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Ben Miller creates special sculpture for Post Founder's Day

by Becky Warren
Post Dispatch

Ben was asked by the Founder's Day Committee to build a special sculpture for the occasion and he has outdone himself.

The sculpture, called "Visionary", is a spectacular work of art. It features a rider on a horse looking around the area and visualizing what the future will hold. The rustic base of the sculpture will depict industries of Garza County.

Ben, a world known sculptor, starts with a drawing of the skeleton of

horse and rider. He builds the skeleton out of wire and clay and then details all the muscles on both and builds them up.

When I viewed the sculpture, I really would not have imagined that all the detail that was done ahead of time. The sculpture will be a quarter of life-size when finished.

Ben explained the process of going from the clay to the bronze finish. They will make a mold of the clay product then go to a rubber mold. After that a wax mold is made. Then the bronze will be

poured. It is a very tedious procedure.

Ben said that after the pouring of the mold is complete and the sculpture is removed, the mold will be destroyed. "This is a one-of-a-kind. No other will be made," he said.

The sculpture will be auctioned during the Black Tie & Boots celebration, September 23.

"We are really fortunate to have such a talented person in our midst. Ben is really 'one-of-a-kind'," said Barbara Hardin, Post Main Street Manager.



Ben Miller working on sculpture "Visionary"

(Photo by Tim Burnett)

Winners of Letter-Writing Contest

In March, the American Sheep Industry Women initiated a Letter-Writing Contest to a member of Congress from their state. The original letters were mailed to the addressed congressmen in early June. The topic for each contestant was "Why agriculture is important to his/her state." The purpose of the contest was to learn how to properly write their congressmen.

Winning first place and a \$1,000 college scholarship was Jared Whitworth of Brady Texas.

Anna R. Peters, a second place \$750 scholarship winner, recently graduated from Albin High School in Albin, Wyoming.

Third place and a \$500

college scholarship was Lynn R. "Trey" Keyser, Ill.

Other placings and \$100 U.S. Savings Bond winners are 4th - Tracy Henderson, Schellburg, PA; 5th - McClellan K. Stewart, Clatskanie, OR; 6th - Laura Hensley, O'Donnell, TX; 7th - Lisa Dechert, Boerne, TX; 8th - Staci Eckhart, Rocksprings, TX.

Seven other contestants won Honorable Mention and \$50 U.S. Savings Bond.

Plans are under way for another similar contest in the spring of 1996.

Copy of the letter sent by Laura Hensley that won a sixth place \$100 U.S. Saving Bond for her is on page 8.



Sports Physicals

All Sports Physicals are scheduled for Saturday, August 5, 1995 in Lubbock, Texas.

If any girl or boy, that hasn't had a physical, and plan to participate in any sport during the 1995-96 school year and will be in the 6-12 grades, they will need to be in Gail on this date. The bus will leave at 12:30 p.m. and arrive in Lubbock at the Sports Medicine Network at 2:15 p.m. for these physicals.

If you or your parents need further information, contact the Borden County School (806)756-4313.

Plans See All-School Reunion Nearing Completion

The Exes Planning Committee met July 11, 1995 to begin the completion of the plans for the 1995 Borden County School Exes Reunion. Some 135 exes plus spouses and children have responded at this time. Below is an early list of exes planning to attend the festivities.

We request that you contact fellow classmates and other exes and urge

them to make plans to come join the fun. We can accept additional reservations for the Saturday noon meal until a few days before the reunion.

If you cannot attend the noon meal, we hope you will try to come to whatever portion of the event you can.

Registration and a visitation reception will be held Friday evening

beginning at 5:00 p.m.

On Saturday, the 5th, registration will be available to those who didn't register Friday. Also a delicious catered lunch, group and class get-togethers and a general exes meeting will be held on Saturday. Meeting places will be set aside for groups and/or classes to meet.

With everyone working and having fun together, this will be a long remembered event.

Borden County ISD Exes

Margaret Sexton Mathis	53
Brent Murphy	53
Bill Staggs	53
James "Whistle" Worley	53
E.L. Farmer	55
Barbara Miller Farmer	55
Larry Smith	55
Wanda Cunningham Smith	55
Borden Reader	55
Kenneth Williams	55
Melba Bogan Canon	56
E.L. Franklin	56
Glen Kingston	56
Charles "Chuck" Lewis	56
Nancy Telchik Edwards	57
Ed Henderson	57
Ben Lockhart	57
Judy Doyle Kingston	58
Janice Ernst Reeder	58
Gene Spies	58
Mary Lynn Williams	58
Virginia Henderson Vandergriff	58
J.O. "Bo" Creighton	59
Patsy Burdett Wyrick	59
Donna Swanson Boyce	60
Nelda Gilmore Burnett	60
Clara "Cookie" Porter Dyess	60
Jeanna Burrus Love	60
Carol Patterson Lewis	60
Ronnie Spies	60
Mary Henderson Scott	60
Raymond Walton	60
Ralph Williams	60
Sonny Anderson	60
Patti Harrell	61
Kent Holmes	61
Judy Harding Brown	61
Don Franklin	61
Mike Wilson	61
Joel Dennis	62
Carolyn Smith Foster	62

Rusty Hensley	62
Ollie Kingston Holmes	62
Sandra Crow	62
Venita Rains Bledsoe	62
Gloria Martin Fannon	63
James Telchik	63
Mike Stephens	63
Linda Todd Dove	63
Bill Nunnally	64
Mary Ann Awtry	65
Ellen Boyd Barefoot	65
Jerold Kingston	65
Marchita Milliken	65
Danny Hagins	65
Judy Smith Hagins	65
Kenneth Telchik	66
Kay Sneed Yeager	66
La Wanda Zant	66
Barbara Swinney Cunningham	67
Donna Cox Gee	67
Don Nunnally	67
Shawna Wills Patterson	67
Martha Couch	68
Jay Smith	68
Patricia Ann Hagins	68
Charlotte Toombs Strong	69
Randy Adcock	69
Verna Todd Adcock	69
Janice Todd Hogg	70
Sondra Sneed Bloom	70
Bobbie Ludecke George	70
Lisa Dennis Mahler	70
Brenda Jackson Kemper	71
Connie Ogden Stipe	71
Annette Couch	72
Mike Toombs	72
Rhonda Patterson	74
Rita Cornett Barlow	75
Lisa Ludecke	75
John Anderson	75
Philena Farmer	76

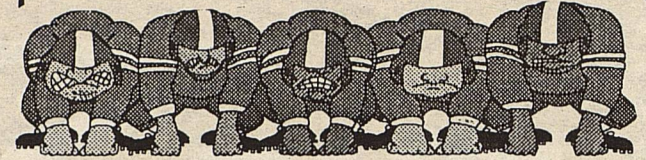
POSITION OPEN

The Borden County Commissioners' Court is Taking Applications For A Person To Maintain The Borden County Water System. Interested Parties Must Have A Valid Driver's License, A Working Knowledge Of Electricity and Plumbing, Be Able To Attend The Required Schools, And Pass A Certification Test. Applications May Be Picked Up At The County Judge's Office.

Borden County Would Also Consider Contracting The Maintenance Of The Borden County Water System To A Qualified Contractor. All Proposals Will Be Considered. Mail Proposals To P.O. Box 156, Gail, Texas 79738.

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Football Workouts



FOOTBALL PRACTICE WILL BEGIN ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9, 1995 AT 5:00 P.M.

ALL HIGH SCHOOL BOYS, GRADES 9-12, WHO WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 1995 COYOTE FOOTBALL PROGRAM ARE URGED TO ATTEND THESE WORKOUTS.

List of Exes Attending Reunion

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Mary Ledbetter Bond	76
Kevva Tucker Anderson	78
Martha Anderson Wristen	78
Patrick Toombs	78
Eurdist Rinehart	78
Matt Farmer	78
Dianne Woodul Farmer	78
Carla Jones Sandusky	80
Glenda Burkett Scott	80
Travis Rinehart	80
Mark Walker	80
Janna Love	80
Karen Williams	80
Blane Dyess	80
Gena Faught Harris	81
Suzanne Walker Kitten	81
Van Lee York	81
Jym Rinehart	82
Gena McLeroy McKee	82
Keith Williams	83
Doug Love	83
Kevin Telchik	83
Kim Wills Clay	84
Dawn Holmes	84
Keith Martin	84
Shana Bradshaw Biddison	85
Samantha Porter	85
Kirby Williams	85
Cathy York Amonett	86

Shon Parker	86
Bric Turner	86
Rene Telchik	87
Kristi Stone Caruthers	87
Kelli Williams Edwards	87
Shannon Bond	88
Shelly Lewis Bolton	88
Brian Bond	90

Teachers, Employees and Friends

Marvin and Billie Dupuy	Doris Steadman
Sibyl Gilmore	Barbara York
Sandra Graves	Lennis Couch
Ben and Netta Jarrett	James and Ann McLeroy
Evelyn Ernst Koonce	Marge Toombs
Sid and Carolyn Long	Izora Milliken
Gay Ludecke	Pauline Haynes
Lela Porter	Ted and Janene Porter

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There will be a party honoring the Borden County classes of 1965 and 1970 at the Posse Building on Saturday, August 5th, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome!!

Come for the fun, music and visiting!!

If you have CDs and cassettes of music from the 50s, 60s, or 70s, please bring them to the party. Party will be hosted by Mary Ann Dennis Awtry, Kenny Bennett and Lisa Dennis Mahler.

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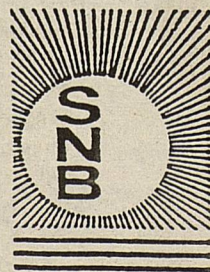
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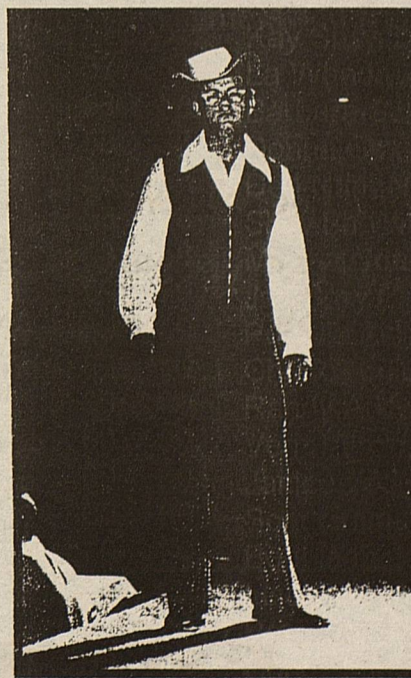
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Letter

Rt. 1 Box 99
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May 15, 1995

The Honorable Kay Bailey Hutchison
United States Senate
Hart Senate Office Building Rm. 703
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Hutchison:

In dusty dry West Texas, farm and pasture land stretches out for miles. Some people would call this place dull and boring, but I have been calling it home for over sixteen years. My name is Laura Hensley and I am a junior at Borden County High School in Gail, Texas. All my life I have been surrounded by agriculture, and I believe my life is richer from it. Because of my agricultural knowledge, I am able to appreciate the simple things in life: How the sky looks before a thunder storm or the silent stillness of the mornings in a field. Also through agriculture, I have been taught the more complex things in life: how cotton is mass produced to clothe the majority of the United States or how beef cattle provides food for this great country we call America. Agriculture not only affects Texas farmers, but also the livelihood of Texas itself.

Most everyone has already been bombarded with the speeches or commercials concerning agricultural welfare and have an impression that farmers and ranchers are a percentage of whining, uneducated people who always want more opportunities to make easy money. But I know for a fact that many agricultural workers are very hardworking and highly educated. My father is a cotton farmer and received his education from Texas A&M. He is just one example of the pure existence of agricultural life in Texas.

Without agriculture the economy of Texas and the United States would crash. Agriculture not only provides food and clothing but also millions of jobs for people--jobs such as lab technicians, agricultural teachers, or agricultural communications are only a few of jobs rarely thought of when one thinks of agriculture.

Agriculture also helps preserve wildlife and the environment. Wildlife Management helps teach people how to conserve the population of wildlife on range or pasture land. Wildlife is one of the largest industries in Texas. Conserving wildlife thus helps preserve the natural environment of Texas.

I hope the future of Texas agriculture is bright and full of opportunities. I have clear proof that the future of Texas agriculture is a growing lively influence on the youth of Texas. I am involved in FFA which is the largest youth organization in the nation; Texas FFA itself is the largest FFA association in the United States. I would like to extend to you a invitation to see the youth of Texas get involved in agriculture. Go to any school in Texas and you will find the greatest enthusiasm for agriculture you will ever see. You will go home thinking there is a bright light in the future of Texas agriculture, and that it is growing brighter and brighter every day.

Sincerely,
Laura Hensley

He was a lifetime resident of Borden County.

He farmed in the Vealmoor community for many years and lived on the Miller Ranch for 32 years. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Edward of Gail and Don of Big Spring; two daughters, Judy Hagins of Bridgeport and Carolyn Foster of Stanton; Five brothers, Lee Ovid of Odessa, R.A. of Phoenix, and Alvin, J.A. and Everett, all of Big Spring; three sisters, Velma Knowlton and Evie Marie Pounds, both of Big Spring and Lola Mae Foster of Duncan, Okla.; 10 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to Borden County EMS or to the donor's favorite charity.

OBITUARY

L.D. Smith
1923-1995

Services for L.D. Smith, 71, of Big Spring were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday July 18, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Funeral Home with Royce Clay, minister, officiating.

Burial was at Trinity

Memorial Park.

He died Saturday, July 15, 1995, at a Bridgeport nursing home.

He was born Dec. 27, 1923, in O'Donnell. He married Juanita Hodnett on April 29, 1942, in Vealmoor.



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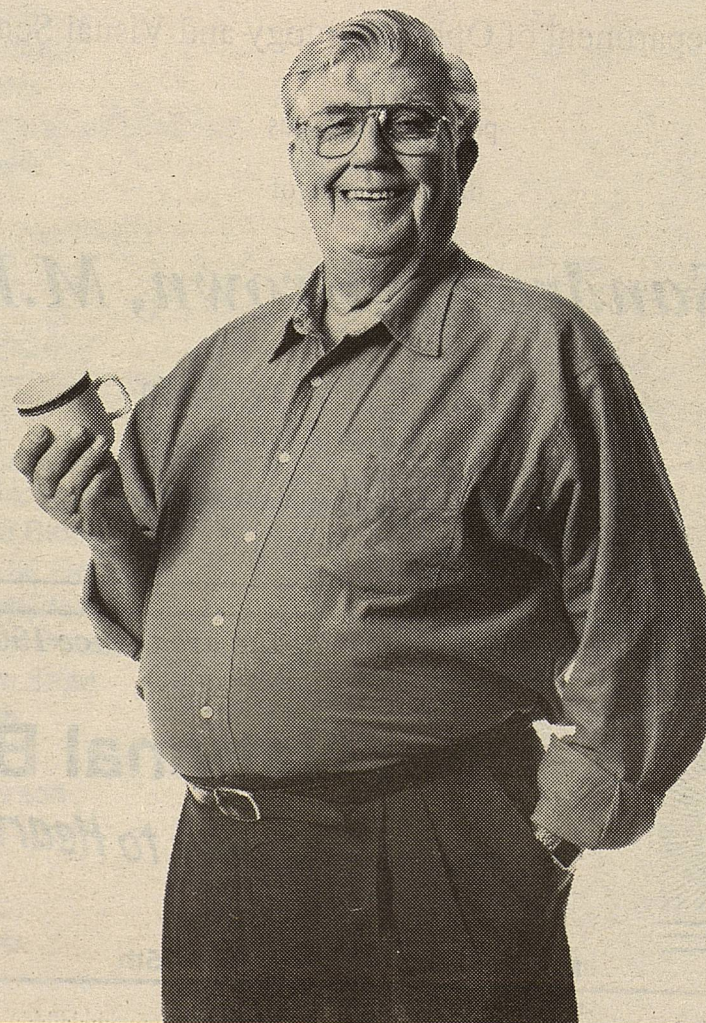
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