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Boys Cross Country Team State Bound! *Pepper, Stipe go 1-2*

For the first time in school history, the Borden County Boys Cross Country team has qualified for the State Cross Country Meet. The boy's team placed third at the Region I Cross Country Meet at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock on Saturday, with Trent Pepper and T.C. Stipe leading the way with first and second place finishes.

Trent covered the three-mile course in 16:19, and T.C. Stipe's time of 17:16 was an improvement of over one-minute on his performance on the Lubbock course earlier this year.

Robert Stamper turned in an excellent performance, placing twenty-seventh out of the massive, one-hundred sixty-nine runner field. Robert completed the course in 18:54. Payton Brown placed seventy-second in 20:07, Kevin Pinkerton finished eighty-fifth in 20:31, and Cody Nowlain placed one hundred fifteenth in 21:34. The boys scored one hundred forty-nine points, falling only to Whiteface's one hundred fourteen points and regional champion Sands' total of ninety-six.

The Lady Coyotes placed fourth as a team

behind Whiteface, Nazareth, and regional champion Water Valley. Although they were disappointed that they didn't earn a state berth, the girls did an excellent job.

Bobbie Kempf led the girl's team, completing the two-mile course in 13:45. Bobbie placed thirty-seventh out of one hundred eighty-six competitors.

Julie Mayes was close behind, placing thirty-eighth with a time of 13:46. Holly Thomas placed

fortieth in 13:53, Micah Hensley finished forty-sixth in 14:06, and Dalene Kempf placed forty-seventh in 14:08.

Bekah Hensley was the Lady Coyotes' sixth runner, finishing one hundred eighth in 15:01. The district champion Lady Coyotes has enjoyed a successful year.

The State Cross-Country Meet will be held at the Old Settler's Park in Round Rock on Saturday, November 13th. The 1A boy's race will begin at 1:40 p.m.

6th Annual Lighting of the Star

You are invited to attend the 6th Annual Lighting of the Star on Gail Mountain. Once again, the "Star" on the Gail Mountain will be lit on Friday, November 26th, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. and will continue to shine until January 1st, 2000.

The Museum in the Courtyard will be open at 5:00 p.m. for reminiscing, visitation and refreshments. There will be local talent providing music for your enjoyment.

Please make plans to attend.



No. 1 and 2 Individual in Regional Cross Country Meet: Trent Pepper placed first and T.C. Stipe comes out second place out of 169 runners.



Coyotes Head for Play-off Action

COYOTE FOOTBALL '99

Coyotes Howl to an 8-2 Season

The Borden County Coyote football team is still howling after they finish-ed their district last Friday at home with a victory over the Hermleigh Cardinals. The Coyotes are now 4-1 in district 6A and have captured the runner-up spot. The win moves the Coyotes season record to 8-2 as they prepare for the play-offs.

The Coyotes took care of the Cardinals early and never looked back as they ended the game in the fourth quarter with a score of 62-14.

The Coyotes scored first in the game with 2:14 left in the first period as Ed Rodriguez capped off a nice drive to go in from 5 yards out. He kicked the PAT good and the score after just one possession each was 8-0.

The Coyotes kept the ball rolling as they scored 32 points in the second period. The Cardinals scored their two touchdowns in that quarter as well, making a total of 46 points scored in ten minutes of play.

With 9:26 left in the period Ed Rodriguez scored on a 2-yard dive into the end zone. The PAT failed, making the score 14-0.

With 7:37 left Joseph Hardman scored from 34 yards out. The PAT failed, and the score was 20-0.

With 7:20 left the Cardinals got their first touchdown as they returned the kick-off 68 yards for a touchdown. They kicked the PAT good to make the score 20-8.

With 3:34 left in the second period Kevin Pinkerton hit T.J. Sharp for a 10-yard touchdown pass. Nick Flanigan kicked the

PAT good to increase the margin, 28-8.

With 1:40 left the Cardinals scored their second and last touchdown of the evening as they caught a long bomb of a pass and were tackled at the two-yard line. The Cardinals passed the ball for the score on the next play to make the score 28-14, as they missed the PAT kick.

The Coyotes scored two more times before the half. With 1:16 left Ed Rodriguez scored from 3 yards out, and with just 4 seconds left in the half Kevin Pinkerton scored from 11 yards out. Both PAT kicks were no good to make the score at the half 40-14.

The Coyotes put three more scores on the board in the second half. On the first play of the second half Kevin Pinkerton found Tom Griffin in the end zone for a 38-yard touchdown reception. Ed Rodriguez kicked the PAT good to make the score 48-14, with 9:43 left in the third period.

With just :57 seconds left in the third quarter the Coyotes struck again as Kevin Pinkerton kept the ball this time for a 31-yard touchdown run. Ed Rodriguez once again kicked the PAT good to make the score 56-14.

With 5:47 left in the fourth period T.J. Sharp carried the ball over from 7 yards out to end the game with a score of 62-14. Due to the 45-point rule, the PAT was not attempted.

Ed Rodriguez carried the ball 15 times for 112 yards and 3 touchdowns. He caught 4 passes for 33

yards, and he was one of three passing for 26 yards. Ed returned two kick-offs 34 and 25 yards. He had 8 tackles and 4 quarterback hurries.

Joseph Hardman carried the ball 5 times for 65 yards including a touchdown run of 34 yards. He caught a pass for 11 yards, and he had 9 tackles on defense with one quarterback hurry.

Kevin Pinkerton completed 9 of 12 passes for 122 yards and 2 touchdowns. He carried the ball 4 times for 66 yards with two touchdown runs of 11 and 31 yards. He led the defense with 11 tackles including a quarterback sack and a caused fumble.

T.J. Sharp caught a pass for a touchdown from ten yards out. He carried one time for a touchdown from 7 yards out, and he returned a punt for a 22-yard gain. He also had 3 tackles on defense.

Payton Brown carried the ball twice for 39 yards.

Tom Griffin caught a pass for 38 yards and a touchdown. He also intercepted a pass in the end zone and returned it 27 yards. He had 5 tackles on defense and broke up a pass.

Raul Rodriguez carried the ball one time for a 5-yard gain. He had another nice carry that looked to be touchdown but a penalty negated the play.

Ramon Griffin caught two passes for 30 yards. He had 8 tackles on defense with a quarterback hurry.

Nick Flanigan caught a pass for 26 yards and blocked well on the offensive line.

Robert Stamper had a good night on defense with 8 tackles including a quarterback sack, and he broke up a pass.

John Harding blocked well from the offensive line and he had a tackle on defense.

Rowdy Dunlap snapped the ball at center and recorded a tackle on defense.

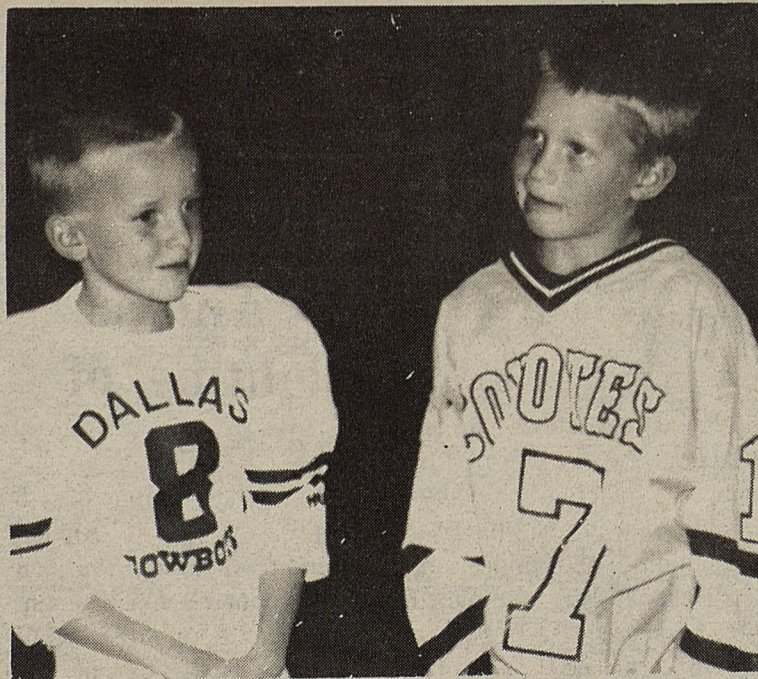
Cody Nowlain recorded two defensive stops, of which, one was an unassisted tackle.

The Coyote offense racked up 442 total yards

and held the Cardinals to 220 yards of offense.

COACHES COMMENTS: By Coach Avery:

The Coyotes took a business like approach to this tenth game of the season. We knew that if we took care of business and had fun on the field the victory would be ours. We are now in the play-offs for the fourth year in a row. All we have to do now is take it one week at a time and overcome each obstacle that is set before us. That is what play-off teams do. One week at a time and never overlook an opponent. It is a new season. We want to thank everyone for their support in the last ten games and ask that you continue that support through the play-offs.



GO COYOTES! Two Young Coyote Fans discuss the Coyotes during Friday's Pep Rally: Ethan Winegarner, 1st grade and Michael Cooley, 2nd grade.

This Week's COYOTE FOOTBALL

Friday, November 12th: Bi-District Game
Borden County vs Meadow
7:30 p.m. Klondike

State Bound Boys CC Team



These six team members are on their way to the State Cross Country Meet to be held in Round Rock, Saturday, Nov. 13th: Robert Stamper, Cody Nowlain, Payton Brown, T.C. Stipe, Trent Pepper, Coach Winegarner and Kevin Pinkerton.



BC Girls Cross Country Team come out in fourth place in Regional Meet: (L. to R.): Micah Hensley, Bekah Hensley, Shaina Isaacs, Holly Thomas, Julie Mayes, Dalene Kempf and Bobbie Kempf.

FFA Fruit Variety Sale

The Gail FFA Chapter has officially kicked off its 1999 Fruit Variety Sales. The sale will conclude on November 11th. The chapter will be using the Golden Valley Company once again this year, and feels that this will be a tremendous product to sell. Delivery will be during the

first week of December.

The Gail FFA Chapter wishes to thank everyone who has supported their sales in the past and we look forward to working with you in the future. Anyone interested in purchasing products listed below, can contact an FFA member or the Ag. Science

teacher, Mr. Wallace at 806/756-4478 (home) or 806/756-4313 (school).

FFA Salespersons:

Kylia Culp
Kevin Ellison
Brionne Jackson
Bobbie Kempf
Dalene Kempf
Tanner Poole
Raul Rodriguez
Payton Brown
Jessica Ellison

1999-2000 Coyote Basketball

(Tentative Schedule)

Nov. 16	Shallowwater	5:00	There
Nov. 19	Silverton (girls only)	TBA	@ Lorenzo
Nov. 22	Seagraves	5:00	There
Nov. 23	Lubbock Roosevelt	4:00	Here
Nov. 30	OPEN		
Dec. 2-4	Coahoma Tourney	TBA	TBA
Dec. 7	Stanton	5:00	There
Dec. 9-11	Borden Co. Tourney	TBA	TBA
Dec. 11	Post JV Tournament (Girls)		TBA
Dec. 13	Idalou	5:00	There
Dec. 17	Merkel	5:00	Here
Dec. 28-30	Slaton Girls Tournament		TBA
Dec. 30/Jan. 1	Sundown Boys Tournament		TBA
Jan. 4	Lubbock Christian	4:00	Here
* Jan. 7	Sands	4:00	Here
Jan. 8	O'Donnell JV Tournament		TBA
* Jan. 11	Grady	4:00	There
Jan. 14	Nazareth (varsity only)	6:30	@Lubbock Monterey
* Jan. 18	Ira	4:00	There
* Jan. 21	Westbrook	4:00	Here
* Jan. 25	Grady	4:00	Here
* Jan. 28	Sands	4:00	There
Feb. 1	OPEN		
* Feb. 4	Ira	4:00	Here
Feb. 5	Jayton JV Tournament		TBA
* Feb. 8	Westbrook	4:00	There

Junior High Basketball

Nov. 15	Grady	6:00	There
Nov. 22	OPEN		
Nov. 29	Dawson	6:00	There
Dec. 6	Ira	6:00	There
Dec. 13	Westbrook	6:00	Here
Jan. 6	Grady	6:00	Here
Jan. 8	O'Donnell Tournament		TBA
Jan. 10	Sands	6:00	There
Jan. 20	Lubbock Christian JH	6:00	Here
Jan. 22	Ira JH Tournament		TBA
Jan. 27	Ira	6:00	Here
Feb. 3	Westbrook	6:00	There
Feb. 7	Sands	6:00	Here

Joe Castillo
Cody Nowlain
T.C. Stipe
Jacob Zant
James Bond
Shawna Kempf
Kandace Kimmel
Hailey Adcock
Anthony Aguinaga
Crystal Dye

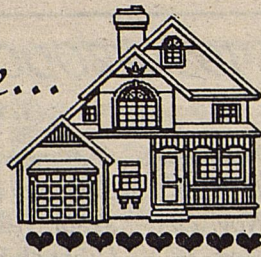
Nick Flanigan
Heath Gwinn
Ramon Griffin
John Harding
Joseph Hardman
Justin Lawrence
Kevin Pinkerton
Kaci Poole
Robert Stamper
Foston Wilson

Fruit Sale Price List

1). Variety Gift Fruit Pack	\$12.00
2). Country Gift Fruit Basket	\$16.00
3). Naval Mixed Gift Fruit Pack	\$14.00
4). Fancy Sweet Naval Oranges	\$12.00
5). Washington Red Delicious Apples	\$16.00
6). Texas Sweet Grapefruit	\$11.00
7). Assorted Nut Basket	\$15.00
8). Hickory-Smoked Turkey	\$17.00
9). Cheddar Cheese Wheel	\$13.00
10). Home Style Pit Ham	\$21.00

Heart and home...

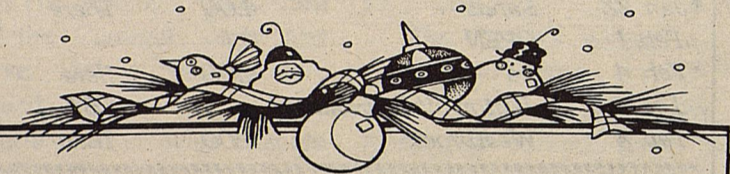
By Julie D. Mumme
Borden County Extension Agent -
Family and Consumer Sciences



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Home for the Holidays

The Third Annual Home for the Holidays program will be held on Monday, November 15th at 6:30 p.m. in the community building in Gail. Everyone is invited to attend. Participants will taste delicious recipes, prepare a simple holiday craft and receive a recipe book. A fee of \$5 will be charged to cover costs of food and craft materials. We hope that you will plan to join the fun and get into the holiday spirit. For more information, or to RSVP (not required to attend), please contact the Extension office at 806/756-4336.



Home for the Holidays 1999

Delicious recipes, holiday crafts, table settings and decorations, and much more!

Come join the fun, and prepare for a festive holiday season!
(A nominal fee may be charged to cover food costs)

Scurry County

Thursday, November 11th at 6:00 p.m.

First United Methodist Church

2700 College Avenue, Snyder

Borden County

Monday, November 15th, at 6:30 p.m.

Community Building

FM 669 and Willbourn (behind courthouse), Gail

Mitchell County

Thursday, November 18th at 6:30 p.m.

Wallace Center on South 208, Colorado City

For more information, or to RSVP, contact your local county Extension Office.

We will seek to provide all reasonable accommodations for all persons with disabilities for any of our programs. We request that you contact your Extension office as soon as possible to advise of auxiliary aid that you will require

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Hand-Made Crochet Gift Items For Sale

Christmas - Birthday - etc.

Call Brenda at 756-4345

Avoid Deer/Auto Accidents

With cities expanding out to new territory, you can expect to see more wildlife on the roads. Deer and car encounters will increase as long as the deer population grows and urban habitats surpass rural environments.

Fall is a time of migration and movement for many wildlife species and deer are no exception. "Cars and deer are bad combination on Texas highways," Willy Graves, president of Progressive county Mutual Insurance of Texas, said. "Our company statistics show that collisions with deer cause an annual cost of about \$2,000 per claim to the industry."

These are some tips for drivers to help reduce collisions:

1. The most active time for deer is during dawn and dusk. At this time, deer are moving from evening feeding areas and daytime bedding sites.
2. Rut, or mating season, is one of the most

dangerous times of year. Deer are more likely to go into off-limit areas in search of a mate. Breeding season occurs during the colder months of the year. Based on where you are in Texas, the peak of rut can happen between the months of October and December.

3. Hunting in the woods also sends deer out to the roads in panic. Keep your eyes out for deer near know hunting leases.

4. The simplest thing drivers can do to reduce an accident with a deer is to drive the speed limit. Reduce your speed in areas where visibility is low.

5. Raise awareness at locations marked by deer crossing signs. These zones are set to identify where deer frequent.

6. Deer usually travel in groups. If you see a deer cross a road, slow down and use caution because it is likely more will follow.

7. Drive with lights on during overcast days and use high beams at night whenever possible. The reflecting light from deer eyes help you to see animals close to the road.

If a deer suddenly jumps in front of the car, firmly apply your brakes and stop. Deer are quick and agile animals able to leap out of your path much easier than you can steer around them. Most serious injuries occur when a

driver swerves out of control causing the vehicle to skid off the road or strike oncoming traffic.

If you do hit a deer with your car, do not touch the animal. A strong deer in shock might hurt you or itself if moved. You should try to get your car off the road and call the police.

Contact your insurance agent or representative to report damages to your car.

Menu

Lunch: \$1.00 K-6th.

\$1.25 7th-12th.

Breakfast: -.50c

November 8th-12th

MONDAY: Tacos, Beans, Salad, Fruit & Milk

Breakfast: Cinnamon Toast, Fruit, Juice & Milk

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

Breakfast: Donuts, Fruit, Juice & Milk

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

Breakfast: Eggs & Bacon, Toast, Juice & Milk

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

Breakfast: French Toast, Fruit, Juice & Milk

FRIDAY: Sloppy Joe, French Fries, Salad, Cookies & Milk

Breakfast: Hot Pocket, Fruit, Juice & Milk

NOTICE

The Borden
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Saturday,
November 27th.
for the
Thanksgiving
Holidays

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Thank You!

A Big Thank You to the sophomore class members for all the hard work you did for the carnival this year. All of your hard work paid off well, you did a great job and I highly commend you on your efforts. It was a lot of fun. A special thank you to the following people for their help and ideas: Ross & Sarah Sharp, Tye Zant, Chris Cooley, Andrew Pigford and Randy Hardman. Your help was greatly appreciated. Thanks also to those parents who helped, it was hard work and I appreciate all your help.

Sincerely,
Brenda Copeland,
Sophomore Room Mother



Star On Gail Mountain will be shining brightly each night

The "Star" on Gail Mountain will be sponsored on the following nights:

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| November 26th
In Honor Of:
Delmo & Martha Pearce
by the Citizens of Borden Co | by Warren & Betty Beaver |
| November 27th
In Memory Of:
C.C. Nunnally
by Mrs. C.C. Nunnally & family | December 4th
In Memory Of:
Betty Wills
by Warren & Betty Beaver |
| November 28th
In Memory Of:
Bert Dennis
by Dorothy Dennis | December 6th
In Memory Of:
Mary D. Mullins Cary
by Margaret Cary Billingsley |
| November 29th
In Memory Of:
Bannie Hancock
by Juanda Hancock | December 10th
In Memory Of:
Beno Hendricks and
Donna Hendricks
by Bo & Jacque Hendricks |
| November 30th
In Memory Of:
Dr. & Mrs. E.E. Middleton
by Ms. Marjorie M. Middleton | December 13th
In Memory Of:
James Eubanks
by the Dennis Poole Family |
| December 1st
In Memory Of:
Sterling Williams
by Warren & Betty Beaver | December 15th
In Honor Of:
Jerry & Mary Clayton
In Honor Of:
Brookie & Bill Anderson
by Mr./Mrs. John Anderson |
| December 2nd
In Memory Of:
John Knox Mitchell Family
by Warren & Betty Beaver | December 20th
In Honor Of:
Sarah Bland, Mary Hutto,
John Robert Anderson,
Martha Wristen
by Mr./Mrs. John Anderson |
| December 3rd
In Memory Of:
Edward Smith | |

Lights bulbs for the "Star" on Gail Mountain are being sponsored for the following:

- IN MEMORY OF:**
Mr. & Mrs. Preston Sharp
Buddy Sharp
Barbara Sharp
Mr. & Mrs. Aubrey Rogers
by Margaret Sharp & Helen and Jim Warden
Corky Ogden
Vernon Creighton
by Verna (Snook) Ogden
Dave R. Covey
by D.R. & Berdette Covey
Garland Doyle
Clay Kingston
by Eva Doyle
C.C. Nunnally
by May Stephens, Dick Tune & Joan Tune
Buddy Sharp
by Bo and Jacque Hendricks

- IN HONOR OF:**
Ross & Sarah Sharp
by Frank & Joyce Herridge
Kyle Jennings
Dean Jennings
McCrae McCormick
Madolyn McCormick
Corey Cox
Justin Cox
by Warren & Betty Beaver

- Tom, Sandra, Joe & Sue
by Juanda Hancock
Margaret Sharp
Sarah Gilleland
by Bo & Jacque Hendricks
- Donations for the Star:**
Sam Saleh
Joel, Betty and Jeff Dennis



Thank You!

A "Special Thank You" to everyone who has helped make "The Star" a reality for the past five years. Your help, past and present, has made the "Star on Gail Mountain" a part of Borden County's Christmas Tradition. With your continued support, we can all enjoy it throughout the Season.

Thank you again,
Lights for Gail Committee

OBITUARY

Morris William Miller 1916-1999

Morris William Miller, 83, of San Angelo died Sunday, October 24th, 1999, at his residence.

Funeral services for Mr. Miller was set for 2 p.m. Monday, October 25th, at Johnson's Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was to follow in Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens.

Morris was born July 3rd, 1916, in Ozona, the only son of Will L. and Callie Dunlap Miller, pioneer ranch families.

He graduated from Ozona High School in 1933 and moved to Borden County to join his Dad in ranching. He married Willena Wyatt, his high

school sweetheart, in 1936, and they continued to live on the ranch in Borden County. He was a Baptist.

Their only child Margaret Ann, was born in 1943, in Snyder. She died in 1993, after almost six years battling cancer.

In 1957, they moved to Bandera County when they purchased the beautiful Rocky River Ranch near Medina. They had many friends there in the beautiful Hill Country.

In 1977, they moved to San Angelo and purchased a ranch in Concho County, near Eden. Morris went to the Concho ranch almost every day and went to

Borden County often to oversee the property there.

Morris is survived by his wife, Willena, and two granddaughters, Cara Carpenter and Julie Ann Carpenter; also two great-grandchildren Kyle Morris Hahn and Chelsea Raelyn Hahn. He also is survived by one sister; Mildred Bond of Brookesmith; and his brother-in-law and wife, Floyd and Dorothy Wyatt of Bandera.

LIGHTS FOR GAIL
P.O. Box 312
Gail, Texas 79738

DONATION BY _____
(Your Name)

Nights available will be from November 27 through December 31, 1999.

Bulbs @ \$5.00 per person per bulb per night.	Nights @\$25.00 per person or couple per night.	Date
_____ x \$5.00	_____ @ \$25.00	_____
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_____ x \$5.00	_____ @ \$25.00	_____
_____ x \$5.00	_____ @ \$25.00	_____
Total Bulbs \$ _____	Total Nights \$ _____	

To be fair to all please limit each bulb or night to one of the following examples:
John Smith If you want to list John, Jane, Joe & Julie Smith
Mr. & Mrs. John Smith Please list them on separate lines.
John Smith Family

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Your donation is greatly appreciated.
(A receipt will be sent when requested)

Please note below if you wish to have the name listed above "In Honor of..."
"In Memory of..."
For example if you listed Joe Jones for a night, note here that it is in memory of, or any special notation you wish.

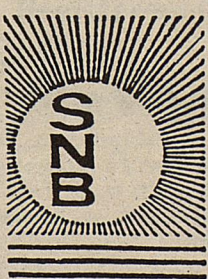
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Is there a game fence between you and the buck of your dreams?



Do you have a 300 acre deer lease that is joined on one side by a high fenced game ranch? Did you see the buck of your dreams and raise your rifle to shoot? In your scope did you see the barely distinguishable wired of a high fence between you and the buck? "Dog gone it! I can't shoot!"

This scenario often occurs on Texas farms and ranches. Let's think for a minute why it does happen. People with high fenced ranches often do not harvest young, immature bucks. They know that there is an excellent chance that the young buck will be there next year. They let them grow up. They wait. The young buck grows up and gets a big rack just like the buck in the picture in this article.

The difficulty with non high fenced land, is that if you let a six point buck go, then someone else may shoot it the next day. How far will a buck travel in the rut looking for a doe in heat? I have seen a known buck travel two miles in search of a doe. This means that a buck standing in one place utilizes 7,680 acres, if he travels two miles in all directions from his starting point. Somewhere on 7,680 acres someone will shoot a six point buck.

What is the answer? Did you ever hear the expression - if you can't beat them, the join them! It might not be possible to manage for big bucks on your 300 acre lease. maybe you should shoot that six point buck and be tickled with him.

the State of Michigan does not manage for trophy bucks. They state that it is

their goal or provide as many successful hunts as possible. They know that you can harvest twice as many bucks if you take them at 2-1/2 years of age as opposed to 5-1/2 years of age. Let's assume that your property was good for 5 trophy bucks per year. If you switched to a quantity program instead of quality program, then you could harvest 10 immature bucks per year and no trophy bucks. Michigan manages for a young buck or doe hanging up in as many garages as possible They want venison on as many tables as possible.

Who is right? Is anyone wrong? It is a worthwhile program either way. Keep the wind in your face, the sun at your back and the Lord in your heart. Good hunting!

Remember - The whitetail rifle season opened November 6th throughout Texas except in South Texas where it opens November 13th.



This big buck has a fence between him and the photographer

Courthouse News

WHEREAS, On this the 25th day of October, 1999, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Special Session in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Courthouse in Gail, Texas, the following members of the Court being present, to-wit: **VAN L. YORK**, County Judge, Presiding; **DOUG ISAACS**, Commissioner, Prec. No. 1; **LARRY D. SMITH**, Commissioner, Prec. No. 2; **VERNON WOLF**, Commissioner, Prec. No. 3; **HURSTON LEMONS, JR.** Commissioner, Prec. No. 4; **JOYCE HERRIDGE**, County Clerk and Ex-Officio of the Commissioners Court.

constituting a quorum, when the following proceedings were had, in accordance with the posted agenda:

MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the Commissioners Court meeting of October 11, 1999 were read. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve said minutes and motion

was seconded by Commissioner Wolf. Motion carried.

APPRAISAL BOARD

A motion was made by Commissioner Wolf to appoint Van L. York, Doug Isaacs, Larry Smith, Vernon Wolf and Hurston Lemons, Jr. as Directors for the Borden County Appraisal District Board for the year 2000. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Isaacs. Motion carried.

BIDS OPENED

As advertised, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. bids for the purchase of a Motorgrader to be used in Precinct No. 3 were opened. One bid was received from West Texas Equipment Co. Commissioner Wolf made a motion to accept the bid and Commissioner Isaacs

seconded the motion. Motion carried.

COUNTY SHOWBARN

A discussion was held concerning improvements on the County Showbarn. The Commissioner' Court will provide labor and equipment toward improvements on wash rack for the County Showbarn.

Commissioner Larry Smith left at 10:40 a.m. to attend a funeral of a family member.

ACCOUNTS ALLOWED

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

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Isaacs to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Wolf and approved unanimously.

Sheriff's Notice of Sale

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF BORDEN

Whereas by virtue of a Write of Execution issued out of the District Court of Scurry County, Texas, on the 6th day of October, 1999, in Cause No. 15010, where Wacey Enoch Lee Parks, Caleb Tye Parks, and Calley Jo Parks, minor children, were Plaintiffs, and Gary Don Parks was Defendant, on a judgement rendered in said Court against Defendant and in favor of said plaintiffs for the sum of Twenty-one thousand six hundred fifty-two and eighty-one/100 DOLLARS, with interest thereon from the 8th day of October, 1993, at the rate of ten percent per annum, together with all costs of suit; I did on the 27th day of October, 1999, at 2:00 PM, levy upon the following described mineral interest situated in Borden County, Texas, as the property of Gary Don Parks to wit:

WRIT OF EXECUTION

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Veterans Day Reflects Common Bond of Service

In observance of Veterans Day November 11th.
by Alan G. Lance, Sr.

What is it about America's veterans that brings us together on veterans Day? Are we living in the past - attempting to capture a fleeting moment in time that has long since past? Certainly not!

What brings veterans together for Veterans Day is a bond formed in uniform. It is the bond that is entwined within our hearts and minds, which is simply stated: *I shall not fail those with whom I serve.*

It has been more than a quarter century since the guns fell silent in Vietnam. Longer still for Korea - and nearly a lifetime of World War II. Yet, that bond of military service - which transcends the years - compels us to come together and keep the faith with those with whom we serve.

This final Veterans Day of the 20th century will include observances with the youngest generation of veterans, the men and women of the Persian Gulf War. These are Americans who sacrificed for others. These are Americans who continue to serve us in uniform. These are Americans who will gather on many more Veterans Days because they also feel that common bond.

As young American military members spend this day deployed to Kosovo, Bosnia, Iraq, at-sea and in distant remote locations, it is appropriate

for all of us as a nation to take the time to say 'thank you'.

Ironically, this Veterans Day comes on the heels of a disclosure by Pentagon that a drug given our troops might cause Gulf War Illness. It is tragic that it took nearly a decade to make this discovery. Without a common bond between veterans, compelling them to keep the pressure on our government, there would have been no studies. It is this common bond that compels us to continue to struggle to find answers for what is right and demand that our nation provide a strong veterans health care system for those who gave so much when called upon. As veterans we have kept our bond of service to our

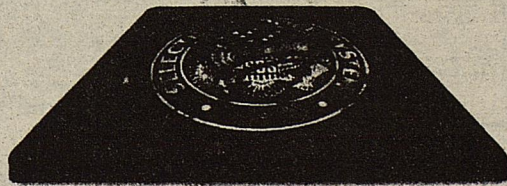
nation. As veterans we ask that our government keep faith with us.

That is why we gather on this Veterans Day. That is why all Americans should gather with veterans this day. For America's veterans are a special group of men and women - bonded through service, committed to the future.

Alan G. Lance, Sr., is the national commander of the 2.8 million-member American Legion and the attorney general for Idaho.

Readers are invited to visit *The American Legion Internet website at www.legion.org for information on veteran's issues and the many programs of the nation's largest veterans organization. The site features sending a free, musical e-mail card to a favorite veteran.*

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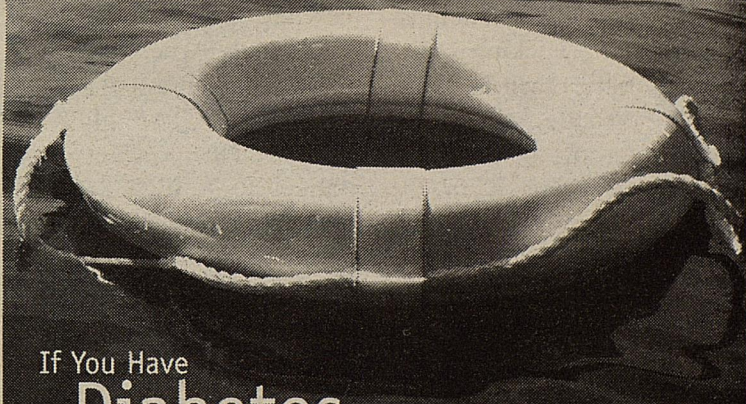
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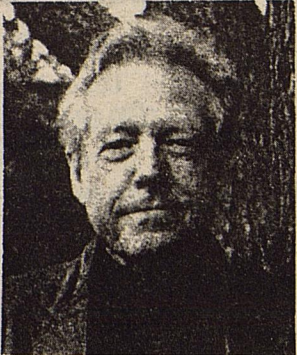
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Kangaroos on the South Plains

Bon and Cindy Burgess have a place in Lubbock called Feathers and Friends Farm. They raise kangaroos. When Cindy met me at the door to their home; she was carrying a small kangaroo in her arms. "We treat them like babies," she said. "This is Gwendolyn. She's eight months old. I give her a bottle four times a day. They love to be loved on. She hops, but prefers to be carried."

A kangaroo is about one inch long at birth. They develop in their mother's pouch and get fur on them at six months. "They start sticking their heads out then," says Cindy. "That's when we take it out of the mother's pouch and bring it in the house where we start it on the bottle. We keep it on the bottle for about three months."

The kangaroos make great pets. Cindy says some people put diapers on them and keep the kangaroos in the house all their lives.

The couple raises animals you don't usually see on the Texas plains. "We have llamas, alpacas, wallaroos, kangaroos, muntjacs, swans, pea fowl, miniature donkeys, some birds in the house and a couple of dogs," says Bon. "We love the animals. This started out as our retirement, and now it's turned into our business."

Bon was a car dealer most of his adult life. He sold his dealership four years ago. "Cindy read a newspaper article about alpacas and as we began

to look into the alpaca industry, we observed llamas and wallaros and kangaroos and one day a friend came by and sold us some swans and muntjacs and our business just sort of developed. We have 150 animals now, most of them are for sale. We have our favorites that we won't sell. Cindy doesn't like to sell and of them".

Muntjacs and wallaroos are perhaps some of the most unusual animals to Texans. A muntjac is a miniature deer from Southeast Asia. At maturity they are twelve to fourteen inches tall. "They look like a small white tail deer," says Bon. "We like to watch them. They can be trained to a litter box and make good pets. They're extremely friendly." Wallaroos are similar to kangaroos in appearance, but they're smaller.

Bon had no agricultural background whatsoever. "We had a steep learning curve, but it's possible, doable and it's fun as you go along. We've had some success with it." They have some world champion llamas and alpacas which have earned ribbons, plaques and trophies at stock shows all over the country.

"We have had lots of help from a bunch of nice people," says Cindy. "If I have a problem I pick up the phone and call somebody. People in this industry are very helpful to each other."

The animals have adapted to Lubbock's climate just fine. Bon and

Cindy shear the llamas and alpacas for their fiber. Shearing makes them cooler and more comfortable.

"It's not what I would have planned for myself, but it just had a way of happening and I'm glad it did," says Bon. "It's been a fun ride."

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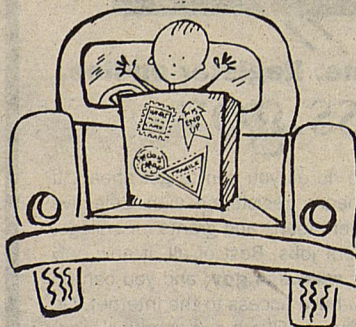
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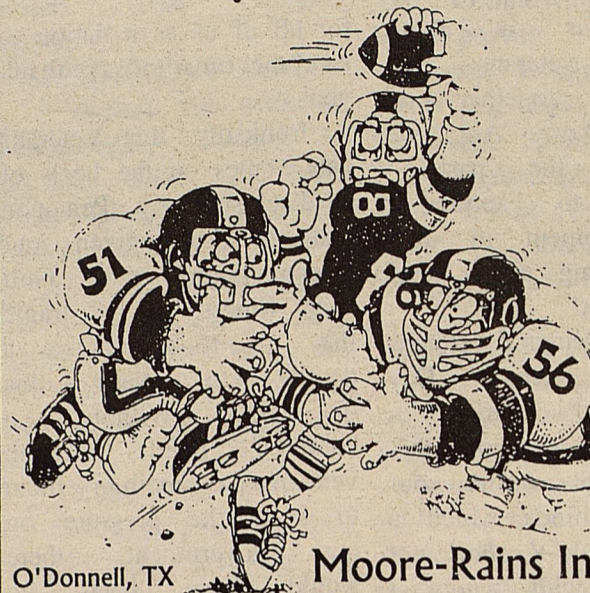
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