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Picnic' Advances to District Round

By Charla Soto

Borden High School's one-act play team advanced to the district round of the University Interscholastic League competition to be held April 3 at Sands High School Auditorium.

Cindy Herridge and Charla Soto directed Borden County's team of 12 actors and five crew members as they performed author William Inge's play "Picnic" at the Zone competition at Klondike High last Tuesday.

Klondike High's "The Attempted Murder of Peggy

Sweetwater" also advanced to District competition. Sand's "Underground Venus" finished as an alternate team.

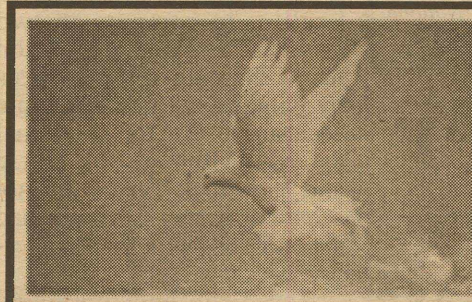
Freshman Tye Basquez won the best actress award. Tye plays Madge Owens, a beautiful girl who dates the richest boy in town but falls for the exciting drifter who comes to visit.

Junior Celina Guerrero and freshman Cayden Vaughn both earned all-star cast status. Celina plays Rosemary

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Borden County High School's One Act Play 'Picnic' advanced to District this past week. Cast and crew members are (top row left to right) Mollie McMeans, Maeghan Herridge, Zach McMeans, Michael Taylor, Cayden Vaughn, Cassie Gaines, Mason Coor, (middle row left to right) Tye Basquez, Shae Burkett, Celina Guerrero, Bessie Rhodes, (front row left to right) Mallory McMeans, Matthew Ham, Clair Shafer, Nathan Ham, Kalyn Massingill and T.J. Basquez.



Dare to Live Without Limits

By Bryan Golden

Your Journey

Success is the progressive realization of your goals. Life is a journey, not a destination. A common source of frustration for people is comparing their progress to their ultimate goal. They then run the risk of getting discouraged and abandoning their path altogether.

Suppose Bill has a goal to lose 25 pounds. After four weeks of dieting and exercise his weight has dropped four pounds. Bill is disappointed that in spite of all that effort he still weighs 21 pounds more than he wants. Convinced his goal is unattainable, Bill gives up on his weight loss plan.

Bill has given up because he failed to recognize the progress he has made. Subsequently, he has falsely concluded that his efforts have been ineffectual. Bill's erroneous assessment stems from impatience and his preoccupation with the end result. Had Bill maintained his weight loss plan, he would have attained his goal in another five months.

Bill shortchanged himself in a number of ways. He failed to recognize the progress he was making and

give himself credit for it. He expected instant results and didn't allow enough time for his journey. He became frustrated and gave up before he had attained his goal.

It's virtually impossible to leap from a starting point directly to an end result. There is always a journey connecting the two. When you want to drive to a particular location

you can not be instantly transported there. You have to plan a route, get started, drive safely, and stay on the road through turns, traffic, and changing weather conditions. Your progress is measured in miles and you know from past experience that if you keep going you will reach your destination.

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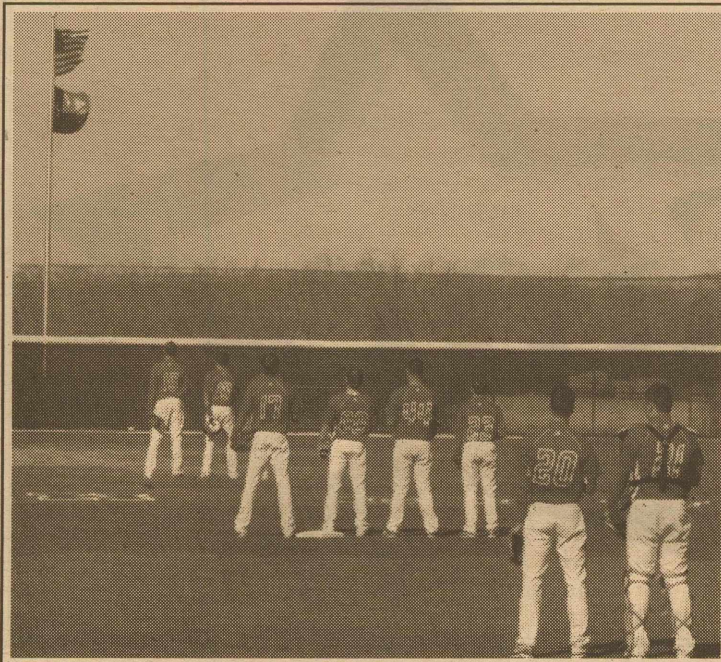
Pre-School Day

Pre-School Day will be Friday, April 6th. If your child will be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2012, he/she is invited to visit the kindergarten class, please go to the library to complete your child's registration packet. Please bring a copy of your child's birth certificate, social security card and immunization record.

WE WILL BE HAVING AN EARLY DISMISSAL AT 12:30 ON PRE-SCHOOL DAY.

Pre-School students will attend school from 8:05 – 12:30. The school will provide lunch. If your child would like to ride the bus, please contact the bus driver in your area.

If you have any questions, please contact the school at 806/756-4313.



The Borden County baseball team stands during the playing of the National Anthem.

Coyotes Suffer Loss to Tahoka

By Coach Richey

The Borden Coyotes baseballers hosted Tahoka last Tuesday in Gail suffering a 12-5 loss to the Bulldogs despite Kurt Shafer's two-hit day at the dish.

Two Coyote runs were scored thanks to timely hitting by Shafer. Shafer also singled in the first and seventh innings.

Collin Telchik racked up three strikeouts against the Bulldogs. Telchik allowed one earned run on four hits and one walk five five innings.

Tahoka's Zach Garcia racked up three RBI's on three hits for the Bulldogs. Garcia tripled in the second inning and singled in the sixth and seventh innings.

The Coyote's ran seemingly at will on the basepaths, finishing with six steals. Telchik, Austi Tyler and Jared Smith each had one stolen base and T.J. Basquez had three stolen bases.

Tahoka stayed on top until the final out after taking the lead in the second, scoring four runs on an RBI double by Cristian Ramirez, a groundout by Bryan Pena, and a RBI triple by Garcia.

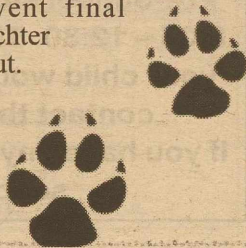
Tahoka built its lead with

six runs in the third. Calen Decker started the inning with a single, scoring Ethan Curry. That was followed up by a score by JR Bariantez.

After pushing across one run in the bottom of the third, the Coyotes faced just a 10-1 deficit. A groundout by Tyler fueled Borden County's comeback. Tristan Hilger ended the inning by getting Shafer to strike out.

After scoring two runs in the bottom of the fifth, the score was 10-3. An RBI double by Tanner Richey and an RBI single by Shafer gave the Coyotes life. Finally, Hilger induced an inning-ending strikeout from Hurricane Richter.

Two runs in the bottom of the seventh helped Borden County close its deficit to 12-5. An RBI single by Shafer and set off a Coyote rally. The game went final when Richter struck out.



FFA Wool/Cotton Teams Dominate Judging CDE Competition Event

By Buddy Wallace

The Gail FFA Judging Teams were active as they hit the road to participate in two team judging events this past weekend. Fourteen students traveled North with their advisor Mr. Wallace, and their student advisor Miss Jessica Scallin, to compete in two events. The Wool and Cotton teams dominated the contests by winning both events while securing several top individual awards. Although the Horse and Livestock Teams did not secure top honors, they too had a good showing for their efforts.

Top Team and Individual rankings were as follows:

Friday: WTAMU Canyon Contest:

Wool Team: 1st place overall team: Matt Roberson-2nd

high individual; Dalton Thuett-14th high individual and Sydnie Day-15th high individual.

Cotton Team: 1st place overall team: Teryn Soto-3rd high individual; Jordan Day-4th high individual; Tye Basquez-5th high individual and Maeghan Herridge-7th high individual.

Saturday: Clarendon College Contest:

Cotton Team: 1st place overall team: Maeghan Herridge-1st high individual; Teryn Soto-5th high individual; Tye Basquez-8th high individual and Jordan Day-11th high individual.

Wool Team: 1st place overall team: Dalton Thuett-8th high individual; Matt Roberson-9th high individual

and Sydnie Day-13th high individual.

Livestock team members competing were Seleste Herridge, Steelie Sanders, Kylie Voss and Mason Coor.

Horse team members competing were Matt Ham, Kalyn Massingill and Mollie McMeans.

Mr. Wallace and Miss Scallin are very proud of the efforts put forth by all students as they represented Gail FFA and Borden County School in these events. The students will use their experience and success to help prepare them for their upcoming Area and State Contests.

Be sure to watch the paper for forthcoming pictures taken of the team members and their awards!

Junior High Tracksters Travel to Jayton

By Coach Richey

The junior high girls and boys track teams traveled to Jayton last Thursday to participate in the High Rolling Plains Relays. Sixteen teams competed in the meet with the Coyote Pups placing 5th overall and the Missy Coyotes placing 2nd overall. The following are the results:

JH Boys:

Shot Put-4th place-Joel Andrade-38'8" and 5th place-Nathan Souder-35'.

Long Jump-4th place-Jayton Lewis-15'9.25".

High Jump-6th place-Hunter Jones-4'8".

Pole Vault-1st place-Hunter Jones-8' and 2nd place-Robert Jordan-7'6".

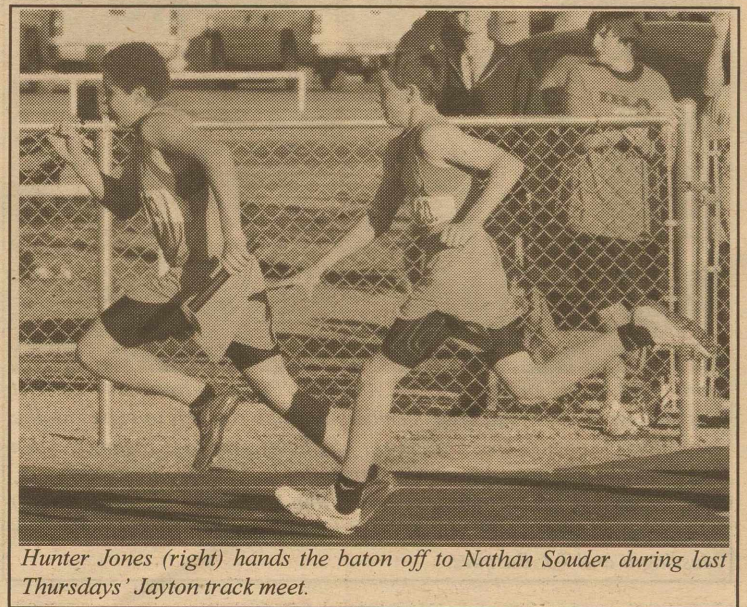
2400 Run-6th place-Robert Jordan-10:03.11.

400 Meter Relay-4th place-Hunter Jones, Nathan Souder,

Jayton Lewis and Merik Valentine-0:51.74.

800 Meter Relay-2nd place-

Hunter Jones, Nathan Souder,



Hunter Jones (right) hands the baton off to Nathan Souder during last Thursdays' Jayton track meet.

Borden Track Teams Successful at Rolling Plains Relays

By Coach Richey

The Borden County high school track team gathered with nineteen teams in Jayton last Friday to compete in the Rolling Plains Relays. The varsity boys' ran away with 96 points winning the meet while the varsity girls rounded up 70 points for 4th place overall. The JV boys team came in as runners up to Ira. The following are the results of the meet.

Varsity boys:

Shot Put-2nd place-T.J. Basquez-44'4".

High Jump-2nd place-Quint Shafer-5'8".

Discus-3rd place-T.J. Basquez-125'9.5".

3200 Meter Run-2nd place-Luke Burkett-11:13.72.

400 Meter Relay-3rd place-Riley Smith, Quint Shafer, Austin Fields and Collin Telchik-46.80.

110 Meter Hurdles-2nd place-Tanner Richey-15.86 and 3rd place-Austin Tyler-16.97.

800 Meter Relay-3rd place-Riley Smith, Quint Shafer, Austin Fields and Collin Telchik-1:38.52.

300 Meter Hurdles-1st place-Tanner Richey-42.75 and 5th place-Austin Tyler-46.15.

1600 Meter Relay-2nd place-Austin Fields, Riley

Smith, Luke Burkett and Collin Telchik-3:44.15.

Varsity Girls:

Triple Jump-2nd place-Aubree Lester-32'25".

Shot Put-2nd place-Raegan Belongia-29'1" and 5th place-Kaylyn Dean-26'4".

Long Jump-2nd place-Aubree Lester-15'3".

Discus-2nd place-Raegan Belongia-90'2".

3200 Meter Run-1st place-Taylor Gass-13:06.33.

400 Meter Relay-2nd place-Taylor Gass, Hanna Forbes, Stefanie Cooley and Aubree Lester-54.07.

300 Meter Hurdles-1st place-Hanna Forbes-49.73.

JV boys:

Triple Jump-2nd place-Kurt Shafer-34'6.25".

Shot Put-1st place-Helio Rosales-37'6" and 4th place-Frank Banman-32'2".

High Jump-4th place-Kurt Shafer-4'10".

Discus-2nd place-Frank Banman-87'3" and 6th place-Michael Taylor-79'5".

3200 Meter Run-4th place-Zach McMeans-15:13.81.

400 Meter Relay-1st place-Frank Banman, Helio Rosales, Jared Smith and Tristan Benavidez-48.97.

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Borden Countys' Quint Shafer performs the high jump at the Rolling Plains Relays and places 2nd with a jump of 5'8".



Lexi Peterson long jumps in the during last Fridays Jayton relays. The girls' team place 4th overall in the meet.

School Lunch Menu

April 2 - 6, 2012

Monday - Breakfast: Waffle Stix, Fruit Juice & Milk. Lunch: Pizza Burger, Salad, Tater Tots, Mandarin Oranges and Milk.

Tuesday - Breakfast: Muffin, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Roll, Cake and Milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast: Sausage & Biscuit, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken Fajita, Pinto Beans, Garden Salad, Apple Slices and Milk.

Thursday - Breakfast: Cereal & Graham Cracker, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Beef & Bean Burrito, Spanish Rice, Salad, Mixed Fruit and Milk.

Friday - Breakfast: Poptart, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Pig in a Blanket, Carrots, Celery, Baked Chips, Rice Crispy Treat and Milk.

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JH 1600 Meter Relay




The junior high girls 1600 meter relay team placed first at the Jayton Rolling Plains Relays this past Thursday. Team members pictured are (left to right) Tatum Richey, Karly Etheredge, Kylee Dean and Cheyenne Tucker.

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Heart and Home ... 

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How to Keep a "Healthy Tan"

It is time to rethink that old phrase "healthy tan." Maybe "healthy pale" is more like it. There is really no such thing as a "healthy tan." The more sun that you get, the more chance you have of getting skin cancer. Unfortunately, you may not even be aware it's happening, because sun exposure is cumulative, even without an actual burn.

This is of special concern to dermatologists, who have seen a significant jump in all types of skin cancer, especially malignant melanoma, a potentially life-threatening disease. Although skin cancers are not caused solely by sun exposure, sunlight is still the prime culprit. Reducing sun exposure is the first line of defense against skin cancer - not to mention leathery, wrinkled skin.

Studies show that 80% of sun-related skin damage occurs in the first 18 years of life. Fortunately, it is never too late to protect your skin from the damaging effects of sun exposure.

While parents are responsible for putting sun screen on their children, it is equally important for them to put sun screen on themselves. Even if you've gone for years without wearing sun block, you can prevent future damage and begin repairing skin that's been exposed to excessive sun using it, starting now.

The best sun block is anything you are willing to wear, however, an SPF (sun protection factor) of 15 is strongly encouraged. Women can protect their skin by applying a daily moisturizer or foundation with sun screen, as well as sun screen to their exposed limbs and neck. For those with oily or sensitive skin, there are sun screen products on the market that will address these factors. No matter what types of sun block you choose, be sure that it protects against both UVA and UVB rays (the two types of light that damage skin).

There are other ways to pro-

tect your skin in addition to wearing sun block. When outside, wear a hat, particularly one with a wide brim, and wear clothing that is light colored which will reflect instead of absorb the sunlight. Avoid long exposure during the most heat-intensive part of the day (between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.). Also, wear sunglasses. They not only protect the skin around your eyes, they help prevent cataracts, which are caused chiefly by excessive sun exposure. Remember not to be fooled by clouds, you can get sunburn even in January.

If you have a questionable mole or skin lesion, you should see a dermatologist to determine if it is dangerous. Look for places on the skin that have changed in color, shape or size. If you catch skin cancer early, there is nearly a 100% cure rate. However, if left untreated, skin cancer can cause scarring, disfigurement and even death.

If you follow these precautions, you should be able to avoid sun damage and skin cancer. But, if you just have to have that tan, do not look to tanning salons for the answer. Reports from the American Medical Association have associated the rays from tanning beds with even more skin damage and ultimately more skin cancer than the sun alone. However, if you cannot stand the look of pale skin, consider using self-tanning lotions. There are numerous self-tanners available on the market which have been vastly improved since the original "quick tan" products in years past. Self-tanners are a safe alternative to tanning salons or sunbathing. These lotions use chemicals to alter the very top layer of skin color, but do not cause any damage, and you'll have the "sun-kissed" look you so desire.

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Dare to Live...

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Your journey in life is no different. But rather than one objective at a time, you will have numerous goals, each with its own time frame and unique set of challenges. The pursuit of each goal entails a journey. Some journeys overlap, others are unique and distinct. Regardless of the mix, your journeys must be managed simultaneously.

For another example, let's look at Jane's situation. Jane is a college freshman and has many journeys to take before she graduates. These include each subject, every class, meeting new teachers, making new friends, etc. Jane's college experience is not measured by her diploma but by her journeys and adventures.

Your life is comprised of the sum total of all your journeys. Some journeys are thoroughly enjoyable while others may feel like endurance tests. We can't always pick and choose our journeys but we can make the best of each one. Each journey is rich with experiences and opportunities.



Here are some ways you can make the most of each journey. Objectively measure your progress and give yourself credit for it. Each step forward, no matter how small, is significant. Each step indicates that you are not standing still, and more importantly, not moving backwards. Even if you encounter a setback, resume your forward motion.

Set a timeframe for your journey that is compatible with your circumstances. If Jane were working full time and could only take one college course each semester, there's no way she could graduate in the same time as if she were going to school full time. Journeys are personal. Don't compare yourself or compete with someone else.

Don't give up or get frustrated. Be consistent and persist until you complete your journey. Once you stop, you ensure you will never reach your destination.

To enjoy life, savor your journeys. Each journey can

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 Borden County 4-H News 

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County Educational Presentation Contest, Share-the-Fun and Public Speaking Project

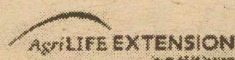
4-H'ers and parents interested in learning more about the Public Speaking Project should contact the Extension Office as soon as possible. Information is available to assist 4-H'ers and their parents in writing, presenting and preparing visuals for educational presentations (method demonstrations); as well as covering information about the public speaking contest and share-the-fun's. Share-the-fun categories include: Celebrate 4-H, choreographed routines, poet, vocal, band and musical. This project provides youth an excellent opportunity to develop public speaking skills, even if they hate to talk in front of others. 4-H'ers will present their prepared presentations at County 4-H Roundup. Participants will advance to District 4-H Roundup, which will be held on May 5th at Levelland Middle School in Levelland. **The deadline for entering a Public Speaking Contest is Wednesday, April 11.** For more information contact Julie Smith at the Extension office at (806)756-4336 or e-mail at julie.smith@agnet.tamu.edu

4-H Fashion Show



Kaitlyn Cribbs (left) and Kelby Kleck competed in the County 4-H Fashion Show on March 20th. They will both advance to District on April 10th in Abernathy. Kaitlyn will compete in Junior Construction Casual with her sundress and Kelby will compete in Junior Construction Specialty with her pajama set. We wish these young ladies lots of luck as they prepare.

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On the Wild Side of Life
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Texas AgriLife Extension to Lead Statewide Cow Herd Rebuilding Education Initiative

COLLEGE STATION — The Texas AgriLife Extension Service is beginning a statewide educational initiative focusing on rebuilding cattle herds within the state.

“For the past two decades, we have seen a continual decline in cattle numbers within the state,” said Dr. Ron Gill, AgriLife Extension livestock specialist and associate department head for animal science at Texas A&M University in College Station.

“The historic drought of 2011 dramatically accentuated that trend.

The state’s cattle industry and affiliated trade and service companies are the second largest economic driver in the state bringing in billions of dollars to the state economy. With the cow herd at such a critically low level, Texas will start to lose infrastructure if cow numbers do not increase soon.”

A series of in-depth, educational programs will be held across the state throughout the month of April, Gill said. Programs are scheduled for Midland, Yoakum, Alice, Graham, Abilene and Athens. Registration is available online at <http://agriliferegister.tamu.edu> (keyword: beef)

Program topics include: changes in lending policies that will impact availability of capital to reinvest in cattle; balancing forage recovery with cattle inventory recovery; systematic approach to evaluating options for securing replacement females; and developing a logical and systematic system to evaluate the worth of available replacement females.

The program sessions will also include discussions on such issues as herd health, biosecurity and creating strategic inventory flexibility into an operation.

Another critical area of concern is generational turnover, Gill said. The ongoing drought has been so severe that many producers have decided to not go back into the cattle industry, he said.

“It’s important to long-term sustainability of the beef industry that we do not keep this range/pasture land out of cattle production,” he said. “One special session will be devoted to the topic of how to develop a long-term relationship between landowners and land lessors.”

Gill said there are a large number of young men and women that want to go into ranching, but do not have the capital or the experience in some cases to start an operation.

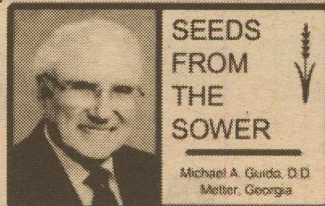
“Developing partnerships with family members or others in the community will allow a new generation of ranchers to emerge during this recovery process,” he said. “We will address this issue and the challenges that lie ahead.”

The program sessions will also discuss additional uncertainty with both weather patterns and intentions of state beef producers following the devastating 2011 drought, Gill said.

“Recent surveys indicate that as many as 25 percent of producers who have sold cattle due to drought do not intend to go back into beef production and another 10 percent to 15 percent indicate they may seek alternative livestock enterprises if they do go back into production.”

Gill said whether this property is taken out and put into real estate development, recreational or wildlife use or sits idle, it “will have long-term implications on the future of

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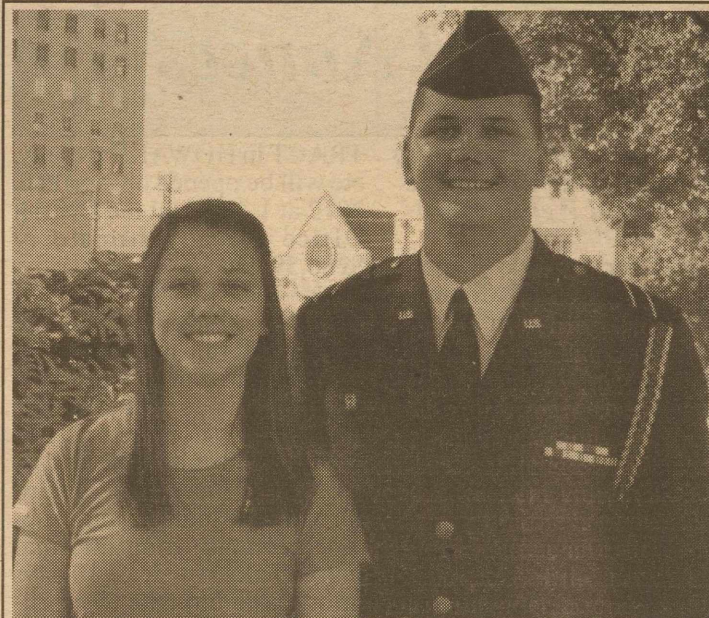
Constantine the Great is credited with being the originator of the Easter Parade. It began on the first Easter Sunday following his conversion. On that day, he ordered the members of his court to wear their finest garments to honor and celebrate the resurrection of Christ.

What will we wear for our Easter garments this year? New clothes covering an old nature? Costly garments hiding a deceitful heart? Changing our apparel will not change our attitudes or our actions.

When we walk with the Lord, He will make all things new from the inside out. He is able to change our old nature into one of His making, a deceitful heart into one devoted to loving Him and our state thoughts into fresh new insights into the way He wants us to live.

When we turn our lives over to the Lord, we will not need to worry about what we wear or where we walk in a parade. We will be covered with His grace, demonstrate His goodness and reflect His greatness wherever we are.

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Krista and Brendan Tarleton

Tarleton Duo Accepted to Nursing Program

Brendan and Krista Tarleton, both high school graduates of Borden County, have been accepted into the Nursing Program at Angelo State University for the Fall of 2012.

They have met the requirements of the ASU Nursing Department and will begin nursing classes in the fall. Both Brendan and Krista plan to graduate from Angelo State in May of 2014 with a Bachelors of Science in Nursing.



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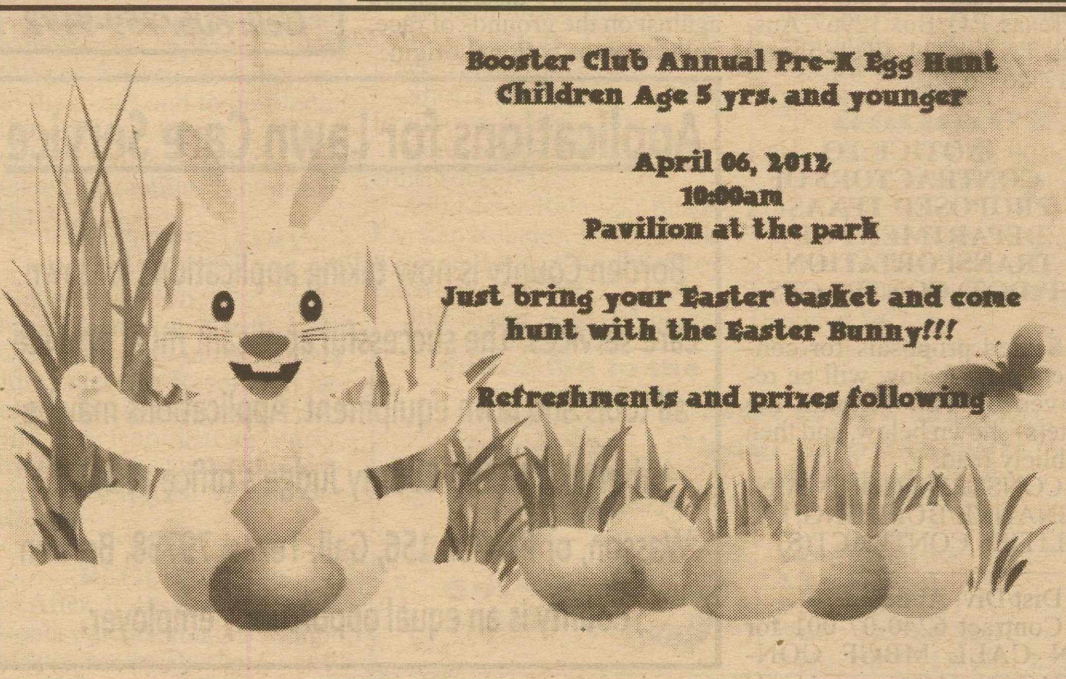
**Booster Club Annual Pre-K Egg Hunt
Children Age 5 yrs. and younger**

**April 06, 2012
10:00am**

Pavilion at the park

**Just bring your Easter basket and come
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Legal Notices

Notice of Application to Amend Oil & Gas Waste Disposal Well Permit

BC Operating, Inc. is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for an amendment on a permit to dispose of produced water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into a porous formation productive of oil or gas.

The applicant proposes to amend the injection interval and pressure on the Canon Ranch Unit #629 located in Section 34, Block 33 T-5-N and abstract A-1460 which is 15.3 miles West of Gail in Borden County.

The amendment will request the Groundwater Advisory Unit change the injection depth to 7,190-7,330 feet in the Spraberry Formation and the injection pressure to 2500 psi. This will be located in the Jo-Mill (Spraberry) Field.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources code, as amended and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing within fifteen days of publication to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, TX 78711 (Telephone (512)463-6792).

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Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)

Dist/Div: Abilene
 Contract 6240-07-001 for
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TRACT in HOWARD County, etc will be opened on April 10, 2012 at 1:30 pm at the District Office for an estimate of \$286,597.50

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.txdot.gov. and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

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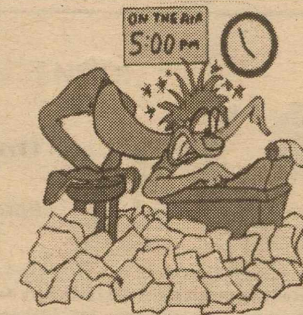
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Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

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Rule 37 Case No. 0275122
 Status/Permit No. 710170

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SHARP IMAGE ENERGY, INC., [RRC Operator No. 770731] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 9, Bk. 30 T5N, T&P RR CO Survey, A-196, ROMAC (ELLENBURGER) Field, BORDEN County, being 5 miles NE direction from GAIL, TX, Texas. PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protester should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848.

If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 (512)463-6751.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Apr 25, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:
 FIELD: ROMAC (ELLENBURGER)

Lease/Unit Name : GAIL 9
 Lease/Unit Well No. : 1PU
 Lease/Unit Acres : 80.0
 Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 473.0
 Lease Lines : 855.0 F W L, 608.0 F S L
 Survey Lines : 1132.0 F E L, 55.0 F N L

As part of this application, applicant also seeks permit authority in 4 additional fields: (1) RAFTER CROSS (ELLENBURGER), (2) GAIL, SOUTH (STRAWN), (3) GAIL, SOUTH, (4) WILDCAT. No rule exception is necessary pursuant to the field rules for these fields. Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

ROMAC (ELLENBURGER) : OIL Special Rules 660/1200, 80.0 acres.
 RAFTER CROSS (ELLENBURGER) : OIL Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.
 GAIL, SOUTH (STRAWN) : OIL Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.
 GAIL, SOUTH : OIL Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.
 WILDCAT : Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 9500 feet.
 If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Kyle Grant, at (512)4783456.

Applications for Lawn Care Service

Borden County is now taking applications for lawn care services. The successful applicant must provide all tools and lawn equipment. Applications may be submitted to the County Judge's office at 117 E. Wasson, or PO Box 156, Gail, Texas, 79738. Borden County is an equal opportunity employer.

Commissioners' Court

WHEREAS, On this the 28th day of February, 2012, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Special Session in the Commissioners Court room in the courthouse of Gail, Texas, the following members of the court being present, to-wit:

ROSS SHARP, County Judge, Residing; **MONTE SMITH**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 1; **RANDY ADCOCK**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 2; **ERNEST REYES**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3; **JOE BELEW**, Commissioner, Precinct 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.

Other officers Present: Treasurer Sharlot Stone and Ben Smith, County Attorney.

CALL TO ORDER

Judge Sharp opened the February 28, 2012 Special Session of Borden Co. Commissioners Court at 8:35 a.m.

MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the Commissioners Court Meetings of February 14, 2012 were read. Commissioner Reyes made a motion to approve said minutes. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

After consideration, Commissioner Smith made a motion to accept the Line Item Transfer Amendments for the 2011 Budget year. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

STEEL WHEEL

A discussion was held concerning the Steel Wheel Roller to be used by the Road and Bridge Department. No action taken.

ROAD AND BRIDGE EQUIPMENT

A discussion was held concerning requests for bids on a truck and/or equipment trailer to be used by the Road and Bridge Department. No action taken.

BURN BAN

No request to lift burn ban. Burn ban is back in effect.

WATER SYSTEM REGULATIONS

The Borden County Water System Regulations were re-

viewed. No action taken.

FACILITY MAINTENANCE EMPLOYEE

The Court reviewed the applications for a Facility Maintenance employee. He would receive \$13.00 per hour with a Cell Phone allowance of \$45.00 per month. Commissioner Smith made a motion to hire George Ebersole and Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ROAD CONSTRUCTION/ MAINTENANCE

No application received.

SOIL CONSERVATION CONSTRUCTION

An application for Soil Conservation Construction of Fireguards was received from Tim Wilson in Precinct No. 2. Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve the application. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Reyes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Adcock left at 11:30 a.m.

ACCOUNTS ALLOWED

The current accounts were examined. A motion was made by Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve and pay said accounts. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE AGENDA

No new items were presented.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Reyes made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Belew seconded the motion and was approved unanimously.

THE FOREGOING MINUTES READ AND APPROVED THIS THE 13th day of March, 2012.

WHEREAS, On this the 13th day of March, 2012, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Regular Session in the Commissioners Court room in the courthouse of Gail, Texas, the following members of the court being present, to-wit:

ROSS SHARP, County Judge, Residing; **MONTE SMITH**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 1; **RANDY ADCOCK**, Commissioner,

Precinct No. 2; **ERNEST REYES**, Commissioner Precinct No. 3; **JOE BELEW**, Commissioner, Precinct 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.

Other officers Present: Ben Smith, County Attorney and Treasurer Sharlot Stone.

CALL TO ORDER

Judge Sharp opened the March 13, 2012 Regular Session of Borden Co. Commissioners Court at 8:45 a.m.

MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the Commissioners Court Meetings of February 28, 2012 were read. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve said minutes. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

Michelle Garcia and Peggy Parrott with West Texas Children's Advocacy Center met with the Court. Commissioner Smith made a motion to proclaim the month of April 2012 as "Child Abuse Prevention Month." Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

AIR EVAC LIFE TEAM

Mary Frances Malone with Air Evac Life Team met with the Court reporting on the upgrades to current program.

COUNTY OFFICER REPORTS

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve County Officer Reports as submitted to the Court and to be filed in the County Clerk's office. Commissioner Belew seconded the motion. Motion carried.

JOINT PRIMARY ELECTION

Commissioner Adcock made a motion for Borden County to enter into a Primary Joint Election Resolution between the Democratic Party and the Republican Party. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Reyes. Motion carried.

WATER REGULATIONS

After discussion, Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve the Borden County

Water System Regulations and Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ROAD CONSTRUCTION/ MAINTENANCE SOIL CONSERVATION CONSTRUCTION

No applications for Road Construction/Maintenance and Soil Conservation were received.

BURN BAN

No request to lift burn ban.

ACCOUNTS ALLOWED

The current accounts were examined. A motion was made by Commissioner Belew made

a motion to approve and pay said accounts. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE AGENDA

No new items were presented.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Smith made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion and was approved unanimously.

THE FOREGOING MINUTES READ AND APPROVED THIS THE 27th day of March, 2012.

Jayton Relays...

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800 Meter Run-5th place-Riley Herridge-2:43.81.

110 Meter Hurdles-1st place-Kurt Shafer-19.82 and 4th place-Sean Tucker-20.88.

800 Meter Relay-2nd place-Frank Banman, Helio Rosales, Jared Smith and Tristan Benavidez-1:45.84.

400 Meter Dash-1st place-Matt Proulx-56.88.

300 Meter Hurdles-4th

place-Kurt Shafer-49.98 and 6th place-Sean Tucker-51.80.

200 Meter Dash-4th place-Helio Rosales-26.38.

1600 Meter Run-6th place-Riley Herridge.

1600 Meter Relay-2nd place-Sean Tucker, Matt Proulx, Kurt Shafer and Jared Smith-4:04.94.

Congratulations on a job well done!

Jr. High Tracksters...

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Jayton Lewis and Merik Valentine-1:50.29.

1200 Meter Run-6th place-Robert Jordan-4:25.85.

JH Girls:
Triple Jump-3rd place-Cheyenne Tucker-28'7.5" and 5th place-Tatum Richey-28'3.75".

Shot Put-6th place-Holly Bradbury-26'11".

Long Jump-2nd place-Cheyenne Tucker-14'.

400 Meter Relay-3rd place-Kyrsten Rebeles, Kylee Dean, Sydnee Jordan and Karley Etheredge-0:57.66.

800 Meter Run-2nd place-

Kyrsten Rebeles-2:59.20.

100 Meter Hurdles-2nd place-Tatum Richey-0:18.28.

100 Meter Dash-3rd place-Cheyenne Tucker-0:14.39.

800 Meter Relay-1st place-Kylee Dean, Tatum Richey, Cheyenne Tucker and Karly Etheredge-1:59.52.

200 Meter Dash-1st place-Karly Etheredge-0:28.90.

1200 Meter Run-6th place-Zoie Key-4:54.70.



1600 Meter Relay-1st place-Sydnee Jordan, Kylee Dean, Tatum Richey and Cheyenne Tucker-4:54.73.

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the Texas beef cattle industry.”

Other factors such as competing land use, economics, drought and availability of financing have all contributed to decline in livestock inventories, he said.

“However, the Texas livestock industry is not solely dependent upon the livestock produced within the state,” Gill said. “The stocker and finishing phases depend upon inventory that comes from a large geographical area.”

In particular, Gill said the supply of calves from the southeastern states and Mexico are critical to supplying inventory to support the grazing of warm season forages during spring and summer programs and winter annuals during the fall and winter grazing cycle.

“These cattle, along with the calves they produce within the state, supply the cattle feeding and packing industry primarily in the High Plains and

South Texas regions,” Gill said.

Further erosion in cattle inventories will result in loss of infrastructure within all of these sectors, he said.

“As world demand for proteins continues to increase, the need is for more beef cattle numbers and increasing supply of high quality protein to meet the increasing demand.”

Gill said it’s important that as herds are rebuilt, producers take into account the value and need for environmental adaptability of cows used to rebuild the cowherd. The educational programs offered will address this issue.

“Research information from the past on cow longevity, retained heterosis and ongoing work on cow efficiency will be invaluable to producers as cowherds are rebuilt,” he said. “This type of information will be shared in the programs offered across the state.”

OAP Advances on to District Round...

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Sydney, an old-maid school teacher who rents a room from the Owens’s. Cayden is Hal Carter, the drifter who has seen some rough times, but may be looking to settle down in this small Kansas town.

Sophomore Mollie McMeans and freshman Bessie Rhodes both received an honorable mention all-star cast nod. Mollie plays Millie Owens, Madge’s tomboy little sister who ends up showing she has a softer side. Bessie is Irma Kronkite, a school teacher who is friends with Rosemary.

Sophomore Kalyn Massingill was named to the all-star tech crew for her work with sound.

Other cast members include junior Shea Burkett, sophomores Kassie Gaines, Maeghan Herridge, Zach McMeans and Michael Taylor, and freshman Mason Coor. The crew members are sophomores T.J. Basquez, Matthew Ham, and Mallory McMeans, and freshman Clair Shafer along with alternate, Nathan Ham.

The one-act teams from Grady, O’Donnell, Water Valley, and Loop high schools will compete along with Borden County and Klondike in the District 10-1A contest beginning at 12 P.M. on April 3 in Ackerly. Borden County will be the last play to perform.

Thought for the Day


Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap, but by the seeds you plant.
-Robert Louis Stevenson

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