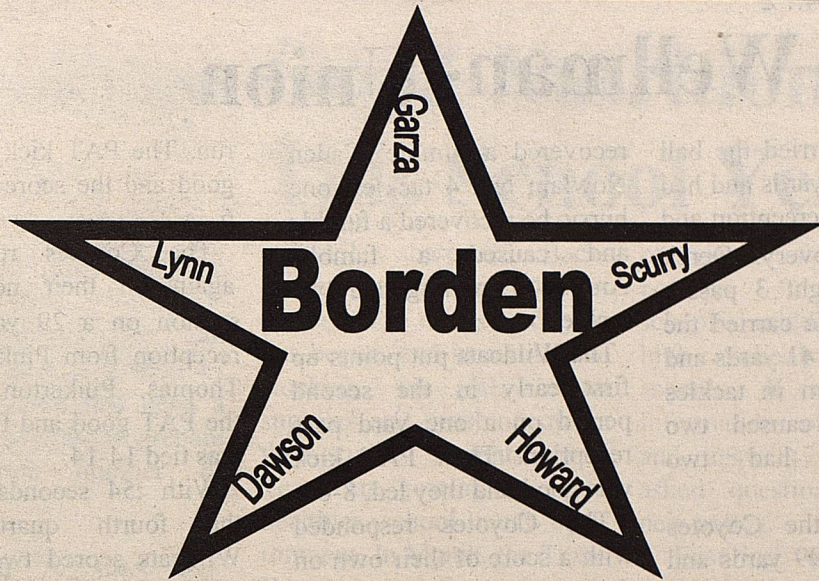


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September 29, 2004

Serving the Counties of Borden, Dawson, Garza, Howard, Lynn & Scurry

## Coyote Opry a Success!

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who contributed to the Coyote Opry! We appreciate the efforts of the Borden County Commissioners Court and their employees, Texas Cooperative Extension - Borden County, the members of BCJLA, and everyone throughout the community that helped to make our Coyote Opry such a success.

Awards were presented to the following:

- Best Dressed Pastry - Nelva Jones
- Highest Selling Cake - Tammy Valentine
- Highest Selling Pie - Carol Wilson
- Highest Selling Cobbler - Brenda Copeland
- Highest Selling Cookies/Candy - Sheila Shafer
- Highest Selling Homemade

Good - The Greenhouse (Randy Adcock)

Thanks again to those wonderful cooks who prepared the pastry items and to the generous persons who purchased them. Thanks also to those in the community who donated other items to be auctioned as well. We live in a wonderful community and appreciate all your efforts that help sponsor our youth of Borden County.

Results of the Youth Art Contest are as follows:

- Kindergarten - 1<sup>st</sup> Grade: Julia McAuley
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Nathan Hamm
- 4<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade: Kayla Darbyshire
- 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Miles Valentine
- 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade: Tony Soto



**Who is the highest bidder?** The crowd watches as the bidding goes on during the Pastry Auction at the Coyote Opry.



## Welcome Exes!

### Homecoming 2004

### Friday, Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>.

### Bonfire: 5:00 p.m.

East side of school

### Homecoming Meal: 5:30

School Cafeteria

Sponsored by Class of '05

### Game Time: 7:30 p.m.

### Borden Co. vs Westbrook

### Reception: School Cafeteria

Following game for Exes, friends, & family!

### Homecoming Dance: Co. Showbarn

Sponsored by Parents Club



Everyone enjoyed the music Saturday night at the Coyote Opry!

# Coyotes Fall to Wellman-Union

The Borden County Coyote varsity football team was defeated last Friday night by the Wellman-Union Wildcats, 23-14. The Coyotes just did not get much offense going against a Wildcat defense that has been stingy all year. The Coyotes were forced to take to the air early offensively as the rushing game would allow just 75 yards on the night. Quarterback Chase Pinkerton had a decent night completing 9 of 18 passes for 117 yards and two touchdowns. Garrett Thomas caught 4 passes for 51 yards and both touchdowns of 18 and 29 yards.

Garrett also carried the ball 9 times for 32 yards and had 4 tackles an interception and a fumble recovery. Derek Rodriguez caught 3 passes for 17 yards, he carried the ball 8 times for 41 yards and he led the team in tackles with 18. He caused two fumbles and had two hurries.

Defensively the Coyotes only gave up 299 yards and forced four turnovers. Clint Chapman had 16 tackles, five of which were unassisted. John Wilson had 10 tackles, 7 were unassisted, and he broke up a pass. Trey Soto had 8 tackles and a quarterback hurry. Michael Bullinger had 5 tackles and

recovered a fumble. Caden Nowlain had 4 tackles, one hurry; he recovered a fumble and caused a fumble. Andrew Lamming had two tackles.

The Wildcats put points up first early in the second period on a one yard pass reception. Their PAT kick was good and they led, 8-0.

The Coyotes responded with a score of their own on their next possession as Pinkerton hit Thomas on a 18 yard pass play for six points. The PAT kick was blocked and the Wildcats led 8-6.

In the third period the Wildcats extended their lead by 6 points on a six yard

run. The PAT kick was not good and the score was 14-6.

The Coyotes responded again on their next possession on a 29 yard pass reception from Pinkerton to Thomas. Pinkerton kicked the PAT good and the score was tied 14-14.

With :54 seconds left in the fourth quarter the Wildcats scored two points as the Coyotes were penalized for grounding the ball in their own end zone and the Wildcats were awarded a two point safety; 16-14.

The Wildcats put up their last legitimate points in the fourth quarter to put the

Coyotes away for good on a 9 yard run to make the score 22 to 14. They threw the ball into the end zone for a one point conversion to push the deficit to 9 points; 23-14.

The Coyotes just did not muster enough offense to keep a drive alive, and were held scoreless throughout the fourth period.

The Coyotes are now 2-3 at the end of the non-district schedule. The Coyotes are open next week and begin district play October 8, with Westbrook coming to town for their homecoming.

Everyone come out to watch the Coyotes begin district play. See you at the game.

# Coyote JV and Coyote Pups Defeated by Wellman-Union

The Borden County JV football team was pounded by the bigger and faster Wellman-Union Wildcat JV team here in Gail last Thursday. The game was ended by the 45 point rule with 1:38 left in the game. The Wildcats scored 47 unanswered points in the game. It is hard to believe their score because the first quarter ended with no score by either team. When the Wildcats figured out they could score then they scored often.

The JV team is open this week as they prepare for homecoming week against Westbrook.

The Borden County Junior High football team was defeated by the Wellman-Union Wildcats Junior High team here in Gail last Thursday by a score of 21-13.

The Wildcats scored first and made a one point conversion to make the score 7-0.

Michael Cooley scored first for the Coyotes as he ran the ball over from 30 yards out. The point after failed to make the score 7-6.

The Wildcats score twice before the Coyotes again and pushed the score to 21 to 6.

The Coyotes scored their

final TD of the night as Brendan Tarleton caught a pass from Jake Cooley and ran it into the end zone. Kegun Clement scored the one point conversion to make the score 21-13.

Drew Tyler, Tyrell Massingill, Skyler Dear, Eric Espinoza, Robert Thompson and Cory Teel played end. Flynn Chapman played quarterback, Karl Lamming played center, and Clay Harding played fullback.

The Pups next game is Thursday, September 30 in Trent at 6:00 PM. The JH team is the only team that plays this week.

**Mum & Garter Sale**  
 See a BC ISD Junior to order a  
**Homecoming Mum or Garter**  
 Many items to choose from to  
 Create your Own Mum or Garter!  
 All Price Ranges!

Come join the fun...

**Homecoming Dance**  
 October 8, 2004  
 After game until Midnight  
 County Show Barn  
 Fun Event for all Ages!




~Sponsored by Borden Co. Parents Club~

# Lamesa High School Hosting College Night

Lamesa High School is hosting its TACRAO College Night on Thursday, September 30, 2004, from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Students from the following school are invited to attend: Borden County, Dawson,

Klondike, O'Donnell, and Sands. Students from this largely rural area will have an opportunity to talk with college representatives they may not otherwise have the opportunity to see. Last year approximately 250 students attended this event.



**Take your Picture With the Coyote!!!**

**When:** During the game Homecoming

**Where:** At the game on the track

**Who:** YOU and the Coyote!!!

**Cost:** TBA!

## Destination College for Parents

**What:** Workshop for parents of students in Grades 8-12 to learn about college preparation and application tips and strategies including information on transcripts, application essays, financial aid, useful websites, and invaluable tips from current college students. Middle school and high school children are welcome to attend with their parents; however, this is not suitable for younger children.

**When:** Saturday Morning  
October 9, 2004  
9:30 - 12:30

**Where:** Region 17 Education Service Center  
1111 West Loop 289  
Lubbock, TX

(near 19<sup>th</sup> & Frankford - across from Resthaven Cemetery)  
Conference Center Entrances - Doors 1 and 7

**Charge:** It's Free!

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of Region 17 Education Service Center

**Registration:** Please call Debbi Stennett at Region 17 to register. We just need a headcount in order to prepare an adequate number of materials.

Please call 792-5468, ext. 818 By October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2004

Region 17 is a continuing education center for area educators in 59 surrounding school districts. We are delighted to be able to extend services to regional parents as well. We hope you'll join us for this highly informative workshop. Hope has presented to hundreds of area students and parents who swear by her tips for making the road to college smoother, smarter, and profitable in terms of scholarships and time saved. Save yourself and your kids some panic and regrets - start early.

**Don't miss out on this!**

**See you there!**

[This program is highly recommended by Borden County Parents who have attended]

## Good Nutrition on the Menu This School Year

Pencils: sharpened. Backpacks: packed. New clothes: pressed. The new school year has begun, and in addition to stocking up on school supplies and brushing up on their studies, students across Texas are gearing up for a healthier school meal environment. In March, the Texas Department of Agriculture released a new Texas Public School Nutrition Policy in response to the growing rates of childhood obesity.

The nationally recognized policy is effective at the start of 2004-2005 school year. Among other steps, the policy limits the number of grams of fat and sugar Texas school children are served each week and restricts portion sizes for chips, cookies, frozen desserts and beverages. The policy also calls for phasing out deep-fat frying in schools.

"Texas schools serve more than 400 million lunches and 200 million breakfasts a year," said Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs. "Since more than two million schoolchildren consume about 60 percent of their meals in school, schools are key settings to combat the obesity epidemic facing our young Texans."

To offer parents, teachers, school administrators and school food service professionals additional resources and clarifications on the policy and general childhood nutrition information, TDA launched its Square Meals Web site this summer at [www.squaremeals.org](http://www.squaremeals.org). The site provides one-page

overviews of the nutrition policies for elementary schools, middle and junior high schools and high schools. It also provides information on exemptions and answers to frequently asked questions about the new policy.

"Ensuring our children's health will take all of us working together, Combs said. "In partnership, parents and schools are an unbeatable team with the ability to help turn the tide. That's why we want to support their efforts and keep everyone informed about this new policy."

In addition to other measures, the policy also limits the sale of foods that compete with a school's operation of the breakfast, lunch or after school snack programs. A school can lose up to \$1.23 at breakfast and \$2.24 at lunch in federal reimbursements for each meal lost to a competitive food sale.

At the elementary school level, Foods of Minimal Nutritional Value, candy and competitive foods are not allowed on campus at any time during the school day. However, the policy does allow one nutritious classroom snack to be provided in the morning or afternoon by parents, teachers or other groups.

The elementary classroom snack must be a healthy, low-fat and low-sugar option. This can include choices such as fresh fruits or vegetables with low fat dips, pretzels, low-fat string cheese, dry cereal, rice cakes, animal crackers or low fat fruit or grain muffins. At a teacher's or school's option, the snack may be used to celebrate birthdays or other events. TDA offers additional suggestions for nutritious snacks on its web site at [www.squaremeals.org](http://www.squaremeals.org). The site also offers tips on ways to reward children with incentives other than food and ideas on non-foot

fundraisers. Materials in both English and Spanish also can be requested by calling the toll-free Square Meals number at (888)TEX-KIDS.

The Texas School Nutrition Policy only impact schools participating in the national school nutrition program. It does not place restrictions on food items that parents provide for their own child's consumption. Parents should communicate with their child's school for information on local school policies that may include additional restrictions.

"A recent study showed that the rates of childhood obesity in Texas are among some of the highest in the nation" Combs said. "Our state cannot afford to look at the other way. The time to take action is now, and parents and schools are critical in leading the charge."

## School Menu

### Week Of:

October 4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>, 2005

**MONDAY:** Coyote Taco, Refried Beans, Salad, Fruit, & Milk. **Breakfast:** Pancake Pup, Fruit Juice & Milk.

### TUESDAY:

Cheeseburger Mac, Green Beans, Carrots, Corn Bread, Fruit & Milk **Breakfast:** Waffles, Juice & Milk

**WEDNESDAY:** Chicken Potatoes, Corn on the Cob, Hot Rolls, Fruit & Milk.

**Breakfast:** Ham & Egg Patty, Fruit Juice & Milk

**THURSDAY:** Polish Sausage, Bake Potato w/ham & Cheese, Steam Broccoli, Crackers, Ice Cream & Milk. **Breakfast:** Biscuit w/gravy, Fruit Juice, & Milk.

**FRIDAY:** Chicken on a Bun, French Fries, Salad Cup, Brownies, & Milk. **Breakfast:** Breakfast Burrito, Fruit Juice & Milk

## Making the Grade!

### First Six-Weeks Beta Achievement

**Senior:** John Wilson;  
**Junior:** None; **Sophomore:** Rowdy Clary, Rebecca Dobyns, and Christina Soto;  
**Freshman:** Shelby Roberts and Rachel Wilson; **Eighth Grade:** Katherine Froman and Carlos Hernandez;  
**Seventh Grade:** Rachael Payne, and Raylea Underwood; **Sixth Grade:** Bailey Anderson and Taylor Richey.

### Honor Roll

**Senior:** None; **Junior:** Whitney Anderson, Andrew Lamming, Matthew Massey and Trey Soto; **Sophomore:** John Cowart, Jacob Froman, Sarah Harding, Taylor Peterson and Kylan Reynolds; **Freshman:** Chelsea Minnick and Kate Wallace; **Eighth Grade:** Jake Cooley, and Tyrell Massingill; **Seventh Grade:**

D'Nae Johnson, Lacey Roberts and Brendan Tarleton; **Sixth Grade:** Kerianne Howard and Miles Valentine; **Fifth Grade:** Stefanie Cooley, Austin Fields, Seleste Herridge, Chris Teel, Blake Turner and Austin Tyler; **Fourth Grade:** Celina Guerrero, Jacob McAuley, Lexi Peterson, Tanner Richey, Matthew Roberson, Riley Smith, Teryn Soto and Mattie Turner; **Third Grade:** Tristen Benavidez, Taylor Gass, Matthew Ham, Maeghan Herridge, Kalyn Massingill, Mallory McMeans, Mollie McMeans, Zach McMeans and Branson Smith; **Second Grade:** Frank Banman, Mackenzie Moreno and Cayden Vaughn



## Got News:

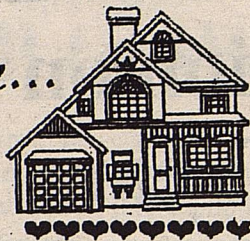
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## Heart and home...

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



Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability, or national origin. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.

### Balance School and Family Activities

Do you already have three places to go on Thursday night? Six already lined up for Saturday? Families with children enrolled in school can easily be overwhelmed. Few people can do it all, but most can learn to balance school activities with family life and enjoy it.

Connecting as a family needs to be a priority because the family itself can serve as the support system needed to make everything else work. Make a list of everything the family would like to do. Then make a list of everything the family needs to do. Include the must-haves that cannot be

overlooked, like laundry, cleaning or the need to eat before school activities. Separate wants from needs.

The reality is that everyone-children and their parents-can do all they may want to do. Students should be encouraged to choose activities that support their interest, but should not necessarily be discouraged from trying new activities. The key is learning to choose. Scheduling a different activity each afternoon and/or evening is enough to make anyone tired.

Discuss the must-haves, but be open to compromise. For

example, if music lessons are a priority for two children, try to schedule lessons at the same time, same place, or immediately following each other. Adults who accompany students can utilize waiting time with portable projects, or plan to relax.

Ask for help. Encourage children to develop the habit of helping at an early age by choosing age-appropriate activities that will help them develop self-confidence. For example, a three-year-old can help fold towels; a five-year-old can set the table; and eight-year-old can help clear the table and help with the dishes.

Make the need-bes wannados. Grocery shopping is a good example. Choose a time when the store is not crowded and ask a child to accompany you. Kids can learn about food and the family budget, but usually appreciate the one-on-one opportunity as much or more as the trip to the store.

Plan meals and snacks. Resolve to eat together, even if mealtime is brief. Limit distractions, turn off the radio

or TV; take the phone off the hook and talk about the day's events. Snacks also are important because they can take the edge off the appetite and ease tension before mealtime. When they are planned, the family is less likely to pick and choose from foods that might be higher in calories and fat, or planned as part of another meal.

Be flexible. Plan downtime for everyone. Scheduling too many activities can

mean that few, if any, are enjoyed. Pick a night and have an easy meal (or take-out if accessible), have a picnic in the backyard or bring out the family's favorite games. Allow time to read the paper, go for a walk or prop up your feet.

Whatever you do, take time for you and your family. Time passes so quickly, and you can never regain their years of growing up. After all, we are only here for one lifetime, let's enjoy it!

### Borden County Senior Citizen Group

The next meeting will be on Monday, October 4 in the Community Room. This will be a pot luck supper (bring your favorite dish to share) that will begin at 6:00 p.m. We will enjoy our meal and fellowship first, then enjoy games. Feel free to bring your favorite games to play.

There are many possible opportunities this center can provide, including wonderful fellowship, fun games and activities, great learning experiences, a chance to have your blood pressure and

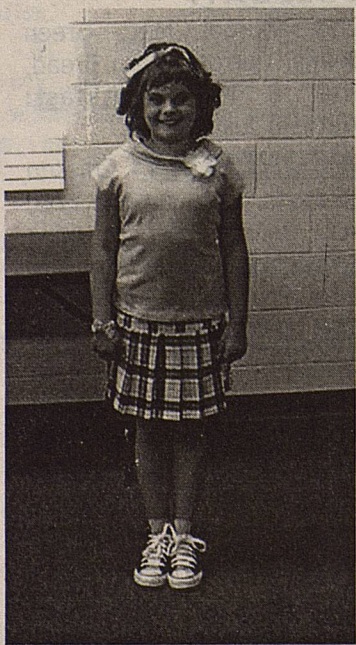
blood glucose checked, and even a possibility of group outings. We invite you to participate in the second Borden County Senior Citizen Group Evening. If you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to contact Julie Smith at (806)756-4336. Also, if you need transportation to and from the Community Building, please contact us to make arrangements. We look forward to a great new opportunity for our friends in Borden County!

### District 4-H Fashion Follies Results

The District 4-H Junior Fashion Follies was held on Saturday, September 25 in Lubbock. The judging events were held at Texas Tech University-College of Human Sciences and the awards and modeling was held at the Panhandle South Plains Fair. Two youth from Borden County participated in the event. Bethany Stamper

competed in Junior 1 Buying Casual and received 4<sup>th</sup> place. Raylea Underwood competed in Junior 2 Buying Dressy and received 7<sup>th</sup> place.

We are very proud of the accomplishments these two young ladies have made and are grateful for their representing Borden County 4-H in this event.



Bethany Stamper



Raylea Underwood

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#### Thank You!

I would like to Thank the Borden County EMS for taking me to the hospital. A special Thank-You to Kent and Philena. Kent made the ride as smooth as possible and Philena took care of me as I had back surgery the next day. After a month stay in Lubbock with my kids I am now at home. Thanks for the many prayers.



Thank you,  
Marge Toombs

#### NOVEMBER 2, 2004 BORDEN COUNTY ISD ROLLBACK ELECTION IMPORTANT DATES

Sept. 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2004	Early Voting Clerk may begin mailing Early Voting
October 4 <sup>th</sup> , 2004	Last Day to Register to Vote on Nov. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Election
October 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2004	First Day to Vote Early by Personal Appearance
October 26 <sup>th</sup> , 2004	Last Day for Early Voting Clerk to receive Applications for ballots to be Voted by Mail
October 29 <sup>th</sup> , 2004	Last Day to Vote Early by Personal Appearance
November 2, 2004	Election Day and Last Day to Accept Early Voting Ballots by Mail

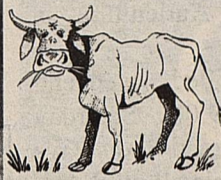
# 'Coyote Opry a Success!



**Little "Blue Grass" anyone?** Blue Grass Music was provided by these four musicians. Mr. Buddy Wallace, Jarred White, Joel Smith and Tyler Wallace. Both Jarred and Joel are music majors at South Plains College in Levelland.



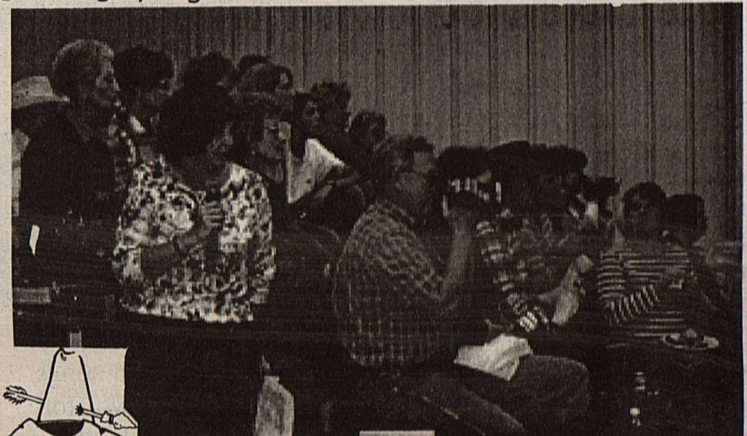
**Brother and Sister Act!** Krista and Shane Tarleton entertained the audience at the Opry. Krista is a 6<sup>th</sup> grade student at BC and Shane is a Freshman at Howard College in Big Spring.



**FFA students waiting to sell another pie:** L. to R. Tyler Wallace, Lacey Newton, Mr. Wallace, Garrett Thomas and J Ryan Gickhorn.



**Master of Ceremonies!** Borden County native, Carla Sandusky



**Crowd Enjoying the Music!**



**Ag Teacher or Entertainer?**

Mr. Buddy Wallace plays his guitar and sings during the Opry




**Front row seats!** The BC students got A ring side seat to enjoy the music.




**Helpers!** Merik Valentine, Flint Roberts and Thomas Harrison help out by showing the pastries during the Pastry Auction.

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## Little Graceland is in Los Fresnos

Simon Vega has an Elvis Presley Museum in and around his house in Los Fresnos. He has an amazing collection of Elvis stuff: all his movies, all his records, all his t-shirts, all his plates, all his ties, a bottle of Elvis Presley shampoo, a pack of Elvis bubble gum cards, an Elvis Barbie, books about Elvis, one of Elvis's report cards, even an Elvis lottery ticket from Indiana. He calls his place Little Graceland, named for Elvis's home in Memphis.

Simon was in the Army with Elvis from 1958 to 1960. Photos of Elvis and Simon fill a showcase. "I knew him real well," says Simon. "We used to talk all the time while we were in Germany. He did everything we did. He didn't ask for favors. They wanted him to go to special services and entertain, but he said no. He wanted to serve with his buddies. He pulled guard, he pulled KP. He liked being with us because we wouldn't ask him for autographs or anything. He said his Army years were the best two years of his life because he felt so free."

Simon was an Elvis fan before meeting Elvis. "I bought some of his records here and there, and a few of his things. Then after I met him and came back, I started buying more and more."

Simon wanted to keep Elvis's name alive. He

couldn't afford to buy all the Elvis paraphernalia he wanted because he just didn't have the money. He went back to college, got his degree and started teaching. When he got a little ahead financially, he started buying more and more Elvis items and eventually opened his museum. Simon's car license plate reads ELVIS V.

He has a replica of the house where Elvis was born in Tupelo, Mississippi. A walkway around his house carried the names of some of Elvis's most popular songs. The museum is a two-story affair built in and above Simon's garage. Nothing is for sale. He bought the lot next door for two annual events held the weekends closest to Elvis's birth and death.

He had a big crowd this year, the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Elvis's death in Graceland (August 16, 1977). This year, an Elvis festival was held August 17<sup>th</sup> featuring music, food and fun. The day-long celebration was topped off with an appearance by and Elvis impersonator. Simon has bleachers for the fans and they're usually full. Children come dressed like Elvis.

Simon wrote a song about

# Antique Tractor and Engine Show

Experience pumping water, cranking tractors, hand shelling and grinding corn just like your ancestors did in the old days.

Join members of the South Plains Antique Tractor Association for an antique tractor and engine show on October 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> on the grounds of the American Museum of Agriculture in Lubbock.

The fun-filled weekend begins at 9:00 Saturday morning. Interactive displays will be available all weekend. Tractor games will begin at

Elvis called "All Hail to Elvis Presely." Once he and Elvis attended a football game on their post in Freiburg, Germany. The game was between the post at Freiburg and post around Frankfurt. It was open to civilians. Thousands of German residents flooded the stadium. "They all came to see Elvis, not the game. So the Military Police escorted Elvis from the stands. They thought he might get hurt."

Elvis's Dad, Vernon took up residence in Freiburg while Elvis served in Germany. A BMW dealer gave Elvis a new sports car for a daily commute from the post to his Dad's house. Elvis left the service as a sergeant.

"Elvis seldom went out. A lot of girls hung around the front gate in hopes of getting a glimpse of Elvis. One of those girls was a 13 year old named Priscilla. She and Elvis later married."

10:30, followed by the Parade of Power at 1:30. Another round of games will conclude the afternoon's activities at 2:30.

A Sunday morning worship service will kick off the day's events at 10:00 a.m. The tractor parade will begin at 1:30, with awards being presented at 2:00 p.m. concession will be available both days.

Admission is \$3.00 for adults, \$1.50 for children,

and those under 10 years old are free. Proceeds will benefit the American Museum of Agriculture. The museum is located at 1501 Canyon Lake Drive - one mile east of I-27, between Broadway and 19<sup>th</sup> Street.

For more information or to register for the show, call Gale Thompson at (806)245-6571, Rodney Randolph at (806)675-8096, Roy Howard at (806)684-2211, or Chester Harth at (505)273-4396.

### IMPORTANT DATES FOR NOVEMBER 2, 2004 ELECTION

Sept. 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 2004	Accept Applications for Early Vote by Mail
Oct. 4 <sup>th</sup> , 2004	LAST DAY to Register to Vote in November 2 <sup>nd</sup> Election
Oct. 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2004	FIRST DAY to Vote Early by Personal Appearance
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Oct. 29 <sup>th</sup> , 2004	LAST DAY to Vote by Personal Appearance
NOVEMBER 2 <sup>ND</sup> ,	ELECTION DAY!

PLEASE NOTE THAT ELECTION LAWS REQUIRE VOTERS TO HAVE A CURRENT DRIVER'S LICENSE OR A VOTER REGISTRATION CARD TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE. CURRENT LAW ALLOWS **NO EXCEPTIONS** TO THIS REQUIREMENT

### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS

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

#### CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)

Dist/Div: **Abilene**

**Contract 6120-02-001** for "ON DEMAND" PAVEMENT MARKINGS in HOWARD County, etc. will be opened on **October 15, 2004 at 1:00 p.m.** at the District Office for an estimate of **\$1,500,000.46**

Contracts **6120-31-001** for MOWING HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY in BORDEN County, etc. will be opened on **October 19, 2004 at 10:00 am** at the District Office for an estimate of **\$62,992.00**.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Pre-qualified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. Bidders must submit pre-qualification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Pre-qualification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at [www.dot.state.tx.us](http://www.dot.state.tx.us) and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

**NPO: 14155**

#### State Office

Constr./Maint. Division  
200 E. Riverside Dr.  
Austin, Texas 78704  
Phone: 512-416-2540

#### Dist/Div Office(s)


Abilene District  
District Engineer  
4250 N. Clack  
Abilene, TX 79601  
Phone: 915-676-6800

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




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## Courthouse News

**WHEREAS**, On this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2004, 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, Precinct No. 1; **RANDY ADCOCK**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 2; **ERNEST REYES**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3; **JOE BELEW**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 4; **JOYCE HERRIDGE**, County Clerk and Ex-officio of the Commissioners Court

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

### MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the Commissioner Court meeting of August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2004, were read. Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve said minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Isaacs. Motion carried unanimously.

### VICTIMS SERVICES

A Representative of Victims Services of Big Spring and Sheriff Billy Gannaway met with the Court explaining Victims Services function and the ways the Service can and has benefited Borden County.

### ACCOUNT ALLOWED

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

### PIPELINE CROSSING

Commissioner Reyes made a motion to approve the Application for proposed Pipeline Crossing in Precinct No. 3 from J.R. Herrington, along/across the right of way

of county road at or near Herrington property CR 383, Sec. 80. Commissioner Belew seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

### 2005 SHERIFF'S FEES

After reviewing the Sheriff's Fees. Commissioner Isaacs made a motion to set the 2005 Sheriff Fees as listed below with no changes made. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Adcock. Motion carried unanimously.

### NOTICE OF FEES CHARGED BY THE SHERIFF OF BORDEN COUNTY

Section 118.131, Local Government Code, authorized the Commissioners' Court of each county to set reasonable fees to be charged for services by the office of Sheriff and Constable. The Borden County Commissioners' Court has determined the fees below are needed to recoup the Costs of Borden County for these services and is of the opinion that the following fees are reasonable and should be established for these services in Borden County effective the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January, A.D. 2005 and remain in effect until further orders of the Court, to-wit:

#### COUNTY AND DISTRICT COURTS

Citation	\$ 50.00
Citation by Publication	\$ 50.00
Citation by Posting	\$ 50.00
Writ of Execution	\$100.00
All other Writs	\$ 50.00
Orders of Sale	\$ 50.00
Restraining Order	\$ 50.00
Show Cause	\$ 50.00
Subpoena	\$ 50.00

#### JUSTICE OF THE PEACE COURTS

Citation	\$ 30.00
Distress Warrant	\$ 30.00
Subpoena Civil	\$ 30.00
All Writs	\$ 30.00

#### SMALL CLAIMS COURT

Citation	\$ 30.00
Notice	\$ 30.00
Small Claim	\$ 30.00
Subpoena Civil	\$ 30.00
All Writs	\$ 30.00

Posting Public Notice	\$ 10.00
Talking/Approving Bonds	\$ 6.00
Sheriff's Jury Fee	\$ 10.00

Executing a Deed to Real Estate under Execution or Order of Sale	\$ 6.00
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Motion was made by Commissioner Isaacs to set Sheriff's Fees for year 2005 as listed above. Motion was

seconded by Commissioner Adcock. Motion carried unanimously.

It is requested that all such citations, precepts, writs or other process of service be mailed or delivered to:

Sheriff of Borden County  
PO Box 115  
Gail, Texas 79738  
**SOIL CONSERVATION  
CONSTRUCTION**

An application for Soil conservation construction of fireguards was received from Elwood Hamilton, Precinct No. 2. Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve the application at the rate of \$35.00 per hour for a motor grader and \$65.00 per hour for a dozer. Commissioner Isaacs seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

### DISCUSSION-ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

Funding of Victim Services Date to canvass votes for the November 2, 2004 General Election.

### ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Isaacs adjourn. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Adcock proved unanimously.

# Our Voice on Education and Health Care

**P**ete Laney understands the importance of the public education system – it is the cornerstone of our communities and the backbone of our state's economy. That's why Pete is committed to making sure that our school districts have every advantage they need when competing with the large suburban areas of Texas.



He also understands how important health care is to the people of our area. And he continues to work to

make quality health care affordable and accessible to all Texans.

Health care professionals and patients – not to mention parents, teachers, administrators and school board members – all agree: Pete Laney is a leader we can be proud of.

**Pete Laney**  
State Representative

**Early Voting is Oct. 18-Oct. 29  
Election Day is Tuesday, Nov. 2**

PAID POL. ADV. JAMES E. "PETE" LANEY CAMPAIGN, ROUTE 2, BOX 115, HALE CENTER, TEXAS 79041

### Tailgate Like a Seasoned Pro with Joe and Jennifer Montana

(NAPS)—For years, Hall of Fame athlete Joe Montana worked his magic on the football field. Now that he's retired, Joe is putting his quarterbacking skills to work in another arena—tailgating. He knows it is a surefire way to entertain friends and family and meet new people who share a love of good food and good times.



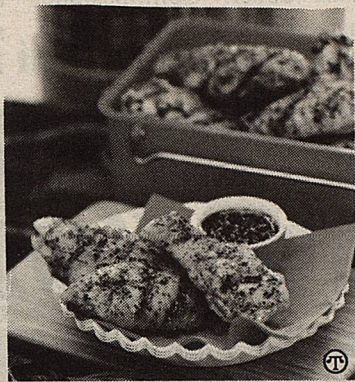
Joe and his wife, Jennifer, also like that tailgating gives them the chance to prepare and enjoy the festivities together. And, since flavor is the main ingredient in any tailgate party, this dynamic duo always covers the spread, firing up the grill to cook everything from chicken wings to sausages, ribs and burgers.

Get in on the action with these fumble-proof tailgating tips from the Montanas:

• For maximum enjoyment of the game and the party, prepare as much as possible ahead of time.

• McCormick Grill Mates® marinades, sauces and seasoning blends are great tailgate time-savers. Find these ready-to-use flavor boosters at grocery stores.

• Arrive early to claim your spot. Bring folding tables and chairs, cooking utensils, disposable plates and cups, and napkins. Don't forget to display your team colors.



• All athletes need a good warm-up and for serious tailgaters, the grill is no exception to this rule. Allow at least 30 minutes for

the charcoal to get hot. When using small, portable grills, remember it's better to cook a small amount of food at a time. Overloading the grill will greatly increase the cook time of most foods.

• Get your taste buds off the sidelines and into the game with a delicious spread of appetizers and side dishes. Sliced vegetables with dip, pasta and potato salads, and chips and salsa will keep your guests happy while the main dishes are cooking.

• Tailgaters like to keep one hand free, so finger foods are always welcome. Try serving grilled chicken wings, pork ribs, and Italian or smoked sausage. These tasty favorites allow for quick refueling, and since they don't require utensils, you and your guests can get right back into the game.

Here is one of Joe and Jennifer's favorite game day recipes, a smoky-sweet sensation that is sure to win fans. The sauce ingredients also combine to make a delicious dipping sauce that will help you score extra points at your next tailgate.

#### Maple Mesquite Wings

##### Ingredients:

- 5 pounds fresh or frozen chicken wing pieces (thawed, if frozen)
- 2 tablespoons oil
- 4 tablespoons McCormick® Grill Mates® Mesquite Seasoning, divided
- 1 cup maple or pancake syrup
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice

##### Directions:

1. Combine wings with oil in a large bowl; toss to coat evenly. Sprinkle wings with 1 tablespoon mesquite seasoning; toss again to coat evenly.
2. Combine syrup, lemon juice and remaining 3 tablespoons mesquite seasoning; set aside.
3. Grill seasoned wings over direct medium-high heat for 15-18 minutes or until done, turning often. Remove wings from grill and drizzle with half of syrup mixture; serve remaining syrup mixture as dipping sauce.

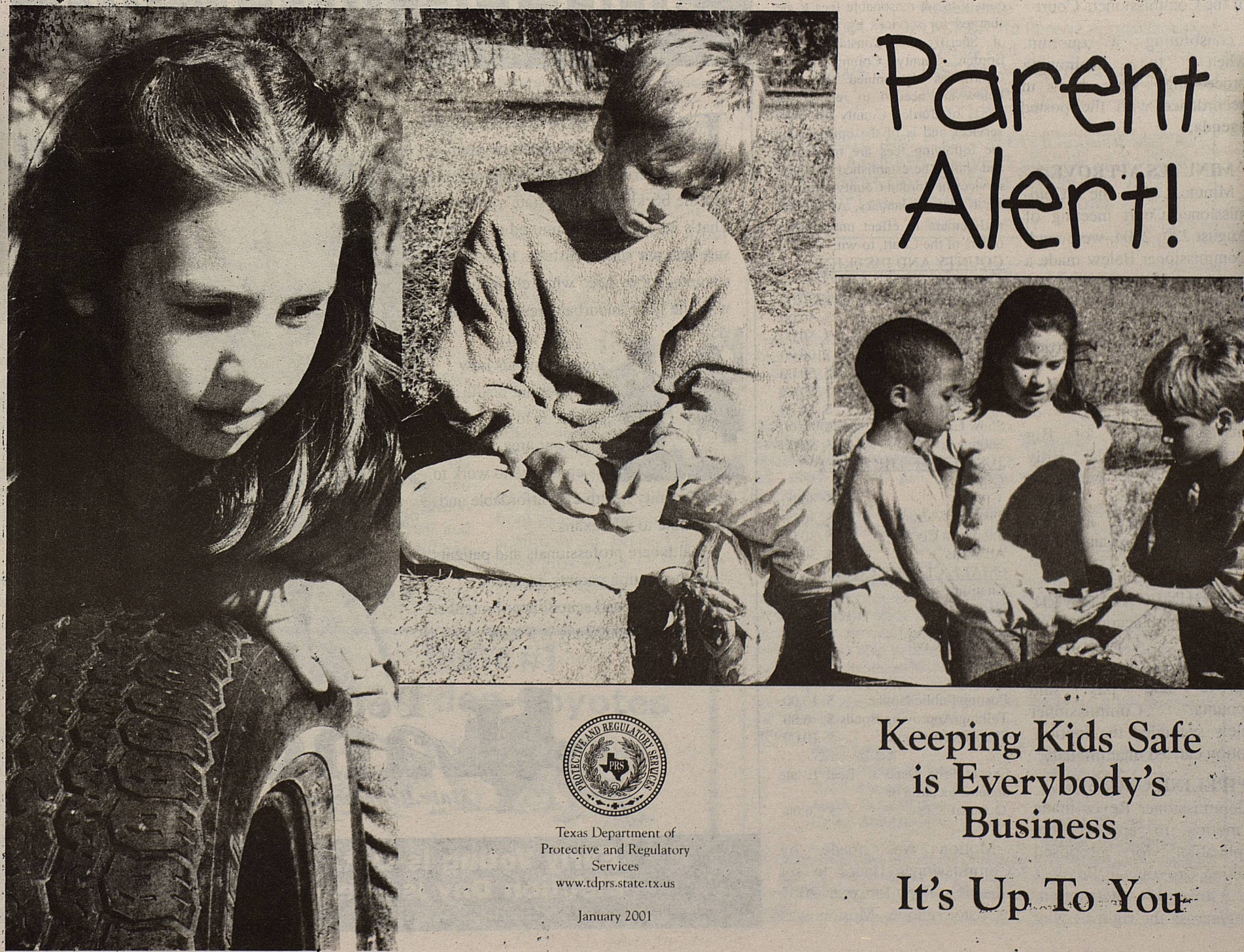
For more flavorful tailgating tips and recipes, visit the Web site at [www.mccormick.com](http://www.mccormick.com).

**Adult Flu Shots**  
will be Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> at  
10:00 am in the  
School Nurse's  
Office.

**WANTED:**  
Responsible Party  
to take on small  
monthly payments  
on High Definition  
Big Screen TV  
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Your Local Pastor  
Is as near as your PHONE...

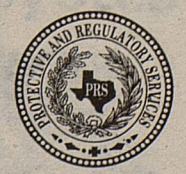
Bro. Randy Hardman  
Gail Baptist Church  
Call: 806/756-4363  
Mobile No: 759-9472

# Parent Alert!

## Keeping Kids Safe is Everybody's Business

### It's Up To You



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Protective and Regulatory  
Services  
[www.tdprs.state.tx.us](http://www.tdprs.state.tx.us)

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