX 77843 or call 409-845-7731.

Cost for the 3 -day school is \$500.00.

**Should Government** Discourage Homeownership?

Many Americans are very concerned about an issue that strikes close to home: their ability to afford a home of their own.



Home owners—and prospective chure on the mortgage interest deduction.

It's been suggested that the gov-ernment eliminate or greatly reduce a home owner's right to deduct the interest paid on a home mort-gage from his or her taxes. This, point out the experts at the Na-tional Association of Home Builders, will hurt the middle class the most. And it will make it even more difficult to afford a home at a time when the nation's homeownership rate is already slipping.
It can also, economists say, hurt

the nation as a whole. In 1988 alone, housing and related industries contributed more than \$229 billion to the nation's economy. Building just 1,000 single-family homes generates a minimum \$16.1 million in federal, state and local tax revenues and another \$1.6 million in property taxes each year

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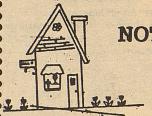
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#### NOTES FROM HOME

By Debra Pollard

Home Demonstration/CEA

#### Fat in Children's Diet

Did you know that children one of every five TV are children and American aged 6-17 is obese?

This statistic of concern to all educators and health professionals alike who are asking the question, "Why are children fatter today?"

There isn't a simple answer, but many experts believe that a sedentary lifestyle is partially

Fitness educatin should start at home. Less than a third of the parents of elementary school children exercise regularly; thus, they do not set a fitness example. Additionally, most American high schools no longer four-year physical education requirement. Enrollment in physical education classes decreases 50 percent to only the students by of grades 11 and 12.

Surveys show the amount of time spent viewing television is an indicator of physical activity: as one goes up, the other goes down. TV fattening because

watching stationary therefore not burning many calories. Furthermore, snacking is a prevalent behavior associated with watching TV. And children's programming is with interspersed an abundance of ads high-calorie for foods--reinforcing the urge to eat.

alone However, TV can not be blamed for the fattening of America's younger Another citizens. cause is poor food habits. Families today rely heavily on school lunches, fast food and frequent dining out to meet their nutrition needs.

Traditionally, dietary restriction has been a touchy subject for

•••••• many pediatric health professionals who choices such as Coop. Schedules are uncomfortable suggesting that cheese and in young children alter their diets. Children rapidly are growing adequate fat from meats. and need vitamins, minerals and protein for brain, muscle.

> Health experts unanimously that children younger than two years old older children easily thrive on diets programs. with moderate continue to get enough be but an address calories, fat is not difficult and to achieve.

Here are fat in children's few diets:

-- Change from whole iatrician and skim milk.

-- Use lowfat or nonfat yogurt mixed with fresh fruits.

-- Use lowfat cheese farmer's soft-cure low+bfi oaiifhd onddtdc

-- Trim all visible

-- Avoid bone and as hot dogs and bologna.

agree for school-age children.

discourage Experts should have no dietary children or adolescents can oriented fat programs for children intake. Children must and adolescents should youth-oriented, family involve members.

may become some Parents the first step Fire, a local SO is to consult a ped-country swing truly overweight.

#### FMHA MEETING

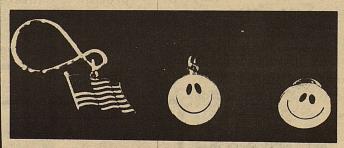
Credit Agricultural act of 1987. FmHA borrowers who farm are behind in their payments should, try all means. meeting, of attend this Grogan said.

#### Midwest Electric Annual Meeting.

The Annual Membership of Midwest meeting Coopertive Electric highly has been set for Sept. to lay the foundation processed meats such 7, 1989 at the Scurry County Coliseum, in Snyder, Texas. Midwest -- Home pack lunches Electric, our area's Rural will be Cooperative it. 51st celebrating year of servicé, since But from attending adult- being formed in 1938, weight-loss and serving a 9 county Weight-loss area from East of Anson to the edge of Gail, from Sweetwater Post, to the causes Headquarters in Roby, adequate diet of 30 of being overweight, and its District office percent calories from incorporate exercise at 2100 College Ave. Snyder, Texas. schedule of activities for the evening will suggestions for lowering concerned about a began with registration extra pounds, at 6:00 p.m., Prairie find will be entertaining milk to lowfat or out if the child is prior to and during a Bar-B-Que meal to be served at 7:00 followed p.m., by the business meeting, with reports from cooperative officials, and the election of three directors the board. All members are urged to attend, by and enjoy participating to as a "Member Owner" their ElecrTric Cooperative.

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BIG SPRING, TEXAS

## by T. Lindsay Baker

#### "14 Mellow Yellows"

day had visit with Tom Christian. my rancher friend Claude, from Texas. He on way to meeting, but ahead he was of SO had time on his hands. decided to chew the fat for a while. the As he sat on davenport, he told another of his County Armstrong

of number years "we began, he ago, kind of a scroundrel in our better not tell his name. Anyway, he made was of big estate. wound most of it up and then squandered money. He the was always up to no good."

After this introduction, Tom "Another continued, there had home-grown hereford cattle. used to call mellow They vellows. were real pretty. Well. these head turned missing, and no one knew happened to them."

years passed Twenty still the mystery

I remained the that had disappeared.

> ever "No one knew until my over to the western part the Panhandle of where there might be some rustling going on some of the time, Tom related. went over there cattle business. some and there he met a didn't have man who anything all at to say about Claude.

The man said that there was a fellow Claude in who was liar. According to Tom's story, "He said to mv cousin the fellow from Claude supposed was to have sent him 14 mellow yellows vears before. but that when they got him to there were only 13 of them."

These complaints set Tom's cousin to thinking about the he had stories heard before about the missing cattle.

When the cousin returned home to Claude, he looked up the man with the reputation for being a rapscallion and asked him about the incident. By this time the statute of

Performance Improves from Prior Year

Composite Passing Rates Have Improved Slightly Since Last Year, but Over a Quarter of Texas Students Tested Still Do Not Pass All Tests Taken

Statewide results of the 1988-89 Texas Educational Assessment of Minimum Skills (TEAMS) program indicate that, on average, 72 percent of students passed all tests taken. A composite assessment for each district and campus has been calculated by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) to facilitate analyses of this

Performance results in this report were calculated using the results of all non-special education students tested in version) results were not included

Three tests, reading, mathematics and writing, are administered in grades 3, 5, 7, and 9. The grade 11 exit level exam does not test writing skills through a separate test, although that component will be added in the 1990-91 administration. To pass a test, a student must correctly answer a minimum number of questions. Passing standards are set by the State Board of Education.

#### **ANALYZE Results**

Analyzing the composite percent assing scores against a variety of district characteristics reveals trends in performance. District wealth appears to be an important correlate of performance on the TEAMS tests. A direct relationship between wealth and the group passing rate exists - the lower the property value per student, the lower the percent passing rate. In the poorest ten percent of districts, only 60.7 percent of students passed all tests taken, while in the richest ten percent, 82.3 percent passed

limitations had passed, he was to talk about it.

scoundrel The "That declared. wreck of a truck that sent over fellow wouldn't hold 14 cattle, took the last one home for beef."

This finally solved the mystery.

concluded Tom account with observation. quess even in Claude there's not any honor

District size and district type, with the exception of the very largest urban districts, do not seem to relate to perform ance. The percent of students identification low income better correlates with the passing rate; in this instance an inverse relationship exists - the lower the p low income students, the higher the group composite passing rate.

The ethnic composition of a district's student population appears to affect group performance only when the percent minority exceeds 50 percent. As other research has shown, percent minority and the percent low income are highly corre-lated, so this effect is more likely a related measure of income rather than an indica tor that ethnicity in and of itself is a strong

variation among the geographic regions of the state. Averages for counties around the Rio Grande border and in East Texas fall below 60 percent, while the highest rates occur in the Panhandle, north Texas, and central areas of the state. There is a high concentration of county averages near the state average; 68 counties have percent passing rates plus or minus two points of that figure.

#### Historical Perspective

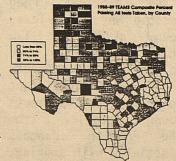
Statewide, passing rates have improved by 2.3 percentage points over the 1987-88 test results. Approximately two-thirds of the districts, or 695, improved their percent passing rates, while in 364 districts rates declined.

tended to show the greatest gains In percentage points; however, the 1989 rates for those districts remain low. Of the 50 districts where the 1988 composite passing rate was less than 50 percent, 43 of those improved their passing rates at an average of 9.1 percentage points. The 50 districts as a group improved by 7.8 percentage point raising the percentage passing all tests taken to 53 percent.

#### **Grade Results**

the composite percent passing rate. All grades are directly related to wealth and inversely related to percent minority. In each grade, the percent passing all tests taken has either improved or remained stable since the previous year.

and passing rates by grade is published each year by the TEA Division of Student Assessment. Materials are available at this time from that division.

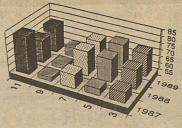


tional Calculations
At the request of the legislature, TEA has also calculated district and campus percent passing rates where the scores of students served in bilingual education or English as a second language (ESL) programs are excluded. On average, passing rates do Increase by excluding these scores. Statewide, the percent passing rate for all tests was 74 percent when the scores of billingual and ESL students were removed, an increase of two percentage points.

As the percentage of a district's students served in billingual / ESL programs varies greatly, particularly by geographic area of the state, exclusion of these students' scores does significantly impact the percent passing rates of some districts and campuses. On some campuses, well over 75 percent of students tested are served in these programs, while on others, there are

#### Districts with low passing rates in 1988 Composite TEAMS Analysis

TEAMS Percent Passing All Tests Taken, by Grade Statewide Results, 1986-87 through 1988-89



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American The of Texas the law said that raises the age to buy tobacco products is the most significant to date that protects from people young health dangers the associated with smoking.

The new law, which effective becomes prohibits September tobacco sale as products such cigarettes and tobacco, persons under the age of 18. It changes a law that for ninety allowed vears of purchase tobacco

as young habit 16 years of age. also compliments It law in effect for that bans two years student tobacco use all of any kind on public Texas school campuses and at school sanctined functions.

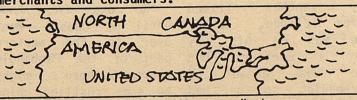
"Raising the makes tobacco products accessible to children, "said Edward Carter, managing director of the American Lung Association of "Making Texas. less accessible protects the our children from up an addictive taking A MARKARA BARARA MARKA

that threatening."

"Ninety percent of all adult smokers today began their nicotine habit age 16 so this law should have a significant impact on the health of our people," young added. "Adolescents are not aware of the serious health damage they are creating for themselves when take that thev first puff."

The Texas Department Health recently issued signs to displayed at points of purchase to remind customers These signs new mandated been have law to discourviolations by age merchants and consumers.

Association Lung officials hope will discourage young people from beginning a cigarette habit.



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