



SOIL STEWARDSHIP WEEK- County Judge Jim Burkett, signs proclamation designating the week of May 24-31 as Soil Stewardship Week in Borden County. Shown with Judge Burkett is W. L. Wilson, Jr., Secretary-Treasurer, Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation Districts Board of Directors.

Borden County Soil Stewardship Week

Soil Stewardship Week is being observed nationwide this year May 24-31, according to Carl Williams, Chairman of the Upper Colordo Soil and Water Conservation District.

Soil Since 1955, Stewardship Week has leen recognized in millions of churches and schools across the nation. It is designed to focus on the nation's natural resource problems and to consider ways to solve them

"This country must, at whatever cost, maintain the capacity of the land to produce food and fiber,"

cites the National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD) in its booklet for

the 1981 observance. NACD sponsers Soil Stewardship Week in cooperation with the nation's 3,000 soil and water conservation districts.

"With our own population at 220 million and growing and with many regions of the world depending on the United States to supplement their food supply, the need to maintain our productive capacity becomes

increasingly apparent," according to NACD.

This year's event focuses on "Society's Pressure Points" as its theme and covers such topics as soil and water conservation, urbanization, and loss of prime farmland.

The Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District has made copies of this years soil stewardship booklet "Society's Pressure Points" to ministers serving churches in the District. The District also distributed some 3,000 Soil Stewardship bookmarks to Con't on Pg. 4

Craft and Idea Exchange Fair

The first Craft and Idea Exchange Fair will be held Tuesday, June 9 from 3 to 6 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Booths may be set up as "display only" or "for sale". Special demonstrations throughout the afternoon will include stained glass, cake decorating, microwave, candlemaking and calligraphy.

Bring your "handicrafts" to the school cafeteria between 1:00 and 2:00 p.m. Tuesday afternoon and set up your booth. Doors will open to the public at 3:00 p.m.

Come share your ideas and see what everyone else is doing!

This activity is sponsored by the Borden County Family Living Committee.





STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICERS

Gena McLeroy was elected president and Jennifer Wilson was elected Vice-president of the Borden County School's Student Council.

BORDEN COUNTY SCHOOL NEWS



The Senior Class Before Departing for Arkansas on their senior trip- L to R-Back) Mrs. Sue Jane Mayes, Sponsor, Charla Vaughn, Tammy Telchik, Danny Holmes, Troy King, Cole Herring, Bart McMeans, Van York, Mr. Joe Copeland (sponsor). Second Row-Tina Wimberly, Sharla Herring, Joie Brummett, Ricky Smith, Suzanne Walker, Gena Faught. Front-Beverly Copeland-Sponsor, Anita Massingill, Jana Edwards, Gayla Newton, Becky Miller, Talley Griffin, Heather McPhaul and Maurice Herridge. Not pictured-Keil Williams.

Reflections of a Senior Trip....

AS SEEN THROUGH THE EYES OF A SPONSOR

The readers of this article must take into consideration the point of view of the writer-in this case a sponsor who pleads to remain anonymous.

Now, all of the horror stories people had graciously offered to tell me before embarking on this journey actually turned out to be true. Yes, there was the hard rock music that I finally got used to; yes, there were the late nights and lack of sleep; yes, there was the worry that some boy and girl might have snuck out and gone for pizza

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?; and yes, there were the 23 bathroom stops between here and Dallas.

My eyes are still baggy, my ears are still ringing, and I now feel like I need a bathroom stop between Gail and Snyder every morning. But I think there is a side to



Stephanie Stephens-State Competitor

To Compete In State Twirling Competition

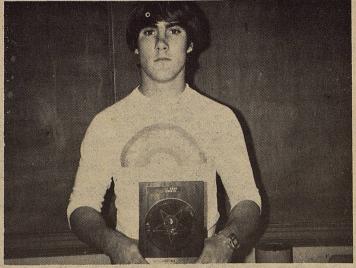
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senior trips that ongy the sponsors can appreciate, and those of you who have never had the privilege of sponsoring have missed out on so much. Not only did I hear a lot of loud music, but I hear seniors talking about home, family, friends, future plans. Not only did I hear cordial conversations among students, but I heard seniors telling waiters and waitresses 'thank-you'. I saw, and it was a beautiful sight, 20 young kids making the effort to grow up, to learn a little more about each other, and most important of all, trying to learn more about themselves.

I may never sponsor another class and then again I may have ten more. It doesn't matter--the first one will always be special. Even with a few problems we had, the senior trip of 1981 will be a very special memory.

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Van Lee York, State Qualifier in Sheep Proficiency in Vocational Agriculture is shown with the 1st place plaque he won in Area II competition. Mr. Bob Bagley is Van's teacher and advisor.

Gail FFA Win One Area and Six Lone Star Farmers

One Borden County student qualified for state competition and six received Lone Star Farmer Degrees during Area Contests recently.

Van Lee York won the Area Proficiency Award in Sheep Production and entered State competition. Junior Benavidez, Darrell Green, Glen Gray, Sharon Brummett, Jeffrey Martin and Ty Wills received the Lone Star Farmer Degree.

F.F.A. officers were selected for 1980-81 as follows: Glen Gray, President, Ty Wills, Vice President, Jeffrey Martin-Secretary, Darrell Green-Treasurer, Junior Benavidez-Reporter and Jym Rinehart-Sentinal.



F.F. A. Lone Star Farmers-Junior Benavidez, Darrell Green, Glen Gray, Sharon Brummett, Jeffrey Martin and Ty Wills were chosen Lone Star Farmers during the F.H.A. Convention and Contests last week.



FFA Officers-Jr. Benavidez-Reporter, Darrell Green-Treasurer, Glen Gray-President, Jym Rinehart-Sentinal, Jeffrey Martin-Secretary and Ty Wills (absent)-Vice President

BORDEN COUNTY SCHOOL NEWS Jr. High **TEXAS ASSESSMENT OF BASIC SKILLS**



OUTSTANDING BAND STUDENTS-Becky Miller, Sr., Gena McLeroy, Jr.; Doug Love, Soph.; Tammy Miller, Fresh.; Tana Hollis, 8th grade, Dana Gray, 7th Grade. These students excelled in band during the 1980-81 school year. They were chosen by the band director on the basis of their grade average as well as dependability and progress. Selected as recipient of the Director's Award were Tanya Hollis for Junior High and **Becky Miller for High School.**



SENIOR BAND STUDENT PLAY LAST CONCERT-Back) Troy King, Van York, Bart McMeans, Maurice Herridge, Becky Miller, Jana Edwards, Heather McPhaul and Tammy Telchik retire from the Coyote Marching Band this year.

Baccalaureate Services

Baccalaureate speaker, Mr. Sam Kitching, stressed three most important things seniors should do to have a successful life during his sermon Sunday, May 24. Those three things were to be loyal to friendship, learn the true spirit of sacrifice, and to build character.

Mr. Johnny Ray Watson provided special music which included 'Little Flowers' and 'Going Home.'

Mrs. Sallie Wilson played the processional and recessional. Rev. Steve Hillhouse gave the Invocation and Mr. Dave the Briggs gave Benediction.

Serving as ushers for Baccalaureate Services were Mike Peterson, Glen Gray, Kay Copeland and Terrie Moreno.

Stage guests were Mr. Joe Copeland and Mrs. Sue Jane Mayes-senior sponsors, Mr. Dave Briggs-Jr. Class sponsor, Mr. Ben Jarrett-Elementary and Junior High Principal, Mr. Mickey McMeans-High School Principal, Mr. Steve Hillhouse-Pastor of First Baptist Church of Gail, Mr. Ralph Miller-President of the Board of Trustees and Mr. James McLeroy, Superintendent of Schools. **Commencement Services** for High School will be Thursday, May 28 at 8:00 p.m. Junior High graduation will be Friday, May 29 at 8:00 p.m.



Graduation

Friday, May 29 is the date Junior High for Graduation. Fourteen students in grade 8 will receive diplomas and graduate into Borden High School at 8:00 p.m. on this day.

Members of the graduating class are Glen Bacon, Simona Benavidez, Dennis Buchanan, Shana Bradshaw, Michael Douglass, Tanya Hollis, Nancy Martinez, Becky Massingill, Jeanette Massingill, Samantha Porter, Shawna Vaughn, Joe Villanueva, Kirby Williams and Linda Hill.

The Valedictorian and Salutatorian address will be presented by Tanya Hollis and Samantha Porter, respectively. Shawna Vaughn will give the Invocation. The welcome will be presented by Nancy Martinez. The Class History, Class Will and Class Prophecy will be presented by Becky Massingill, Jeanette Massingill and Shana Bradshaw, respectively. Simona Benavidez will lead the Benediction.

Mrs. Sallie Wilson will play the processional and

High School Graduation

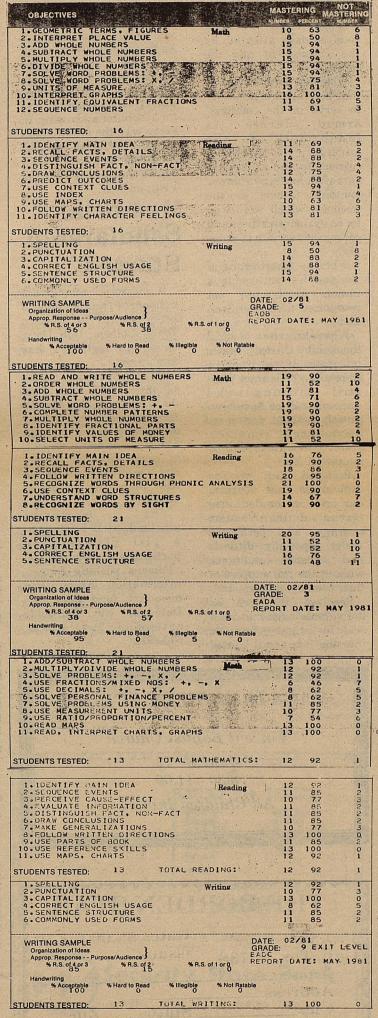
Commencement Exercises will be held on Thursday, May 28 at 8:00 p.m. in the Borden High School auditorium for the graduating class of 1981.

Coach Jerry Moore from Texas Tech will be guest speaker for the evening. Heather McPhaul will present the Valedictorian Address and Tammy Telchik will give the Salutatorian Address. The Class History, Class Prophecy and Class Will will be presented by Tina Wimberly, Jana Edwards and Talley Griffin, respectively. The Invocation will be provided by Gena Faught. Benediction by Danny Holmes and processional and recessional will be played by Mrs. Sallie Wilson.

Members of the graduating class are Tammy Telchik, Heather McPhaul, Joie Brummett. Jana Edwards, Maurice Senior sponsors are Mr. Joe Copeland and Mrs. Sue Jane Mayes.

SUMMARY REPORT

(TABS) is a program for basic skills improvement that includes an annual assessment of student achievement in reading, writing, and mathematics. It is designed to provide information which can be used in planning instruction for students in these three curriculum areas. The TABS tests were developed especially for Texas schools and were reviewed, revised and renewed by groups of Texas educators. State compensatory education funds have been allocated to provide compensatory instructional services.



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It's resolution time once again, and there is one resolution passed by the Daughters of the American Revolution that is particularly appropo at this time of remembering our war dead, Memorial Day.

Whereas the recent hostage crisis in Iran received daily attention by the government and the media, and

Whereas DAR believes that the duty and necessity to serve in the countrys' armed forces is fundamental to the privileges of American citizenship and as much a part of the heritage from our founding fathers as the freedoms which were won for us by their sacrifices and courageous service in arms, and

Whereas the veterans of Vietnam feel betrayed by a nation which has not recognized their sacrifices, and

Whereas the several thousand United States prisoners of war from the Korean and Vietnam Wars still missing and unaccounted for have been grossly ignored and some have been reported enslaved in various parts of Southeast Asia,

Resolved that we as individuals now reaffirm our pride in the dedicated service of the Vietnam veterans who performed under especially difficult and adverse conditions, without the full support of their country at large, and

Resolved that we as individuals insist that a full scale investigation be made into the fate of all United Inesday, May 27, 1981 States' POW MIAs still unaccounted for, emphasizing that this is a United States Government responsibility due every serviceman. It is heartwarming to

know that a monument to the Vietnam War dead is being erected close by the Washington Monument looking toward the Jefferson Memorial. It is time these sacrificed souls receive proper recognition. Heretofore the conscientious objectors and draft dodgers received a great deal more recognition, (even amnesty) than those who served their country. And we are all aware of the lionization of the hostages held by Iran. So it is time, time for a Memorial Day prayer, a monument, and for resolutions showing in every way the gratefulness all of US hold for the sacrifices made by each person who served US in the Vietnam War.

Memorial Scholarship Started

A memorial scholarship in honor of Tana Springer is being started at Western Texas College, Bob Doty, agriculture instructor, has announced.

Miss Springer, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Springer, died May 16 from injuries received in an automobile accident near Abilene. She was a student at Texas A&M University and was on her way home at the time the accident occurred.

The memorial scholarship will be given to a girl planning to participate in rodeo at WTC. Persons wishing further

information about the memorial fund may call Doty at wtc, 573-8511, extension 294, or at 573-8912.

What's Hap-nin

Vivian and Pauline Clark spent several days with Race, Bennie and Jack Humphries on the VH Ranch near Balmorhea, Texas. The Humphries lived in Borden County years back and worked for the Claytons.

We are glad that Irene Hart is home after a two weeks stay in the hospital.

Tracy Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chesley Wilson of Big Spring is in the Malone Hogan Hospital. She is recovering from a boating accident which injured a kidney. Tracy will have to take things easy for 6 months, but hopes to attend graduation exercises, for she is a graduating senior at Big Spring High.

REMEMBER

Every Tuesday night, Horsemanship playnight Every Thursday night, Roping Club practice night May 28, High School Graduation May 29, Jr. High Graduation

June 6 Open 4-H Horseshow June 9 Craft & Idea Exchange Fair

June 12-13 Junior Rodeo & Art Exhibit June 21 Father's Day

Local Graduates

Steve McMeans received a Master of Divinity degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary located in Ft Worth, May 15, 1981. He was one of 428 to receive a degree Friday night from Southwestern. Steve is Youth Minister at First Baptist Church in Post, Texas. Fis parents Mr. and Mrs. Mickey McMeans attended his graduation exercises.

Soil Week

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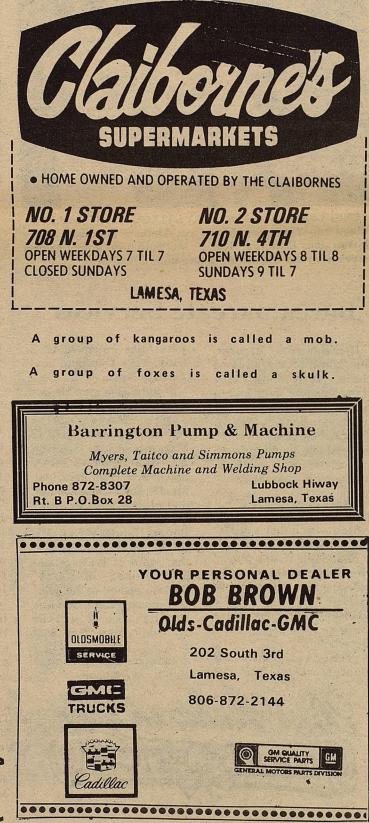
and Preston Wilson of Scurry County have signed proclamations designating May 24-31 as Soil Stewardship Week in their respective counties.

Surveys indicate that about 85 percent of human beings are right-handed.

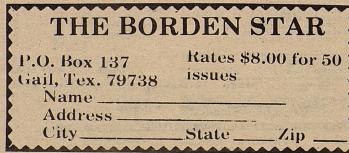


HONORED WITH BRIDAL COFFEE - Kevva Tucker, bride elect of John Anderson was honored with a bridal coffee Saturday morning in the Borden School Cafeteria. Pictured are Barbara Anderson, mother of the prospective groom; Delma Tucker, grandmother of the honoree; the honoree; Maurine Hanks, the honorees grandmother and Wilella Tucker, mother of the honoree.

Martha Anderson and Lesa Hensley served refreshments carring out the spring theme. Cindy Drain registered guests. Hostesses for the occasion were Barbara York, Dorothy Browne, Christeene Cunningham, Jean Taylor, Sue Smith, Ann McLeroy, Wanda Smith, Netta Jarrett, Joyce Smith, <u>Cindy Drain</u>, Barbara Farmer, Bonnie Sneed. Dewey Fay Miller. and Shirley McMeans,



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Vincent Baptist Church June 8 - 12 8:30 - 11:00 All Children Invited





Unique Gasoline-Saving Tailgate for Pickup Trucks Increases MPG by 15%

These days, everyone wants to increase his miles per gallon of gasoline. If you own a pickup truck, the manufacturer of Hercules Air-Thru tailgates claims you can increase MPG by 15 percent or more, depending on your driving habits.

Air-Thru tailgates are constructed of sturdy metal screen metal welded to a frame of tubular steel, eliminating about 80 percent of the wind resistant area. Hercules says the problem with all pickup trucks is that when air flows over the cab, it bangs into the tailgate and creates a drag that eats up gasoline. Even with a factory installed tailgate in an open (down) position, certified field testing showed miles per gallon increased less than 1 percent. So, it appears, no matter if the factory tailgate is opened or closed, it creates drag and wastes operating dollars.

On the other hand, certified field testing by an independent engineering firm recorded 40 to 60 extra miles on a tank of gasoline with the Air-Thru tailgate. The report was based on tests with a 1972 Ford F-100 that got 15.59 miles per gallon with its factory installed tailgate. When an Air-Thru tailgate was installed, the same truck got 17.91 MPG, a 15 percent increase.

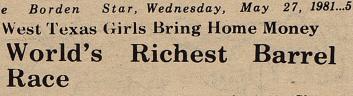
Hercules Air-Thru tailgates are patented and produced by the world's largest independent manufacturer of custom bumpers for trucks and vans. The tailgates and bumpers are sold and installed by new truck and truck accessory dealers.

Western Art and Craft Show

The Borden County Junior Livestock Association is planning to have a Western Art and craft Show during the Rodeo-12th and 13th of June. The art show will be on the 13th of June from 12 noon until the exhibitors want to close. The show will be in the posse building west of the county show barn. The exhibitor will be responsible for his exhibit. There is no charge.

If you are interested in taking part, please contact Fred Ridenour, Route 1, Fluvanna, Texas -Box 23 or call (915) 573-2037.

Due to the limited space, please let Mr. Ridenour know of your plans as soon as possible.



This past weekend some 278 horses from 27 states and one from Canada competed in Fort Smith Arkansas World's richest barrel facing futurity for four year old horses. Taking 1st place was a Odessa Texas cowgirl, Alicia Montgomery on a four year old gelding Flight Eleven owned by Ellis Owens. Alicia took home over \$21,000.00. Taking second place was Claudia Ogden of Gail, Texas on a four year old mare, Saintly Queen Jo owned by V. W. Ogden, Claudia took home \$9.670.00 We are proud of our West Texas girls

remembering Sharon Youngblood of Lamesa took first place in this futurity in 1979.

Also held was a derby for horses that competed in last years Futurity. Taking 1st was Stevenville, Texas cowgirl, and last years Futurity winner, Marion Gramith, 2nd place Wanda Jetton'of Stevenville, 3rd place Patti Hoffman, Oklahoma, 4th Judy Snow of Oklahoma, 5th Jim Worner, Illinois, 6th Claudia Ogden, Gail, Texas, 7th Boby Stivers, Kentucky and 8th place Sharon Youngblood of Lamesa.

Close Watch Needed To Reduce 1981 Screwworm Outbreaks

Continued surveillance is the key to holding the line on new screwworm cases in Texas this year. Two cases have been confirmed in texas thus far in 1981.

Texas' second screwworm case of the year was confirmed recently from larvae samples collected in a sheep at the Texas A&M University Research Center near Sonora, in Sutton County. Earlier, screwworms were confirmed in a dog at El Paso.

A 25 mile square area around Sonora is being "hotspotted" with about 1.5 million sterile screwworm filies, and the treatment is to continue for a month to six weeks.

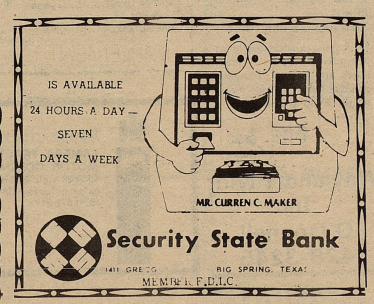
Additionally, the area is being treated with pellets which contain an insecticide, insect attractant and feeding material. This system is

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS ARE WELCOMED BY PHONE. CALL THE BORDEN STAR 856-4402 or CONNIE VOSS 856-4361. known as SWASS, and stands for Screwworm Adult Suppression System.

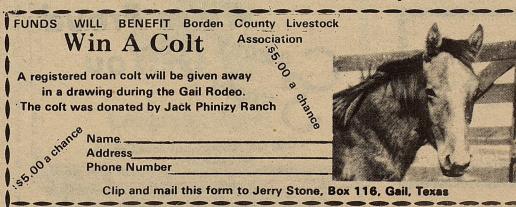
With warm spring weather upon us, all livestock owners should step up their efforts to check animals on a regular basis, and submit samples of suspected screwworm larvae to the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Screwworm Laboratory at Mission.

Although fly production has been shifted from the Mission lab to Tuxtla Gutierrez, in the state of Chiapas, Mexico, lab identification of larvae samples in continuing at Mission.

It is important to know if there are outbreaks of screwworms as early as possible in order to help bring them under control. Mailing kits for sending in screwworm samples are available in the County Agriculture Office in Gail, veterianarians offices, feed stores or from offices of the Texas Animal Health Commission. The kits are free and postage paid.







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SUMMER HOUSECLEANING SAVES ENERGY MONEY

So you missed "Spring" cleaning this year, after all, rainy days aren't the best incentive.

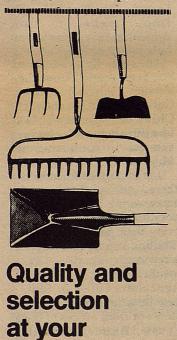
Then do some "summer" housecleaning, and this year, make it "conservation cleaning" with energy savings in mind.

Pay lots of attention to your heaviest energy users, such as furnaces, air conditioners and major appliances. That includes the clothes washer and dryer and the refrigerator and freezer.

Energy saving cleaning also means maintenance, like drivebelt tightening or lubrication to help your appliances work more efficiently and last longer. Start with the furnace.

Since the average household furnace uses about half the total family energy consumption in a year, give it top priority.

You won't use the furnace until next fall, but now's the time to get it in shape.



Make sure the filter is clean, and promise yourself you'll clean the filter or change it every two months when you're using the furnace. This can save

much money. Some filters just need a tapping and a good vacuuming for cleaning, or you can wash them with a hose or under a faucet, most are disposable now. Also, lubricate electric

motors, fans and pumps according to the manufacturer's directions. Use oil sparingly once or twice a year.

Check all the drive belts for proper tension. If belts are properly adjusted, you should be able to press them together one half to one inch. Replace cracked or frayed belts. Clean the air conditioner

next.

Inspect the filter. Clean it or replace it every month during the cooling season. Make sure the condenser

is clean. If not, the unit will have to run longer to do the job. Regular lubrication is

important, here, too, if required by the manufacturer. Have a professional

repairman check the air conditioner every other year. Here are some other

energy saving things you can do:

Keep the condenser coils on your refrigerator and freezer clean, to help them work their best during the hot summer months when demands on them are

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heaviest.

Think about repainting the walls with lighter colors to reflect more light and reduce lighting costs.

Keep all lighting equipment clean. Dust and soil reduce lighting efficiency.

Check lampshades for discoloration. White reflects more light. If the insides of your shades have darkened, clean the shades, reline them or replace them.

Draperies, kept closed, will go a long way toward keeping hot summer sun from heating your home, and they will reduce air conditioning costs. In winter, they can help keep out cold air, and that reduces heating costs. Make sure your draperies are clean and in good condition for the greatest efficiency.

"Summer" cleaning means heavy laundry chores, too, bedspreads, curtains, blankets and other bedding. Be sure to use full washer loads to save energy.

For heavily soiled items, use hot water. For the rest, use warm or cool water to save energy, if possible.

Line drying is fashionable again, so cut even more energy costs by drying clothes outdoors in good weather.

During balmy days of late spring and early summer, save energy by opening windows more and using air conditioning less, but make sure your screens are clean to allow optimum air circulation.



The Liberty Bell cracked in 1835 while tolling the death of Chief Justice John Marshall.

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Tanning When Is IT Sun Sensible?

Tanning is a "national pastime," but when is it "sun sensible?" and is it dangerous?

A tan can perk up looks and make a person appear healthier, but it can be overdone.

There is increasing evidence that overdoing tanning causes skin cancer, and it is a fact that it dries out the skin.

Of course, sure and painful signs of too much sun are burned or peeling skin. And even if you don't have skin that burns easily, too much sun can be damaging without you knowing it at the time.

Here is advice for practicing "sun sense:" 1) When starting a tan, avoid the sun between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., when the sun's rays are strongest. 2)Always apply some

2)Always apply some type of sunblock or sunscreen before playing any sport in the sun. Remember, when you're having fun, it's easy to forget how strong the sun is.

3) Use a product with higher "sun protective factor" (SPF) on sensitive areas such as backs of knees, tips of ears, tops of hands and feet and the bridge of your nose.

4) Keep lips protected with an effective lip balm.
5) Remember, you can tan or burn even under a beach umbrella, so "watch" those rays!

Vocational Nursing Program In Lamesa

The next Liscensed Vocational Nursing program at the Lamesa Campus of Howard College will begin August 3, 1981.

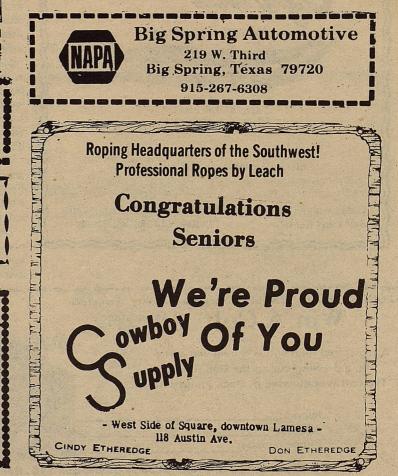
Applications for the program are now being accepted. The deadline for making applications has been set for mid-June.

A few of the requirements for the program are: A minimum age of 17; a transcript for proof of at least 2 years of high school credits; or a copy of General Education Development (G.E.D.) test scores; pre-entrance exam; and 3 names for character references.

The program will run for 12 months, hours being set as a 40 hour work week would be. This will involve a total of 1800 class hours and clinical experience hours.

• The total cost of the program including tuition, books, uniforms, and supplies will be around 450.00. Tuition will be paid on the first of every month at 15.00 per month, and books, uniforms, and supplies will be bought when they are needed during the course of the program.

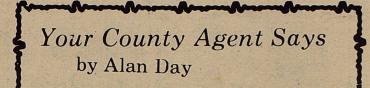
Anyone interested in the program or wishing to receive further information should come by the Lamesa Campus, 1810 Lubbock Highway, Lamesa; or contact Jody Furlow, Secretary, L.V.N. Department at 806-872-2223.





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SPRAY FOR PECAN NUT CASEBEARER

The best time to spray for the 1st generation pecan nut casebearer will be May 27-May 31. Observations in several county orchards have shown relatively low numbers of eggs. This is following the pattern statewide as low numbers have been reported throughout Texas.

When spraying for the pecan nut casebearer, use Zolone at 1 1-3 pints per 100 gallons of water or about 2 1-2 teaspoons per 12 gallons of water in pump up hand sprayer. Also, you can use malathion at the same rate as Zonone. When using these pesticides, read and follow label instructions. For more information, call my office.

TAKE TIME TO EVALUATE HAIL DAMAGE

This is the time of year when needed rains are often accompanied by high winds and hail. Resulting damage may range from a few punctured leaves to destruction of the stand, necessitating replanting.

Since we have a short growing season in Borden County, you who have suffered hail damage to cotton must decide quickly whether to save the damaged stand or replant. Unfortunately, the extent of damage and potential yield loss is usually difficult to evaluate until several days after a storm.

The best procedure for dealing with a hail damaged cotton crop is to provide immediate protection against blowing sand, wait three of four days and evaluate the damage, and decide if the remaining stand (an average of at least two plants per foot of row without too many skips) is adequate to make an acceptable yield. Experienced cotton

farmers and research scientists with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at Lubbock generally agree that the worst time to decide the fate of a damaged crop is on the day following a storm, the agronomist said.

"My suggestion is that producers first concentrate on protecting the damaged crop from further injury by blowing sand. Frequently, a day or two after a halstorm, high winds accompanied by blowing sand wipe out a damaged but acceptable stand of cotton. The first priority following a storm is to run a sandfighter, rotary hoe or other equipment to prevent sand damage.

You should delay the critical examination of the damaged field until three to five days after the storm to insure a more accurate estimate of how many plants will survive. Inspect the entire field to determine if the damage is uniform or more severe in a certain area. It may be that only part of a damaged field will require replanting.

Closely examine the plants to determine the extent of leaf loss, stem bruises and the number of buds remaining that are capable of starting new growth.

If as much as 25 percent of the leaf tissue remains, including protions of damaged leaves, and the stem is no badly damaged, the crop has a good chance of recovering and producing anear-normal yield. If it vs totally defoliated and the bark on the stem is tripped or broken, recovery will be slow and many plants will die.

The appearance of new leaf tissue four or five days after injury is a good sign that the plants will recover. But if the stems are bruised and this new tissue is turning black, it indicates that the plants are unable to supply adequate moisture to sustain growth and will probably die. This condition frequently occurs when the storm is followed by a period of low humidities, high temperatures and strong winds.

Loss of the terminal bud does not necessarily mean the plant id doomed. As long as at least one undamaged bud remains, the plant can recover fully. If, however, the plant was cut off or heavily damaged (Shattered stem) below the first leaf buds, it has no chance of recovery.

The final part of the evaulation process is estimating how many plants will survive and whether their spacing constitutes an adequate stand. To do this, count the number of plants likely to survive in 25 feet of row at various spots in the field. Numerous research studies have shown that if at least two plants remain per foot of row and if skips greater than two feet in length occur on less than 15 percent of the row, then the stand is adequate to produce optimum yields.

Roundup Time In Texas 4-H Style

To some 1,500 boys and girls across Texas, State 4-H Roundup is a highlight of their 4-H careers. It's a time to "show off" their skills and expertise that they have acquired through long hours of study and practice, including winning top honors in county and district competition.

4-H Roundup brings together the top talents in the state to compete in 38 different contests and events, ranging from demonstrations in agronomy, horticulture and poultry to judging soil, dairy cattle, horses and livestock.

The 35th annual Texas 4-H Roundup is June 2-3 on the campus of Texas A & M University. Activities begin with the State 4-H Food Show and State 4-H Project Show the first day.

The food show allows members to exhibit food dishes they have prepared and to answer questions about nutrition as posed by judges. In the project show hundreds of 4-H'ers prepare exhibits and displays showing their particular projects interest, ranging from aerospace to photography and woodworking, and including crafts of all types.

Special awards and scholarships will be presented at an opening assembly the first eventing at 7 p.m. in Rudder Auditorium. Scholarships totaling \$331,000 will be presented to 67 4-H youth. These scholarships are provided by friends of 4-H

to be affixed.

COUNTY JUDGE

Done at the COURTHOUSE in the COUNTY of BORDEN this 7TH day of MAY , the Year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred eighty-one.

Hroclamation

WHEREAS, the quality and quantity of these products depend upon the a, wise and proper management of the soil and water resources; and

WHEREAS, our people have a mutual interest in the land and share the responpreserving its productivity; and

WHEREAS, the conservation districts are carrying forward a program of soil onservation in cooperation with numerous agencies and countless individuals.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused

HM BURKETT

fim M. Burket

NOW, THEREFORE, I, in full appreciation of the value of the soil to the welfare, and desiring to honor those who protect it, do hereby proclaim May 24 + 31,

Soil Stewardship Week

the Great Seal of the COUNTY OF BORDEN

(Official Seal)

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WHEREAS, conservation districts provide a practical and democratic organization through which landowners are taking the initiative to conserve and make proper use of these resources; and from businesses, industries and organizations.

The heart of Roundup, the 38 contests and events, will begin bright and early the next morning. Top teams and individuals in these events will be recognized at a special assembly that evening at 8 p.m.

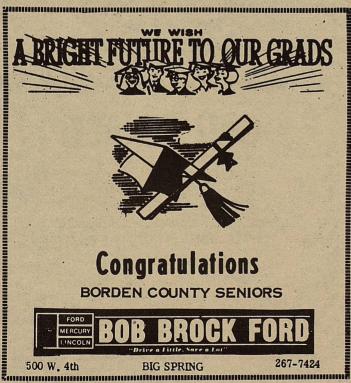
Two outstanding 4-H adult volunteer leaders from each of the 14 Extension districts will be recognized at a special luncheon June 3. Some 20,000 individuals serve as 4-H adult volunteer leaders in Texas.

WTC Registration Begins

Registration for summer classes at Western Texas College will be held Thursday (May 28) in the Student Center.

Students are to register between 8:30 a.m. and 12 noon, 1-4:30 p.m. and 6:30-8 p.m. Classes will begin June 1 and continue through July 23. Both day and evening classes are on the summer schedule. Persons wishing further information may contact the office of the registrar at 573-8511, extension 212.





OBITUARY

Mrs. Swinney

Funeral services were set for 2:30 p.m. Saturday in O'Donnell for Illene Swinney, 56, who died Thursday afternoon at Lynn County Hospital in Tahoka following a long illness.

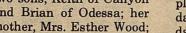
Mrs. Swinney, Snyder 37th Street Church of Christ secretary for three years, resigned in January when she became ill. She moved to Tahoka about two ago.

Services were held at the O'Donnell Church of Christ where she previously was a church secretary. Officiating was Charlie Garner, minister of the 37th Street Church of Christ in Snyder.

Burial was in the O'Donnell Cemetery under the direction of White Funeral Home of Tahoka.

A native of Anson, she had moved to O'Donnell in 1942 from Colorado City and she married J. C. Swinney in O'Donnell. The family moved to Snyder just over three years ago.

Survivors include her husband; a daughter, Sandra Glenn of Lubbock; two sons, Keith of Canyon and Brian of Odessa; her mother, Mrs. Esther Wood; her grandmother, Mrs. Minnie Robertson of Knox City; and three grandchildren.

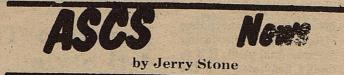


Thank You

Dear Friends,

Thank you again for all of your love and concern. We also want to thank the music group for playing during the stay of Owen Barnes, the man from University of Denver, who brought the machine. He said he couldn't have enjoyed anything more. Continue to pray for us. We love you. -s-The Glenn Toombs

Family



DISASTER

Even though the small grain in the county is looking good, remember that disaster coverage on wheat and barley is available should you experience low yields due to natural causes. If disaster strikes, come by the county office before you make any use of the acreage so that necessary appraisals can be made for disaster payment purposes.

FINAL PLANTING DATES

June 15th is the final planting date for cotton and June 20th is the final planting date for grain sorghum in Borden coutny. These crops must be planted or replanted through these dates unless the planting or replanting id prevented by a natural disaster. If you are prevented from planting your cotton or grain sorghum during the entire 30 day period preceding the final planting date, due to abnormal weather conditions, then you must file a request for prevented planting credit within 5 days of the final planting date.

1981 TARGET PRICES AND LOAN RATES ANNOUNCED

Wheat (bu) \$3.81 target price, \$3.20 loan rate. Gr. Sorg. (cwt) \$4.55 target price, \$407 loan rate. Cotton (lb) 0.7087 target price \$0.5246 loan rate. WHEAT LOANS

Wheat loans will be available through this office if you would like to hold your wheat for a few months before selling. These loans may be farm or warehouse stored. The interest rate is 14.5 percent. FINAL ACREAGE REPORTS

You may certify your final acres anytime after planting is completed and

no further adjustments are go ing to be made. Remember that an accurate and timely certification is all that is necessary for program benefits in 1981. You have until August 1st, 1981 to make your final certification.

MEASUREMENT SERVICE

Measurement service will be available through July for any one having trouble determing the correct acreage to report. 1980 CROP LOANS

May 31, 1981 is the final date to put 1980 crop cotton or grain sorghum in the loan. The interest rate remains at 11.5 percent for 1980 crop loans.

PARTICIPATION IN PROGRAMS

ADMINISTERED BY ASCS IS OPEN TO ALL ELIGIBLE PERSONS WITHOUT REGARD TO RACE, COLOR, AGE, SEX, RELIGION, NATIONAL ORIGIN OR HANDICAP.

4-H Horse Playnights Begin

This is a reminder to all 4-Her's involved with the horse program in Borden County. Playnights will begin next Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the Borden County arena. Be there ready to start by 6:45.

Insruction on Horsemanship and showmanship as well as barrel and poles will be covered. Playnights will be every Tuesday throughout the summer concluding August 18 with the county 4-H horse show.

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WASHINGTON. D.C. -"I didn't fill out your card (the response card on my questionnaire) because you don't read them and only a computer will ever see it."

That was one of the letters triggered by my latest questionnaire. Contrary to the writer's assumption and similar comments attached to mail from constituents from time to time, I do read every letter that comes into my office. And every letter receives a personal reply. I have maintained, since first coming to Washington, that a voter who took the time and effort to let me know their views on any issue deserved the same attention from their Congressman. That is a policy that I don't intend to change.

Obviously, when material goes to over 200,000 postal patrons, however, it is more practical and economical to use computer technology to count the returning responses rather than tie up every member of my staff counting reply boxes. I simply cannot answer every questionnaire - unless specific comments are included - but I will report the consensus of the questionnaire to everyone through the press when the results are compiled.

Questionnaires are an important communications tool, reaching a large number of people that might not ordinarily think that their voice is heard and encouraging them to speak out. I realize that this approach is considered impersonal by some, but there is simply no other means to ques-

tion so many, so quickly. And the answers to those questions are so vital to me as each of these issues is dealt with in the House of Representatives.

Speaking of mail in general, people all over the United States seem to have taken pen in hand to let their Representative know their opinion, resulting in the largest backlog of mail delivery experienced by the House Postal Service in nine years.

Mail now being received in my office is around two weeks old and consequently my own response to that mail has been slowed considerably. I apoligize for the delay, but this is an unusual situation. Normally, I receive 400-500 pieces of mail each day and right now I would estimate that the count has tripled.

I'm certainly not complaining. This great outpouring of opinion by the people has proven that Americans can no longer be called "apathetic" about the circumstances that touch their daily lives and are letting those who were elected to represent them know about it.

Constituent communications are the most important means a Congressman has of measuring the will of the people and, if anything, more and more individuals should be taking part in that process.

I would encourage everyone to keep on writing, but ask for patience. I'm answering those letters as quickly as I can during this busy legislative session.

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