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## *Coyotes Send Two to State Track Meet and come back with a STATE CHAMPION and a 4<sup>th</sup> place finisher*

As the 1998-99 school year comes to a close, senior Jeff Dennis and sophomore Trent Pepper traveled to Austin to represent Borden County High School as the only remaining Coyotes competing in UIL athletics for the school year. These two young men represented the first Borden County Boys State Track Qualifiers since 1972. These young men put the finishing touches to a break though track season for the Coyotes. Jeff and Trent put together a fantastic year as they traveled to Austin representing the best athletes Borden County has ever had in their respective events. Jeff holds the school record in the Discus, 153'5", while Trent holds three school records, but competed in only two of those events, the 3200 (10:01.91) and the 1600 meter run (4:34.29).

These two young Coyotes began the year not knowing what the season might bring. Trent Pepper moved to Gail from Sabinal and had already made one appearance in the State Track Meet as a

freshman last year and hoped to repeat that feat at Borden County. He hoped to improve on his 1998 finish of 4<sup>th</sup> place in the 3200. Jeff on the other hand, began the season just hoping to set a new school record in the discus. As the season progressed, with the hard work and dedication that both of these two young men showed throughout the season, their paths took a similar journey as they both qualified for the 1999 State Track Meet.

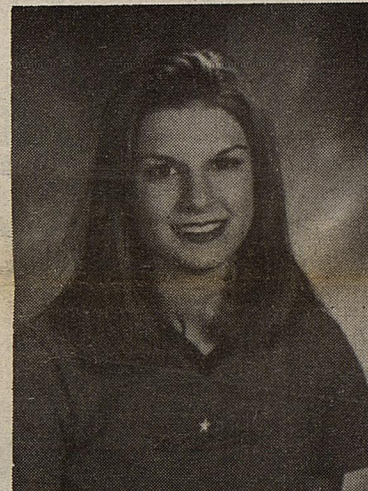
Jeff started the meet for the Coyotes as he competed in the discus Saturday morning. After three throws, Jeff found himself in unfamiliar territory, at sixth place. Showing the composure that he has all season long, Jeff put together two very solid throws at 150'8" to move him up to 4th place, and then he followed that throw with a very impressive 152'0" throw to actually move into the bronze medal slot. Just when it seemed as though Jeff was going to make school history in receiving the first medal for the

Borden County Boys Team at State, on the next to the last throw of the competition, a young man from Meadow hit a 154' throw to knock Jeff to fourth place. Fourth place, this means that Jeff finished fourth out of approximately 900 other discus throwers across the state of Texas in class 1A, what a tremendous accomplishment.

Now, the focus turned to Trent as he stepped to the line to begin the 3200-meter run. This is an event in which Trent carried the fastest qualifying time. As the gun sounded, it began just like any other 3200 Trent had run, as he moved into his familiar front position. It looked as though the field might just allow Trent to carry them around the track as a pack of six runners stayed close behind. After four laps the pack remained tight, with one of the competitors being the defending state champion in this event right on Trent's right shoulder. As the race hit the sixth lap the field was trimmed to four. At this point, Trent made his

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## *Borden Junior High Announce Top Honors*



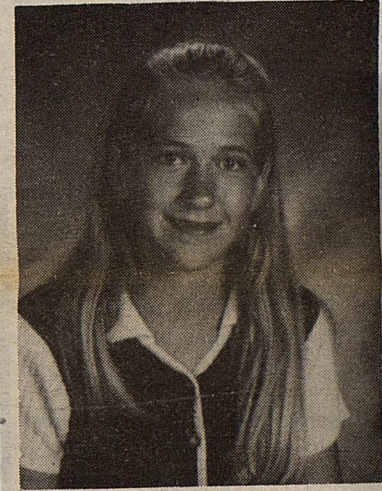
**Valedictorian  
Micah Hensley**

The top honors for the Eighth Grade graduating class for 1999 have been announced. Earning these honors are Valedictorian Micah Hensley and Salutatorian Michele Bond.

Micah Hensley is the daughter of Randy and Donnelle Hensley of the Plains Community. She has maintained a grade point average of 95.51 the past three years.

Michele Bond is the daughter of Mary Bond of the Plains Community. She has maintained a grade point average of 94.17 the past three years.

***There will be an Early Dismissal on Friday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 12:30 p.m***



**Salutatorian  
Michele Bond**

These girls have been very active in their Junior High careers, both being members of the Missy Coyote basketball team, track team, participated in UIL Literary contest and have served as Jr. High Cheerleaders.

The Junior High Commencement Exercises will be held Thursday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m. in the school auditorium. A reception will be held in the school cafeteria immediately following the ceremonies.

Baccalaureate service for the Senior class will be held Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00 a.m. in the school auditorium.

The High School Commencement Exercises will be held at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, May 28<sup>th</sup> in the school auditorium.

# '98-'99 FFA BANQUET - A NEW HORIZON

The Gail FFA held their annual banquet on Tuesday evening, May 11<sup>th</sup>, in the school cafeteria with approximately 100 guest and 30 FFA members present.

The banquet began with the invocation given by Kandace Kimmel serving as secretary in the absence of Brande Wells. A meal of fried fish, chicken bits, potato salad, coleslaw, pinto beans, okra, hush-puppies, and peach cobbler was served. Danny's Hens and Fins of Lubbock catered the meal.

Following the meal the opening ceremony was given by FFA officers, President Kaci Poole, Vice president, Hailey Adcock, Reporter, Colt Miller, Treasurer, Shawna Kempf, Sentinel, Fernando Baeza and serving as secretary Kandace Kimmel. Shawna Kempf, FFA treasurer gave the welcome to the guest and fellow FFA members..

The guest speaker Laurie Vaughn, Ambassador for Agriculture College of Ag Science and Natural Resources, Texas Tech University was introduced by Colt Miller FFA reporter.

Following her speech, FFA advisor, Mr. Buddy Wallace introduced the members and gave the leadership and judging teams recognition. He also praised the students for their accomplishments during the year.

Awards were then presented by the FFA officers to the following: The Star Chapter Farmer award given to Kaci Poole and Hailey Adcock; Star Greenhand award was presented to David Wright. The Honorary Chapter Member award was given to Randy and Verna Adcock. The Proficiency Awards was presented to the following: Fernando Baeza, and Colt Miller for Ag Mechanics, Cody



Treasurer Shawna Kempf presented the Star Chapter Farmer award to Hailey Adcock and Kaci Poole.



David Wright receives the Greenhand award from Kandace Kimmel.



Proficiency Award Winners: (L. to R.), Carey Cox, Colt Miller, Ross Aten, Cody Nowlain, T.C. Stipe, Kaci Poole, and Shawan Kempf. Not available for photo were Naomi Galvan and George Vasquez.



FFA Chapter officers with guest speaker Laurie Vaughn. (L. to R.) Kandace Kimmel, Fernando Baeza, Kaci Poole, Laurie Vaughn, Hailey Adcock, Shawna Kempf and Colt Miller.

LEARNING TO DO . . .  
DOING TO LEARN . . .  
EARNING TO LIVE . . .  
LIVING TO SERVE . . .



production, Kaci Poole for Nowlain for Meat sales, Diversified Livestock George Vasquez for Fruit production, Ross Aten for sales, Carey Cox for Beef production, T.C. Stipe for Lamb production, Shawna Kempf for Swine production.



President, Kaci Poole, presented Randy and Verna Adcock with the Honorary Chapter Recognition award.

# STATE CHAMPION

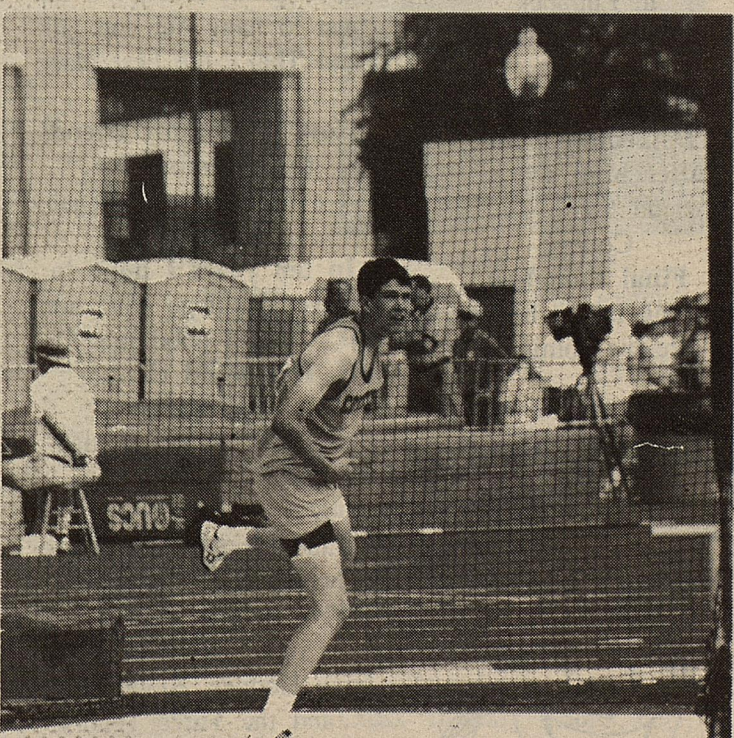
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familiar surge as he began to distance himself from the pack. With 600 meters remaining, Trent found yet another gear as he began to put more and more distance on the field. As he began his final lap, all that separated Trent from a Gold Medal and the claim of the 1999 State Champion was a few meters. The field had fallen way off the pace, and Trent just had to stay on his feet, and not have a completed melt down (which could happen in the Austin humidity). This feat would allow Trent to be the first male Track State Champion in Borden County History. As he neared the finish line you could see the smile peering from his face as he knew that he was now the best of the best in class 1A. Trent crossed the line in a very impressive time of 10:07.80 to claim the 3200-meter run State Championship Honors. What a fantastic accomplishment for this young Coyote.

As the day progressed, Trent attempted to pull off a very difficult double by winning the 1600-meter run. As luck would have it, with the use of the new facility, the 3200-meter run and the 1600-meter run were on the same day, within 3 hours of each other. This is a very difficult double on any normal circumstances, but with the Austin heat and humidity, it is almost impossible to run these two races as well as one would like too. That was the case for Trent, as he found the humidity, just too much to overcome as he finished 4th in the 1600 meter run as he was nipped at the line for the bronze medal. Trent's time of 4:41.98, was well off his school record time, but was very impressive for the day. The

2A State Champion only ran a 4:45 in the heat and humidity, so Trent has nothing to be disappointed about in this race. What an accomplishment for a young sophomore to score 14 points at the State Meet and be the 1999 STATE CHAMPION.

The two Coyotes combined for a team total of 18 points which placed the Coyotes 9<sup>th</sup> place overall, only six points from the runner-up position and ten from the championship. These two young men along with the other Coyote runners have put Borden County Track on the map and capped a very productive year in which they were District Champions, Area runner-ups (the toughest Area meet in Class 1A), finished 4<sup>th</sup> at Regional just four points from a regional title and now this. What a season, and what an accomplishment for these two young men to make school history, and make very impressive showings all the way through. Congratulations Jeff and Trent on a fantastic year. Congratula-

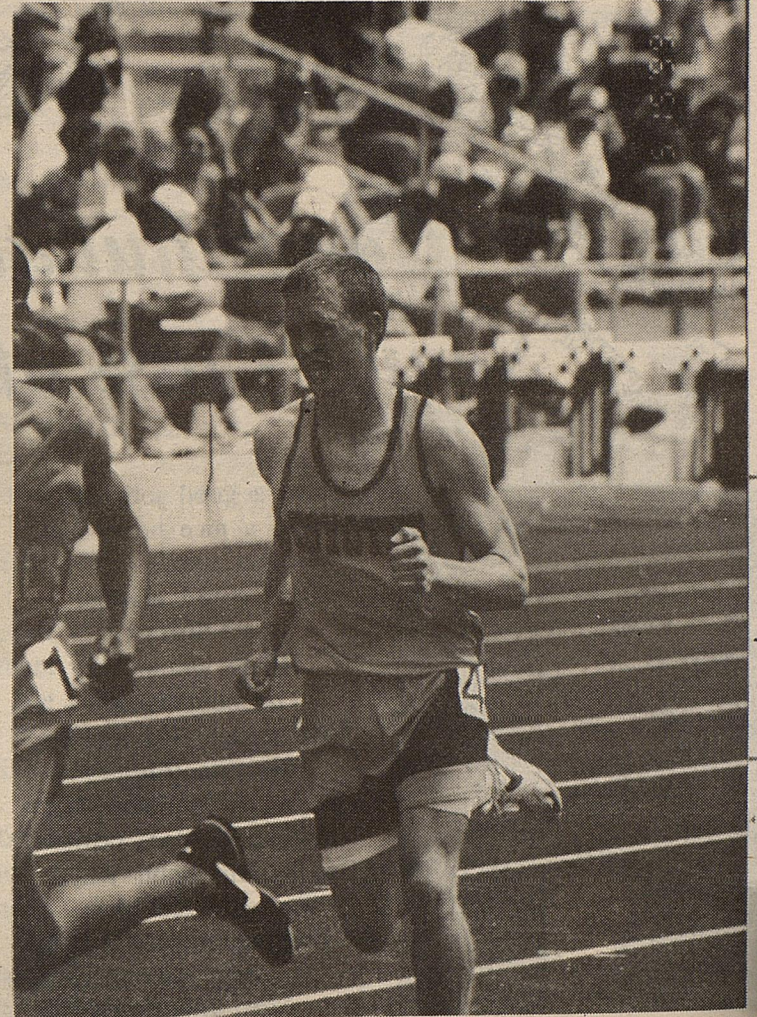


**Fourth place STATE discus:** Senior, Jeff Dennis tosses the discus 154'0" for a Fourth Place State Finish during Saturday morning competition in Austin at the State Track Meet.

tions Trent on your STATE CHAMPION-SHIP.

**COACHES COMMENTS:**  
By Trey Richey

What a season these two young men have had in 1999. They represented their family, friends and school with a lot of class. It was truly a joy to spend time with these young men, and to witness them compete in the ultimate arena of the State Track Meet. I would also like to thank them for making a coaches' dream come true, as they carried me to my first State Track Meet as a coach, and made a fantastic showing. Congratulations Jeff, on a very good year and a fourth place finish. Congratulations Trent, on being the STATE CHAMPION in the 3200-meter run as well as your 4th place finish in the 1600. This has truly been a dream season for me as a coach. Thank You! I would also like to thank all of you who traveled to Austin to watch these young men compete. A special thanks also goes to R.D. Lewis for his help with Jeff in the discus. Again, thank you all for your help and support.



**STATE CHAMPION:** Borden Co. Sophomore, Trent Pepper brings home the Gold Medal and the STATE CHAMPIONSHIP as he head's for the finish line during the 3200-meter run in Austin at the State Track Meet in a time of 10:07.80.

**Gifts and Donations Needed For "BHS Project Graduation"**

Parents of the senior class of 1999 are asking for donations and gifts for "Project Graduation". This project helps make this very important night in the lives of our children a lot of fun and a very memorable evening for them.

Your gifts and donations will be greatly appreciated and will help make this night even more exciting.

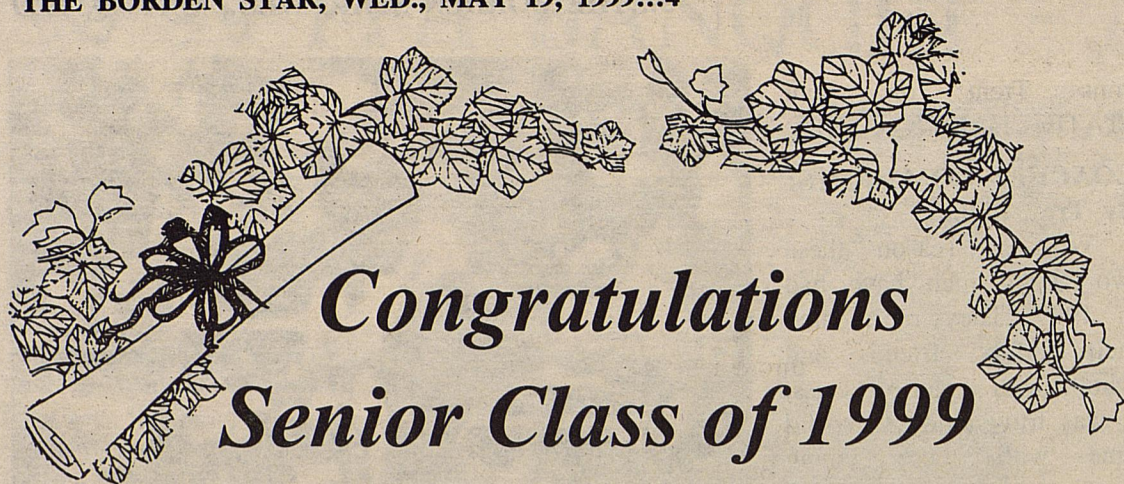
You may send your donations to: "BHS Project Graduation" in care of Borden County I.S.D. P.O. Box 95, Gail, Texas 79738 or contact any senior parent or the school.

Thank you for you help in this project.  
Class of 1999 Parents

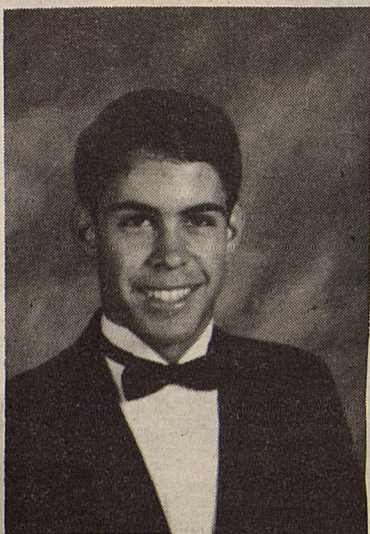


**Congratulations  
Class of 1999**

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# Congratulations Senior Class of 1999



**Fernando Baeza**  
"Ferry"

son of Oscar & Lydia Baeza

**Honors:**

Football: Freshman year-honorable mention running back and linebacker; Sophomore year- 1<sup>st</sup> team All-district running back and 2<sup>nd</sup> team All-district line-backer; Junior- year 1<sup>st</sup> team All-district, All-region, All-state running back and safety; Senior year- 1<sup>st</sup> team All-district, All-region, All-state runningback; Basketball: 3 years. Bi-district champs, 1 yr. Area champs; All-district ('97, '98, '99); Track: regional qualifier ('96,'97, '98, '99).

**Major influences in school:**

All the teachers because they pushed me to do better.

**Best time spent at BHS:**

1997 football season- everybody was excited and the whole town would come to our games.

**How I want my friends to remember me:**

Somebody that was easygoing but also a hard worker.

**In ten years I hope to:**

Have a good job that I enjoy, a nice home and a family.

**If I could change one thing:**

There would be no homework.

**Five people I'd like to invite to dinner:**

Both my grandfathers, Michael Jordan, Garth Brooks, and John Wayne

**Favorite Hobbies:**

Hunting, playing sports, video games.

**Most memorable school trip:**

Trip to Glen - Rose-State Championship Game '98

**Favorite song/movie:**

"Sunburn"

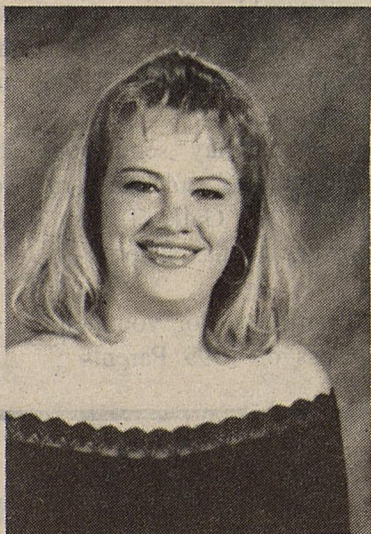
The Shawshank Redemption"

**Immediate plans after high school:**

Attend Abilene Christian University

**Final thoughts:**

Have fun with your friends because soon you won't be able to see them.



**Carey Cox**

daughter of Max & Jane Jones

**Honors:**

Regional alternate in tennis ('96); 4<sup>th</sup> in district ('99); 2<sup>nd</sup> in FFA Radio team at district

**Major influence in school:**  
My mom - she was always there when times were bad

**Best time spent at BHS:**

My senior year

**How I want my friends to remember me:**

Open-minded and able to voice my opinion

**In ten years I hope to:**

Be a college graduate with a degree in sign language interpretation

**If I could change one thing:**

Violence in the school and all over the world

**Five people I'd like to invite to dinner:**

John Wayne, Will Smith, Tom Cruise, Brad Pitt, Mike Myers

**Favorite Hobbies:**

Riding horses, listening to music, talking to friends

**Favorite school trip:**

When I was an alternate in tennis, and we stayed in Lubbock

**Favorite song/movie:**

"The Dance"

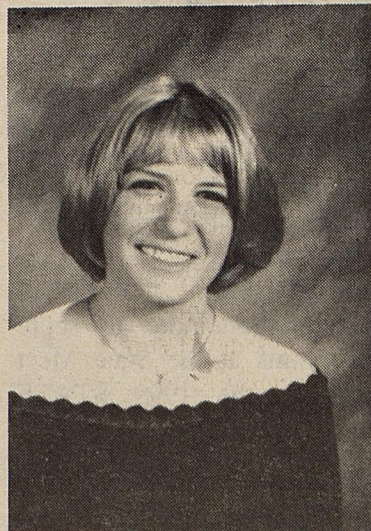
"Varsity Blues"

**Immediate plans after high school:**

Attend South Plains College

**Final thoughts:**

Believing is the beginning of dreams coming true



**Rebekah Copeland**  
"Becky"

daughter of Daniel & Brenda Copeland

**Honors:**

All-region band ('96-'97); All-state band alt. ('98-'99); Texas A&M University Honor band ('98); State qualifier solo and ensemble ('97-'99); Area Honor band ('98-'99); State qualifier Poultry judging ('99); Regional qualifier in current events ('96-'99).

**Major influence in school:**

My friends- when I made mistakes, they understood and helped me fix them; at the same time, when they made mistakes I watched and learned from theirs.

**Best time spent at BHS:**

On the bus . . . that's a time when you talk to your friends and learn more about them; it's fun just to hang out and talk and That's the best place to do it.

**How I want my friends to remember me:**

As a friendly, approachable person

**In ten years I hope to:**

Have a college education and a good job

**If I could change one thing:**

The set of morals that today's society lives by . . . today's social standards are way below where they should be.

**Five people I'd like to invite to dinner:**

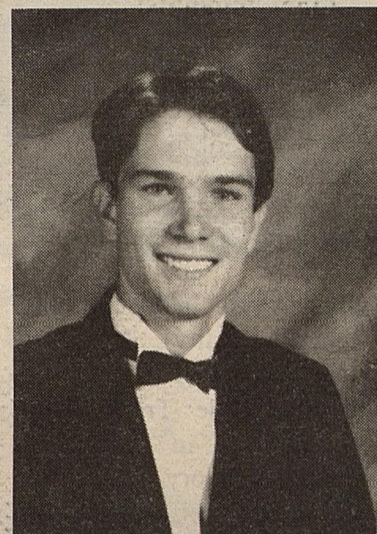
Lacy Hodges, Brandi Gunn, and the Three Tenors

**Favorite Hobbies:**

Hanging out with friends and listening to music

**Most memorable**

**school trip:**  
UIL regional meet in Abilene this year  
**Favorite song/movie:**  
"Amarillo by Morning"  
**Immediate plans after high school:**  
Work this summer; start classes at South Plains College  
**Final thoughts:**  
Go forth and achieve



**Jeffrey Dennis "Jeff"**  
Son of Joel & Betty Dennis

**Honors:**

Beta club; 3 yrs. Regional qualifier UIL science; 2yrs Regional qualifier UIL current events; 3 yrs All-district basketball; Six-man All-state basketball ('99); 2 yrs. Regional qualifier in shot put; 2 yrs Regional qualifier Cross-country; State qualifier in discus ('99); 4<sup>th</sup> State Discus ('99); Academic All-state basketball; basketball team 3 yrs. Bi-district champs; Area champs ('99).

**Best time spent at BHS:**

Regional track meet ('99) - qualifying for state in discus

**How I want my friends to remember me:**

Someone with a sense of humor but also a hard worker when necessary

**In ten years I hope to:**

Have finally found out what I want to do the rest of my life.

**If I could change one thing:**

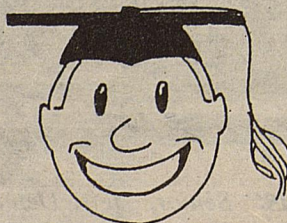
Eliminate world hunger

**Five people I'd like to invite to dinner:**

Ernest Hemingway, Jim Morrison, Henry David Thoreau, Willie Nelson and

Robert Stamper

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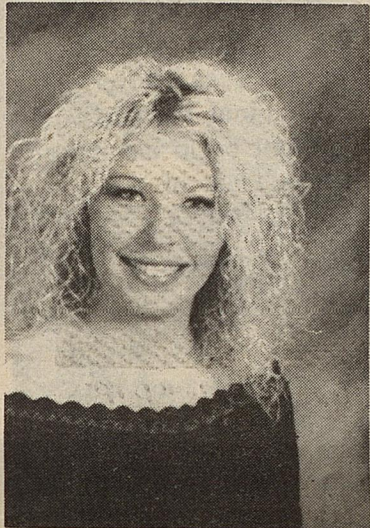
**Favorite Hobbies:**  
Playing guitar and playing hacky sack

**Favorite school trip:**  
Regional literary – Abilene '99

**Favorite song/movie:**  
"32 Blues"  
"La Bamba"

**Immediate plans after high school:**  
Attend TCU

**Final thoughts:**  
Have fun during high school. Don't spend all your time worrying about school.



**Meranda Dunlap**

daughter of Melissa Dunlap

**Honors:**  
Regional qualifier in track ('96)

**Major influence in school:**  
My mother- there were so many times I wanted to quit and she was always there to help me see the best of sides.

**Best time spent at BHS:**  
My senior year

**How I want my friends to remember me:**  
Outspoken, and easy to talk to

**In ten years I hope to:**  
Be graduated from stenography school

**If I could change one thing:**  
Violence in schools

**Five people I'd like to invite to dinner:**  
Will Smith, Tom Cruise, George Strait, Kate Winslet, my mother

**Favorite Hobbies:**  
Working, riding horses, attending church, hanging out with family and friends

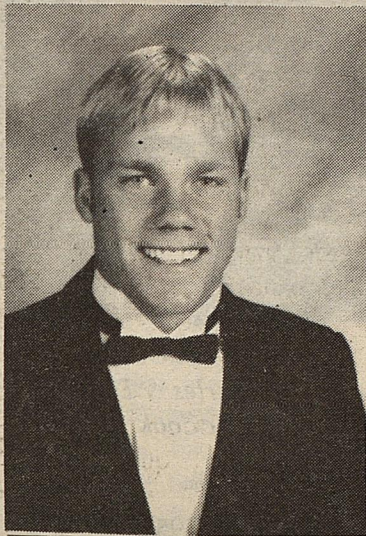
**Most memorable school trip:**  
Regional track my

freshman year

**Favorite song/movie:**  
"I'll Never Let You Go"  
"The Lion King"

**Immediate plans after high school:**  
Move to Abilene and attend Stenographers' school

**Final thoughts:**  
Live each day to the fullest because you never know when it may be your last day.



**Ryan Grant**

son of Eldon & Elizabeth Grant

**Honors:**  
Football: All-district ('97-'98); All-region ('97-'98); All-state ('97-'98); All-South Plains ('97); Basketball: Area Champs ('98-'99); Tennis: Regional qualifier ('97); Track: regional qualifier 1600m relay ('97-'98); 400m relay ('97-'98); 300m hurles ('97); State FFA Poultry judging team ('99); Regional qualifier UIL current events ('99).

**Major influence in school:**  
My dad – because he always pushed me to do my best. I have admired him because he has always worked hard and stood up for what he believes.

**Best time spent at BHS:**  
When we have gone to state in football

**How I want my friends to remember me:**  
Someone who was easygoing and who had great pride in his school and country

**In ten years I hope to:**  
Be retiring from the Marine Corps and have a bachelor's degree in education

**If I could change one thing:**  
People's lack of pride in their country.

**Five people I'd like to invite to dinner:**  
Shawna Hannity, General Patton, Bill O'Riley, General Krulak (commander of Marine Crops), and Audie Murphy

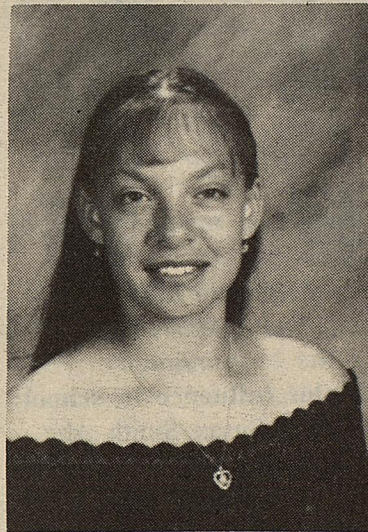
**Favorite Hobbies:**  
Playing football with my younger brothers, paintball, driving around car lots and looking at cars

**Favorite school trip:**  
JV basketball trip to Jayton Tournament

**Favorite song/movie:**  
"American Pie"  
"The Rock"

**Immediate plans after high school:**  
Join the Marine Corps

**Final thoughts:**  
Try hard in everything you do and try everything – at least once- that way when you get out of school you will have no regret not playing sport, Stay clean of drugs and alcohol and follow God



**Brenda Griffin**

daughter of Maria Griffin

**Honors:**  
Regional golf qualifier ('97-'98); one-act play area qualifier ('97); All-district golf ('98); Football sweetheart runner-up ('97); voted Most Likely to Succeed ('99); Home-coming Queen ('98); Miss BHS ('99); manager for State qualifying Basketball team and Cross Country teams ('97, '98, '99).

**Major influence in school:**  
Coach Richey and Coach Winegarner- these two men spent time becoming

friends with the students and I feel that they would do just about anything for anyone in need; they both have a caring heart.

**How I want my friends to remember me:**  
Someone who gave my all in everything I did throughout my high school years.

**In ten years I hope to:**  
Be working for a nice school with a nice athletic program as an athletic trainer

**If I could change one thing:**  
People's attitude towards others who do not have the same tastes as themselves.

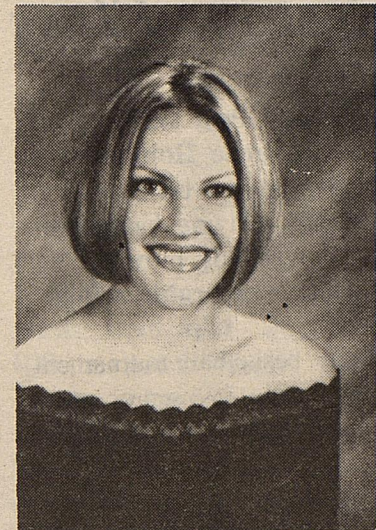
**Five people I'd like to invite to dinner:**  
Rafael Perches, George Eliot, John Travolta, Sean Connery, and Pablo Neruda

**Favorite Hobbies:**  
Going out to the lake at night to sit on a picnic table just to look at the stars

**Most memorable school trip:**  
State one-act play trip to Austin as honor crew-member

**Immediate plans after high school:**  
Go on the senior trip come home and find a job

**Final thoughts:**  
School may not be one of your favorite places to be, but to get somewhere in life we must all finish. No matter how hard things seem to get or how angry the teachers seem to make you, don't let them ruin your lifelong goals. Just remember each one of us is special in our own way, and we are the ones who set the example for the next generation.



**Katie Kemp**

daughter of Johnny & Nancy Kemp

**Honors:**  
Track: State qualifier 1600m. relay ('96); 800m relay ('98), regional qualifier 3 yrs. 800m relay, 4 yrs. 1600m relay, 2 yrs. 400m. relay; Cross-country: state qualifier ('97); Basketball: State qualifier ('99), Honorable mention all-district ('98-'99), selected to play in All-Star game; Sr. Class Favorite; Regional qualifier tennis doubles ('98).

**Major influence in school:**  
My parents and grandparents- they were always there for me when things were rough and I wanted to quit; they had encouraging words to keep me going.

**Best time spent at BHS:**  
Being with three of my best friends and running with them at the State track meet in front of thousands of people.

**How I want my friends to remember me:**  
Outgoing, laid back, opinionated, easy to talk to

**In ten years I hope to:**  
Have graduated from SWT with a bachelor's degree in education and teaching high school somewhere in Austin

**If I could change one thing:**  
That America could have a president that they were proud of and could be a role model to young people

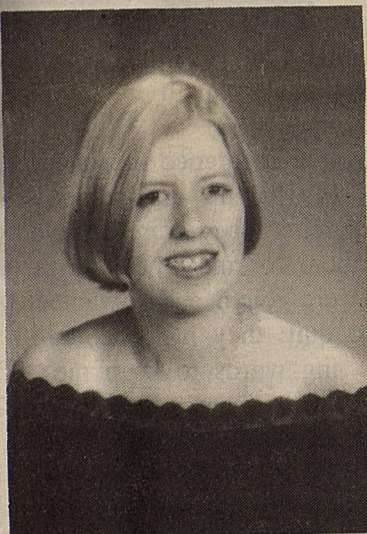
**Five people I'd like to invite to dinner:**  
Roy Rogers, Will Smith, James Dean, Meg Ryan

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# Senior Class of 1999

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and Paul Walker  
**Favorite Hobbies:**  
 Swimming, being with friends, playing basketball, watching movies  
**Most memorable school trip:**  
 State basketball tournament in Austin my senior year  
**Favorite song/movie:**  
 "Stand By Me"  
 "A League of Their Own"  
**Immediate plans after high school:**  
 Attend Southwest Texas University in San Marcos  
**Final thoughts:**  
 No matter how bad you're ready to be out of high school, don't rush it and don't spend your time complaining about it because it really does fly by. Have a good attitude about it and enjoy it all you can.

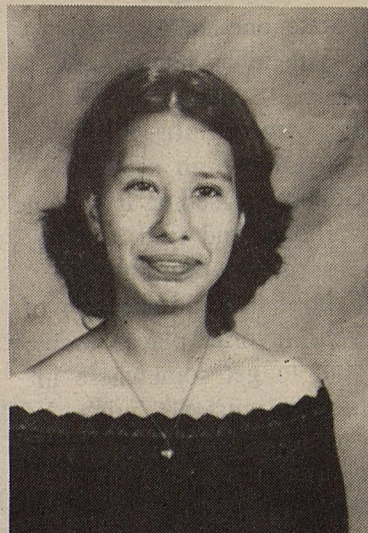


**Carolyn Lewis**

daughter of Tom & Carolyn Lewis

**Major influence in school:**  
 My sister Tammy- She influenced me to graduate early; whenever I wanted to give up, she always told me, "You can do it!"  
**Best time spent at BHS:**  
 Eating lunch with Brande and Letty  
**How I want my friends to remember me:**  
 Happy and with a smile  
**In ten years I hope to:**  
 Have my college degree, have a good job and live in Florida  
**If I could change one thing:**  
 That there would be no evil, only good, in the

world  
**Five people I'd like to invite to dinner:**  
 Billy Graham, Jim Skinner, my grandpa, Mary Beth Glenney and Jenny Lewis  
**Favorite Hobbies:**  
 Roller blading, shopping, reading my Bible, hanging out with my sisters and my cousin Rebekah, watching movies.  
**Favorite school trip:**  
 Going to Coyote Country Store with Mrs. Stamper to buy milk and eggs  
**Favorite song/movie:**  
 "Because He Lives"  
 "Girls Just Want to Have Fun"  
**Immediate plans after high school:**  
 Go to college at Texas Tech, room with my sisters and get a job  
**Final thoughts:**  
 Do your own work; even if you have to take a lower grade, you know you did it by yourself.

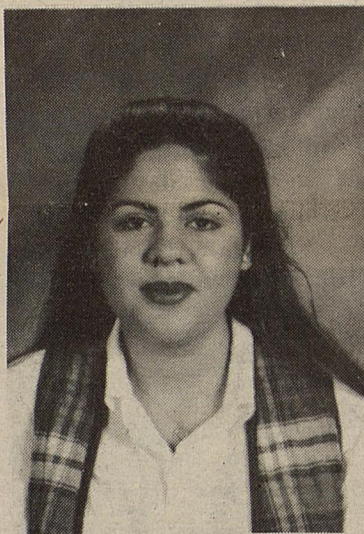


**Leticia Lozano "Letty"**

Daughter of Andres & Dora Lozano

**Honors:**  
 Homecoming queen runner-up ('99)  
**Major influence in school:**  
 My parents- they made me get out of bed and go to school  
**Best time spent at BHS:**  
 Senior concession stand  
**How I want my friends to remember me:**  
 Quiet, understanding, not crazy  
**In ten years I hope to:**  
 Have a chiropractic practice

**If I could change one thing:**  
 Less school hours  
**Five people I'd like to invite to dinner:**  
 Both of my grandfathers, my Aunt Antonia, my mom's great-grandparents.  
**Favorite Hobbies:**  
 Reading, horseback riding, Internet searching.  
**Most memorable school trip:**  
 Dallas Band trip  
**Favorite song/movie:**  
 "She's All That"  
**Immediate plans after high school:**  
 Go on the senior trip, attending University of Texas at El Paso  
**Final thoughts:**  
 Finish what you start as long as it's not a danger to your health or safety of others.

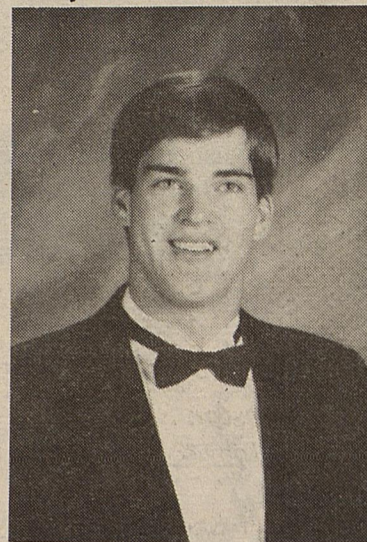


**Mariana Mendoza**

daughter of Mario Mendoza & Rita Baeza

**Major influence in school:**  
 Mrs. Susan Smith- she always helped me in different ways  
**Best time spent at BHS:**  
 This year  
**How I want my friends to remember me:**  
 I always try to be happy.  
**In ten years I hope to:**  
 Finish everything I want to do.  
**If I could change one thing:**  
 Less War  
**Five people I'd like to invite to dinner:**  
 My father, my mother, grandmother, grandfather and my Uncle Martin  
**Favorite Hobbies:**  
 Reading  
**Favorite song/movie:**

"Gone With the Wind"  
**Immediate plans after high school:**  
 Go to the University of Texas at El Paso  
**Final thoughts:**  
 You can do everything that you think you can

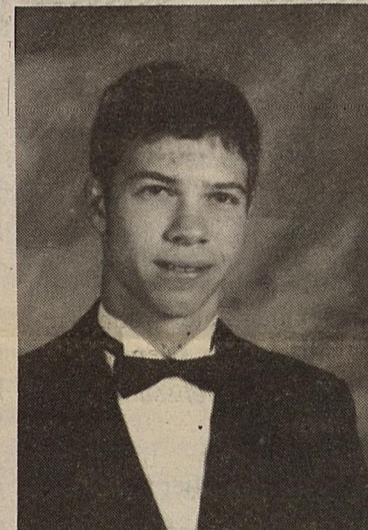


**Colt McCook**

son of Charles & Dorothy McCook

**Honors:**  
 Football: 2<sup>nd</sup> team All-district QB ('95); 2<sup>nd</sup> team All-district SB ('96); 1<sup>st</sup> team All-district QB ('97-'98); 1<sup>st</sup> team All-region QB ('97-'98) District tri-champs ('96) State champs ('97); State runners-up ('98); Academic All-State football ('97); Basketball: Honorable mention All-district ('95-'96); All district and All region ('96-'99); Six-man All State ('98-'99) Six-man basketball MVP ('98-'99) District MVP ('98-'99); bi-district champs ('96) '97, '98; Area champs ('98-'99); Academic All-state ('97-'98); Track: Regional qualifier mile relay ('96, '97, '98, '99); 400m Dash ('97-'98); and 400m Relay ('97, '98, '99) Golf: Regional qualifier golf team ('98).  
**Best time spent at BHS:**  
 Winning state championship in football in 1998  
**How I want my friends to remember me:**  
 As someone that they could talk to about anything  
**In ten years I hope to:**  
 Be a youth minister and be an influence in the lives of teenagers  
**If I could change**

**one thing:**  
 Laws against prayer in school  
**Five people I'd like to invite to dinner:**  
 Abraham Lincoln, Gandhi, Sandra Bullock, Chevy Chase, Coach Winegarner  
**Favorite Hobbies:**  
 Ping-Pong & hacky sack  
**Favorite school trip:**  
 Sam Rhyne Genetics Conference  
**Favorite song/movie:**  
 "More Than Words"  
 "Forrest Gump"  
**Immediate plans after high school:**  
 Attend Abilene Christian University  
**Final thoughts:**  
 Don't be in a hurry to get out of school.



**Colt Miller**

son of Ben & Paula Miller

**Honors:**  
 Football: Honorable mention linebacker ('96-'97); 2<sup>nd</sup> team All-state linebacker; Honorable mention All-state offensive end ('98); State champs ('97); State runners-up ('98).  
**Best time spent at BHS:**  
 1997 Football season  
**How I want my friends to remember me:**  
 A friendly boy  
**In ten years I hope to:**  
 Have driven a freight train, built a water tower, and taught kindergarten  
**Five people I'd like to invite to dinner:**  
 Bob Marley, Dirty Harry, Burt Bacharach, Tom Jones, and Robert Stamper  
**Favorite Hobbies:**  
 Fishing, playing guitar and hacky sack  
**Favorite school trip:**  
 Guatemalan slide show

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in Lubbock

**Favorite song/movie:**

"Martinique"

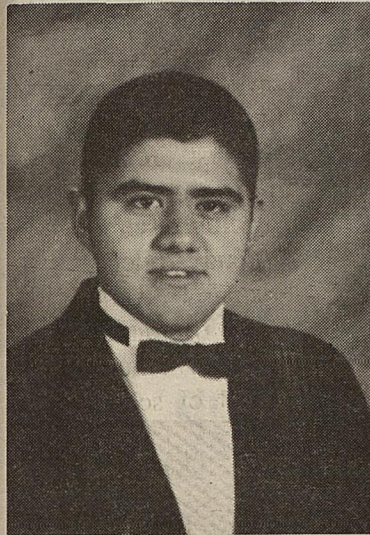
"The Graduate"

**Immediate plans after high school:**

Attend WTAMU in Canyon.

**Final thoughts:**

Take it easy



**Cesar Mujica**

son of Sandy & Pascual Espinoza

**Honors:**

Member of State championship and State runner-up football team; Member of State Poultry judging team two years; Manager for Area champion basketball team; 2<sup>nd</sup> place Jr. Skills team.

**Best time spent at BHS:**

Sophomore Year

**How I want my friends to remember me:**

As an all-around good guy

**In ten years I hope to:**

Be a heart and brain surgeon

**If I could change one thing:**

All of the violence

**Five people I'd like to invite to dinner:**

Adam Sandler, Chris Farley, Chris Rock, Jenny McCarthy, Charlize Theron

**Favorite Hobbies:**

Fishing, bowling, and playing guitar

**Favorite school trip:**

1999 State poultry judging contest at College Station

**Favorite song/movie:**

"Caroline's Spine"

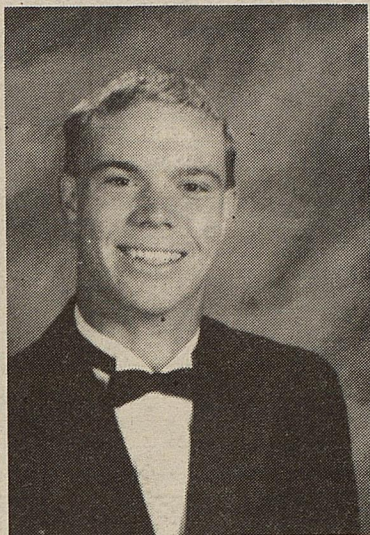
"Patch Adams"

**Immediate plans after high school:**

Go to College

**Final thoughts:**

Enjoy your high school years while they last.



**Preston Sharp**

son of Toby & Nan Sharp

**Honors:**

Member of State championship and State runner-up football team ('97-'98)

**Major influence in school:**

My parents, for being there no matter how good or how bad the times were. Coach Richey for always finding that little button to push in me that made me work harder and get after it.

**Best time spent at BHS:**

All of it, because of the many memories I have.

**How I want my friends to remember me:**

Easygoing and laid back

**In ten years I hope to:**

Be out of debt and maybe start a family

**If I could change one thing:**

Have longer summer vacations during high school.

**Five people I'd like to invite to dinner:**

Michael Jordan, Tiger Woods, Tom Cruise, Jeff Gordon and Will Smith

**Favorite Hobbies:**

Swimming, roller blading, going on walks to be by myself

**Favorite school trip:**

Senior trip in June

**Favorite song/movie:**

I like all types of music and movies so I really don't have one.

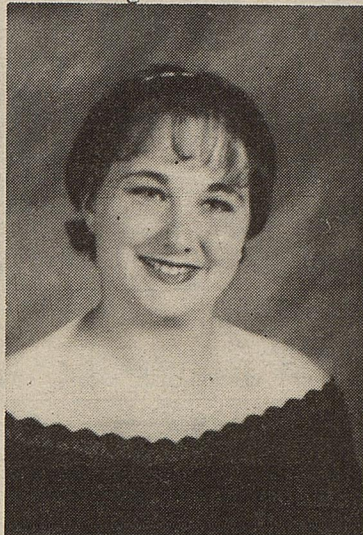
**Immediate plans after high school:**

None immediately;

eventually attend Howard Payne University in Brownwood

**Final thoughts:**

Whatever you do, do your best so you will have no regrets later.



**Brande Wells**

daughter of Shirley Bennett & Reggie Wells

**Honors:**

FFA: 2<sup>nd</sup> Jr. skills team state, Lone Wolf Sentinel, Lone Star Degree, Sheep Proficiency Award, Star Greenhand, Lone Wolf District Reporter, Chapter Secretary; Band: John Phillips Sousa Award

**Major influence in school:**

My father- for teaching me what a good Christian should be and always helping me to keep my faith in God.

**Best time spent at BHS:**

My senior year

**How I want my friends to remember me:**

Someone they could talk to, someone that would be there for them, and as someone who loves life in general.

**In ten years I hope to:**

Be a very successful and possibly happily married with at least two, very big hairy dogs.

**If I could change one thing:**

Some people's stupidity on some of the issues on kids killing kids

**Five people I'd like to invite to dinner:**

Tom Cruise, Sandra Bullock, George Strait, Tina Turner and Tanya Tucker

**Favorite Hobbies:**

Reading, riding horses,

hiking, fishing, hunting, swimming and camping

**Most memorable school trip:**

State Conventions in FFA

**Favorite song/movie:**

"The Dance"

**Immediate plans after high school:**

Attend TSTC in Sweetwater majoring in computer drafting and design

**Final thoughts:**

Don't worry about what people think of you because in the long run it only matters what you think of yourself - that's the true meaning of happiness.

## FFA Plants Still Available

The Gail FFA wishes to express their thanks to the members of the community who supported their plant sale this past week. Although many plants were sold, there is still a good supply left. These plants will be available for purchase until May 28<sup>th</sup>. Anyone interested may contact Buddy Wallace at 806/756-4313 or come by the Ag Science building from 8:00 -12:00 p.m. and 1:00-4:00 p.m. Mon. - Fri.

## Pre-School Day

Friday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, is Preschool Day. If your child will be five (5) years old on or before September 1<sup>st</sup>, 1999, he or she may attend school. The day will begin at 7:55 a.m. and dismiss at 12:30 p.m. This is an early dismissal day for the entire school. Approximately eight visitors are expected to visit on this day.

Your child will be able to meet their classroom teacher, coach, and music teacher and to see what school will be like next year. A social security card, immunization records, and a birth certificate are needed for pre-registration.

Please notify the bus driver in your area, if your child plans to ride the bus. Lunch will be provided by the school.

We are looking forward to visiting with you and your child. If you have any questions, please call the school at 806/756-4313.



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**The Borden Co. Landfill Will be CLOSED Saturday, May 29<sup>th</sup>. Memorial Day Weekend**



**Let Me Get My Hat!**  
By Dennis Poole,  
Borden County CEA-Ag.

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## Bluebonnets have colorful history in Texas

Since the early days of Texas, the bluebonnet has held a place in history. Texas folklore tells of Spanish priests growing bluebonnets at their missions. In 1901, selection of the official state flower sparked a lively debate. One legislator nominated the cotton boll since cotton was king in Texas. John Nance Garner suggested cactus, extolling the durability and orchid-like beauty. The platform earned Garner the name "Cactus Jack," a moniker he carried all the way to the vice presidency. But it was the bluebonnet that garnered the majority of votes. Extension floriculturist Don Wilkerson says there are actually five species of our native bluebonnet, all of which are considered the state flower. They even include white, pink, red and maroon bluebonnets. All occur naturally and have been selected and bred so they are now popular as bedding plants. The newest varieties are the long-stemmed bluebonnet. A&M horticulturists experimented with it until they produced a richly-colored, long-lasting cut flower. It's expected to become a standard in the floral

industry. Bluebonnets are planted in the fall and bloom best following mild winters. Wilkerson says they hug the ground during the winter as a natural means of protecting themselves. Once the weather warms its leaves, the plant springs to life. It produces a cluster of awe-inspiring blue blooms. One historian wrote that the bluebonnet is not only the state flower, but also a kind of floral trademark almost as well known to non-Texans as cowboy boots and the Stetson hat.

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## Walk Across Texas Mileage Log WEEK 4

TEAM NAME	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	TOTAL TEAM MILES
Wandering Women	65.5	67	56.75	42	231.25
Coyote Cuties	36	62	58	61	217
Toddling Teachers	58.85	82.5	95.1	112.8	349.25
EMS	71	72.5	53	81	277.5
Courthouse	46	51.5	43.25	39.25	180
Bodies of Steel	27.75	64.5	58.75	50.5	201.5
Wind Walkers	35	42	41	34	152
<b>TOTAL MILES</b>	<b>340.1</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>405.85</b>	<b>420.55</b>	<b>1608.5</b>

There will be an *Awards Assembly* on Wednesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m. in the School Auditorium



## Weighdown Workshop

ORIENTATION - June 2<sup>nd</sup> - 7:00 p.m.  
FIRST CLASS - June 16<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 p.m.  
*First Baptist Church Gail*  
Class will meet every Wed. at 7:00 p.m.  
If you are interested in joining or need more information about the workshop contact Debra Hardman at 756-4364

You've come a long way and we know you'll go far!



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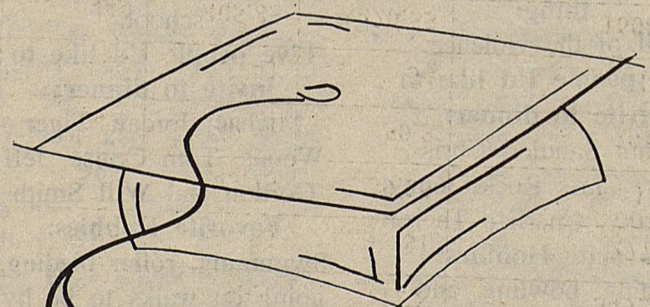
### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

**Texaco E&P Inc. P.O. Box 2800 Midland, Texas 79702** has applied to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the **Lower Spraberry, Jo Mill Unit**, Well Number **4321**. The proposed injection well is located **15 miles SW of Gail** in the **Jo Mill (Sprayberry)** Field, in **Borden** County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from **7366'** to **7410'** feet.

**LEGAL AUTHORITY:** Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the 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 Underground Injection Control Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

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