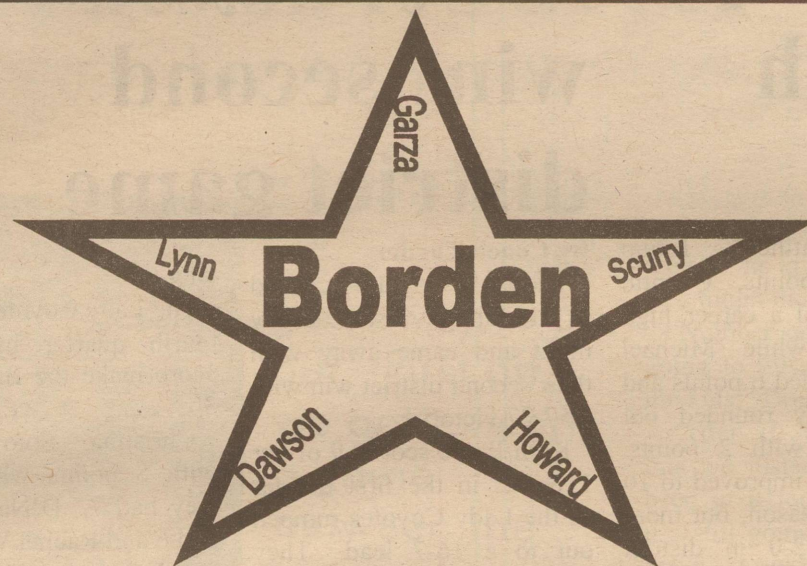


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## Kelly Maben School Teacher & Barrel Racer a Winning Combination

**Editor's Note:** *The following article was published in the Barrel Racer News by Jennie Pickering.*

Kelly Maben lives in two worlds and seems to excel in all that she endeavors. At the same time, she never loses the modesty or kindness that seems to luminate from her sweet smile. She is a gracious winner, dedicated teacher, loving mother and wife and successful barrel racer.

I have the pleasure of observing Kelly in both worlds, as a fellow teacher and somewhat close West Texas neighbor. I get to visit with her at school meetings and recently at a baby shower for a friend. To see Kelly in this environment one would never guess that she is a world famous barrel racer. She doesn't even dress like a cowgirl and seems to blend in with all of her teacher friends and little ladies.

At the baby shower, she was her modest self, chasing her daughter Macye who by the way is as pretty as Kelly. Macye has the prettiest smile but while in Vegas she learned how to frown. To the horror of Kelly, Macye kept smiling at everyone and then her little face would break into the worst frown you have ever seen. Kelly was headed to Lubbock after the shower to do some Christmas shopping and hopefully get Macye's picture with Santa. I wonder if Macye smiled or frowned for the picture?

After the last two years with school teacher Kelly Kaminski taking the barrel racing by storm, it seems like being a barrel racing school teacher by the name of Kelly just might be the ticket!

Of course I could not help but talk a little barrel racing with Kelly. I gave her the article that was in the Las Vegas newspaper during the

NFR. I love to hear her talk about Bubba. Of course, we all know that Bubba loves the Thomas and Mack which proved very profitable for Kelly.

I asked Kelly how Bubba was and she responded, "He was still a little tired and sore. I gave him bute past during the grueling week in Vegas. He is still a little stiff for just a couple of steps when I lead him from his stall."

After a rest Kelly says, "I should be ready for the big

stock shows and rodeos coming up. In the meantime I plan to ride my futurity colt ant the barrel race coming up in January in Alvarado."

I did not mention to Kelly about the money that she won. To prove how modest she is ... I heard through the grapevine that she did not want to call attention to herself at the bank, so she went through the drive-through instead going into the lobby to deposit her big check from Vegas. That check was for \$102,332. Kelly won five go rounds, placed 3<sup>rd</sup> once and 6<sup>th</sup> once.

Kelly only attended 42 professional rodeos on her 13 year old wonder horse, Bubba during the 2006

regular season. She started off with \$71,360 but with her huge Wrangler NFR showing, Kelly ended up 3<sup>rd</sup> in the WPRA World Standings after Round 10 with \$173,692.

Kelly ended up hitting barrels in 3 of the 10 go rounds. She hit in the first go round which really loosened her up and seemed to take the pressure for the average off. She came back and won the second and third rounds, 3<sup>rd</sup> in the fourth round and then won the fifth and sixth round followed by the 6<sup>th</sup> place in round eight. Kelly finished on a good note winning the final round. She became quite a common

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### 2007 Borden County Jr. Livestock Show

Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup>  
STEER SHOW - 6:00 p.m.



Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup>  
LAMB SHOW - 8:30 a.m.  
GOAT SHOW - following  
Lamb show  
Swine Show - following  
Goat show

Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup>  
7:00 - 9:00 a.m.  
COMPLEMENTARY  
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AWARDS CEREMONY - 9:00 a.m.  
PREMIUM SALE - 9:30 a.m.

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# Coyotes Wallop the Hermleigh Cardinals

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Coyotes continued their winning ways in district as they walloped the home town Cardinals 79 to 28. Jacob Froman led all scores as he scored 22 points in only 3 quarters of work. The Coyotes scored their highest total of the season as they also witnessed a first in several years as the visitors had 5 of their 7 players in double figures. Asa Rutherford added 12 points, Zane Williamson had 13

points, Matthew Tatum added 14 points, Quentin Shafer scored a career high 10 points while Michael Bullinger added 6 points and Rowdy Clary rounded out the scoring with 2 points. The Coyotes improved to 10 - 6 on the season, but more importantly 2-0 in district play. The Coyotes will play 3 games this week beginning with Loraine on Tuesday, followed by Westbrook on Wednesday and rounding out with a trip to Highland on Friday.

# Coyote JV Defeat Sterling City in Forsan JV Tourney

By Coach Avery

The Borden County JV team defeated the Sterling City JV in the first game of the Forsan JV tournament last Thursday by a score of 42 to 33. This was the only game played in the tournament due to the ice storm that swept through the area Friday night.

The Coyotes trailed Sterling City most of the game but kept it close for three quarters and then upped the defensive pressure in the fourth quarter, forced some turnovers, hit some free throws and field goals to outscore the opponent 17 to 8 in the fourth period.

All five players on the team scored in the game, Michael Cooley scored a whopping 20 points, Brendan Tarleton scored 10

points, Flynn Chapman scored 7 points, Carlos Hernandez scored 4 points, and Karl Lamming hit a free throw for one point.

We did not play especially well like we have the last two games, but we stayed around and kept it close, we worked hard, stayed out of foul trouble, and won the game in the final quarter. That is what a good team does when it struggles a bit.

The rest of the tournament was then cancelled on Saturday and the Coyotes were eager to see how they would fare against Forsan's JV, a team that had beaten us by 20 the first week out of football. It would have been a good measuring stick to see how much we have improved.

# Lady Coyotes wins second district game

By Coach Turner

The Lady Coyotes traveled to Hermleigh last Tuesday night and came away with their second district win with a 57-27 victory.

Kalli Poole scored 9 of her 11 points in the first quarter as the Lady Coyotes jumped out to a 16-7 lead. They increased the lead to 27-11 at the half.

Sarah Harding scored 7 of her 10 points in the third quarter as Borden led 43-20

after three.

The Lady Coyote took the fourth quarter by a 14-7 score make the final margin 30.

Christina Soto finished with 8 points while Olivia Key had 7. D'Nae Johnson had 6 and Rachel Wilson had 5. Sharelle Gass hit four out of four free throws and both Baylee Benavidez and Kate Wallace finished with 3 points each.

# Borden JV Thumps Hermleigh

By Coach Avery

The Borden County JV is showing great signs of improvement, in fact they may be getting pretty good on the hardwood floor. After coming from behind on Ira and defeating them these 5 JV players turned around and thumped Hermleigh on Tuesday with a score of 62 to 24.

Brendan Tarleton had a great night as the zone defense let him have his way

at the top of the key scoring 26 points in the contest. Flynn Chapman had 11 points, Michael Cooley scored 10 points, Carlos Hernandez had 8 points and Karl Lamming rounded out the scoring with 7 points.

The defense kept its opponents off balance by mixing up a combination of zone and man defenses.

The Coyote JV team is now 2-2 on the season and 2-0 in district play.



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## School

### Lunch Menu January 22<sup>nd</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup>, 2007

**MONDAY - Breakfast:** Omelet, Fruit Juice, and Milk. **Lunch:** Coyote Taco, Refried Beans, Salad, Pineapple, and Milk

**TUESDAY - Breakfast:** Waffles, and milk. **Lunch:** Cheeseburger Mac, Green Beans, Carrots, Corn Bread, Jell-O w/fruit, and milk.

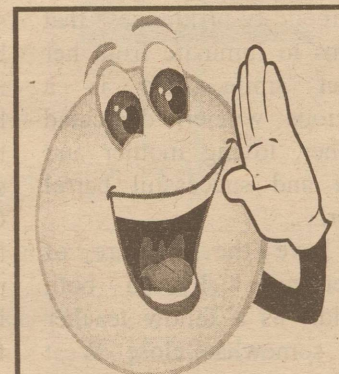
**WEDNESDAY - Breakfast:** Ham & Egg Patty, Fruit juice and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken, Potatoes, Corn, Got Roll, Fresh Fruit, and milk.

**THURSDAY - Breakfast:** Biscuit w/gravy, Sausage, Fruit juice, and milk. **Lunch:** Polish sausage, Baked Potato w/Ham & Cheese, Steamed Broccoli, Crackers, Ice Cream, and milk.

**FRIDAY - Breakfast:** French Toast, Fruit Juice, and Milk. **Lunch:** Chicken on a Bun, French Fries, Salad Cup, Cake, and Milk.

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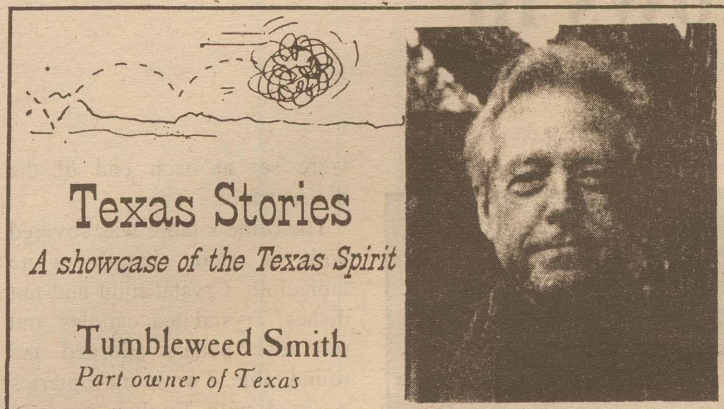
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## Cross Plains A Year Later

Last year on my way from spending the holidays with my son and his family I stopped in Cross Plains. The city was heavily damaged by a fire that started apparently from a cigarette that some careless driver tossed out. The blaze was fanned by strong winds and destroyed about 25 percent of the homes in the city (population 1,068). Two people died. Others suffered respiratory problems.

I developed a strong feeling toward Cross Plains when I spoke at the chamber banquet there a few months prior to the fire. I was concerned about some friends there. When I spoke to them, their spirits were high. They personally had no

## Winning Combination

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sight on the stage of the Gold Coast Casino where you go to pick up your go round buckles after the rodeo. Incidentally, her runs in which she hit a barrel all had money earning times!

Kelly Maben has a barrel racing heritage. Her father, Randy Ogden is quite a hand with barrel horses and her stepmother, Lisa Ogden who was a 1998 NFR qualifier, competes and wins in futurities, rodeos and jackpots. In fact her NFR

damage and were busy helping others. As we drove around the town, the images of burned out houses and scorched vacant lots looked like a war scene. The smell of smoke was still in the air a week after the fire, which occurred two days after Christmas, 2005.

I interviewed half a dozen victims of the fire that day, both children and adults. Instead of the expected tears and sadness, they were full of adrenalin, thinking about rebuilding and getting on with their lives. I wondered if they were still in shock. I had a profound experience that day and left with a sincere sense of admiration for the people of Cross Plains.

back-up horse Gecko was trained by Randy and Lisa.

Her younger sister, Cassidy Ogden competed as a rookie this past year in the pro rodeos. Cassidy appeared in the standings and ended up 11<sup>th</sup> for the year in the WPRC rookie standings

The Ogden family produces a unique event labeled the Ogden 8 & Under World Championship Barrel Race. The event is held in Abilene, Texas in October annually and draws young barrel racing enthusiasts from many states. I'm

In January of 2006 my documentary class at The University of Texas of the Permian Basin in Odessa was just beginning. I gave the students a list of possible topics. One was the Cross Plains fire. They started asking questions about it and chose that as their semester project. In February we boarded a university van and went to Cross Plains to do some interviews. The students set up recorders in Sunday school classrooms at the First Baptist Church, which was headquarters for dealing with the aftermath. The interviews revealed some dramatic stories:

"Evil-looking clouds of black smoke approached the city from the west just after noon. Funnels of fire danced around town. It was an ocean of flames. The sky was brown, green, the sun was blood red. It was very eerie. You could hear explosions every few seconds from gas tanks, paint cans and houses. The fire was coming faster than a horse could run. I saw about 30 deer running, 5 or 10 of them on fire. A squirrel was on fire and it ran along setting other fires. Our

quite sure Macye will be competing in this barrel race before too much longer.

Kelly's husband Tye helps out with Macye when not team roping. He also hauls with Kelly to as many rodeos as possible. Kelly also hauls with her step-mom Lisa and Kelly Yates.

Kelly says, "I plan to continue teaching, taking care of Macy and rodeo when I have spare time." Some things never change. Kelly is just as grounded as ever. That's the mark of a true champion.

[Kelly is a 1992 graduate of Borden County High School]

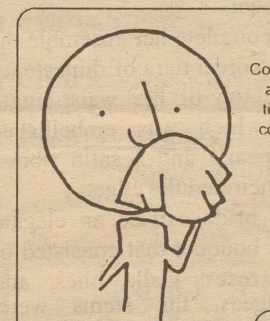
appliances melted. Things were just powder and ash."

116 homes were destroyed. 36 more were damaged. The cost to rebuild is estimated to be 10 million dollars. In the midst of the devastation, there was an outpouring of love. People from out of town donated \$640,000 to a disaster fund and brought in truckloads of food and

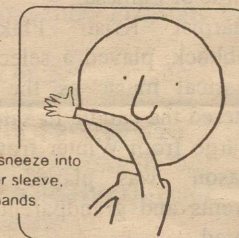
clothing. Many of the lots were cleared within days. New homes are being built. My students learned a lot more than just how to produce a documentary. They learned a lot about the human spirit. Exactly one year after the fire, the citizens of Cross Plains got together for a barbeque. Mostly it was a counting of blessings.

Stop the spread of germs that make you and others sick!

# Cover your Cough



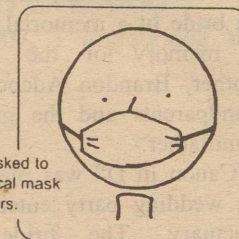
Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze or cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve, not your hands.



Put your used tissue in the waste basket.



You may be asked to put on a surgical mask to protect others.



# Clean your Hands

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# Adcock, White Exchange Vows in Double-ring Ceremony

Hailey Elaine Adcock and Coley Jo "C.J." White were united in marriage in a candlelight ceremony on Saturday, November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2006 at 5:00 in the evening at the Second Baptist Church in Lamesa.

Bro. Mark Hackett, pastor of the Lamesa Church of Christ officiated the double-ring ceremony

Parents of the bride are Randy and Verna Adcock of Gail. Grandparents are the late Vernon and Tharon Todd of Lamesa and the late Dottie Adcock of Ackerly.

Parents of the groom are Ricky and Kelly White of Lamesa. Grandparents are Joel & Sue Fletcher of Lamesa and Nelva and Ricky Koehler of Lamesa and the late Dennis White of Lamesa.

Harpist Kristi Flake, of Lubbock, played a selection of classical music as the guests entered the candle lit sanctuary. "Largo from Winter from Tour Season" was played as the parents and grandparents were seated.

Thomas Harrison, nephew of the bride lit a memorial candle in memory of the bride's brother, Brandon Adcock, her grandparents and the groom's grandfather.

"Canon in D" was played as the wedding party entered the sanctuary. The bride was escorted in the sanctuary by her father as the "Bridal Chorus" played.

Cousins of the bride, Kelly and Bruce Fellers, sang "More Than Words" accompanied by guitar during the lighting of the Unity candle

The "Wedding March" was played as the couple left the sanctuary and "Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring" played as the guest left the sanctuary.

The front of the church was decorated with a large tent covered with ivory tulle and white miniature wedding lights.

On each side of the tent were tall iron baskets filled with fresh ivy, Spath, baby's breath

and greenery of various types. Large urns filled with Spath and white Calla lilies were also used to accent the sanctuary. Ivory candles entwined in greenery lined the choir rail behind and on the sides of the tent. Ivory pew bows adorned with red roses lined the aisles.

The bride chose an elegant gown of candle-light satin and organza. The strapless bodice featured a wide satin band that encircled the bodice top. A small loose bow trimmed with a rhinestone pin was placed on the side of the band. The organza gown flowed into a semi-cathedral train with satin buttons running from the top of the back bodice to the bottom hemline of the skirt. A wide satin border at the bottom edge of the skirt and train finished the gown.

To complete her ensemble the bride wore a tiara of rhinestones at the top of her waist-length veil, which was embellished with pearls and a satin ribbon that encircled the edge.

The bride carried an elegant clutch bouquet that consisted of ivory roses, Calla lilies, and hydrangeas, the stems were adorned with ivory satin ribbon.

In keeping with tradition of something old, the bride carried a locket and a small ring belonging to her late grandmothers which were tied in her bouquet. Something new was her bridal gown; something borrowed was the locket and ring in her bouquet and something blue was a rhinestone anklet given to her by her mother. She wore a sixpence in her shoe given to her by her friend Holly Harris and pennies minted in the years of the couple's births.

Serving her as matron of honor was her sister Kristi Harrison of Lamesa. Bridesmaids were Holly Harris of Abilene, a childhood friend, Kathy Roberts of Lamesa and Amber Bozeman of Lubbock, both cousins of the bride.

Each wore a floor length latte colored, strapless satin gown.



Mr. and Mrs. C.J. White  
nee Hailey Adcock

They all wore matching jewelry that was a gift from the bride and carried a bouquet that consisted of dark red roses and ivory Calla lilies tied in ivory ribbon.

Flower girls were Tatum Harrison, niece of the bride and Katey Sue Fletcher, cousin of the groom both of Lamesa.

Their floor length sleeveless ivory satin dresses embellished with pearls on the bodice. The back of the dress was accented with a long satin bow and sash.

The groom wore a traditional black tuxedo with an ivory shirt, vest, and tie. His boutonniere was two ivory Calla lilies.

Stef White, brother of the groom of Lamesa served as best man.

Groomsmen were Jonathan Birch, of Lubbock, Marty McGee, of Lamesa, Nathan Wright of Dallas, all friends of the groom.

Their traditional black tuxedos were accented with latte vests and ties. Their boutonnieres were a single ivory Calla lily.

The bride's nephew Tanner Harrison of Lamesa, served as ring-bearer. He and his brother Thomas, who lit the Memorial candle, wore traditional black tuxedos with ivory vest, shirts and ties.

Ushers were Jon Harrison, Dustin White, both of Lamesa, and Hunter Shofner of S. Carolina.

Serving at the registry table were Molly Fletcher of Lamesa and Jordan Fletcher of Dallas, both cousins of the groom.

## Reception

A reception hosted by the brides parents was held in the Fellowship Hall.

A bride's tent and a groom's tent covered in tulle and draped with white miniature lights

were set at each end of the dining room.

The bride's table was covered with a floor length white tablecloth. Crystal mint and nut dishes, crystal tea candles and red rose pedals adorned the round table. Two ivory topiaries covered with English ivy and miniature lights were at two corners of the tent.

The bride's cake was a five layer multi-flavored cake with latte frosting over-layered with a whimsical design consisting of ivory lace scroll in three dimensions. A Silver "W" adorned the top of the cake.

Shayla and Sharelle Gass friends of the bride and cousins of the groom served at the bride's table.

At the front two corners of the groom's tent were two small evergreen trees covered with miniature lights. The groom's cake was a four layered chocolate square cake with fruit and frosting swirling down the side. Silver serving pieces were placed along side of a picture of his bride and a beautiful dark red candle urn.

Kelsey White and Jordan Fletcher cousins of the groom served at his table.

A canvas portrait of the bride and three tall pillar candle's adorned the top of the black Baby-grand piano in front of a beautiful snow covered Christmas tree.

The bride and groom entered the fellowship hall under a third tent covered with tulle and miniature lights. In front at both sides of this tent were two large iron planters fill with beautiful English ivy, Baby's breath and a variety of greenery. The bride's father introduced the couple to the guest as they entered the reception.

The guest enjoyed a buffet table of fruit and finger foods which was catered by Rex and Carol Drennan. The buffet tables were covered with floor-length white table cloths and were accented with beautiful crystal candle holders with candles and a large centerpiece in a crystal vase of dark red



Hydrangeas, Peonies and Calla lilies.

Guest tables were draped with white table cloths, decorated with crystal candle-holders, candles, rose pedals and Hershey kisses.

The bride is a 2000 graduate of Borden County High School and Texas Tech University. She is employed at North Elementary School in Lamesa in the Special Education department. The groom is a 2001 graduate of Lamesa High school and is currently a student at Texas Tech.

The couple will reside in Lamesa.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents at the previous Delphins Club House where they enjoyed a bar-b-que dinner catered by Pete and Karen Fowler of Aizle, Texas

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A Bridesmaid Luncheon was held in June at "Under One Roof" Gift Shop in Abilene. Hosted by Holly Harris and Kim Thomas.

A Bridal Shower was held on October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2006 at the Borden County School.

A Wedding Shower was held at the home of Jan Chiles in Lamesa on October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

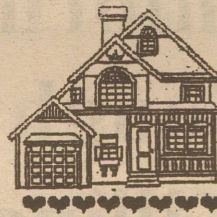
A Lingerie shower was held on November 18<sup>th</sup>, and was hosted by Kathy Roberts, Kristi Harrison, Maxine Barrera, Jodi Furlow, and Kristi Roy. This shower was held in the home of Kathy Roberts in Lamesa.

A bridal luncheon was held in the home of Ressa Coleman in Lamesa.

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## Heart and home...

By Julie D. Smith  
Borden County Extension Agent  
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## Clean Ideas: RX for Winter Wear

With the cold weather snaps we have had the past month, you may find the area near your doorway starting to pile up with all that winter gear. Here are a few tips for cleaning and organizing coats, scarves, gloves and boots.

**Take inventory:** Do you really need all those scarves and gloves? Are there orphan mittens that need to be separated from the pack? Set them aside and if their mates don't show up by the end of the season, toss them away. Hint: if you have children, visit the lost-and-found box at their school. You may be astounded at what you find! Be sure to write your child's name on tags to help them keep up with them.

**Get a peg up:** Getting kids to hang their coats in the closet can be a losing battle. Plus, you don't want wet coats crammed in next to dry ones. Pegs are easy for everyone to use and provide space for garments to air out and thoroughly dry. Be sure some of the pegs are installed at child-friendly heights.

**Divide and conquer:** Do everyone's winter accessories get all jumbled together? How about some canvas bags, one for each family member and clearly labeled with his/her name? Hang the bags on pegs. If they're wet, hats and scarves can hang on the peg until dry; then it's into their owner's bag. Mittens and

gloves too!  
**Bin there:** Bins and baskets are another way to store gloves, scarves and hats. People are more likely to use them if there's no lid to open and close. Clear plastic bins or wire baskets let you easily see what's inside, particularly useful when you have to grab and go!

**Clean up:** Hats, mittens and scarves should be washed frequently during the season. Read and follow manufacturer's instructions on the care labels. If the care labels have disappeared (as frequently happens on mittens), machine wash in cold water on the gentle cycle and line dry.

**Coat check:** For coats and jackets, a mid-season cleaning is a good idea, even if you can't see the dirt. Read and follow the manufacturer's instructions on the care labels. "Dry clean only" garments go to the dry-cleaners. For washable garments, check the pockets, zip the zippers and close the hook-and-loop fasteners so they don't catch bits of lint and thread during laundering, or snag other fabrics.

**Boot camp:** A boot scraper by the door prevents dirt and grime from being tracked inside. A boot tray (or new cat litter box) is a good way to give wet boots a place to dry without having water puddle up the floor.

The Borden County Junior Livestock Association Board of Directors would like to invite all Kindergarten, First and Second Grade Students to participate in the Companion Class during the Borden County Junior Livestock Show on Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup>

The Companion Classes will take place for the Goats, Lambs and Pigs following each of the specie shows. You will find a schedule for the day below. Youth will have an opportunity to sign up to "show" with a 4-H or FFA member that is exhibiting a Goat, Lamb or Pig. The Companion Class will allow youth an opportunity to have a hands on experience exhibiting an animal, as well as learn about what it takes to have a livestock project. Each youth will receive a ribbon for their participation. We will not be hosting a Companion Class for the Steers due to safety concerns; however, if you would like to learn about a Steer project, please be sure to visit with a 4-H or FFA member and/or advisor.



### Borden County Junior Livestock Show Schedule of Events

**Steer Show**.....6:00 p.m. Thurs., Jan. 18  
**Lamb Show**.....8:30 a.m. Fri., Jan. 19  
**Goat Show**.....after lamb show Fri, Jan. 19  
**Swine Show**.....after goat show Fri., Jan. 19

**Chuck wagon Breakfast**.....7:00 a.m. Sat., Jan. 20  
**Awards**.....9:00 a.m. Sat., Jan. 20  
**Premium Sale**.....9:30 a.m. Sat., Jan. 20

For more information about participating in the Companion Class, please contact a BCJLA Director, Buddy Wallace or Julie Smith.

#### NOTICE OF IMPOUNDMENT OF ESTRAY

On the 5<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2007, I impounded the following estray;

Kind of animal: Cattle  
Number of head: 3  
Breed: Angus Cross  
Color: Black  
Sex: Female  
Age: 2 years old  
Brands, ear marks:

ss on left hip, triangle T on left hip

And on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of January 2007, I filed a Notice of Estray in the Estray Book of Borden County, Texas.

I have made a diligent search of the register of the recorded brands in borden County, Texas, for the owner of said estray but the search did not reveal the owner.

Notice is hereby given that, if the ownership of said estray is not determined by the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2007, said estray will be sold at public auction at Big Spring, Texas.

Witness my hand this 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2007.

Billy J. Gannaway,  
Sheriff of Borden County, Texas

Source: Soap and Detergent E-newsletter January/February Association Cleaning Matters 2007



## Pointers For Parents

### Children Ages 4-8 More Likely To Be Injured In Vehicle Crashes

(NAPS)—As children grow beyond their infancy and toddler phases, parents are unfortunately loosening up on their automobile safety restraint practices. The latest child passenger safety data reveals that children ages 4-8 are more likely than younger toddlers and infants to be injured in motor vehicle crashes.

This data was released in the second Partners for Child Passenger Safety (PCPS) Fact and Trend Report by The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and State Farm.

This increased risk is primarily due to parents prematurely moving children out of child seats into adult seat belts—making them three times more likely to be injured in a crash than younger infants and toddlers. In fact, 46 percent of children in the U.S. ages 4-8 are improperly restrained in adult seat belts rather than properly restrained in a car seat or booster seat.

"There is a crucial step many parents are missing: Kids need to use a booster seat from around age 4 until they're 4'9", said Kristy Arbogast, Ph.D., director of field engineering, The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. "As children get older, their risk of being injured in a vehicle crash increases, primarily because they're being moved from the protection of child seats with harnesses, directly into adult seat belts, and into the front seat. All children need to be seated in the backseat until age 13."

Since child restraint laws vary from state to state, and some only require children to ride in car seats and booster seats up to age 4 or 6, parents need to be aware of their children's age—and size-appropriate restraint needs. For children under the age of 8 years, following the guidelines for appropriate restraints can reduce the risk of serious injury in a vehicle crash to less than 1 percent.

"PCPS Fact and Trend Report serves as a reminder that we need to continue taking steps to ensure all children are protected on the road," said Susan Hood, Claims Vice President for State Farm.



Experts say all children need to be seated in the back of a car until age 13.

"Motor vehicle crashes are the number-one killer of children over the age of one, and many of these tragedies could have been prevented with the proper use of vehicle safety restraints."

Through in-depth interviews and on-site crash investigations, State Farm customers provided the confidential data to The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia from crashes involving more than 650,000 children—the PCPS Fact and Trend Report is the world's largest study of children in automobile crashes.

For more information on the risks to child passengers and how to properly restrain children in motor vehicles, please visit [www.chop.edu/carseat](http://www.chop.edu/carseat) or [www.statefarm.com/KidSafety.htm](http://www.statefarm.com/KidSafety.htm).

# Information Sought on Deer Killings

FLOYDADA —

Operation Game Thief, the Wildlife Crimestoppers program and a local landowner have teamed up to offer a reward of \$2,000 for the capture and final conviction of the person or persons who killed several mule deer recently.

"Three mule deer were killed illegally and left in the field to rot on or about Dec. 9-10, 2006, in a wheat field on the Motley-Floyd County line," said Mark Collins, game warden with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

"The offense occurred just off of U.S. Hwy. 62/70. In addition, we are offering a

outlaw, not a hunter."

Anyone with information about this crime should contact the Operation Game Thief 24-hour telephone line at 800-792-4263, or the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department regional office in Lubbock at 806-761-4930.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Article 258.002© of the Texas Transportation Code, the Commissioners Court of Borden County, Texas provides this notice to the public of its intention to convene a public meeting to receive comment upon the adoption of a County Road Map including each road in which the County claims the continued existence of a public interest and a right of access and egress for maintenance of an existing County Road. The roads in which the County claims a public interest have been maintained for many years, beginning some time prior to 1981, have previously been listed in a notice included in the 2006-07 Ad Valorem Tax statement. A proposed County Road Map depicting each road in which the County claims a public interest is available for inspection by the public at the office of the County Judge in the County Courthouse, during business hours, commencing December 1, 2006.

The Commissioners Court will conduct a public hearing on 2/7/2007, at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners Courtroom in the Borden County Courthouse. At this time, pursuant to Article 258.002(b), Texas Transportation Code, any person asserting a private right, title or interest in a road may appear before the Commissioners Court to object or protest the County's claim of its right to continue maintenance of the public roads depicted on the County Road Map. Any person asserting a private right, title or interest in a road may also file a written protest with the County Judge at anytime before the time and date of the scheduled public hearing. By way of this procedure, the County makes no claim affecting title, acreage, or ownership of the land, but seeks merely to establish and document the right of the County to continue maintenance of the existing county road in its present location and dimension.

By Order of the Commissioners Court  
Van L York  
County Judge

### Mandatory Public Notification Language Notice of Drinking Water ARSENIC Violation August 2006

The Texas Commission On Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the Borden County Water System that the drinking water being supplied to customers had exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for ARSENIC. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has established the MCL ARSENIC at .01 mg/L, and has determined that it is a health concern at levels above the MCL. Analysis of drinking water in your community for ARSENIC indicates a level of .026 mg/L in 2006

This is not an emergency. However, some people who drink water containing ARSENIC in excess of the MCL over many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system and may have increased risk of getting cancer.

You do not need to use an alternative water supply. However, if you have health concerns, you may want to talk to your doctor to get more information about how this may affect you.

Borden County Water System is installing equipment to lower the level of ARSENIC to below the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) standards.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

For further information contact the County Judge's Office, Borden County Courthouse, 117 E. Wasson, Gail, Texas 79738, phone 806/756-4391.

Van L. York, County Judge  
Public Water System ID#0170010  
P.O. Box 156  
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# Drennan finishes on top as ref

## Has two all-star stints after working state six-man tilt title

By Dwight Hines  
Lamesa Press-Reporter

You will hear a lot of talk in the sports circles about athletes going out on top.

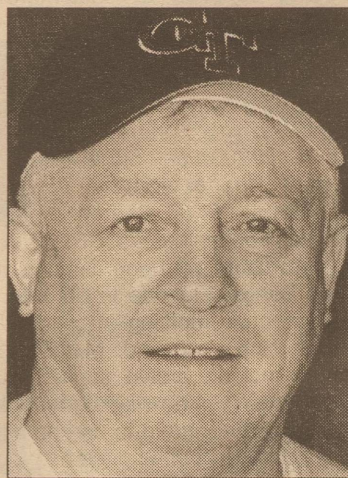
Although he has not played an actual down of high school football in nearly 30 years, Lamesa's Rex Drennan has still made high school football a big part of his life for over the past decade. This former Dawson Dragon has officiated high school football games for the past 11 years.

"I'm a graduate of San Adams," said Drennan, the 1968 Dawson high school graduate who once played eight-man football for the Dragons' Hal-of-Fame Coach in 1967 and in 1968.

After officiating high school football games, a majority of which were the six-man variety, Drennan recently decided to hang up his whistle. Drennan, however, will wind up his officiating days by working three pretty elite football games.

A couple of weekends ago, Drennan had the privilege of officiating the very first state six-man football DI championship game between Richland Springs and Rule. While Richland Springs walked away with the top bragging rights that weekend by knocking off Rule, 78-58, at Abilene's Shotwell Stadium, Drennan also felt like a winner just getting the chance to work that game.

"There were approximately 12,000 at the game that day. Just getting the chance to work a state championship game is something that we've always wanted to do," Drennan said. "That's something we've always wanted to do, but they kept on telling us that we weren't in it long enough — even if



Rex Drennan

all the six-man coaches knew that was all we did. The coaches wanted us compared to shoes guys who do nine games of 11 man before doing a couple of six-man's."

Getting a chance to work a game of that magnitude is something Drennan will not forget.

"We did our best to consider it just another ball game, even with all of those people who were out there that day. We tried working this just like we would be doing a regular district ball game somewhere," Drennan said.

In that state game, Drennan got the chance to work with his regular crew of Johnny Cox of Lenorah, who is the "white hat" or head referee, along with Guy Steward of Lubbock and Clark Kelsey of Wellman.

"This was our second year together in the same crew," Drennan said. Drennan spent all 11 of his seasons officiating with Cox.

Although the final gun has officially sounded on the 2006 high school football season, he has still got two big games to work coming up this summer by working

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- Rex Drennan hanging up whistle

the Texas Six-Man Coaches Association's all-star game at Lubbock and then the World Bowl at Garden City. The World Bowl will match several of the top six-man players from the state against fellow six-man players from the rest of the world.

"This is a pretty good way to go out," Drennan said.

"First off, we got to work a game between the best two teams and then we'll get to work those two games with the best athletes from Texas and then players from the rest of the United States and on throughout the whole world."

Drennan feels honored as well as very grateful about getting the chance to work all these elite ball games.

"I know of some guys who've been at this a little longer than what I have, but a lot of them haven't had the same kind of opportunities as what I've been getting," Drennan said.

Although Drennan believes not is the time to hang up his whistle, he knows that it will be a tough move to make.

"Number one, I know I'm going to miss working with the kids," Drennan said.

"After 10 years of doing this we just felt like we've been in it long enough, but it's still going to be hard to leave. Looking back, we can't ever remember having a bad game — mainly because of how all of the kids were always so great."

Over 10 years of officiating high school football games has left Drennan with some lasting memories.

"Right now, we just wish that we would have written a book starting out with our very first ball game," Drennan said.

Drennan says the first key to being a good referee begins with the proper personality.

"You've got to have a pretty good attitude just to take a pretty good chewing and still go on," Drennan said.

"A lot of it's about still letting the kids play, too. A lot of times, we won't call holding on one side of the field when ever the action's on the other side of the field. As a crew, we only threw something like four flags in the semi-final game that we did. In our state game, we threw something like 13 flags. A lot of that came from just the jitters of being that game. After that first quarter, we threw something like only three or four more flags the rest of that game."

Even after blowing his whistle one final time, Drennan will continue his love for athletes through him and his wife, Carol's, local restaurant, The Feedlot.

"Football's also helped our restaurant, mainly it's given me a chance to meet a lot of the different coaches," Drennan said. "A lot of our business comes from athletes before and after their ball games."

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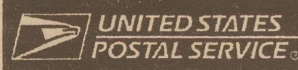
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## “Mail Bag”

### ‘You’re a guaranteed winner!’ Yeah, right!

It’s just common sense. If it sounds too good to be true, it’s probably false. Everyone can’t be a “guaranteed winner,” or whatever it is we’ve won can’t be worth very much.

Before you enter another “sure-fire” sweepstakes or succumb to another “for the next hour only” telemarketing offer, take a common-sense moment. Ask yourself these questions:

**Do they want my personal or financial information?** Don’t give out your financial information – you social Security, credit card or bank account numbers – to people you don’t know.

**Do I have to act “immediately” to have a chance to win?** Don’t be pressured into making a sudden decision. Get all information in writing before

you agree to enter a contest, make a purchase or give a donation.

**Do I have to pay to receive the “prize” or enter a sweepstakes?** You should never have to pay to receive prize or enter a sweepstakes contest. If you do, it’s illegal.

**Is the lottery offer from a foreign country?** Any lottery that involves a foreign country and is conducted through the mail is illegal.

**Charity or sweepstakes – or both?** Legitimate charities don’t ask for

donations in conjunction with a contest. The problem is that many phony charities use names that sound or look like respected organizations.

If the charitable solicitation says, “By returning your entry from, you could win \$20,000 cash!” it’s a charity sweepstakes, and you may want to decline.

For more information about how you can protect yourself from fraud or personal identity theft, go to [www.usps.com/postalinspectors](http://www.usps.com/postalinspectors). If you suspect fraud, contact your local Post Office or call the Postal Inspection Service at 800-ASK-USPS (800-275-8777).

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### Mandatory Public Notification Language Notice of Drinking Water FLUORIDE Violation

August 2006

The Texas Commission On Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the Borden County Water System that the drinking water being supplied to customers had exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for FLUORIDE. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has established the MCL FLUORIDE at 4mg/L, and has determined that it is a health concern at levels above the MCL. Analysis of drinking water in your community for FLUORIDE indicates a level of 5.3 mg/L in 2005 and 5.5 in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2006 and 5.6 mg/L in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2006.

This is not an emergency. However, some people who drink water containing FLOURIDE in excess of the MCL over many years could get bone disease, including pain and tenderness of the bones. Fluoride in drinking water at half the MCL or more may cause mottling of children’s teeth, usually in children less than nine years old. Mottling, also known as dental fluorosis, may include brown staining and/or pitting of the teeth, and occurs only in developing teeth before they erupt from the gums.

You do not need to use an alternative water supply. However, if you have health concerns, you may want to talk to your doctor to get more information about how this may affect you.

We are working to correct the problem by investigating the possibility of connecting to another system.

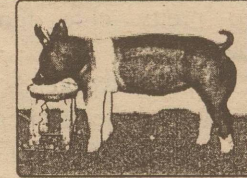
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Van L. York, County Judge  
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# January 2007



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
14	15 Hermleigh JH There 6:00	16 Loraine Here 5:00 GbB	17	18 Early Dismissal 12:30	19 Staff Dev./Comp Day/Holiday Highland There 4:00 gGbB	20 Stamford UIL Invitational (all events, including CX)
					TFA Speech & Debate Meet @ Snyder HS	
					Borden County Jr. Livestock Show	
21	22 Westbrook JH There 6:00	23 TAKS ELA Exit Level Field Test  Ira There 4:00 gGbB	24	25	26 Hermleigh Here 5:00 GbB	27 Lockney UIL Invitational (all events except CX)
						SAT Test
28	29 Loraine JH There 6:00	30 Westbrook There 4:00 gGbB	31			