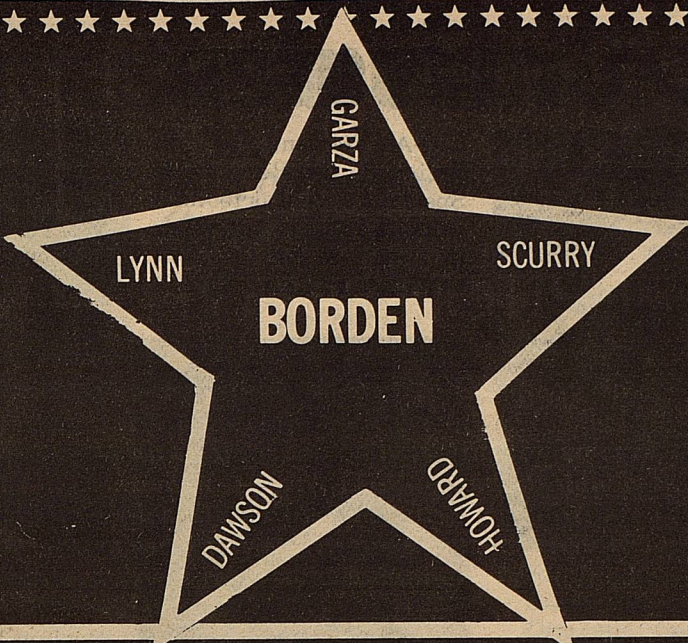


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# Speakers Announced

### Baccalaureate

Steve Hillhouse, Pastor of the Gail Baptist Church will bring the baccalaureate sermon for the graduating class of 1980. Baccalaureate services will be held in the school auditorium at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, May 25.

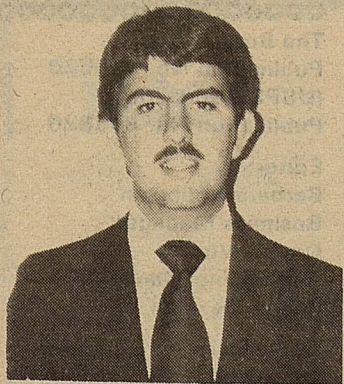
Steve, a 1974 graduate of Gustine High School, Gustine, Texas. He received a bachelor of Arts degree from Hardin-Simmons University in 1978. He has served as youth director of the Tye Baptist Church in Abilene from 1976 to 1978. He came to Gail in October of 1978 as pastor. Steve resides in Gail with his wife Lynett and their two children Terry, 21 months old and Stephanie, 1 week old.

### Graduation

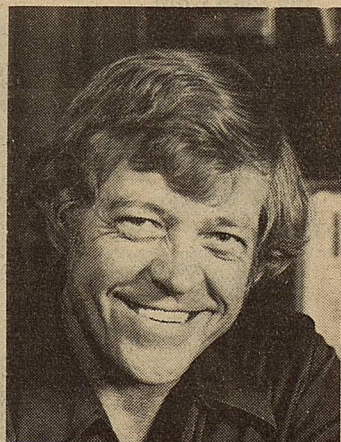
Tumbleweed Smith, producer of the radio

program, "The Sound of Texas" will deliver the commencement address to the graduating class of 1980. High school graduation exercises will be held on May 29th at 8:00 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Mr. Smith (Tumbleweed) is a native Texan. He is a graduate of Baylor University with a bachelor of arts in English and a master of arts in journalism from the University of Missouri. He is the author of the book "The Tumbleweed Collection" and, he has produced a record album. Some of his other achievements are former N.B.C. News correspondent, won last years cultural achievement award from the West Texas Chamber of Commerce and the C.L.I.O. award for commercial productions.



STEVE HILLHOUSE



TUMBLEWEED SMITH

## "...And the Rains Came"

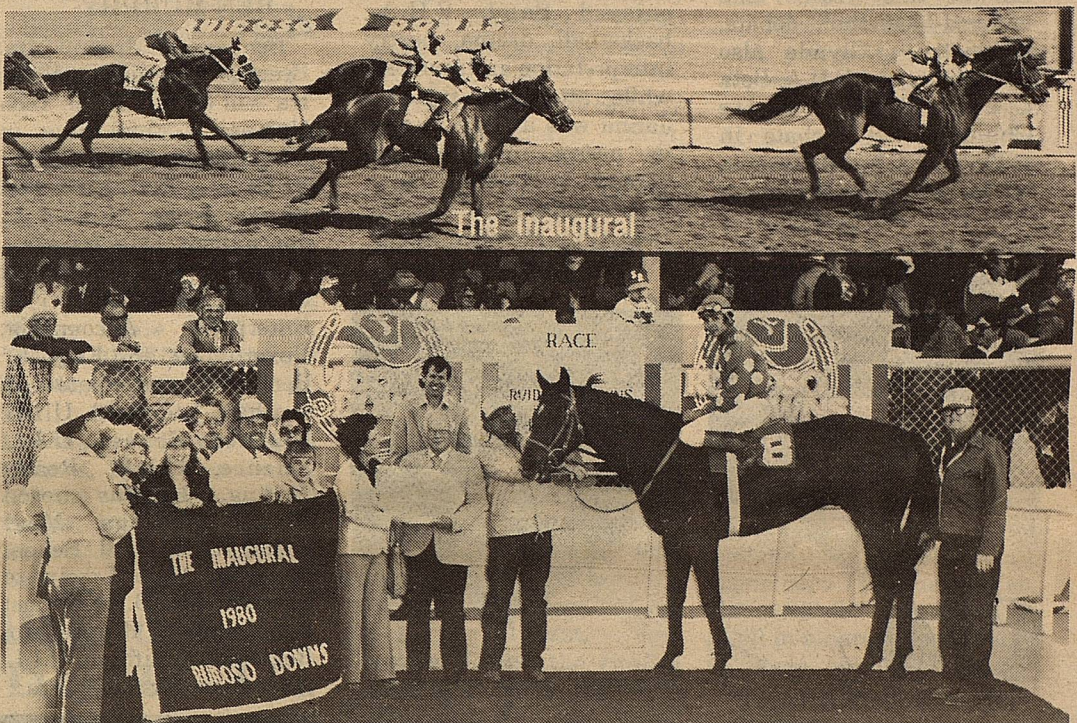
Borden County farmers were busy Thursday checking rain gauges and planter boxes as an almost perfect planting rain fell over the entire county.

An average amount of 3 inches was recorded in the area. The Plains community and Gail

reported 3 inches. Heavier amounts fell east of Gail with Van York measuring 4.3 inches. Our report from Fluvanna was 2.6 inches and the Lake Thomas area had 7 inches.

Inflow from Thursday's big rains had pushed the

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Pictured in winners circle accepting the trophy blanket and silver platter were: Mr. and Mrs. Roland Hamilton, Tammy Miller, Kim Wills, Talley Griffin, Ralph Miller, Becky Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Bunch, Dewey Fay Miller, Finlay MacGillivray-Gen. Manager of Ruidosa Downs, Gilbert McClanahan-Trainer, Gary Sumpter-Jockey, Clint Ogel-Groomsman.

### For Second Year!

## Mr. Clyde Wins Inaugural

'Mr. Clyde' owned by Ralph Miller of Borden County became the first horse to ever win the Inaugural two years in succession of Ruidosa Downs history. 'Ghost Light' was second and 'Nervino' was third. Among other outstanding horses in the race were Festos, One Bold Scout, Royal Minds, Mister Dunes, and others.

'Mr. Clyde' is a five year old gelding and namesake of Ralph's father the late R. Clyde Miller. He is trained by Gilbert McClanahan and has been ridden to both Inaugural victories by Gary

\*\*\*\*\*  
The Courthouse will be closed for Memorial Day Holiday, Monday, May 26, 1980.  
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Sumpter. He was named 'Horse of the Year' in 1977 of the Ruidosa meet. He has been a stakes winner every year of his racing career. He has won many thrilling races but the most outstanding race of his

career to the Miller family was the New Mexico Horseman's Association in Sunland Park. He defeated the prestigious stud "Hy Lucky Jay" by a nose after running neck and neck for the last one-eighth mile.

## Musical Success

"Broadway Highlights" was presented by the music department of Borden County Schools on May 15 in the school auditorium. The musical was a tremendous success with variety and the top in entertainers. All music was taken from Broadway plays. Mr. Harlan Thornton provided musical accompaniment for the production. Directors were Mr. Jim Parker, Band

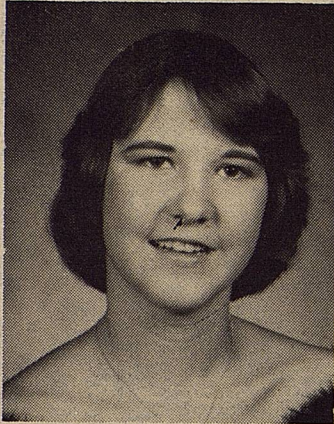
Director and Mrs. Salley Wilson, piano and voice teacher.

David Smith accompanied by the entire cast sang Willkommen from Cabaret. Karen Williams, Gena McLeroy, Carla Jones, Mark Walker, Chip Smith, and Bob McLeroy sang "Surrey with the Fringe on Top" from Oklahoma. Carla Jones, I Can't Say No"; All er

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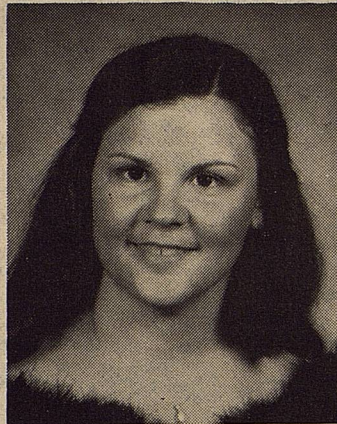


# 1980 B.H.S. Graduates



**GLYNDA BURKETT**  
VALEDICTORIAN

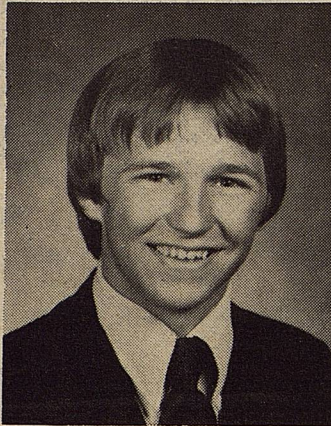
Glynda, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim M. Burkett of Route 1, O'Donnell plans to attend Texas Tech University beginning in the fall of this year. She enjoyed basketball, debate, chemistry. Glynda also participated in F.H.A. Beta Club, Band, State Champion in Debate in 1979, U.I.L. Literary, basketball regional finalist, and was valedictorian of her class.



**CARLA JONES**  
SALUTATORIAN

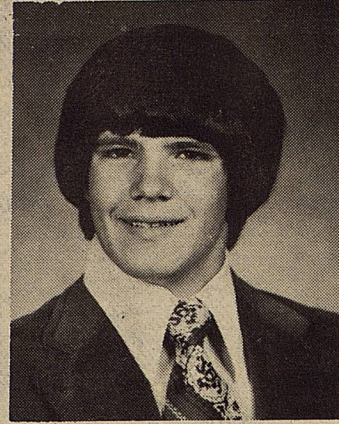
Carla, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don A. Jones of Fluvanna will attend Abilene Christian University next fall. She enjoyed Band, F.H.A., basketball, drama, poetry interpretation and musicals while attending B.H.S. Janna was a state finalist in poetry interpretation, varsity basketball, band, Beta Achievement Awards, Beta Club Member, music, F.H.A. and 4-H.

One-Act Play and placed at regional in Persuasive Speaking. He was football captain, a regional qualifier in track, band, student council, F.F.A. and 4-H



**BEN MURPHY**

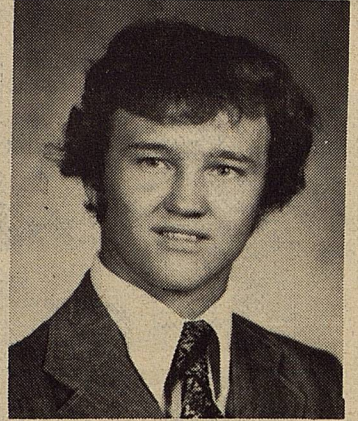
Ben, son of Mr. and Mrs. Brent Murphy of Star Route Ira will attend Texas Tech University, majoring in accounting or journalism or both. He enjoyed basketball, U.I.L. Journalism, One-Act Play, F.F.A., 4-H, Student Council, Beta Club, Free Enterprise, Accounting, Government, and English. Ben also participated in football, tennis, U.I.L. Number Sense, U.I.L. Science, U.I.L. Ready Writing. He was chosen Most Courteous, Most School Spirit, All School Favorite, Most Likely to Succeed, Mr. B.H.S., Most Handsome Runner-up, Regional Qualifier in U.I.L. journalism for four years.



**CARLEY DOYLE**

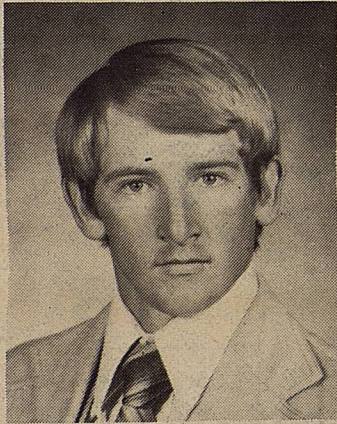
Carley, son of Lonnie Doyle of Route 1, O'Donnell enjoyed football, basketball, dodgeball, volleyball, Government and Spanish while attending B.H.S. He was on the varsity basketball team.

All Star cast in district and Area one-act play. She placed 2nd in district prose and 1st place in district shorthand.



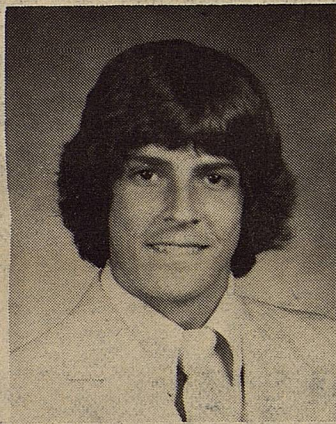
**BRADLEY SMITH**

Brad, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Smith of Route 1, O'Donnell plans to attend South Plains College upon graduating. He enjoyed football, basketball, tennis and other athletic activities. Speech was his favorite course. He received All-District Honorable mention Defensive End in football in '78-79.



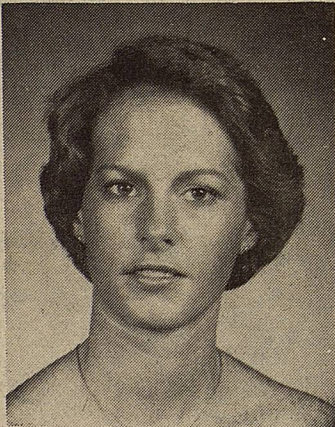
**TRAVIS RINEHART**

Travis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rinehart of Gail plans to attend Western Texas College in Snyder after graduation. He enjoyed Spanish and sports while attending B.H.S. Travis was selected All District Safety and Honorable Mention Halfback.



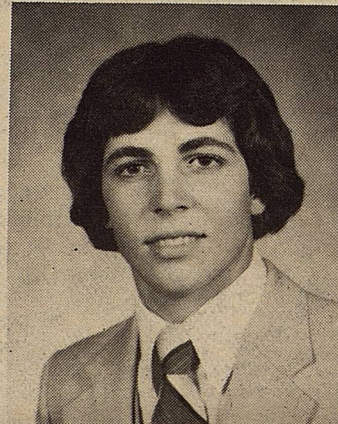
**TIM TAYLOR**

Tim, son of Mr. and Mrs. Buster Taylor of Gail plans to go to work in Colorado after graduation. He enjoyed photography and all athletics during his high school career. He was chosen for Honorable Mention Center and Defensive Tackle and was a regional finalist in track.



**MAYME MCLAURY**

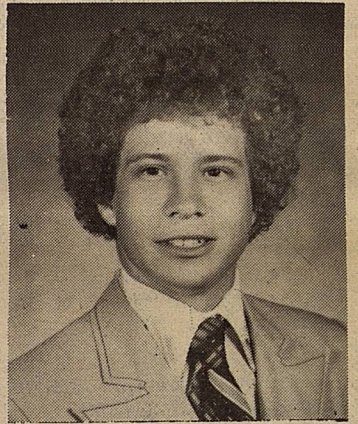
Mayme, daughter of Royce McLaury of Post plans to attend Angelo State University after graduation. She also plans to rodeo and major in accounting. Her interests while in B.H.S. included basketball (she was on the varsity basketball team which was District and Bi-District Champions and 2nd in Regional), track, F.H.A. typing, annual staff, accounting and Spanish. She was B.B. captain, F.H.A. Pres. and Reporter, Homecoming Queen runner-up, Miss B.H.S. Class Favorite for 3 years, Beta Club Reporter and class officer for 3 years.



**TROYCE WOLF**

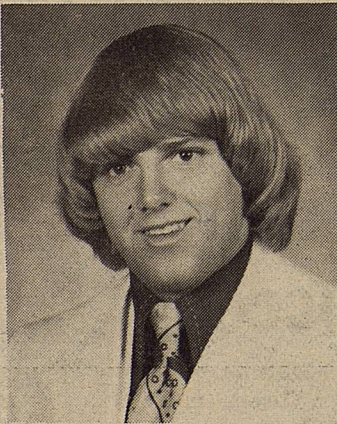
Troyce, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Wolf of Vincent Route, Coahoma will attend Texas Tech. He enjoyed the One Act Play, Student Council, Football, track, band, government, and chemistry.

Troyce was chosen Honorable Mention in the district and area One Act Play. He was Student Council President, F.F.A. Secretary, Senior Class President, and a member of the Beta Club.



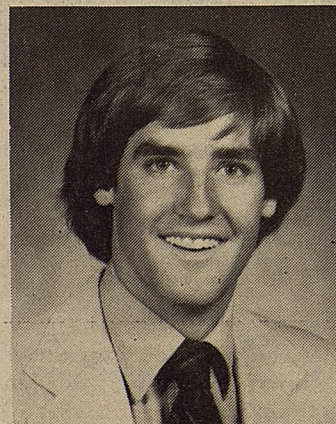
**DAVID SMITH**

David, son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Smith of Star Route, Ackerly plans to attend Schriener College of Kerrville. He was active in the one act play which won district. He also took part in U.I.L. Prose Interpretation.



**CRAIG PETERSON**

Craig, son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Peterson of Gail Route, Big Spring plans to attend Howard College after graduating. He enjoyed all athletics while attending B.H.S. Craig was interested in all sports and excelled in football, basketball and track.



**MARK WALKER**

Mark, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dyess of Route 1, O'Donnell will attend South Plains College in Levelland. He enjoyed Band, One-Act Play, U.I.L. Literary, Speaking and Government. Mark was chosen Best Actor in the District



**KAREN WILLIAMS**

Karen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Williams of Route 1 O'Donnell plans to attend Hardin Simmons University and play basketball. She enjoyed P.E., Government, English and Home and Family Living while attend B.H.S. She was All District, All South Plains, 1st Alternate in All-Star Game in basketball. She made the



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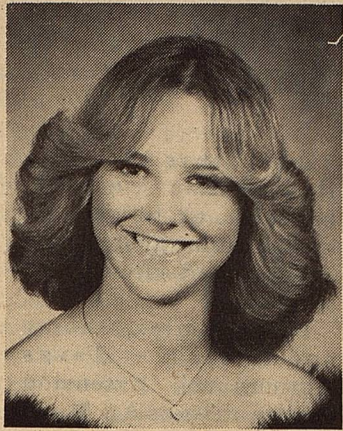
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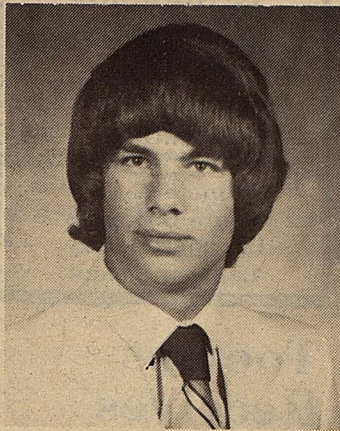


# Borden County School News



**JANNA LOVE**

Janna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Love of Star Route 2, Lamesa, plans to attend Texas Tech beginning this summer. She enjoyed basketball, Debate, and Government while in high school. She was State Champion in Debate, Homecoming Queen, Band Sweetheart, U.I.L. Literary, All School Favorite, F.H.A. and a basketball regional finalist.



**BLANE DYESS**

Blane, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Dyess of Route 1 O'Donnell plans to work in Colorado after graduation. He enjoyed photography, football and basketball while in B.H.S. Blane was All-District Kicker in Football and All South Plains and All-District in basketball and was chosen All Regional 2nd team.

## High School Graduation

High School graduation exercises are planned for May 29th at 8:00 p.m. in the Borden High School auditorium.

Candidates for graduation from Borden High School are Glynda Burkett, Blane Dyess, Carla Jones, Ben Murphy, Craig Peterson, Travis Rinehart, Brad Smith, Tim Taylor, Mark Walker, Karen Williams, Mayme McLaury, Troyce Wolf, Janna Love, David Smith and Carley Doyle.

## Junior High Graduation

Junior High graduation exercises will be held on May 30 at 8:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Candidates for graduation into Borden High School are Tammy Miller, Roxie Wolf, Kim Wills, Kelly Williams, Misty Merritt, Keith Williams, Kelli McPhaul, Penny Davidson, Dawn Ann Holmes, Rona Sturdivant, Sammy Williams, Todd Foster, Phillip Benavidez, Scott Jones, and Charles LaRue.

## Banquet Tickets On Sale

The Borden High School Awards Banquet will be held on Tuesday, May 27, 1980 at 8:00 p.m. Tickets will go on sale Friday morning in the Superintendent's office. The price is \$4.00 per person.



Back Row L to R- Shawn Lewis, Guy Zant, Clayton Miller, Clint Kemper, Jon Parker, Amy Steele, Clint Anderson, Juan Silva. Front- Corry Fulfer, Kristi Buchanan, Jennifer Mena, Orlando Carrzales, Jeromy Mize, Jacquelin McPhaul, Manuel Chevez, Jessica Pena and Andrew Portales.

## School Board Meeting

The Borden County School Board met in regular session on May 19, 1980 at 8:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Ralph Miller, Board President. The minutes of the last meeting were reviewed and approved. There were no visitors present.

Each board member received a copy of the May bills three (3) days in advance of the meeting. There being no questions, the Board moved to pay the bills.

The Superintendent reported that the contract for the 1980-81 school year for film use from the Education Service Center is \$1.50 per student. This contract gives the Borden County Schools access to thousands of films, tapes,

and recordings. The Board approved the contract.

A year-to-date financial report was given by the Superintendent. Mr. McLeroy reported the school will be operating in the black at the end of this school year.

The attendance in high school was reported at 77, and in elementary 160 for a total of 237 students.

The Board was given the results of the TABS Exit Level Tests for grades 5 and 9. Mr. McLeroy led the Board in a comprehensive review of the results making note of strengths and weaknesses. The Board concluded that the Borden Schools did exceptionally well in all areas of the test.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



FHA Officers for 1980-81 are: Back row-Gena McLeroy, Pianist; Heather McPhaul, VP-Encounter; Jana Edwards, VP-Yearbook; Talley Griffin, Secretary-Treasurer; Mrs. Connors. Front Row- Kay Copeland, VP-Impact; Terrie Moreno, Rec. Leader; Tammy Telchik, President; Anita Massingill, Reporter and Becky Miller, Historian.

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MOTHER'S DAY	7:00 p.m. Piano Recital	6:30 p.m. Jr-Sr Banquet		8:00 p.m. Musical -- "Broadway Highlights"	Area FFA Conv. San Angelo	Senior Trip		ARMED FORCES DAY
18	19	20	21	22	23	24		
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31		
11:00 a.m. Baccalaureate	MEMORIAL DAY	8:00 p.m. Awards Banquet School Cafeteria		3rd Quarter Ends 8:00 p.m. High School Commencement	Teacher Workday 8:00 p.m. Junior High Commencement			

## SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

May 16-19, 1980

Lunch	Breakfast
Fish Carrot Sticks Spinach Cornbread Fruit Milk Salad Bar	Cereal Fruit Juice Milk
<b>Monday</b>	
Beans and Meat Tossed Salad Hot Rolls Cobbler Milk Salad Bar	Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwiches Fruit Juice Milk
<b>Tuesday</b>	
Hamburgers Lettuce-Tomatoes-Pickles French Fries Peanut Butter Cookies Milk Salad Bar	Honey Buns Fruit Juice Milk
<b>Wednesday</b>	
Sandwiches Cheese Sticks Vegetable Salad Ice Cream Milk Salad Bar	Cereal Fruit Juice Milk
<b>Thursday</b>	
<b>Friday</b>	
Friday No School-Teacher Workday	



# Lions Club Blood Drive

The Lion's Club Blood Drive will be held on May 23, 1980 from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m. in the conference room of Borden Schools. If you have any questions about the drive contact Mr. McLeroy, Mr. McMeans or Mr. Jarrett.

The Blood Drive is the link between the blood

donor and the patient who requires transfusion therapy. Through this program, donors are recruited and blood is drawn, typed, tested and temporarily stored until it is distributed to area hospitals.

This community blood program is not for profit. It

is a service-oriented organization composed of highly skilled people who care about the patients who benefit from the role they play in keeping the lifeline intact between blood donor and recipient.

Unless more people become blood donors the supply will not keep pace with the growing demand for blood. Some day your life may depend on its availability. To assure that blood will be there when you need, give blood now and encourage others to become voluntary blood donors.

As a volunteer blood donor you will be helping to meet a vital need within your community. You will also be deriving benefits yourself. Before you give, a careful medical history will be taken. Your temperature, blood pressure, pulse and hemoglobin level will be checked. Should any of the tests taken indicate the need for medical attention, you will be referred to your personal physician.

## Preparations Finalized

# Wild West Show

Riley Miller of Justiceburg is teaming up with Bobby Estes, rodeo producer from Callihan County, to stage "Miller Brothers and Lone Star Wild West and American Heritage Show" on the Miller Ranch Saturday and Sunday afternoons, May 24-25.

The two-hour performances will start at 2 p.m. on each of the two days at the rodeo arena on Miller's ranch two miles west of Justiceburg.

The shows are a benefit for Amy Pratt, eight-year old former Post girl who is a victim of cancer and will undergo an operation at

M.D. Anderson Hospital in Houston in May for the removal of one lung.

Amy is the daughter of Jim and Barbara Pratt and now lives in Benjamin. When the family lived here, her daddy worked on the Bill Sharp ranch south of Post.

The show will be patterned after the show he staged at the Borden County celebration at Gail in 1976 only it will have "a lot more specialty acts."

Admission to each of the two shows is \$4 per person with children under 12 admitted free.

There will be a concession stand at the ranch both days.

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## Horse Short Course

A three day Horsemanship school will be held June 9, 10, and 11 at the Big Spring Rodeo Arena and Fair Barns from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

B.F. Yeates, horse specialist, Texas Agricultural Extension Service at Texas A & M will be the instructor.

The classes will consist of basic horsemanship, showmanship at Halter, Western Pleasure, Western Horsemanship, Barrel Racing, Pole Bending and others.

This school would be an opportunity for anyone interested in learning about horses or for experienced horseman or a good opportunity for a person showing in Horse Shows.

Everyone of all ages are invited. Bring your horses or come learn from watching. The cost will be \$5.00 per day. You can come one day or three. There will be a concession at lunch and breaks and stalls for your horses.

For further information or to obtain entry blanks and schedules contact Andy Vestal at 263-1821 or Dottie Carper 267-2010. Or mail your entry to Howard County Extension Service, Box 790, Big Spring, Texas 79720.

## Toombs Receives Degree

Patrick Byron Toombs of Fluvanna was among the Western Texas College graduates receiving the Associate in Arts degree in commencement exercises at 8 p.m. Thursday, May 15.

Toombs is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Toombs. He is a member of Phi Theta Kappa, national honor society for students in junior colleges.

Dr. Lauro F. Cavazos, president of Texas Tech University, was the guest speaker for the program. He was introduced by Dr. Robert L. Clinton, president of WTC. Dr. Ben Brock, college vice president, presented Associate in Arts degrees. Dr. Gene McClurg, Dean of Occupational Education and Technology, presented Associate in Applied Science degrees.

Graduates were honored at a reception in the Student Center following the program.

## Thanks

I would like to extend a big THANK YOU to everyone who helped with the preparations and the successfulness of the point race last Saturday.

Thanks again.

-s-Terry Cheatham  
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## Gail Roping Club Results

Saturday night roping results are as follows:

93 teams entered, 3 header progressive after 1

1st GO AROUND  
1st Dickie Garrison, Arthur Seago; 2nd Stanley Long, Roy Wilson; 3rd Rex Prather, Roy Wilson; 4th John Montgomery, Sam Whitley.

2nd GO AROUND  
1st Dickie Garrison, Fred Lucero; 2nd Bob Northcutt, Roy Wilson, 3rd Fred Lucero, Freddy Lucero, 4th Rex Prather, Roy Wilson.

3rd GO AROUND  
1st Bob Northcutt, Rudy Galbadon; 2nd Rex Prather, Roy Wilson, 3rd Bob Northcutt, Roy Wilson, 4th Jimmy Sterling, Billy Sterling.

AVERAGE  
1st Rex Prather, Roy Wilson, 2nd Bob Northcutt, Rudy Galbadon, 3rd Bob Northcutt, Roy Wilson, 4th Rex Prather, Bob Byrd, 4th Jimmy Sterling, Billy Sterling, 6th Jimmy Sterling, Lane Griffin.



# Mosquito Control

Increased emphasis on mosquito control this year has resulted from a continued epidemic of dengue fever in southern Mexico and the apparent northward spread of the disease. Dengue fever is a virus that is transmitted from man to man by mosquitoes, typically the Aedes aegypti mosquito. In the western hemisphere, dengue outbreaks have been characterized as mild illnesses manifest as fever, severe headache, myalgia, and often a rash.

Due to the possibility that this disease could spread to Texas this year, advanced planning for effective prevention and control will

have a significant impact on minimizing the possibility of disease transmission. The most effective way of controlling the disease is to control the mosquito and to eliminate the containers where the mosquito breeds.

The mosquito vector, Aedes aegypti, is not established west of a line from Wichita Falls to Del Rio; therefore, it is highly improbable that dengue will be a problem in that area of Texas. However, due to other mosquito borne diseases, mosquito control by source reduction or container elimination is always important.

Remember, mosquitoes develop only in water and water standing only a few days can produce a crop of mosquitoes. So look around your home to see if there are any places where water collects. Get rid of old tires, tin cans, bottles, jars, buckets, drums and other containers, or keep them empty. Change water and scrub vases holding flowers or cuttings twice each week, or grow cuttings in sand. Scrub and change the empty watering pans of pets and chickens daily. You should repair leaky pipes and outside faucets, move house cooler drain hoses frequently, and empty outdoor wading pools regularly. Fill in the holes in trees with sand or mortar, or drain and spray them. Ornamental ponds can be stocked with fish which eat mosquito larvae, and roof gutters should be cleaned periodically.

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## Musical

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Nuthin' by Karen Williams and Mark Walker; and the cast sang "Oklahoma". From the Broadway show "Annie" came "Maybe" sang by Kristi Stone and "Hard Knock Life by Kristi, Shellie Buchanan, Sherry Vaughn and Julie Ridenour. From "Charlie Brown" came "The Baseball Game" starring Chip Smith as Charlie, Mark Walker, Gena McLeroy, Heather McPhaul, Marquita Menix, David Smith, Suzanne Walker, Carla Jones and Karen Williams. Amy Lewis and Patrick Herridge sang "Perfect Nanny" taken from "Mary Poppins. The remainder of the program was taken from "Sound of Music". These musicals consisted of "The Sound of Music" by Carla Jones; "Sixteen Going on Seventeen" by Carla Jones and David Smith; "Do Re Mi" by Heather McPhaul, Amy Lewis, Patrick Herridge, Julie Ridenour, Sherry Vaughn, Shellie Buchanan and Kristi Stone; "My Favorite Things" by Gena McLeroy; "Edelweiss" by David Smith, Marquita Menix and Cast; "Climb Every Mountain" by the cast.

The supporting cast was Janna Love, Tanya Hollis, Tammy Ingram, Glynda Burkett and Samantha Porter. Tammy Telchik, Terrie Moreno, Lisa Smith and Kay Copeland made up the technical crew.

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# Jerri's Greetings

May and June are the traditional months of graduation-graduation from and graduation into. Upon graduation, we like to think we have attained whatever proficiency goal set for that level and are prepared for the next. It is therefore with a great deal of puzzlement and disillusion when we are made aware of the slippage in either goals or the attainment of them. We have all been made aware of the lower scholastic aptitude test scores. We are aware of the lowered standards in order to accomodate each and everyone no matter his ability. These weaknesses have been brought home to me recently.

May and June are also traditional months of weddings-graduation into, if you will. With this year's plethora of wedding and party invitations, I have ultimately received several thank you notes that have left me shaken. I will cite examples; one from a high

school graduate with two years of college; the other from a talented young college graduate. "We look forward to a time when you can visit Zeke and I." "Thank you for the piece of Job's and mine cookware." The names and circumstances have been altered in order to avoid embarrassment--why, I don't know. They should be embarrassed. Where were these young ladies when grammar was taught? Or do not the schools attempt to teach grammar any longer? The latter would not surprise me, what with the current fad of teaching everything but the proper use of the English language.

The I-me syndrome is easier for me to understand that the my-mine (that is really a new one on me). The misuse of me is flagrant--not just among bride types, but grooms, bachelors and maidens as well. But even so, it rankles. My mother's image flashes before me each time I hear it. Should sister or I slip, she

would say, "Who is going to town?--me is going to town?" Me never goes to town anymore but I go all the time.

Not only is the grammar bad in most thank you notes these days, but the construction and content is pretty pitiful. Very rarely do I get a note that tells me more than the 2nd grade response of "thank you for the very nice present". When I receive a well thought out, informative note which makes me believe the sender is writing just to me, I am elated. It is nice to feel that the recipient realizes the thought that goes into the selection and sending of a gift.

All of this sounds rather sexist since it is traditional that the female write the thank you notes. I was heartened the other day when I received a note from a young groom. After all, he was the home town boy and he was writing those he knew better than his young bride. That is a renovative idea and one that should become as traditional as graduations and weddings. By the way--his note was a joy to receive and read--well written, newsy and clever. In it he managed to thank me for the plate "in Zelda's and my pattern", and thanked me for attending a party for "Zelda and me". I bet he has a mother who drilled, "Who is going to town?--me is?"



A major area of concern for you, as a young person, or a parent and for me, as a Home Economist is Family Health. Our concept of health is more than the absence of disease. Today it is the physical, social, mental and emotional well-being of the individual! The family still has the primary responsibility to provide a healthy environment. There are two broad categories under Family Health. The first is Foods and Nutrition and the second is Health Education.

Foods and especially Nutrition have come into the lime-light. More and more people are realizing that good nutrition is the best way to have good health and is consequently "preventative medicine". At each age and stage of our lives we will have different nutritional needs. We need to understand this along with understanding food habits and meal patterns. We also need to be able to express our families needs and desires for foods with adequate nutrients. Food quality and safety is something all of us need to

be aware of! Understanding the labeling of foods that we purchase in the market place can make us more cautious about nutrient composition and food additives. When purchasing food, we should buy food in relation to family eating patterns and needs.

Health Education is popularly defined as helping people to achieve health by their own actions and efforts. Therefore, we must begin with people who are interested in improving their standards of living and developing a sense of responsibility for their own health betterment as individuals and members of families.

Health Education is something that is not limited by age. Good habits need to be taught to the very young and it is never to late to modify poor habits that all of us have.

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If any other use is made of the acreage other than that certified or you have acreage that was intended for grazing or cover that might be harvested then you need to come by the office to discuss the effect of such action as a false certification or the absence of a certification could result in the loss of all program benefits on the farm.

For disaster coverage, on acreage that will not be harvested, you must file form ASCS-574, Application For Disaster Credit, before putting the land to any other use in order that the acreage can be appraised. For acreage harvested, the filing deadline is 15 days from the date harvest is complete, while evidence of the crop is still apparent.

## FINAL PLANTING DATES

In Borden County the final planting date for cotton has been established as June 15th, with the final planting date for grain sorghum set at June 20th.

These dates do not restrict you from planting at a later date and will not necessarily eliminate you from any eligibility for low yield disaster coverage if you do get the crops planted after the normal planting dates.

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(June 20th for cotton and June 25th for grain sorghum.)

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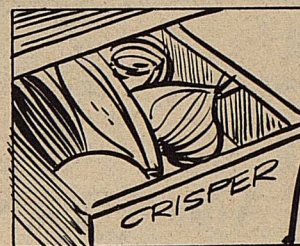
The practical book has pages of worksheets that farmers use to figure whether it would pay to set up energy production on

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# EMS Meeting Held

The regular monthly meeting of the Borden County EMS was held Monday, May 5, 1980, at 7 p.m., in the Conference Room at Borden High School. Those members present were Nelva Jones, Carol Lewis, Sam Field, Bob Bagley, Gerald Boyd,

Frances Burkett, Jim Burkett, Dorothy Browne, Buster Taylor, and Lisa Ludecke.

An interesting program on signs and symptoms of several illnesses and injuries was presented by Buster Taylor. Dorothy Browne gave a program on

testing your observation and led a word game using medical terminology.

The next meeting will be Monday, June 2, 1980, at 8:00 p.m., in the Conference Room. A program on treating snake bites will be presented by Sam Field, Nelva Jones and Carol Lewis. Everyone is invited.

## Borden County EMS

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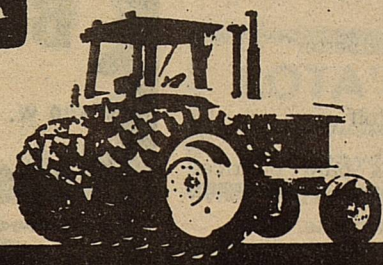
**RAINS** *Con't from P. 1*  
volumn at Lake Thomas to around 30,000 acre feet of water. This represented a gain of some 18,000 acre feet, and put the volumn at 2 1-2 times the amount the lake held prior to Thursday rains. The vertical gain was nearly 10 feet.

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