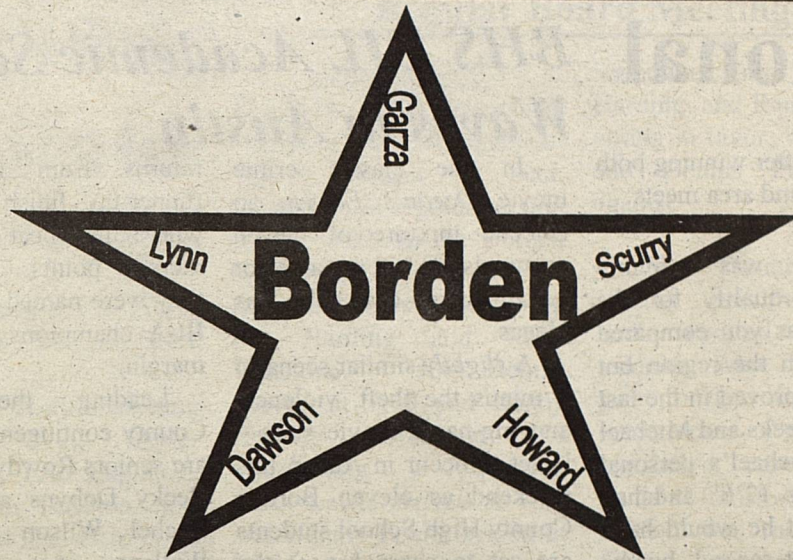


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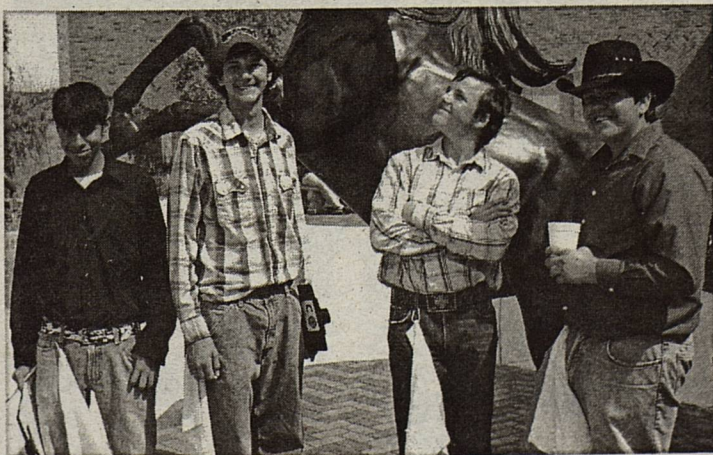
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Gail FFA Teams Compete at State



Livestock team consisting of Lacey Newton, Shelby Roberts, Kylan Reynolds, and Symeron Rinehart.



Wool team consisting of Cory Teel, Skyler Williamson, Eric Espinoza, and Brendan Tarleton.

Wallace/Wilson Compete in Tournament

By Coach Turner

Kate Wallace and Rachel Wilson competed last Wednesday at the Region 2-A tennis tournament in Abilene.

In first round action the duo from Borden County faced Kelly Peterson and Brooke Christopher from Crowell. Rachel and Kate came away with a hard fought 6-4, 7-6 victory.

In the quarterfinals Kate and Rachel faced District 12 champions Lynne Collenback and Casey Simons from Paint Rock. The girls jumped out to 3-0 leads in both sets but



could not hold on to either as the team from Paint Rock prevailed 7-6, 7-6. Borden County lost both tie breakers 7-5.

Congrats to Rachel and Kate on a tremendous season and we look forward to seeing what these two can do next year.



Horse team consisting of Chelsea Minnick Shylo Rinehart, Clay Harding and Tyrell Massingill. See articles on pg.3

Attention!

School will dismiss at 12:30 on Friday, May 4th

Track Season Ends at Regional

By Coach Avery

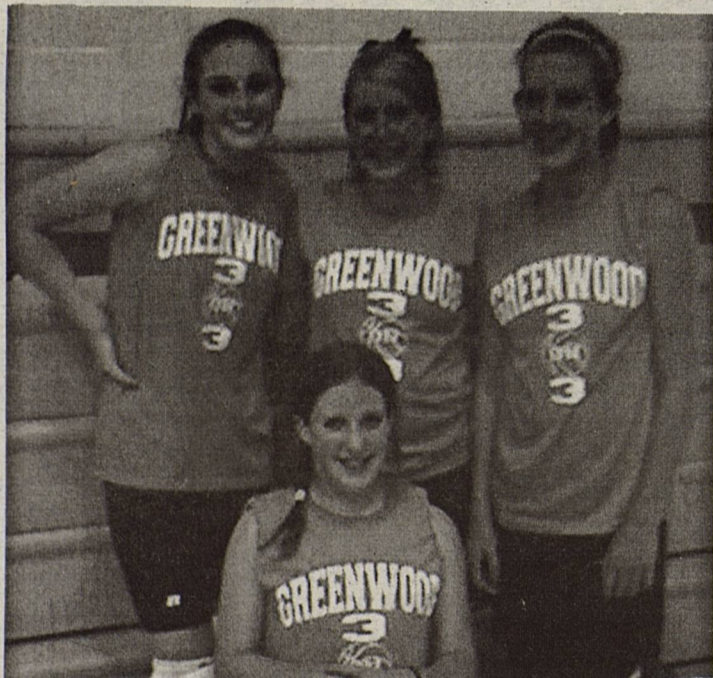
The 2007 track season came to an end last weekend at the Regional meet in Abilene.

Michael Cooley qualified for Regional in the high jump and competed in his event Friday afternoon. Michael cleared the opening height of 5'6" on his first attempt, and he also cleared 5'8" on the first attempt as well. He failed to clear the next height of 5'10" which is his personal record and that is where he went out finishing in a 3 way tie for 9th. That is not bad for a freshman, gaining that valuable experience in competing at the regional meet.

Michael Bullinger had qualified for regional in the

pole vault after winning both the district and area meets.

Michael was highly favored to qualify for the state meet as you compared heights from the region but the field improved in the last couple of weeks and Michael did not. Michael's personal best vault is 13'6" and had he cleared it he would have been at least second, but he did not clear it in his three attempts. Michael did clear 13'0" of course and that put him in fourth place, he just missed a third place medal by one miss. He was just so close to a trip to Austin but missed it by a fraction of an inch. Maybe he will do better next year and get to Austin in his senior year.



Greenwood 3 on 3 League Winners:

Three Lady Coyotes teamed up with a Klondike Cougar to win the Greenwood 3 on 3 league in Midland.

Olivia Key, Taylor Richey, and Mattie Turner played with Carley Cartwright and went undefeated. The girls played in the high school division although three of their four players were in junior high. The games were full court 3 on 3. The girls played two 12 minute halves and each team was allowed one substitute. The girls finished 7-0.

Congrats to the girls not only for winning the league but for putting forth the effort to be champions.

Ocean's Eleven

BHS UIL Academic Squad Set to Make Waves in Austin

In the classic crime movie *Ocean's Eleven*, an eclectic mixture of eleven criminals set out on a major heist – to rob casinos in Las Vegas.

A slightly similar scenario – minus the theft, violence, and big-name movie stars – is set to occur in Austin this weekend as eleven Borden County High School students are set to score big at the UIL Academic State Meet.

In the process, the team is set to improve upon its third place overall finish at the State Meet last year. This time, though, they go in as the District 9-A Champion and Region II-A Runners-Up.

Standing before them in this task once again is the UIL squads from Garden City and Lindsey High Schools.

BHS outscored Garden City at this year's District 9-A meet by over 80 points, but the Bearkats beat BHS at the regional meet by 31 points. Garden City is the defending state academic champion.

Perennial academic powerhouse Lindsey H.S.

returns from their state runner-up finish last year where they beat BHS by a mere 2 points. This year, they were named the Region III-A champions by a wide margin.

Leading the Borden County contingent in Austin are seniors Rowdy Clary and Becky Dobyms and juniors Rachel Wilson and Kate Wallace.

Dobyms will compete in the same three events that she qualified for the State Meet in last year. She goes in this year as the reigning state champion in Ready Writing, which she also won at the regional meet this year. She will also compete as this year's regional champion in Editorial Writing and runner-up in Spelling and Vocabulary.

Clary and Wilson will compete in the same two events in Austin – Informative Speaking and Current Issue & Events.

Wallace also returns to state as the defending state champion in Persuasive Speaking and Lincoln-Douglas Debate.

Joining Clary & Wilson in Current Issues & Events will be senior Reynaldo Hernandez and freshman Karl Lamming. They placed first as a team at the regional meet.

The Spelling & Vocabulary team – Dobyms, sophomore Katherine Froman, and freshmen Brendan Tarleton & Chellsie Pigford – will also compete in Austin as the Region II-A first place team representative.

Additional individual students who will be going to Austin are seniors Christina Soto and Lindsey Stamper. Soto will compete in News Writing and Stamper will participate in Poetry Interpretation.

Academic coaches Sue Jane Mayes and Darrin Ard will accompany their contestants to the State Meet, along with fellow coaches Cindy Herridge and Charla Soto.

Best of luck, BHS UIL. State Qualifiers! Make Borden County proud of their "BC Eleven" as you make waves in Austin!



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Gail FFA Horse and Wool Teams Compete at State Contest

By Buddy Wallace

It was a busy weekend for the Gail FFA Horse and Wool team on April 21st as they participated in the State Level Judging competition at Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

The Horse Team consisting of Chelsea Minnick, Shylo Rinehart, Clay Harding, and Tyrell Massingill were among 67 teams from across the state had advanced to compete for state honors. The bunch from Borden County ranked 51st at the competition which places them as the 51st best team

out of 350 plus teams in Texas.

Also attending the Horse Contest was Alternate Drew Tyler.

The Wool Team consisting of Cory Teel, Skyler Williamson, Eric Espinoza, and Brendan Tarleton, also competed at the state level and ranked 25th from 42 teams.

Mr. Wallace stated that he appreciates these teams and is proud of their work and success. Making it to the state level required hours of time, work and dedication.

Congratulations to all of the State qualifying and participating Gail FFA teams.

FFA Livestock Team Competes at State

By Buddy Wallace

The Gail FFA Livestock team was among 74 of the best teams in Texas this past Saturday at the State Livestock CSA Judging contest. This event, which took place at Texas A&M University in College Station, hosted by top teams competing for state honors.

Gail FFA members Symeron Rinehart, Kylan Reynolds, Lacey Newton, and Shelby Roberts had a year best score in the state event and ranked 17th among the 74 teams. This was an excellent feat considering the fact that some 400 plus

livestock teams began their journey this year for a chance to participate in the state competition.

The Gail FFA Livestock team has been quite successful this year as they have placed in the top ten teams at 3 contests while winning the Texas Tech Invitational.

Mr. Wallace stated that he is proud of this year's Livestock judges and even though the team will lose 3 seniors, they should be strong again next year.

Also attending the State Livestock Contest was alternate Raylea Underwood.

Borden County ISD Regular Board Meeting

April 16, 2007

The Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District of Gail, Texas met in regular session at 7:00 P.M. in the Borden County I.S.D. Board Room.

Board members present were Joe Harding and Mike Valentine. Joel Dennis arrived at 7:10 and Randy Hensley arrived at 7:20 establishing a quorum. Carol Lewis arrived at 7:30 and Dennis Poole arrived at 7:35. John Anderson was absent. Jimmy Thomas and Bart McMeans were also present.

1. The meeting was called to order by Joe Harding.

2. There was no community input.

3. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Mike Valentine to approve the minutes of the March 26, 2007 board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

4. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Randy Hensley to approve the April 2007 bills. The motion carried unanimously.

5. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Carol Lewis to appoint Jimmy Thomas as the 2007-2008 Borden County ISD representative to the Region 17 Education Service Center Advisory Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

6. A discussion of the types of school trips and payment of fees for camps and instructional activities currently provided was conducted.

7. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Randy Hensley to set the next regular school board meeting for 8:00 P.M. on May 21, 2007. The motion passed with Mike

Valentine, Carol Lewis, Joe Harding, and Randy Hensley voting in favor. Joel Dennis and Dennis Poole voted against.

8. Mr. Thomas gave a student enrollment report and reported that 148 students were enrolled, a year to date financial and investment report, a legislative report, and a student transfer report. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Mike Valentine to approve the superintendent's report. The motion carried unanimously.

9. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Joel Dennis to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

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Borden County Ag. Science Horticulture Class fills plant orders: Sharrelle Gass, Shelby Roberts, Kate Wallace, Miller Valentine, and Heather Brooks work to fill orders placed by the customers for their greenhouse plants. **The Gail FFA Greenhouse still has several plants available. See variety list included in this paper.**

FFA Greenhouse Plants for SALE

The Gail FFA chapter have plants available for spring planting. These plants are located in the FFA Greenhouse North of the Ag building. All plants are suitable size for ground planting. The Gail FFA Chapter welcomes everyone to come view the plants and tour their greenhouse. Call: 806.756.4313 for more information

Plants available:

Large variety of Tomatoes	Peppers
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Roma tomatoes	Starter Flowers

Memorial Scholarships

Brandon Adcock Memorial Scholarship

Applications are currently being accepted for the: **Brandon Adcock Memorial Scholarship.**

Applicants wishing to be considered must submit a formal letter of application prior to May 18th, 2007. Letters of application must be sent to the following address:

**Brandon Adcock
Memorial Scholarship
Committee
PO Box 95
Gail, Texas 79738**

The primary criteria used to determine the recipient of this scholarship is that the individual selected will be an outstanding young person that is a positive representative of the Borden County School Community as evidence by their respective moral character, service-minded attitude, dedication and scholastic achievement.

Recipients must be a candidate for graduation or be a former graduate of Borden County High School.

Candidates must attend a state-accredited/Southern Association accredited college, university, or post-secondary institution to be eligible for consideration. The Select Committee will have sole authority to determine the candidate's eligibility status related to the post-secondary institution to be attended.

Financial need will not necessarily be a criterion for consideration; however, financial need may be considered by the Select Committee.

Members of the Brandon Adcock Family will have no input into the selection process. Complete selection authority has been delegated to the Selection Committee, and the Committee has the authority to waive all rules, regulations and formalities in order to select the candidates that the committee feels is most deserving.

J. Pat Porter Memorial Scholarship

Applications are currently being accepted for the: **J. Pat Porter Memorial Scholarship.** Applicants wishing to be considered must submit a formal letter of application prior to May 18th, 2007. Letters of application must be sent to the following address:

**J. Pat Porter
Memorial Scholarship
Committee
PO Box 95
Gail, Texas 79738**

The primary criteria used to determine the recipient of this scholarship is that the individual selected will be an outstanding young person that is a positive representative of the Borden County School community as evidence by his/her high moral character, service minded attitude, dedication and determination to succeed along with maintaining passing grades.

Potential recipients must be a member in good standing of the current Borden County High School graduating class or must be a previous graduate of Borden County High School.

Candidates must attend a state-accredited/Southern Association accredited college, university, or post-secondary institution to be attended.

Financial need, will not necessarily be a criterion for consideration; however, financial need maybe considered by the Select Committee.

Members of the Porter Family will have no input into the selection process. Complete selection authority has been delegated to the Selection Committee, and the Committee has the authority to waive all rules, regulations for formalities in order to select the candidates that the committee feels is most appropriate. The selection process is a subjective task that will be left to the discretion of the J. Pat Porter Scholarship Selection Committee feels is a dignification of the positive attributes that were exhibited by the late J. Pat Porter.

John Harding Memorial Scholarship

Applications are currently being accepted for the: **John Harding Memorial Scholarship.**

Applicants wishing to be considered must submit a formal letter of application prior to May 18th, 2007. Letters of application must be sent to the following address:

**John Harding
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PO Box 95
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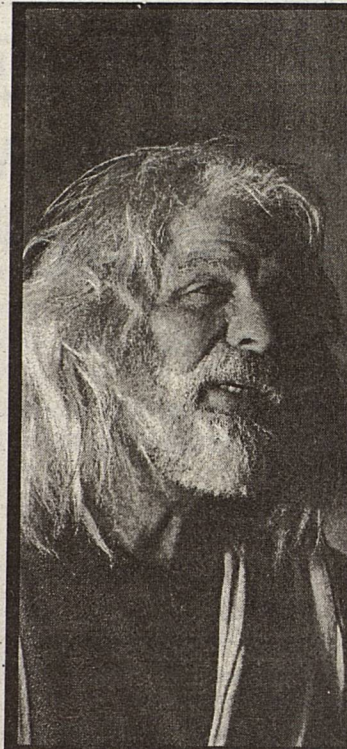
The primary criteria used to determine the recipient of this scholarship is that the individual selected will be an outstanding young person that is a positive representative of the Borden County School Community as evidence by their respective moral character, service-minded attitude, dedication and participation in school activities as a student of Borden County High School.

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Members of the John Harding family will have no input into the selection process. Complete selection authority has been delegated to the Selection Committee, and the Committee has the authority to waive all rules, regulations and formalities in order to select the candidates that the committee feels is most deserving.



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Spring Music Program

May 10th, 2007 - 7:00 p.m.

Borden County ISD will hold it's Spring Music Program on Thurs. May 10th, at 7:00 p.m. in the School Auditorium.

The program will begin with the Kindergarten, First, Second and Third Grade students with their part of the program.

Fourth Grade will play several selections on their recorders, followed by Fifth Grade Band, Sixth and Seventh Grade Band and concluding with the High School Band. Come be a part of this wonderful enjoyable time of music and fellowship.



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4-H News

Gail Trap Club members Matthew Roberson and Raylea Underwood traveled to Sweetwater to the Rattlesnake Ridge 4-H Shoot.

In the Intermediate Division, Matthew placed High Overall with 1st in Trap, 1st in 5-Stand, and 2nd in Skeet. There were 25 shooters in this division.

In the Sr 1 Division, Raylea placed 1st in Trap, 4th in 5-Stand and 7th in Skeet. There were 13 shooters in this division.

Others attending were Dean and Tracy Roberson and Ray Don and Jana Underwood.

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The Terry Pepper Family

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SINCLAIR OIL & GAS COMPANY, (RRC Operator No. 784548) has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the DISTANCE BETWEEN WELLS requirement for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 528, Bk. 97, H&TC RR CO/BOUCHIER, A W Survey, A-1069, HOOD (SPRAYBERRY) Field, BORDEN County, being 7 miles W direction from FLUVANNA, Texas. The location and identity of the well is as follows:

FIELD: HOOD (SPRAYBERRY)
 Lease/Unit Name MILLER "528"
 Lease/Unit Well No. 5
 Lease/Unit Acres 640.0
 Nearest Lease Line (ft) 467.0
 Nearest Well on Lease (ft) 974.0
 Lease Lines 1787.0 F W L, 467.0 F N L
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As part of this application, applicant also seeks permit authority in 1 additional field: (1) WILDCAT. No rule exception is necessary pursuant to the field rules for this field.

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:
 HOOD (SPRAYBERRY) OIL statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.
 WILDCAT Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 6000 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant at (801) 526-3741.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted without a hearing if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protest must be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any question s regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512)463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the commission at (512) 463-6701.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE BY May 23, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHINSUCH TIME, THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY

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Thank You

Our family cannot properly express how grateful we are for what you have done and continue to do for Shylo and our family. We so appreciate all of the visits, phone calls, cards, monetary gifts, and baskets. Thank you so much for the food provided for our kids at home while we were in the hospital, and the food that you continue to provide. Thank

you especially for your prayers for Shylo and our family. We know that God has His arms wrapped around Shylo, and is in control.



The Rinehart Family

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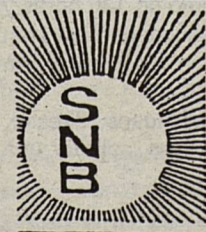
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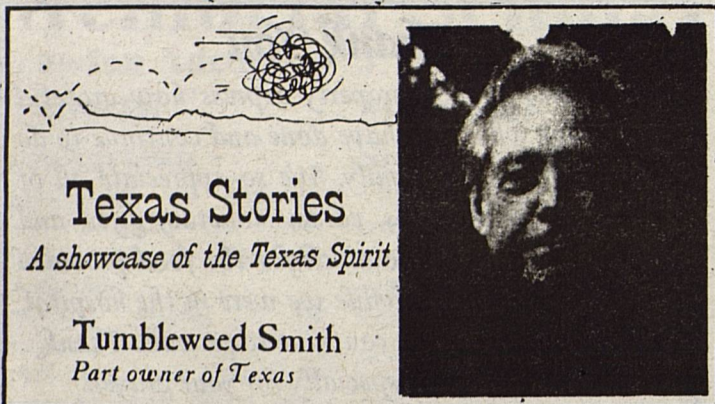


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A Voice Warning System for Pumpjacks

Pump jacks in the oil patch are dangerous. They look fairly slow, going up and down, pumping oil from the ground, but you can't react quick enough to get out of the way. Several people have been killed or injured by pump jacks.

Dub Clinton of Big Spring, who has owned an oilfield service company, has invented a device that should reduce the number of pump jack accidents.

"A lot of the pump jacks are on a timer," says Dub. "They turn on and off intermittently. You really never know when they're going to come on. People who don't work in the oil patch might walk up to a pump jack and assume it's dormant. They might even climb up on it. All of a sudden it kicks on and the people are killed or hurt real bad."

Dub's system has a 30 second message in English and Spanish that is broadcast from a speaker near the pump jack. It warns that the pump jack is about to

activate and to clear the area immediately. There is a ten-second countdown from ten to one. Right after the "one" is broadcast, the pump jack activates.

The product has been used on some pumping units for a year and Dub says there have been no problems. He says he has yet to present it to an oil company that didn't think it was a good idea. Usually when he talks to oil company executives they relate instances where it could have saved lives. They say they can't believe it's not already on the market. The item is new and sells for \$695.

"They're small enough that we like to put them inside the electric panel box near the pump jack, so they're out of the weather. The only thing external is the speaker, which is mounted on the panel box. We can string other speakers if the customer wants them."

Dub got the idea for the product after a near accident.

"We were out on location and one of my employees was cutting weeds under the pumping unit. Someone

asked the oil company man if the unit was turned off. It wasn't. It was on automatic. It scared all of us pretty good. We ran and shut the unit off. Nothing really happened, but as I was driving away from that location I thought there ought to be a way to warn people before those units

come on."

Dub says his device is primarily aimed at pump jacks, but it can be used for any type of automated equipment, like a compressor or conveyor belt. A spin-off from the product is another warning system for H2S gas.

"If the H2S monitors trip, our alarm goes off. It's a

warning in Spanish and English to clear the area and not come back until it's safe. The message is repeated until the monitor either clears or is turned off."

The company's website is protechsafety.net. Dub says it has a video that demonstrates how the product works.

PRE-KINDERGARTEN NOTIFICATION FOR THE 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR

Borden County School will offer the pre-kindergarten program during the 2007-2008 school year. The program will be for eligible students who are four years of age on or before September 1, 2007. Students can qualify for the program by meeting at least one of the following requirements:

1. Be economically disadvantaged
2. Be Limited English Proficient (LEP)
3. Be homeless

If you know of a child who qualified for the program, notify Mr. Bart McMeans, Principal, Borden County Schools, P.O. Box 95, Gail, TX 79738, or call (806)756-4313 to request a registration form. Complete and return the form by May 31, 2007.

DISCLAIMER

Borden County Elementary School will offer this program only if fifteen (15) or more students qualify.

ESL PROGRAM NOTIFICATION

Borden County Elementary School will offer an ESL program for LEP (Limited English Proficient) students during the summer of 2007. The program will be scheduled for a minimum of 120 hours and will conclude prior to August 1, 2007. The program is designed for students who will enter Kindergarten or First Grade in the fall of 2007-2008. Parents of eligible children will be responsible for transportation.

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LA NOTIFICACION DE PRE-KINDERGARTEN PARA EL AÑO ESCOLAR 2007-2008

La Escuela de Borden ofrecerá el programa del pre-kindergarten durante el año escolar 2007-2008. El programa será para los estudiantes elegibles que tienen cuatro años en o antes de 1 de septiembre, 2007. Los estudiantes pueden calificar por el programa resolviendo por lo menos uno de los requisitos siguientes:

1. Sea económicamente perjudicado
2. Este limitado experto ingles (LEP)
3. Sea destituido

Si usted conoce de un niño que califique por el programa, notifica a Bart McMeans, director, Borden County Schools, P.O. Box 95, Gail, TX 79738, o llame 806/756-4313 para solicitar una forma de registro. Complete y regresa la forma antes del 31 de mayo, 2007.

LA DENEGACION

La Escuela de Borden ofrecerá este programa solamente si quince (15) o más estudiantes califican.

ESL PROGRAM NOTIFICACION

La Escuela de Borden ofrecerá un programa de ESL para los estudiantes del LEP (Experto Inglés Limitado) durante el verano de 2007. El programa será programado por un mínimo de 120 horas y concluirá antes del 1 de agosto, 2007. El programa esta diseñado para los estudiantes que entraran kindergarten o el primer grado en el otono de 2007-2008. Los padres de niños elegibles serán responsables del transporte.

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La Escuela de Borden ofrecerá este programa solamente si diez (10) o más estudiantes califican.

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USPS Board of Governors Set May 14 for New Prices

The Postal Service Governors today approved an increase in the prices of a First-Class stamp to 41 cents, authorized the issuance of the Forever Stamp, approved shape-based pricing and set a May 14 implementation date for these changes. However, they delayed implementation of periodicals and requested reconsideration for some mail classes.

USPS proposed new rates May 3, 2006, and the Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC) issued its recommendation Feb. 26, 2007. The Governors spent considerable time deliberating the PRC's recommendations—meeting six times and rewriting several drafts of their decision over the past 22 days—before voting earlier today. The Governors complete decision is available at: <http://www.usps.com/ratecases/>.

"We praise the PRC for its early and thoughtful recommended decision," said Board of Governors Chairman James C. Miller III, "and appreciate the comprehensive analysis the Postal Service staff provided in its rate proposal."

Forever Stamp

The Governors approved the Forever Stamp, which will sell at the new 41-cent First-Class Mail one-ounce letter rate. The value on these stamps will always be the one-ounce letter rate and can be used for any future one-ounce letter mailing without extra postage.

"The Forever Stamp is a consumer innovation that delivers convenience and value and will help ease the transition for mailing letters when prices change," said Chairman Miller.

Shape-based pricing

The new prices also reflect differences in the costs of handling letter, large envelopes (flats), and packages. Mailers are encouraged to consider options available to reduce postage costs. For example, if the contents of a First-Class large envelope are folded and placed in a letter-sized envelope, mailers can reduce postage by as much as 39 cents per piece.

Request for reconsideration

The Governors, however, requested reconsideration of the PRC's rate recommendations for Standard Mail flats (catalogs), the non-machinable surcharge for First-Class Mail letters and the Priority Mail Flat-Rate Box.

- **Standard Mail flats**—The Governors are concerned that price increases recommended by the PRC may impose an unnecessary degree of "rate shock" on the catalog industry, particularly small businesses. The recommended increase for some catalog mailers is as much as 40%, which is more than double

what the Postal Service had proposed.

- **Non-machinable surcharge**—The PRC decision on First-Class Mail two-ounce and three-ounce letters does not differentiate between machinable and non-machinable. The Governors believe this warrants further analysis to ensure there are incentives for mailers so provide letters that can be processed at lower cost on efficient sorting equipment.

- **Priority Mail Flat Rate Box**—The PRC recommended a rate of \$9.15 for the Priority Mail Flat-Rate Box, which is \$1.05 above the current rate and 35 cents higher than the Postal Service proposal of \$8.80. The Governors believe a rate below \$9 would be more appropriate for this popular consumer and business product and would be cost-justified.

EXAMPLES OF NEW PRICES FOR POSTAGE
Effective May 14, 2007

	Current	New
First-Class Mail®		
Letters, Bill Payment, Greeting Card	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.41
Wedding Invitation (2-ounce)	\$ 0.63	\$ 0.58
Postcard	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.26
Priority Mail®		
Flat-Rate Envelope	\$ 4.05	\$ 4.60
Flat-Rate Box	\$ 8.10	\$ 9.15**
12-pound (Chicago to Los Angeles)	\$19.80	\$24.10
Express Mail®		
Flat-Rate Envelope	\$14.40	\$16.25
1-pound package	\$18.80	\$19.50
Parcel Post™		
1-pound package	\$ 3.95	\$ 4.50
5-pound (Chicago to Los Angeles)	\$ 9.11	\$ 9.50

Delayed implementation

The Board of Governors also delayed until July 15, 2007, implementation of the new prices for Periodicals (magazines and newspapers) to allow time for the publishing industry to update computer software and adjust in

the complexity of the PRC-recommended rate structure for periodicals. USPS had proposed a single container charge for periodicals to encourage efficiency, but the PRC recommended 55 different prices based on container type, entry point and level of sortation.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is given herewith that proposals will be considered from Banks and Banking Corporations desiring to serve as depository for public funds and county public school funds of Borden County, Texas. Such proposals will be considered Monday, May 8th, 2007 at 9:00 a.m., and the Commissioners' Court of Borden County may, at its discretion, reject any and all bids or proposals submitted. Applications submitted should be in accordance with Article 116.021, Local Government Code, Vernon's Civil Statutes, and it is desired that same stipulate percent interest to be paid on time deposits and rate of interest Borden County would pay on borrowed funds for ordinary operating expenses and borrowed funds for equipment purchases. Depository Bank would be expected to furnish printed checks and deposit slips for all accounts.

Van L. York,
County Judge
Borden County

LEGAL NOTICE

The Commissioners' Court of Borden County will receive bids on the following until 9:30 a.m., May 8, 2007.

1. Fuel for 2007
 - a. unleaded
 - b. diesel

2. Propane for Courthouse, and Precinct #2 Barns

For specifications and information on the above, contact the office of the County Judge, Borden County Courthouse, 806/756-4391.

Bids should be submitted to the Office of the County Judge, P.O. Box 156, Borden County Courthouse, Gail, Texas 79738.

The right is reserved by the Borden county Commissioners' Court to accept or reject any and all bids. For the Borden County Commissioners' Court

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Borden County

Submit bids to: County Judge's Office
P.O. Box 156
Gail, Texas 79738

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Professional Agricultural Workers of Texas (PAWT) Announce FALL CONFERENCE SEPTEMBER 19,-20, 2007

Professional Agricultural Workers of Texas, PAWT (formed in 1928) coordinates efforts of individuals, institutions, associations and agencies engaged in the development of agriculture and home interest in Texas. Officers, Board Members and individuals involved perform a broad range of assignments with efficiency and accuracy to expand knowledge of agriculture. On an annual basis the Fall Conference is held in various agricultural areas throughout the State of Texas exemplifying valuable information. "The leadership skills promote a strong vision for the future and growth potential in agriculture" states Patti Beckham, member of the publicity committee. Awareness of change, learning opportunities and innovating thinking prepares individuals for effectiveness and quality enhancement for the optimum future. The 2007 Fall Conference will be held at the Wydham Conference Center (512-448-2440), 3401 South IH-35, Austin, Texas. The dates are September 19-20, 2007.

President Gerald Young ignites enthusiasm and invites interested persons to join Professional Agricultural Workers of Texas with a small membership fee of \$10.00 per year. Agriculture affects every person every day. Share your values and support of Agriculture by sending your membership fee to:

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%Tommy Engelke
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Cooperative Council
1210 San Antonio Street,
Suite 100
Austin, Texas 78701-1856

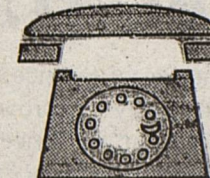
Information about PAWT maybe directed to President, Gerald Young at 512-472-3128.

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Calendar For 2007 Constitutional Amendment Election

April 30th - Early voting by personal appearance begins
May 4th - Last day to receive application by Mail
May 8th - Last day to vote early by personal Appearance
May 12th - ELECTION DAY

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION ESPECIAL)

To the registered voters of the County of Borden, Texas:
(a los votantes registrados del Condado de Borden, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., May 12, 2007, for voting in a special election to adopt or reject the proposed Constitutional Amendment as submitted by the 80th Legislature, Regular Session, of the State of Texas. (Notifíquese, por las presentes que las casillas electorales citadas abajo se abran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 12, 2007, May de 2007 para votar en la elección, para adoptar o rechazar la enmienda propuesta constitucional así como fueron sometidas por la 80a Legislatura Sesión Regular, de la Estado de Texas.)

LOCATIONS(S) OF POLLING PLACES (DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

No. 1 at Plains Community Center
No. 2A - 2B at Borden County Community Building
No. 3A - 3B at Fairview Election Building
No. 4A - 4B at Borden County Courthouse
Absentee at County Clerk's Office, Gail Courthouse during normal office hours.

No. 1 en Plains Community Center
No. 2A - 2B en community room de Gail
No. 3A - 3B en la sitio de votación Fairview
No. 4A - 4B en Courthouse de Gail
Para los que se encuentran ausente, para el día propuesto pueden votar en oficina del County Clerk en Gail, Texas durante las horas normales.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at:
(La votación adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en:)

County Clerk's Office (oficina del Secretario del Distrito y Condado)
between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 30, 2007 (entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el April 30, 2007 and ending on May 8, 2007 (y terminando el May 8, 2007)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran adelantada por correo deberan enviarse a:)

Joyce Herridge
P.O. Box 124
Gail, Texas 78738

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on:
May 4, 2007.
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran adelantada por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el: May 4, 2007)

Issued this the 16th of April, 2007
(Emitada este día 16 de April, 2007)

Van L. York, County Judge (Firma del Juez Condado)

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ELECTION (ELECCION SOBRE ENMIENDAS A LA CONSTITUCION)

(Condado de) Borden
County, Texas
May 12, 2007
(12 de Mayo de 2007)

INSTRUCTION NOTE: (NOTA DE INSTRUCCION:)

To vote complete the oval to the left of your choice, like this (●).

Llena el círculo que esta enseguida del opción por quien quieres votar, así (●).

Sample Ballot

PROPOSITION 1 (PROPUESTA 1)

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for a reduction of the limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes that may be imposed for public school purposes on the residence homesteads of the elderly or disabled to reflect any reduction in the rate of those taxes for the 2006 and 2007 tax years."

("Enmienda constitucional que autoriza a la legislatura para disponer la reducción del monto total de impuestos al valor que, siendo para fines de las escuelas públicas, puedan establecerse sobre los hogares residenciales de ancianos o discapacitados, de modo que se refleje cualquier reducción de la tasa tributaria correspondiente a los ejercicios fiscales de 2006 y 2007.")

FOR (A FAVOR)

AGAINST (EN CONTRA)