

# THE BORDEN STAR

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## LOCAL CANDIDATES FOR RODEO QUEENS

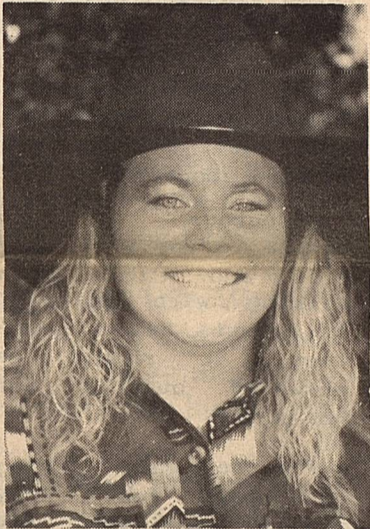
By Jan Napper  
From Lamesa Press-Reporter

Take the old west appeal of horses, cowboys, wild bulls, steers and broncs and add a little aesthetic appeal to the rugged mixture with a bevy of pretty cowgirls, and you've got the recipe for a terrific rodeo.

Five contestants will be competing for the title of Little Miss Rodeo, Miss Teen Rodeo and Miss Lamesa Rodeo.

They were evaluated on Monday by a team of out-of-town judges. Judging criteria consisted of poise, personality, horsemanship and western attire.

The contestants will appear, along with the current 1989 title

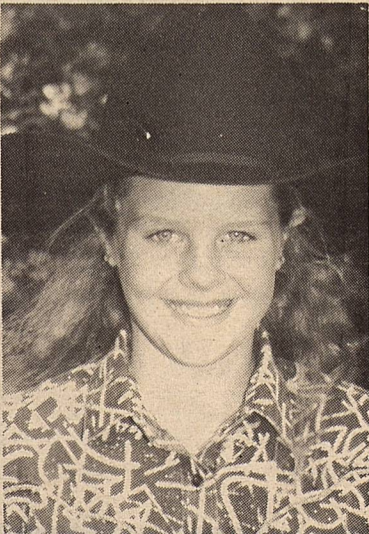


CLINTONNA SMITH

holders, on horseback in the downtown Lamesa rodeo parade on Thursday, August 2. The 1990 queen hopefuls will also sell tickets at the rodeo gate on Thursday and Friday nights.

The winners will be revealed and the new 1990 queens will be crowned in ceremonies at the rodeo Saturday night.

Two of the contestants are Clintonna Smith and Sharla Miller. Clintonna, 21 years old and the daughter of Bud and Iris Smith of Lamesa and granddaughter of Tooter and Glenn Swann of Gail, is a candidate for Miss Lamesa Rodeo Queen. A graduate of Lamesa High School, she is currently employed at Woolum Gin in O'Donnell. She



SHARLA MILLER

enjoys training horses and running barrels. Her favorite activities are rodeo sports. Clintonna is sponsored in the contest by The Fertilizer Place.

Sharla, a local

miss, is nine years old and a fourth grader at Borden County Elementary School. The daughter of Guy and Pam Miller of Gail, she is competing for the Little

Miss Rodeo Queen crown. She likes horses, lambs, 4-H activities, basketball, gold and swimming.

Sharls is sponsored by Tri Plex Weed Control.

## The 13th National Golden Spur Award Weekend, September 21st & 22nd, 1990, Expect Exceptional Entertainment!!!

Friday - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

City dwellers and ranchers alike will enjoy the remarkable exhibits of beef cattle by the Department of Animal Science on the campus of Texas Tech University. Jo Ann Smith, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture; Glen Klipptenstein, President of National Cattlemen's Association Beef Board; Paul Engler, President of Cactus Feeders; Dr. Rod Bowling, Vice President of Montford, Colorado; Dr. Robert Lawless, President of Texas Tech University; and Charles Stenholm, Texas Congressman, are among the distinguished speakers for the day. They will discuss the problems of the beef industry with particular attention to value based marketing. A prime rib lunch will be served.\*



Friday Evening - 6:30 p.m.

The irresistible Prairie Party\* begins at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center at 6:30 p.m. with a reception to introduce the honored recipient of the National Golden Spur Award. This year the theme is Western! So - get out your favorite going-to-town Western duds, shine your boots and come to the party! There will be plenty of authentic Western "grub" to munch on while you visit with the honoree and other distinguished guests. At 8 p.m. steak and shrimp will be served and then another treat is in store for you! To keep you abreast of one of today's leaders in the ranching industry, a presentation will be made of the achievements of the nationally known National Golden Spur recipient.



Saturday - 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Activities begin at the Ranching Heritage Center when the 4th Memorial Cavalry presents a mounted drill to raise the U.S. and Texas flags. After this historic and colorful event, you are invited to tour the unique outdoor museum. Costumed Ranch Host volunteers in each house/structure will show you how life really was in those early Western ranching days. You can smell the campfires, taste the donuts cooked over them; you can see various authentic demonstrations such as calf branding, bronc breaking, quilt making, children's games and much, much more - And for your enjoyment and convenience, a barbecue lunch\* will be catered.

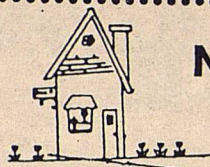
\*For prices and further information contact the RHA



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**NOTES FROM HOME**  
BY DEBRA POLLARD

Home Demonstration/CFA

**Helping Your Child Acquire Literacy Skills**

The U.S. Department of Education has noted that "parents are their children's first and most influential teachers." Most parents want their child to learn to read and write, but often they don't know what they can do to help them.

Parents can do several things to help their children acquire the skills and concepts needed for reading:

°Play matching games with the child. The ability to categorize things (such as buttons, blocks, beans or toys by shape, color, and size or groceries by food groups) is an important thinking skill.

°Knowing the letters of the alphabet can be encouraged when children look for the letters of their name

on signs, in magazines, or in the newspaper.

°Visual discrimination, or being able to identify small differences between such letters as p, q, d, and b, is an important skill for reading. Matching pictures in a deck of cards, playing lotto games, or matching the dots on dominoes can help children with this skill.

°Auditory discrimination, being able to distinguish between such similar sounds as b or d, m or n, is also an important skill in learning to read. Matching objects beginning with the same sounds (house, hut, hamburger) or listening for different sounds (sound boxes can be made by placing beans, nuts, bulk tea, salt, soda, etc. in metal bandage boxes; tape the boxes closed). Talking about which makes the loudest or softest noise or how the sounds differ can assist children with this important skill.

°Praising children for their efforts and displaying their work enhances the child's sense of self worth. When children feel good about themselves and their abilities, acquiring reading skills is easier.

°Modeling reading enhances the child's interest in reading. As they see you read and hear you talk about what you learned from reading, they will be encouraged to learn to read.

Parents are often unaware of the important role they play in their child's achievements. Parents are

**Self-Esteem Built In School Years**

Young people spend about half of their time with classroom friends before they leave home. Much of their self-esteem is built during those years. Students must learn about peer pressure and how to react "when someone calls them chicken."

Many problems with school and at home begin as a result of peer pressure. Often when a young person fails to follow the crowd, the rest call him or her "chicken."

There are several things to remember if young people find themselves folding under peer pressure.

**THEY ARE:**

°Everyone doesn't have to love you. Your decisions don't have to be based on the approval of peers.

sometimes intimidated by school professionals, who, they feel, have an expertise that they don't. Sometimes parents don't feel competent enough to deal with school work and may not understand how important they are in helping their child learn to read.

Parents should remember that they are key players in their child's school success. Spending time playing games, reading together, and working with the child can help the child acquire reading skills.

°It's all right to make mistakes. Learn from your mistakes.

°You can change.

°You can be flexible.

°Other people are capable. Don't keep your problems to yourself.

°You can cope when things go wrong.

°You are capable.

°Other people are o.k. and you are o.k.

Communication is not only words but also movements and actions.

When faced with a communications barrier, young people should try and talk it out with their parents, not just storm out of the room.

Additionally, they should try to understand what their parents are talking about.

Encourage young people to say what they feel and think when talking with parents. If parents ask a question, it should be answered quickly and honestly.

They're only trying to help you. They really love you. Any problem you have, they can help you.

If young people feel they can't talk to their parents, they should find another trusted adult to help solve problems.

Most of all, young people should keep open

**Pointers For Parents**

**Prevent Burn Injuries**

An informative booklet and two new films can help parents learn how to prevent burn injuries and treat those that happen.



A fun booklet from the Shriners Hospitals can help your children avoid burn injuries.

Booklet and films were produced by the Shriners Hospitals, which offer free medical care to children at 19 orthopaedic and three burns hospitals nationwide.

The films were recognized for their excellence in educating children about burn prevention. "An Ounce of Prevention," a film which was an integral part of the Shrine's successful "Stop Burn Injuries" educational campaign, was recognized by the United States Department of State. "The Jamie Fort Story" won first place honors at the Birmingham International Educational Film Festival.

For information on getting the booklet and/or films, write: Shrine International Headquarters, P.O. Box 31356, Tampa, FL 33631.

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the lines of communication with their parents and friends.

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**TENTATIVE AGENDA**

THE BORDEN COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES WILL MEET IN SPECIAL SESSION, MONDAY, AUGUST 6, 1990 AT 8:00 P.M. IN THE BOARD ROOM OF THE BORDEN COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AT GAIL, TEXAS.

1. Call To Order.....
2. Community Input From Visitors Who Have Announced.....
3. Read And Take Action To Approve Minutes Of July 16, 1990 Board Meeting.....
4. Amend 1989-90 Budget.....
5. Take Action On Hiring Personnel.....
6. Discuss And Take Action On Approving The Construction Of School Livestock Facility.....
7. Discuss And Take Action Concerning 1990-91 Tax Rate Proposal.....
8. Superintendent's Report.....
9. Adjournment.....

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# COTTON TALKS

FROM PLAINS COTTON GROWERS, INC.

Hidden at the center of the largest cotton patch in the world is the finest crop of cotton researchers and research centers you will find anywhere. So says Myrl D. Mitchell, past president of Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. of Lubbock, Texas, and chairman of PCG's Plains Cotton Improvement Committee (PCIC).

Singing the praises of Dr. John Gannaway, cotton breeder at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, and his associate, Dr. Jane Dever, Mitchell remarked "We are fortunate to have such good facilities right here in our own backyard and such outstanding people as these working for us in them." Dr. Gannaway's work in developing cotton plants with high fiber qualities, increased yield potential and cold tolerance has been funded by PCIC through a dime-per-bale checkoff since 1983. Some of the improved cottons that have come from this breeding program have been certified in recent months and others are in the advanced strain testing stage. Major improvements have been made in strength and length.

The research effort, that receives funding of \$125,000 per year from PCIC, was set up to be a long-term program that would give area producers a higher return from cotton that would better meet the high fiber quality demands of the textile industry.

As well as breeding research the Hub of the Plains is able to boast having the USDA's Ginning Laboratory and Texas Tech University's International Center for Textile Research and Development (ICTRD). Mitchell, a cotton producer and ginner in Martin County, uses stripper modifications developed by the ginning lab in his own farming operation and fine tunes his gin utilizing their recommendations.

An example of cooperation between all aspects of the industry is seen in a study being carried out by ICTRD into the spinning qualities of barky cotton. This study, also being funded by PCIC, is geared to assessing the spinning performance of various levels of bark contamination and to develop a basis for reducing the severity of the current barkiness discounting system. ICTRD is able to simulate mill conditions of all aspects of textile production in a research environ-

ment and so can determine what results may be expected from the cotton being produced and developed on the Plains of Texas.

Within almost a stone's throw of Lubbock is so much that is beneficial to our industry, concludes Mitchell. As well as those already mentioned he points out that work is being done on insect research and plant pathology at both Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and Texas Agricultural Extension Service together with studies and practical demonstrations of irrigation, land-use practices, and marketing strategy.

The cotton producer, by supporting research, is investing in the future. Bringing about increased demand by producing a more marketable product that commands a better price are some of the benefits that come from that research. Through cooperation the industry is continually improving cotton, keeping it America's number one fiber.

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## DISTRICT 4-H FASHION SHOW

Eight Borden County 4-H'ers participated in the District 4-H Fashion Show held at Lubbock Christian University on July 24. Those participating were Shayne Hess, Dayna Parks, Sharla Miller, Meg Parks, Rana Jones, Deann Parks, Laura Hensley, and Mendy Hensley. They received the following awards:

Shayne Hess-Senior Buying of Active Sportswear-1st place

Mendy Hensley-Senior Buying Non-Tailored Daywear-2nd place

Rana Jones, Junior I Construction (Dressy)-3rd place.

Meg Parks-Junior I Construction (Casual)-Blue Ribbon

Sharla Miller, Junior I Buying-3rd place

Dayna Parks-Junior I Construction (Active Sports)-Red Ribbon

Laura Hensley- Junior I Buying-Red Ribbon

Deann Parks- Junior II Construction (Casual) Red Ribbon.



SHAYNE HESS

Senior District winners will go on to the State 4-H Contest to compete for awards.

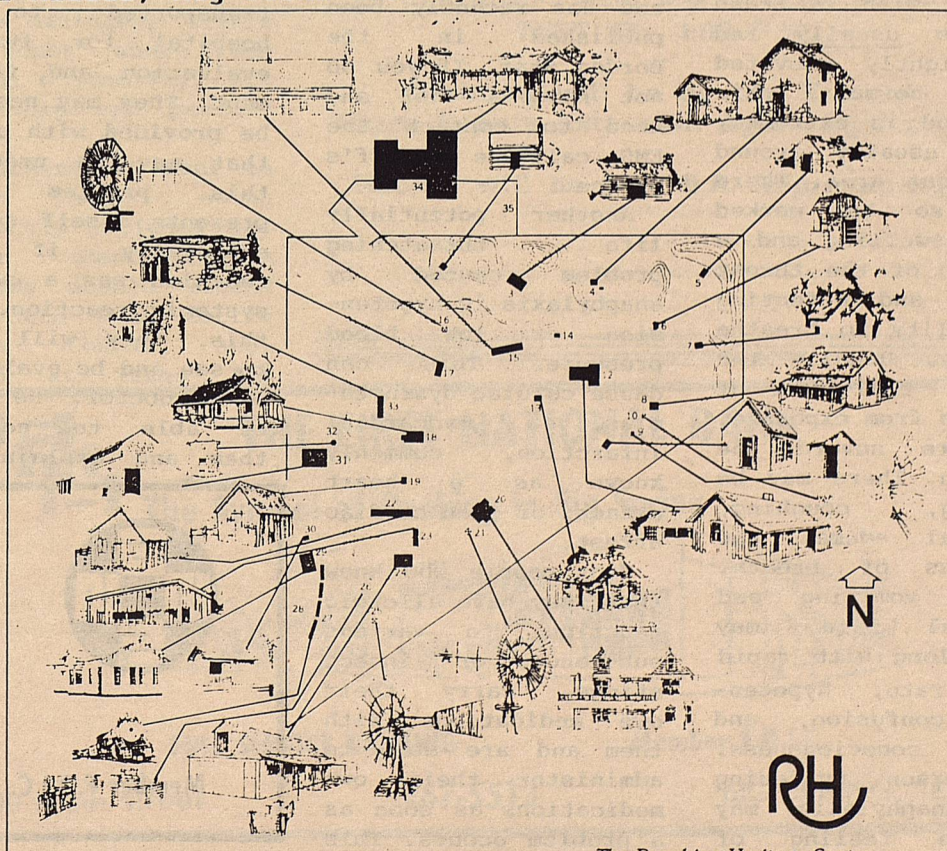
Shayne Hess of Borden County will be representing District 2 at

the State Contest in the Active Sports Buying Category.

Congratulations to all the contestants for a job well done.



4-H Fashion Show participants. Back row left to right: Mendy Hensley, Laura Hensley, and Deann Parks. Front row Rana Jones, Sharla Miller, Meg Parks and Dayna Parks.



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The Ranching Heritage Center



# EMS NEWS

## Severe Allergic Reactions

Severe allergic reactions usually attributable to either insect stings or medications cause several hundred deaths per year in the United States. Food can also cause an anaphylactic or allergic reaction. The most common food being peanuts! Shrimp, seafood, and eggs are also common causes of allergic reactions. These reactions can quickly become life threatening if not treated. An anaphylactic reaction can occur within minutes --or even seconds--following exposure and immediate treatment is required. The onset of a reaction usually begins with itching and flushing and can quickly progress to respiratory distress and hypotension or low blood pressure. All patients with any of the signs and symptoms of anaphylaxis should be treated quickly to assure that their condition will not progress further and actually become life threatening.

The patient experiencing an anaphylactic reaction will often first present with a rash that is usually red and slightly elevated above normal skin level and is extremely itchy, usually around the throat area. There may also be marked facial swelling and a sensation of the throat closing and affecting the ability to breathe normally. Usually the shorter the onset of symptoms from exposure, the more severe the reaction. There may be wheezing, coughing, laryngeal edema, and shortness of breath. Nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain may occur along with rapid pulse rate, hypotension, confusion, and loss of consciousness. The person suffering from anaphylaxis may have a feeling of

impending doom, and may be very anxious and nervous.

Airway compromise is the most serious complication due to anaphylaxis. The person having an allergic reaction will probably present with severe shortness of breath due to laryngeal edema or swelling of the throat. This can lead quickly to a true life threatening condition that needs prompt intervention by the EMS or hospital personnel. The person experiencing this reaction may complain of an inability to speak, feeling of his throat closing or difficulty swallowing. There may be marked swelling of the structures in the throat. The airway can, in fact, become completely closed. EMS personnel are trained to deal with this life threatening situation. Borden County is proud to be able to say that they have a EMS that is equipped to respond to the needs of its citizens any time day or night. A list of names of the volunteers that make up Borden County EMS is available and has recently been published in the Borden Star. If you do not have a list and need to contact the EMS, call the Sheriff's office.

Another potentially life threatening problem caused by anaphylaxis is hypotension or low blood pressure. This can cause cardiac dysrhythmias, a myocardial infarction, commonly known as a heart attack, or even cardiac arrest.

Many people who know that they have allergic reactions to various substances or insect stings, carry their own medications with them and are able to administer their own medications as soon as a problem occurs. This

has probably saved many lives.

Insect sting reactions should be treated by removing the stinger from the skin preventing as much of the venom from entering the blood stream of the person as possible. Do not remove the stinger with tweezers, this only squeezes the venom sac on the stinger and it releases more venom. You should scrape the stinger from the skin with a knife. After scraping, apply ice or a cold compress to the site to slow the absorption of the venom and elevate the affected area. An insect sting may cause reactions ranging from mild local irritation and pain to full blown anaphylaxis. To help relieve the pain, swelling, and itching of an insect sting that has caused only a local reaction, you might consider taking an anti-histamine orally, such as Benadryl.

Again, systemic anaphylactic reactions are potentially life threatening and must be treated aggressively by trained personnel. All persons presenting with a systemic reaction to a particular food, insect sting, etc., need to be transported to a hospital for further evaluation and treatment. They may need to be provided with a kit that may be used if this problem ever presents itself again, especially if the reaction was a severe systemic reaction. For this, they will need to see and be evaluated by a doctor. He will be able to counsel them and explain how

# OBITUARY

## Nora Buchanan

1933-1990

VAN--Services for Nora Della Buchanan, 56, of Ben Wheeler, formerly of Knapp, were held at Hilliard's Funeral Home in Van. Graveside services were Tuesday July 31, at Mount Olive Memorial Park in Big Spring.

Mrs. Buchanan died Friday in an automobile accident.

She was the sister of Mae Addison of Snyder.

Born Oct. 27, 1933, she married Raphael Buchanan Oct. 9, 1950.

She was a homemaker and a member of the Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Ethel Davis, June 11, 1989.

She is survived by her husband, Raphael of the home; two daughters Darlene Gault of Ben Wheeler and Deniese Korhorn of Chicago, Ill.; her father, Marshall Davis of Ireland, Tex.; one sister, Ertis Kulla of Ireland, Tex.; three brothers, Marvin Davis of Marshall, Carl Davis of Clinton, Okla., and Calvin Davis of Seminole, Okla.; and six grandchildren.

Big brother KYLE welcomes home his new sister:

### MINDI BROOKE

Born: July 26, 1990

Weight: 6lb.3oz.      Length: 20 in.

PARENTS: **BRYN & JANA BRADSHAW**

Maternal Grandparents:  
Cuz & Carolyn Albright      Aspermont

Paternal Grandparents:  
Floyd & Nita Tipps      Ruidoso

Alvin & Doris Bradshaw      Gail

to use the kit to prevent further reactions in the future.

Anaphylaxis is a very frightening experience that should always be dealt with promptly and efficiently to ensure that the patient will be given the very best chance for a quick and effective recovery.

Anaphylaxis usually occurs without prior warning and develops, in some cases, especially the most severe cases, very rapidly. If you should ever need the Borden County EMS in a situation such as this, just call us and we will respond as quickly as we possibly can.



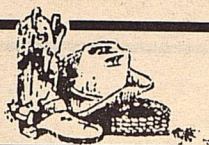
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Dennis Poole  
County Extension Agent-Ag  
Borden County

## Watch For Prussic Acid Poisoning

Record hot, dry conditions, followed by this week's moisture, could present an unexpected hardship for ranchers and farmers: toxic prussic acid in sorghum and other forages that is fatal to livestock.

The threat is nothing new in West Texas. The trouble is many producers don't give it much thought until after a frost hits the plants.

Any significant stress renders members of the sorghum family highly toxic with cyanide-containing prussic acid, and that stress can include heat and drought.

Danger of prussic acid poisoning also exists in the new growth from stressed sorghum that may come with the recent rains.

Grazing regrowth on maize stubble fields can also be a risky business.

Surprisingly enough, properly cured hay from affected crops quickly loses its toxicity, rendering it safe for livestock feeding. Also some livestock species such as sheep and goats are bothered less with the problem than cattle.

A wide variety of sorghum crops are commonly used for summer grazing because of their drought tolerance and their ability to produce large amounts of forage per acre.

While many plants contain prussic acid, the worst culprits are Johnson grass, Sudan grasses and their hybrids commonly called haygrazers.

Prussic acid acts rapidly and can kill animals within minutes. In most acute cases, animals become affected within 10 to 15 minutes after consuming toxic forage and die

in another two or three minutes.

An antidote can be administered, but the poisoning usually is too fast-acting for it to be practical. Symptoms may include a short period of stimulation followed by paralysis. The animal may go into a stupor accompanied by labored breathing and convulsions. Death results from suffocation because oxygen remains in the blood rather than being exchanged in the tissues.

A simple forage test called a picric acid test is all that is needed to determine toxicity of the forage. Unfortunately, one part of a field may be toxic while another may not.

Producers wishing to get an analysis of their crop for prussic acid should collect individual plants from several locations throughout the suspected field. These plants should be cut two to three inches above the ground; plants from a single field may be combined to form one sample. Particular attention should be made to collect plants that are wilted but are still green or that show new growth.

The sample should be refrigerated with a cold pack or something similar. Samples submitted to Texas A&M University for analysis should be sent to: Dr. John Reagor, Texas Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory, No. 1 Supple Road, College Station, Texas 77841. The cost is \$3 per sample. Analysis must be done within 24 hours of collection to be accurate.

## Computer Microchips and Cattle

COLLEGE STATION -- At first glance, computer microchips and cattle may appear to have little in common.

But tiny microchips are being implanted in the ears of cattle, just under the skin, to meet and modernize animal identification and performance needs.

Although other types of animal identification methods are available, the microchip implant is gaining popularity.

The microchip is a much faster and more accurate method for identifying animals than older systems.

Tattoos have been placed in the ears of cattle for many years to identify registered cattle or calves being prepared for major livestock shows.

To check the ear tattoo numbers and identify each animal using this system has required the use of special equipment, such as a cattle squeeze chute with a headgate, and several people to work the animals through the corral system. The computer microchip identification system enables one person, with the right equipment, to do the job very quickly.

The microchip leaves no doubt about the animal's identity, its ownership and performance.

Ranchers who want to learn more about microchip implants and other identification methods should attend the 36th Beef Cattle Short Course Aug. 14-15 at Texas A&M

University.

One afternoon will be devoted to a live animal session at the Louis Pearce Pavilion. Besides the animal identification demonstrations and discussions, other subjects will include talks on animal health, vaccination techniques and training on visual selection of live animals.

Also demonstrated at this session will be the use of ultrasound to evaluate various carcass traits and an animal's reproduction potential.

Short-course sessions also will be presented on such topics as cow-calf nutrition programs, major mineral programs and diagnosis

of problems, and total management of all ranch resources.

A producer panel will discuss how the "EPD" system of expected progeny differences is working as a method for genetic advancement in their herds. A trade show will feature 50 beef industry commercial representatives who will exhibit new products and discuss them with ranchers.

For more program and registration information, contact Dr. Boleman or Anne Moody at (409)845-2051. The registration fee is \$40 for producers and \$20 for spouses.



## FARMERS

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TRAINING: 9:00 A.M. - 12:00 NOON  
TESTING: 1:00 P.M.

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Garza County Extension Agent-Agriculture

Testing will be by T.D.A. Representative

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## Crops on the Moon?

You've heard of moonbeams, but by the 21st century you may be hearing about moon "beans." Scientists at Kraft General Foods' "The Land" pavilion at Walt Disney World's Epcot Center are exploring the possibility that lunar soil may support crops in the future and supply them with nutrients.

The lunar soil samples brought back to Earth by the Apollo astronauts are too small to support agricultural research, but they are enabling The Land scientists to develop a simulated moon soil. Four billion years of meteorites crashing into the moon's surface have ground down lunar minerals so that up to 50 percent of the surface samples consist of glass. The chemical decomposition necessary to turn those ground minerals into soil has never occurred on the moon because it lacks water and plants, whose roots play a role in altering minerals.

With the simulated lunar soil, made from basaltic rock collected near Duluth, Minn., the scientists hope to unlock the secrets of soil development on the moon. Perhaps by the 21st century, people will be planting lunar gardens by the Sea of Tranquility. **ll**

## Family Day

August 8 is Family Day. Started in 1968 by the Valley Forge Kiwanis International and Freedoms Foundations, the annual observance reaffirms the importance of the family and the vital role it plays in teaching basic truths and values.

The Kiwanis Club encourages local clubs and communities to plan different activities involving families. Ideas range from financing long-distance telephone calls for those whose relatives live in other countries to sponsoring family circuses.

Other suggested activities include a trip to the zoo, a picnic, a family reunion, a bike ride, barbecuing, boating, updating the family photo album or just being together and enjoying each other's company. **ll**

### NOTICE OF EFFECTIVE TAX RATE

#### 1990 Property Tax Rates in BORDEN COUNTY I.S.D.

This notice concerns 1990 property tax rates for BORDEN COUNTY I.S.D. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's *effective* tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's *rollback* tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:	
Last year's operating taxes	\$ <u>1,391,590.</u>
+ Last year's debt taxes	\$ <u>-0-</u>
= Last year's total taxes	\$ <u>1,391,590.</u>
÷ Last year's tax base	\$ <u>302,557,580.</u>
= Last year's total tax rate	\$ <u>.46 /\$100</u>

This year's effective tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ <u>1,889,305.</u>
÷ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ <u>325,850,671.</u>
= This year's effective tax rate	\$ <u>.42636 /\$100</u>

*(In the first year a city or county collects the additional sales tax it must insert the following lines unless it made its first adjustment last year.)*

— Sales tax adjustment rate	\$ <u>N/A</u> /\$100
= Effective tax rate	\$ <u>N/A</u> /\$100

× 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing	\$ <u>.43915 /\$100</u>
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This year's rollback tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ <u>1,389,305.</u>
÷ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ <u>325,850,671.</u>
= This year's effective operating rate	\$ <u>.42636 /\$100</u>
× 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$ <u>.46047 /\$100</u>
+ This year's debt rate	\$ <u>-0- /\$100</u>

*(A school district must insert the following lines)*

= This year's rollback rate before adjustment	\$ <u>.46047 /\$100</u>
+ Rate to recoup lost state funds	\$ <u>-0- /\$100</u>
= A. Adjusted rollback rate	\$ <u>.46047 /\$100</u>
B. Rate that would result in maximum state funds	\$ <u>.46047 /\$100</u>
Rollback Rate (greater of A or B)	\$ <u>.46047 /\$100</u>
= This year's rollback rate	\$ <u>.46047 /\$100</u>

## SCHEDULE A: Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following balances will probably be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
(OPERATING FUND)	(\$250,000)

## SCHEDULE B: 1990 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

NONE

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rate calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at Borden County Independent School District

Name of person preparing this notice Jimmy Thomas

Title Superintendent

Date prepared July 28, 1990



Notice of Effective Tax Rate

1990 Property Tax Rates in Borden County

This notice concerns 1990 property tax rates for Borden County. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

	General Fund	Farm to Market/ Flood Control Fund	Special Road/ Bridge Fund
<b>Last year's tax rate:</b>			
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 689,540.	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
+ Last year's debt taxes	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
= Last year's total taxes	\$ 689,540.	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
+ Last year's tax base	\$ 287,308,589.	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
= Last year's total tax rate	\$ .24 /\$100	\$ -0- /\$100	\$ -0- /\$100
<b>This year's effective tax rate:</b>			
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 689,540.	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 321,631,777.	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
= This year's effective tax rate for each fund	\$ .2143/\$100	\$ -0- /\$100	\$ -0- /\$100
Total effective tax rate	\$ .2143/\$100		

(In the first year a county collects the additional sales tax it must insert the following lines unless it made its first adjustment last year.)

- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$ N/A /\$100
= Effective tax rate	\$ N/A /\$100

x 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing \$ .22073

	General Fund	Farm to Market/ Flood Control Fund	Special Road/ Bridge Fund
<b>This year's rollback tax rate:</b>			
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 689,540.	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 321,631,777.	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
= This year's effective operating rate	\$ .2143 /\$100	\$ -0- /\$100	\$ -0- /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$ .23144 /\$100	\$ -0- /\$100	\$ -0- /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ -0- /\$100	\$ -0- /\$100	\$ -0- /\$100
= This year's rollback rate for each fund	\$ .23144 /\$100	\$ -0- /\$100	\$ -0- /\$100
This year's rollback rate	\$ .23144 /\$100		

**SCHEDULE A: Unencumbered Fund Balances**

The following balances will probably be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
Jury	\$ 14,936.
General Fund	\$ 53,520.
Permanent Improvement	\$ 42,578.
Road & Bridge	\$ 1,541.
Precinct #1	\$ 16,103.
Precinct #2	\$ 60,924.
Precinct #3	\$ 41,823.
Precinct #4	\$ 2,621.

**SCHEDULE B: 1990 Debt Service**

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

None

**SCHEDULE C: Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax**

None

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rate calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at County Judge Office.

Name of person preparing this notice Van L. York  
 Title County Judge  
 Date prepared July 25, 1990

**ASCS NEWS BY Jerry Stone**

**EMERGENCY HAYING AND GRAZING OF ACR AND CU FOR PAY APPROVED**

Borden County has been approved for Emergency Haying and/or Grazing of ACR and CU for pay.

**VERY IMPORTANT**

Interested producer **MUST** first come into the county office and designate ACR and CU for payment acres intended for haying and/or grazing. Certify to the provisions of the program and sign the county register. This must be done before any haying or grazing occurs.

Provisions and restrictions are as follows:

1. The Emergency Haying and Grazing period begins immediately and ends December 31, 1990.
2. Standing or harvested hay may be sold to anyone for any price.
3. Grazing privilege may be rented or leased to anyone for any price.
4. The approved cover on 1990 ACR and CU for pay may be grazed by the producer's own livestock, or by other producer's livestock.
5. After grazing out or haying approved cover, producers may establish a later approved cover for haying and grazing.
6. Participants who request emergency haying or grazing of approved cover on 1990 ACR and CU for payment acreage shall **NOT**:
  - a. Remove cover to the extent that the land is inadequately protected from wind and water erosion.
  - b. Harvest the approved cover for grain or seed.
  - c. Hay or graze acreage designated with a fall seeded cover with a request to leave the crop standing on file.
  - d. Bale or graze any ACR that has been or will be irrigated.
7. This emergency haying and grazing authority does not apply to land enrolled in CRP.

Please keep in mind most producers have a conservation plan with the Soil Conservation Service (SCS). I would advise everyone with a conservation plan to check with SCS prior to haying or grazing ACR and CU for pay.

**PLEASE REMEMBER:**

You must apply **FIRST** to be eligible for the use of this option to the 1990 program participation contract.

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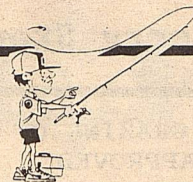
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## Fishing with Mark Weaver

### Don't Let The Big One Get Away

Talk to any fisherman after a day of fishing and chances are you will hear a story about the "one that got away". And you will notice how the one that got away is usually always over six pounds and many times exceeds eight pounds. I guess that's a phenomenon we will never fully understand.

It is a sickening feeling to feel a strike, set the hook, see a nice bass jump out of the water, then lose her before you ever get the net under her.

Well there are a few tricks you can use to help turn strikes into a full live well.

First and foremost is the hook set. I'm sure that most bass which are lost on a plastic worm are lost because of a poor, half-hearted, hook set. As soon as you feel a strike when fishing a worm, you should lower your rod tip. Reel in most of the slack. Then drop your rod tip all the way down creating a slight bow of slack line. As soon as you drop your rod tip quickly and with authority snap the rod tip high and hard to about the 11:00 position. I can not emphasize enough how quick and sure this motion needs to be. With a proper hook set and with proper drag, there's little that can happen to make you lose a fish.

Once the fish is hooked do not allow any slack in the line. Remember the fish is fighting to get the hook out and a slack line for even a moment is all she needs to throw the hook. It is easier to maintain a tight line on a fish if you keep your rod tip low. Then if the fish makes a run straight at you, you're ready to raise the rod tip (while reeling fast) to keep pressure on the fish.

Another common mistake anglers make is to try to horse the fish to the boat. As long as you have the fish away from heavy cover take your time. If you've set the hook correctly, and your drag is properly set, and if you maintain a



A cut up starfish will regrow into several starfish.



Of every million codfish eggs laid, about five hatch.

constant pressure on the fish, she will eventually be landed. Being too forceful will only increase the chances of breaking the line or actually pulling the hook free.

A final reminder keep your hooks sharp! It's much easier to put a razor sharp hook in a fish's mouth than it is to try to force a dull one in.

Following these few simple techniques will greatly increase your chances for getting a big fish in the boat. However, you'll be surprised how many don't weigh six pounds!

God bless you and thanks for going Fishing with Mark Weaver.

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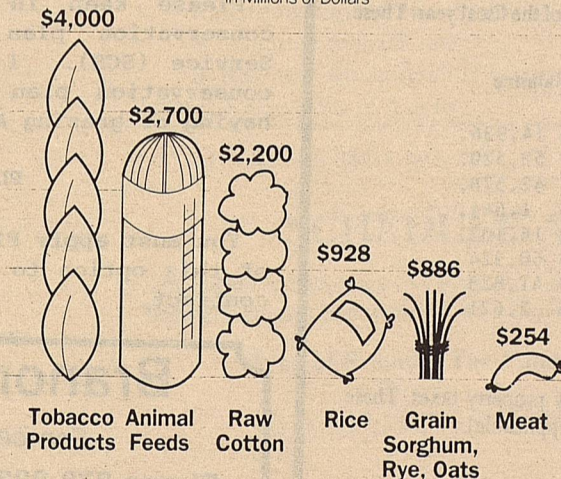
**PIANO FOR SALE:**  
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## FASTFACTS

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In Millions of Dollars



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