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1998 Ox Bow Scholarship

The Ox Bow Ranch Company, owner of the OB Ranch in Borden County, Texas, is awarding a \$2,000.00 scholarship to the contestant who submits the most creative new mesquite management technique or the most innovative new utilization for the mesquite tree. The contest is open to all Borden County ISD students, and the scholarship will be used to offset first year college expenses.

Entries will be judged on creativity, cost efficiency, environmental sensi-

tivity, and documentation/presentation. Submittals may be made in any media, including VHS video, audio tape, print, or digital multimedia, and should only be limited by the imagination of the entrant. Deadline for contest submittals is May 1, 1998. The scholarship winner will be announced no later than July 31, 1998.

Contest rules may be picked up at the Borden County School or the Borden County Extension office.

WHIP Is USDA's Latest Wildlife Program

The Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP) is the U.S. Department of Agriculture's newest wildlife program and it's for people who want to restore degraded native wildlife habitat on private lands.

"Whip is a voluntary program which provides both technical assistance and cost-sharing to restore degraded native habitat on private land," explained Kevin L. Wright, District Conservationist with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). "Participants who

own or control land agree to prepare and implement a wildlife habitat development plan which contains wildlife habitat practices to be installed on the land. In addition, if the landowner agrees, wildlife agencies like the Texas Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, or private organizations like Ducks Unlimited may also provide expertise or additional funding to help complete a project."

The wildlife habitat development plan is prepared

Wool Team brings home second place

The Gail FFA Chapter had 3 teams travel to Sweetwater and compete in the judging contest held their this past Saturday.

The Wool team captured 2nd place overall team honors and also landed 3 members in the top ten individual awards. Wool team members are Hailey Adcock, placing 6th high individual; Colt Miller 7th high individual; Robert Stamper, 8th high individual and Heath Gwinn.

The Poultry team placed 7th in the team competition with Ryan Grant earning a 6th place individual spot. Poultry team members are Ryan Grant, Fernando Baeza, Cesar Mujica, Joel Cluck, Tera Stamper and Randi Farmer.

in consultation with the Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District. The plan describes the landowner's goals for improving wildlife habitat, includes a list of practices and schedule for installing them, and details the steps necessary to restore and maintain the habitat for the life of the agreement.

"USDA and the participant enter into a cost-share agreement to restore the degraded native habitat," said Wright. "The

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Members of the Gail FFA Wool Judging Team:
(L to R) Colt Miller, Heath Gwinn, Robert Stamper and Hailey Adcock

The Livestock team also competed on Saturday and sharpened their skills for the next contest. Livestock team members competing were Kaci Poole, Chrissy Armstrong, Nick Flanigan, and Shawna Kempf.

The Horse and Dairy Cattle teams will join the

above teams in 3 contest which will be held this week. These contest will take place at Tarleton State University, West Texas A&M Canyon and Clarendon College. The Area competition will take place on Saturday, April 4th at Texas Tech University.

Early Dismissals Planned

School will dismiss at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 2nd for High School UIL Literary Meet and on Friday, April 3rd, for Staff Development

Borden County Thinclads Open Up Track Season in Annual

Borden Relays

Lady Coyotes Win Runner-Up Trophy

The Lady Coyotes hosted their own track meet last Friday, March 20, and won the runner-up trophy by scoring 140 points. The Sands Lady Mustangs won the meet with 150 points, and the Grandfalls Cowgirls finished third with 109 points.

The Lady Coyote 400m. relay team placed third with a time of 56.02. Running on this relay was Julie Mayes, Katie Kemp, Shaina Isaacs, and Bekah Hensley.

The Borden County Blue team also fielded a 400m relay team and they finished 4th with a time of 60.02. On this relay was Erica Schooler, Adrianna Baeza, Amanda Watts, and Kaci Poole.

The 800m relay team of Julie Mayes, Katie Kemp, Shaina Isaacs, and Bekah Hensley won gold medals with a time of 1:55.71.

The Borden County Blue team finished third in the 800m relay. Erica Schooler, Amanda Watts, Hailey Adcock, and Kaci Poole were on this team.

Julie Mayes, Shaina Isaacs, Lindsey Smith, and Katie Kemp finished second in the 1600m relay.

Two Borden County Ladies finished in the top three of the discus throw. Chrissy Armstrong threw the disc 110'6" for a personal best, and a silver medal with her toss. Rebecca Copeland won third place with a throw of 89'1/2", and Tammy Cooley also threw the shot 65'11".

In the high jump event, Lindsey Smith was 5th by clearing 4'4". Erica Schooler also participated in this event.

Bekah Hensley finished 4th in the long jump with a 14'4 1/2" leap. Crystal Dye also participated in the long jump.

There were three Lady Coyotes in the top six jumpers in the triple jump event. Bekah leaped 31'10" for second place and Crystal's distance was 30'3 1/4" for third place. Staci O'Brien was 5th in the event with a leap of 29'5".

The Lady Coyotes made four of the top six places in the shot put throw. Tammy Cooley set a new school record with a toss of 36'3". Ky Merritt set a personal record for second place with a toss of 32'3 1/4". Adrianna Baeza was fourth with a toss of 28'3", and Chrissy Armstrong was 5th with a toss of 28'1/2".

Holly Thomas was 3rd in the 3200m run with a time of 14:08.43, and she was second in the 1600m run with a time of 6:37.34.

There were three Lady Coyotes in the top six in the 800m run. Hailey Adcock was third with a time of 3:03.42, Staci O'Brien was 5th with a time of 3:13.72, and Abby Flanigan was 6th with a time of 3:17.09. Lacey Grant also ran the event and finished in 3:33.09.

Crystal Dye ran the 100m hurdles and finished 5th in the race with a time of 19:90. Crystal also ran the 300m hurdles and finished 6th in this event with a time of 61.7.

In the 100m dash event, Jana Himes finished in 6th place with a time of 14.46. Ky Merritt also ran the event and finished in a time of 14.57.

Lindsey Smith won the 400m dash with a time of 68.28, and Lacey Grant was 5th with a time of 83.58.

Bekah Hensley finished

third in the 200m dash with a time of 29.12, and Jana Himes won a 5th place ribbon in this event with a time of 31.53.

COACHES COMMENTS:

This was a very good meet for our girls as we have not been in track for very long and are still working ourselves into shape. What better way to do this than a small track meet at home where everyone can join in the success.

Borden Coyotes Score 128.5 Points

The Borden County Coyotes came away with a third place finish Friday, March 20th. Grandfalls-Royalty received the runner-up trophy with 133 points. Sands Mustangs repeated as champions by outdistancing the field with 150 points. The Coyotes came up short with 128.5 points, but they managed to take away several medals while running, jumping and throwing several personal bests.

In the field events, Jeff Dennis came away with one of two gold medals for the Coyotes in the field events by throwing a personal best 130'8.5" in the discus, while Fernando Baeza captured the pole vault with a meet record jump of 12'1". The Coyotes also received medals in the field events when John Burmmett made a 36'4" put of the shot and Oscar Baeza in the triple jump with a third place leap of 37'10".

In the running events, the Coyotes came away with only one gold medal, and it was in the 4 x 400 meter relay. The Coyotes ran a track record 3:39.91 in taking the gold. This team consisted of Kevin Pinkerton, Colt McCook, Trini Vasquez, and

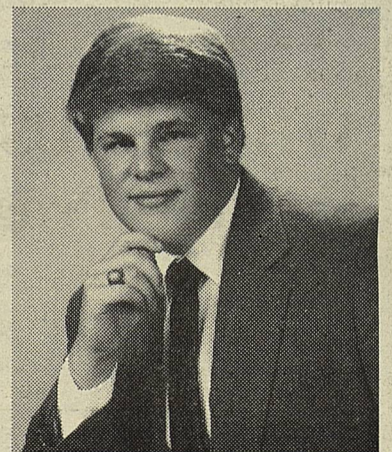
Fernando Baeza. Fernando also ran a career best 11.36 in taking second in the 100 and also anchored the school record setting 4 x 100 meter relay. The team of Ryan Grant, Trini Vasquez, Colt McCook, and Fernando Baeza ran a time of 45.56 for the record and a silver medal. Also receiving medals was Colt McCook in the 400 (3rd 54.89), Clint Scott (3rd in the 200-24.59), Ryan Grant (3rd in the 300 IH-44.63), and D.J. Smith (3rd in the 3200 meter run).

COACHES COMMENTS:

All in all, I was very pleased with our effort in this meet. I think that the future is definitely very bright. Thank you all for your help in making this track meet run so smoothly. GOOD JOB, Guys!!!! Keep up the hard work.

Bryce Dye		
Shot put	34'9	7th
Discus	106'4	7th
Oscar Baeza		
High jump	5'2	5th
Triple jump	37'10	3rd
Long jump	16'10.25	4th
Clint Scott		
100m dash	11.66	4th
200m. dash	24.59	3rd
John Brummett		
Shot put	36'4	3rd
Trini Vasquez		
High jump	5'2	7th
Triple jump	35'6.5	5th
1600m relay	53.79	1st
400m relay	11.39	2nd
Colt McCook		
400m. dash	54.89	2nd
1600m. relay	54.09	1st
400m. relay	11.39	2nd
Fernando Baeza		
Pole Vault	12'1	1st
400m relay	11.39	2nd
100m. dash	11.36	2nd
1600m. relay	54.24	1st
Jeff Dennis		
Discus	130'8.5	1st
Shot put	35'1	6th
Ryan Grant		
Long jump	15'6.5	8th
110 HH	18.5	6th
300 IH	44.63	3rd
400m relay	11.39	2nd

Colt Miller		
400m. dash	57.7	7th
Preston Sharp		
High jump	5'0	NP
Triple jump	34'10.75	6th
100m. dash	12.54	NP
200m. dash	26.91	NP
Kevin Pinkerton		
High jump	5'2	NP
400m dash	57.64	4th
1600m. relay	57.82	1st
Nick Flanigan		
Discus	NM	NP
1600m. run	6:03.5	6th
Robert Stamper		
3200m. run	13:26.29	5th
110 HH	19.29	8th
Justin Lawrence		
Shot put	NM	NP
100m. dash	12.72	NP
200m. dash	26.44	NP
Ramon Griffin		
Pole vault	9'0	6th
Shot put	NM	NP
Ed Rodriquez		
Long jump	16'7.75	6th
D.J. Smith		
3200m run	12:32.2	3rd
800m. run	2:32.2	5th
Lee Pepper		
Pole vault	9'6	4th
Long jump	15'4	NP
200m dash	26.69	NP
Javier Galvan		
3200m run	13:14.47	4th
James Bond		
100m dash	17.49	NP
Tom Griffin		
400m. dash	60.38	8th



Jason J. Ashby
Killed by a drunk driver
on August 17, 1995
on Route 5 in
Great Mills, Maryland.



UIL Competition Underway

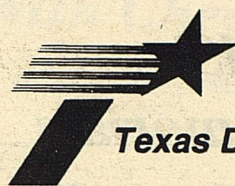
Borden High School students recently participated in the O'Donnell Invitational Literary Meet. The students were able to take the contests in school -- tests were then mailed to O'Donnell for judging.

Junior Becky Copeland won first place in Current Issues and Events, a competition that requires students to take a 40-question multiple choice test and write an essay. Junior Kati Merritt placed fifth in Literary Criticism, answering multiple choice questions relating to literature -- poetry, novels, terms, etc. Sophomore Julie Mayes, a sixth place winner in Headline writing was given 45 minutes to read six news stories and compose headline appropriate for those.

BHS is preparing for next week's UIL literary competition to be held in Gail on March 31 and April 2. One-Act contest will be conducted Thursday at Dawson High School.

Sponsors for the events are as follows: Chuck Harris, one-act; Rita Dotson, math, calculator, computer science and number sense; Carol Lewis, extemporaneous speaking, literary criticism, ready writing, prose and poetry; Tom Lewis, science events; Sue Jane Mayes, journalism, debate, spelling and current issues; and Sheri Poole, computer applications and accounting.

The Senior Class will have a concession stand both days.



Texas Department of Transportation

Great Texas Trash-Off: Spring cleaning time in Texas

Texas will be cleaner and greener on April 4, when more than 82,000 volunteers scour state highways, county roads and city streets and parks in the 13th annual Great Texas Trash-Off.

Statewide, 1,840 Adopt-a-Highway groups will pick up litter on state roadways. Keep Texas Beautiful volunteers in 100 communities will concentrate their cleanups on city streets and parks. Altogether, the volunteers expect to collect more than 6.8 million gallons of litter.

One of the nation's largest single-day litter pickup events, the Trash Off is organized by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and Keep Texas Beautiful (KTB). The one day event reminds people of the state's natural beauty by providing cleaner, safer roads, streets and parks.

"Thousands of Texans are turning their convictions into action by giving their Saturday to clean up their communities," said Doris Howdeshell, director of TxDOT's Travel Division. "These volunteers are role models. We hope the

sense of pride they foster will cause their neighbors and visitors to stop and think before they litter."

The Great Texas Trash-Off is part of the TxDOT's "Don't Mess with Texas" public awareness campaign. The litter prevention program which includes Don't Mess with Texas, Adopt-a-Highway, and a grassroots partnership with Keep Texas Beautiful, Inc., works to change the attitudes - and the behavior - of would-be litterers. By reducing the amount of trash on state highways, these programs are saving taxpayers \$2-\$4 million in litter pickup expenditures each year.

SPIRIT JACKETS!

Last time to be available

The Borden County Cheerleaders are once again providing fans one last opportunity to purchase a quality jacket to help show your school spirit and pride. They are making them available on a purely voluntary basis, in our school colors of red with white trim and with our mascot. They will be printed on the front and back in columbia blue ink.

These jackets are of excellent quality and are guaranteed as to workmanship and materials.

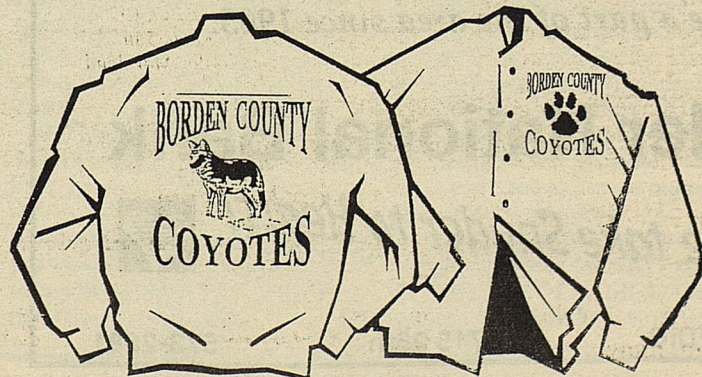
April 1st is the last is the last day to make the \$10.00 deposit. The remaining balance will be due, when the jackets arrive in approximately three weeks.

Because of the jacket's durability and the fact that your child will grow please order your child's jacket one size larger.

The jackets retail for the following prices:

	YOUTH	ADULT
FLANNEL LINED	\$35.00	\$38.00
QUILT LINED	\$44.00	\$46.00
HOODED QUILT LINED (RED WITH HEATHER GRAY TRIM)	\$53.00	\$53.00

* Add \$5.00 for XXL and XXXL



Don't mess with Texas.

1998 Junior High and High School Track Schedule

Fri.	March 27	J.H. at Sands
Sat.	March 28	H.S. at Sands
Fri.	April 3	J.H. at Klondike
Fri.	April 3	H.S. at Jayton
Thurs.	April 9	J.H. at Wellman
Thurs.	April 9	H.S. at Big Spring
Fri.	April 17	H.S. at Jayton (District)
Tues.	April 21	J.H. at Klondike (District)
Fri.	April 24	H.S. Regional Qualifier
Fri.	May 1	
Sat.	May 2	H.S. Regional Track
Fri.	May 15	
Sat.	May 16	H.S. State Track Meet

School Lunch Menu

Lunch: \$1.00 K-6th.
\$1.25 7th-12th
Breakfast: .50c

March 30th -
April 3rd

MONDAY: Beef Burrito w/ Salsa, Potato Wedges, Salad, Banana Pudding & Milk

Breakfast: Pancake Pups, Fruit, Juice & Milk

TUESDAY: Chicken Spaghetti, Green beans, Carrots, Garlic Toast, Fruit & Milk

Breakfast: Donuts, Fruit, Juice & Milk

WEDNESDAY: Steak Fingers, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Hot roll, Jello & Milk

Breakfast: French Toast, Fruit, Juice & Milk

THURSDAY: Meat & Gravy, Macaroni & Cheese, Okra, Okra, Hot Rolls & Milk

Breakfast: Sausage Gravy, Biscuit, Juice & Milk

FRIDAY: Chicken on a Bun, French Fries, Salad Cup, Cake & Milk

Breakfast: Pancakes, Ham, Juice & Milk

OBITUARY

Joe Bradshaw 1909-1998

Services for Joe Bradshaw, 88, of Lamesa was held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday at Bryan Street Baptist Church in Lamesa with the Rev. Scott Meahan, pastor, officiating.

Burial was held in the Gail Cemetery under the direction of Branon Funeral Home.

Bradshaw died Sunday, March 22, 1998, in Lamesa.

He was born Sept. 26, 1909, in Taylor County. He married May Ola Ledbetter on July 14, 1928, in Lamesa. She preceded

him in death August 26, 1995. He moved to Borden County from Young County in 1938. He moved to Lamesa in 1976. He was a member of the Bryan Street Baptist Church for 25 years.

He served as a school trustee and election judge for Mesquite for many years. He served on the farmers Home Administration Board of Directors.

Survivors include a son, Alive of O'Donnell; two daughters, Margaret Ray of Big Spring and Dorothy Barrington of Lamesa; a sister, Iva Lee Chambers of Olney; eight grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.



Thank You!

Thanks so much to each of you for the many cards, flowers, gifts, phone calls, visits, prayers and caring thoughts you sent my way during my most recent surgery and during my time of recovery. I certainly appreciate your kindness and friendship. Things are going well. Thanks again.

*Always,
Lisa Ludecke*

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In Memory Of: Bonnie Sneed

Eva Doyle
M/M Charles Fulks
Roland Hamilton
M/M Ronald Dallefeld
M/M H.E. Kelly
Winonah Reddell

Madge Hendricks

Evan Doyle
Doris Rudd
Jetta Brown
Ernest Turner
Taylor & Pat Rudd
Donna Turner

Farey Fletcher

Ronald Hamilton

Job Vacancy Notice

Salary:
\$6.34-\$7.86 per hour
Location:
U.S. 180, Gail, TX
Job Vacancy Number:
8 08 K503 643
Closing Date:
4-20-98

Application and a copy of the Job Vacancy Notice may be picked up at the District Office at 4250 N. Clack, Abilene, Texas or any other TxDOT office. Completed applications may be mailed to TxDOT, P.O. Box 150, Abilene, Texas 79604 or returned to any TxDOT Office.

"An applicant needing an accommodation in order to apply for this job may call the phone number of the Human Resources Office (915)676-6817. You may also call the telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) at (512)416-2977."

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The Friend Who Just Stands By

*When trouble comes your soul to try
You love the friend who just stands by.
Perhaps there's nothing he can do -
The thing is strictly up to you;
For there are troubles all your own
And paths the soul must trod alone;
Times when love cannot smooth the road
Nor friendship lift the heavy load.
But just to know you have a friend
Who will "Stand by" until the end,
Whose sympathy through all endures,
Whose warm handclasp is always yours.
It helps, someway, to pull you through
Although there's nothing he can do -
And so with fervent heart you cry,
"God bless the friend who just "Stands By"!*

- by B.Y. Williams

The family of Bonnie Sneed wishes to Thank everyone for their support and friendship during this time.

*Norman (Slick) Sneed
Bill Sneed & Family
Kay Yeager & Family
Saundra Bloom & Family*

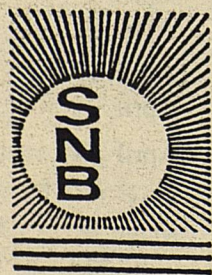
March Primary Election Information

April 6	First day for early voting by personal appearance for runoff election
April 7	Last day to submit an application for ballot by mail for runoff election
April 10	Last day for early voting by personal appearance for runoff election
April 14	RUNOFF ELECTION

Retirement Program

Are you concerned about being able to retire comfortably? If so, then you should attend the program on retirement Thursday, March 26 at 6:00 p.m. in the extension office. We will discuss Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs), 401 K plans, and other retirement options. Remember, it's never too early to start thinking about retirement!

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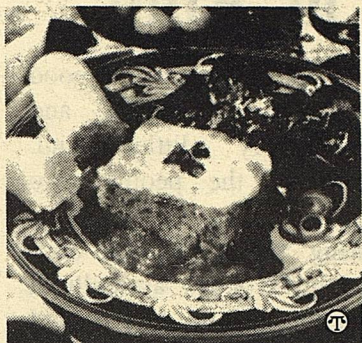
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Teen Chefs: Let's Get Cookin' With Cheese

(NAPS)—In today's busy families, teens are helping out in the kitchen more than ever. This trend, paired with the fact that the teen years are the prime time for building bones, means teens need to know how to get more calcium into their diets. According to the National Academy of Sciences, most teenagers aren't getting the recommended 1,300 mg per day of this vital nutrient. To recognize America's top teen chefs and promote increased teen calcium consumption, The National Cheese Institute (NCI) teamed up with Amy Coleman, registered dietitian and host of the PBS series *Home Cooking with Amy Coleman* to launch the **Balanced Meals My Way Recipe Contest**.

"Teens trying their hand at fixing meals is becoming increasingly common, yet they still aren't getting enough calcium into their diets," says Amy Coleman. "Cheese is one of nature's best sources of calcium and the **Balanced Meals My Way Recipe Contest** is a great way to showcase talented teens and promote healthful eating."

The **Balanced Meals My Way Recipe Contest** is open to teens between the ages of 13 and 18 who are residents of the United States. The grand prize winner will receive a \$2,500 US Savings Bond and a \$500 gift certificate toward fun fitness equipment of their choice. Three runners-up will each receive a \$1,000 US Savings Bond and a \$250 gift certificate towards fitness equipment. To enter, send recipes to **Balanced Meals My Way Cheese Recipe Contest, P.O. Box 39101, Chicago, IL 60639**. Contestants may submit one recipe in one category or they may submit recipes in multiple categories. Each entry must contain the contestant's name, complete address, phone number and age. While more than one recipe may be submitted, only one winner per household can be selected, and one prize per winner. All recipes must be postmarked by



Spaghetti That's Amore— Cheese is the perfect partner to add calcium and character to one of America's favorite entrees.

April 20, 1998.

Recipe Requirements:

- Only recipes that feature one or more cheeses in the ingredients are eligible.

- Recipes must contain cheese and ingredients from at least two of the other four food groups, i.e., grains (such as pasta and rice), vegetables (such as broccoli and potatoes), fruits (such as apples and pears) and/or meat/fish/dry beans.

- Recipes must include a list of ingredients with amounts and complete preparation directions and time (No more than 30 min.).

- Recipes should have no more than 10 ingredients.

- Recipes must be original. Previously published recipes will be disqualified. Winners will be required to sign an affidavit verifying the originality of the recipe and compliance with the contest rules within 7 days of notification. Failure to return the affidavit will result in disqualification and selection of an alternate winner.

- Each recipe must be matched to one of the following categories: breakfast/brunch, lunch, dinner or snack.

- Photo of prepared dish optional.

For teens brand new to the culinary arts, here's a simple, delicious, calcium-rich recipe to try preparing for the family's next dinner. After trying this recipe, everyone will agree that cheese is the perfect partner for pasta...and so many other foods!

TRIPLE CHEESE BAKED SPAGHETTI

Serves: 4

6 ounces dry spaghetti pasta
 ¾ cup low-fat ricotta cheese
 ½ cup (2 ounces) finely grated romano cheese
 2 cups (16 ounce jar) prepared spaghetti sauce, divide
 1 teaspoon dry basil
 2 teaspoons dry oregano
 ¼ teaspoon black pepper
 4 ounces part-skim mozzarella cheese, shredded

Instructions:

1. Cook pasta according to package directions. Drain completely.

2. Preheat oven to 350°F.

3. In a large bowl, combine ricotta and romano cheeses, 1 cup spaghetti sauce, basil, oregano, and pepper. Set aside remaining 1 cup spaghetti sauce.

4. Mix cooked pasta with cheese mixture, stirring until pasta is distributed. Place in a casserole dish coated with vegetable oil cooking spray.

5. Top pasta and cheese mixture with shredded mozzarella cheese.

6. Cover with lid or foil and bake 20 minutes. Remove cover; continue baking until cheese bubbles.

7. Remove from oven and let stand for three minutes.

8. Cut into four large or six smaller servings. Top each portion with remainder of spaghetti sauce before serving.

For a free copy of colorful recipe cards with this and four other nutritious, delicious recipes that feature "Cheese...the Perfect Partner," send a self-addressed envelope with two stamps to: NCI "Menus My Memory," P.O. Box 8517, Prospect Heights, IL 60070.

Monthly EMS Meeting Held

The Borden County EMS held their monthly meeting on March 16th.

Those present were Kent Holmes, Shirley Bennett, Mike Valentine, Carrie Hart, Danita Roe, Nelda Burnett, James Aaron, Buddy Wallace, Royce Nance and Cody Furlow.

The minutes from the last meeting and the treasurers' report were given and approved.

A report on 911 was presented. It is hopeful that soon 911 will be available and working in all of Borden County.

It was also reported that in February a CPR Instruction Course was given and five members of the Borden County EMS completed this training are now Instructors. These members are Danita Roe, Carrie Hart, Nelda Burnett, James Aaron, and Cody Furlow. Kent Holmes also attended this course and he has now earned the Instructor/Trainer certification.

After the meeting, 2 hours of CU credit on IV fluids and what to use in different emergency cases was given.



MEMBER 1998

TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

Protect Your Home From Aggressive Termites

Termites consider this newspaper a snack. They see your home as an eight-course meal. They're hungry and cause serious damage. But don't fret, environmentally conscious control solutions exist and when coupled with an on-going maintenance program you can win the fight against termites.

In the United States alone, termite-related damage is estimated at \$2 billion annually. They cause more damage to homes than fires, storms and earthquakes. More than 600,000 homes suffer infestation. That figure will continue to grow unless proactive measures are taken by homeowners.

Rob Lederer, executive vice president of the National Pest Control Association (NPCA), says effective, on-going pest management initiated by the homeowner is critical for a better home environment.

"It's essential that homeowners be proactive about pest control and consult a professional pest control operator," said Lederer. "It's not just a one-time, curative treatment. It's preventive, on-going maintenance programs that will make the difference."

Signs of Termite Infestation

There are some signs you can look for when identifying a termite infestation. A sure giveaway is the termite swarm.

Depending on your region of the country, termite swarming typically occurs in the early spring when weather conditions are ideal. In the desert southwest, this may occur in the fall. Swarming is a behavior that's determined by nature. The warmer the climate, the earlier the swarm. Swarms occur at dusk or in the early evening and are usually triggered after a rain-storm. Swarms, or winged termites, take flight in an effort to establish new colonies. After the swarm, their wings snap off and are discarded. Clouds of swarms can be attracted to bright lights. Numerous light-colored wings on a porch, countertop or table are clear indicators of a possible termite infestation.



Shelter tubes made of mud, bubbled paint or wooden surfaces that are damp and cool to the touch are other signs of infestation.

Low Risk Control Options

While intimidating, termites can be controlled with products homeowners can feel comfortable with. PREMISE® Insecticide from Bayer Corporation is one such product homeowners can rest easy with. It's extremely effective on termites. Unlike traditional barrier termiticides that repel, PREMISE is non-repellent and actually kills termites. It has no odor, doesn't cause any skin or eye irritation, and best of all, it is low risk to your family, pets and the environment. It's important that you contact a professional to conduct an initial inspection and prescribe an effective treatment.

Homeowners can contact county extension agents, the Better Business Bureau or the NPCA to learn more about termites, and effective control options. For more information contact the NPCA by visiting their web site at www.pestworld.org.

TEXAS GARDENER® TIPS

LAWN FERTILIZER: A BALANCED APPROACH

A good, reasonable fertilizer program is one of the basic parts of any turfgrass maintenance program and, of course, the home lawn maintenance program is no exception.

Lawns that are under-fertilized tend to be thin and have poor color, while lawns that are over-fertilized, especially with high levels of a soluble nitrogen fertilizer, may tend to develop excessive thatch and be more prone to insect and disease damage.

All plants require some 15 or 16 different nutrients for their best growth. The soil, in most cases, is a vast reservoir of these plant nutrients, but soils vary in the amount of nutrients they contain and in their ability to supply those nutrients to plants.

When a plant requires more of a nutrient than the soil can supply, or requires a nutrient not present in a given soil, then a fertilizer must be used. A soil test can be a measure of a soil's current plant nutrient status.

Of all the nutrients required by the turfgrass plant, three are usually not available in the soil in high enough quantities for good growth and must be added as a fertilizer periodically. These three are nitrogen (N), phosphorus (P) and potassium (K). In some special situations, if soils are highly acid or alkaline, other nutrients such as iron or magnesium may be required.

Research has shown that the best N-P-K ratio for turf establishment is 1-1-1 or 1-2-2. For a mature, established turf, the

best N-P-K ratio seems to be 3-1-2 or 4-1-2.

The grasses used for lawns vary in the amount of fertilizer they need for optimum growth during the year.

The best time to fertilize a lawn is when it needs it, but lawns should not be fertilized during periods of dormancy or during stress periods. Carefully follow label directions when applying fertilizer to your lawn.

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Courthouse News

WHEREAS, On this the 9th day of March, 1998, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Regular Session in the Commissioner Courtroom at the Courthouse in Gail, Texas, the following members of the Court being present, to-wit:

DOUG ISAACS, Commissioner, Precinct No. 1; **LARRY SMITH,** Commissioner, Precinct No. 2; **VERNON WOLF,** Commissioner Precinct No. 3; **JANA UNDERWOOD,** Deputy County Clerk and Ex-Officio of the Commissioners' Court.

with Van York, County Judge, Hurston Lemons, Jr., Commissioner, Precinct No. 4, and Joyce Herridge, County Clerk and Ex-officio of the Commissioners' Court absent, constituting a quorum, when the following proceedings were had, in accordance with the posted agenda:

MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the Commissioners Court meeting of the 23rd day of February, 1998 were read. The minutes were approved with a motion from Com-

missioner Smith and a second by Commissioner Isaacs. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESIDING OFFICER

In the absence of Mr. Van L. York, County Judge, Commissioner Smith made a motion that Vernon Wolf, Commissioner Precinct No. 3, be presiding officer. Commissioner Isaacs seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ACCOUNTS ALLOWED

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

SOIL CONSERVATION CONSTRUCTION

Applications for Soil Conservation Construction of Fireguards were received from Arlan Young blood in Precinct No. 1. A motion was made by Commissioner Isaacs and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the applications. Motion carried unanimously.

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A New Look at Emu

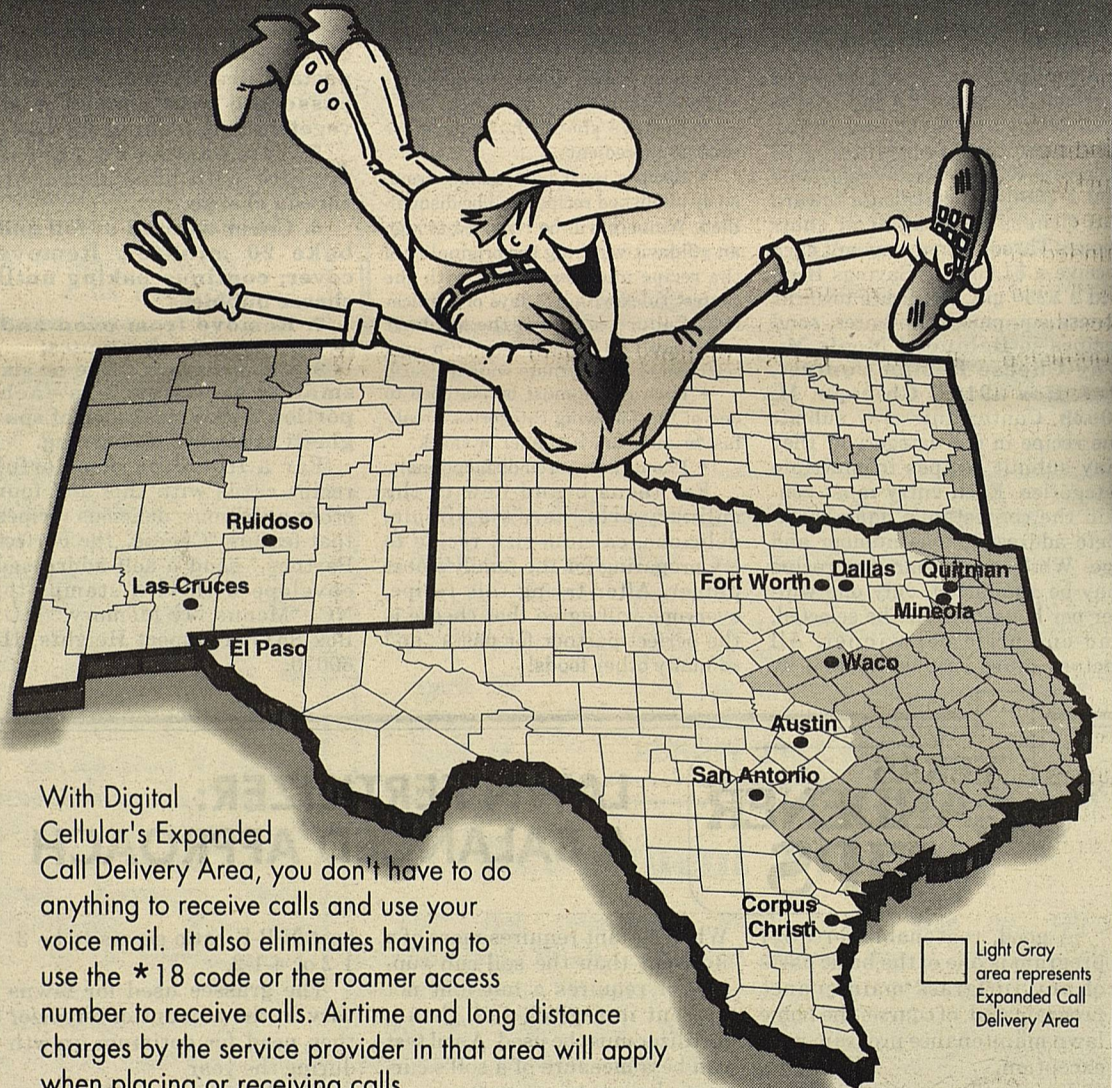
Emu were in great demand several years ago, and that resulted in escalating prices which could not possibly self-sustain. Emu producers were growing birds for the purpose of selling them to other producers to grow even more birds. The premise was that there was not enough supply to meet any kind of demand for products. The animals are easy to raise, have a good feed-conversion ratio, and take very little land. Many of the people who invested in the industry during the high-price days had little or no agricultural background and few started with any kind of business plan. The unrealistic prices of an exotic market prevented the market for breeding stock from continuing to grow, and

prices started to fall. That forced the industry to begin processing and developing oil and meat products.

Emu oil is known to be deeply penetrating and to have anti-inflammatory properties. After ten years of treating over 500 patients in Australia, medical researchers found that emu oil was effective in reducing pain from burns, bruising, and sore

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A New Look At The Emu WHIP

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joint. They also found it reduced the formation of scar tissue from wounds and diminished irritation from eczema. A professor of dermatology at Boston University recently wrote that emu oil is also effective in regenerating hair growth by "waking up sleeping hair follicles". Many companies are capitalizing on these and other anecdotal evidence and have developed analgesics, shampoos and hair conditioners, lotions and creams, and bath soaps.

Most of the scientific research on the efficacy of the oil has been funded by private enterprise and is therefore proprietary. However, more research findings are beginning to surface. The American Emu Association has funded research on emu oil as a burn wound treatment. Results of these studies, conducted at the Texas Tech University's Timothy J. Harner Burn Center, are expected to be published this spring. Additional research is being conducted on emu oil as a skin thickening agent in the elderly. Thinning skin, a sign of aging, bruises and cuts more easily. It also loses its elasticity, and that causes wrinkles. Preliminary results from this current research indicate that emu oil thickens the skin of the elderly by as much as 14%. Emu oil appears to be a natural

anti-aging agent.

The red meat from the emu provides low fat and high nutrition and is similar in taste and texture to beef. It is tasty and versatile, but the emu industry has learned that it is not necessarily meant for the average cook. When overcooked, the meat can become dry and tough. From white linen restaurants to local bar and grill establishments, emu meat is beginning to appear on the menu. Value-added products include jerky, meat sticks, pepperoni, breakfast sausage, and everything in between. A recent example is that of a Texas based cooperative, Emu Marketing Unlimited, that recently received a purchase order for meat snack sticks to be sold in Army and Air Force Exchanges.

The picture of the emu industry today is very different that it was three years ago. There are very few ranchers actively trying to sell birds as breeder stock. The industry focus is on developing and marketing products. The industry has established affiliations with other agricultural groups and continue to pursue the avenues that enhance their position. After lean times, the future looks bright, and the industry leaders are cautiously optimistic that the demand will soon begin to exceed the supply.

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agreement generally lasts 5-10 years from the date the contract is signed. The landowner agrees to maintain the cost-shared practices and allow USDA access to monitor the effectiveness of the practices."

The NRCS agrees to provide technical assistance and pay up to 75 percent

of the cost of installing the wildlife habitat practices. Land is not eligible for WHIP if it's currently enrolled in the Water Bank Program, Conservation Reserve Program and the Wetlands Reserve Program.

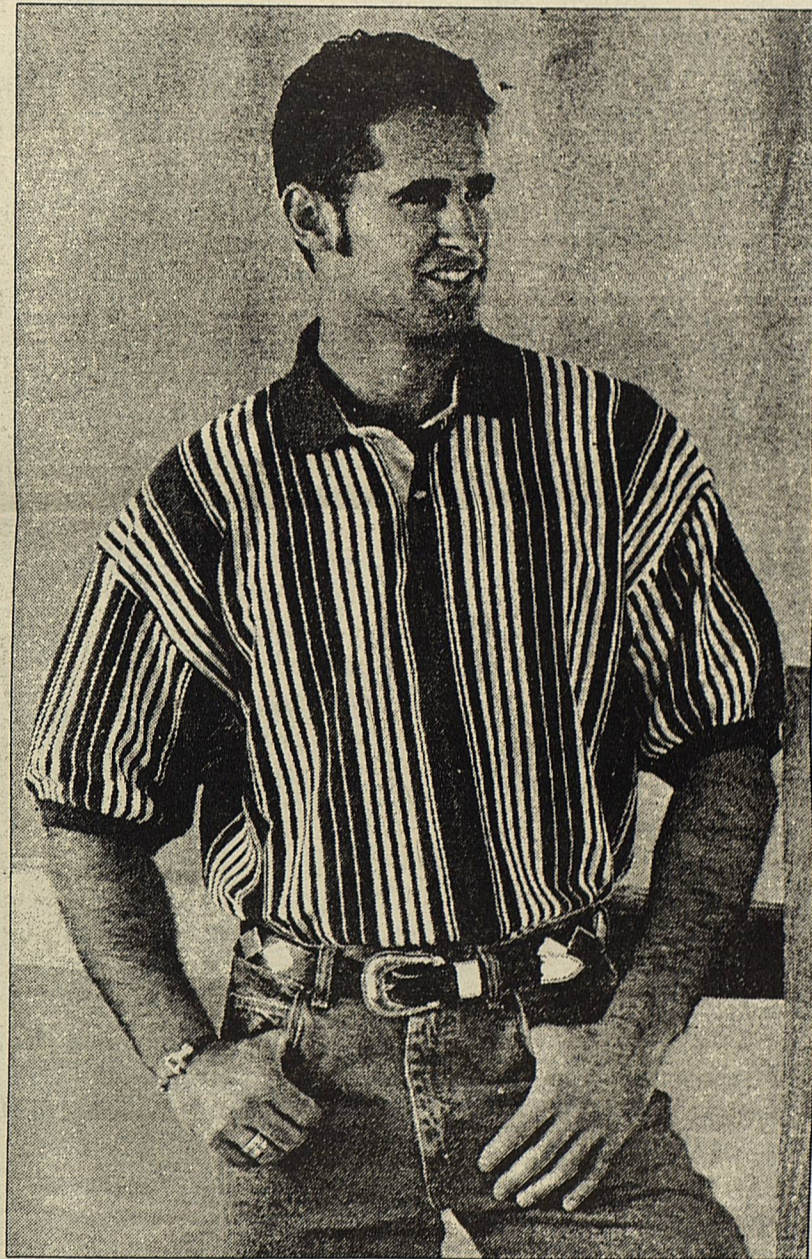
The sign-up for WHIP is in progress at the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Office at 5309 Big Spring Highway, Snyder, Texas. The sign up will

last thru April 20. For more information call 915/573-6317. All programs and services of the U.S. Department of Agriculture are available on a non-discriminatory basis.

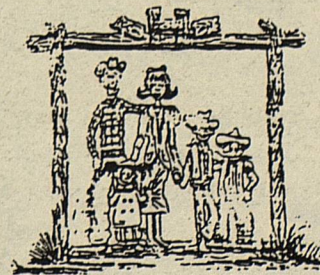
The followers of George Fox were called Quakers because he once told a British judge "to tremble at the word of the Lord."

The bandanna is so-called from a Hindu word, *bandhnu*, describing a method of dyeing the cloth.

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***To The Citizens of Borden County,
A message from the Heritage-Environmental Preservation Association.***

YOU may have heard or not heard about the Air Force using Borden County and seven other counties as a training area for low-level flights by B-52 and B-1 bombers. The other counties involved are Lynn, Dawson, Scurry, Garza, Kent, Stonewall and Fisher. These planes will be flying at 300' (or lower) over our homes, businesses, school playgrounds, churches, schools, roads and highways.

THIS is in total disregard for our private property rights. The Air-Force is so arrogant with this plan, which has not been approached by the EPA, that they have contacted some of our neighbors about simulated bombing sites on their property.

WE ARE NOT ANTI-MILITARY. We want the best trained Air Force in the world. We just think this is the wrong place to hold low-level bombing, or high level bombing simulated "dogfights" and re-fueling practice over our heads. There is absolutely no reason to violate our private property rights to do this when the government owns so much UN-INHABITED land. This training is dangerous to our communities, agriculture and economy.

WE are not the only area that is being affected by the Air Force. People in New Mexico and far West Texas see this as a serious problem and are protesting to the Air Force and their Congressmen and Senators. This is in absolute disregard for rural America and our heritage.

WE are asking you to join our organization today in order to stop this invasion of our private property rights and our environment. You should contact these people on the following list immediately. Please send all letters to these people by Certified Mail, return receipt. Make sure the return receipt is signed and dated when it is returned to you. Keep a copy of your letters and fasten, the return receipt to them. We may need them in Federal Court Litigation if we have to go that far. This needs to be done by **APRIL 3rd**, the end of the comment period. (See attached list of people to write).

PLEASE clip out the membership application and mail it **TODAY!**

Thank you,
John R. (Rich) Anderson
Vice President H.E.P.A.

If more information is needed please contact Rich Anderson at P.O. Box 136, Gail, Texas 79738 or call 915/399-4471 or Joe Canon, Borden County director.

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Also write to your State Senator and State Representative.

Representative David County
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Senator Robert Duncan
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