

The Borden Star

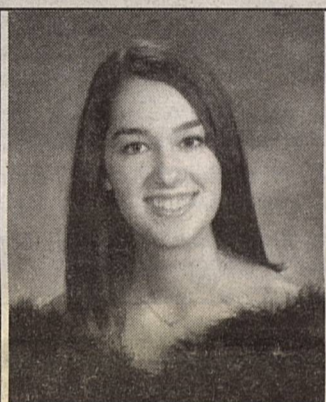
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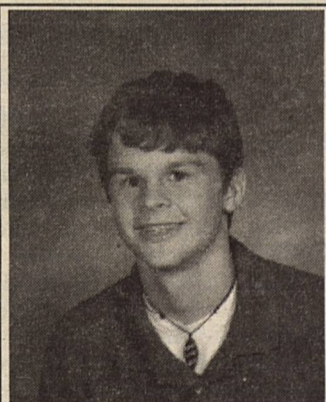
Kate Wallace, Sr.



Rachel Wilson, Sr.



Katherine Froman, Jr.



John Hensley, Fr.

Austin or Bust!

Borden County High School seniors Kate Wallace and Rachel Wilson, along with junior Katherine Froman and freshman John Hensley, are set to take on the best of the best at this weekend's UIL Academic State Meet. The three upperclassman are making return trips to Austin, while Hensley is making his first. Wallace and Hensley will compete in Extemporaneous Persuasive Speaking, Wilson in Extemporaneous Informative Speaking, and Froman in Spelling and Vocabulary. Best of luck to each of you!

Remember.....

Borden County remains under a Burn Ban. No burning trash or outdoor grilling. Please take precautions at all times.

Agriculture Commissioner Asks Federal Agencies to Do More For Wildfire Victims

AUSTIN - In a letter to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Commissioner Todd Staples asked for an increase in assistance for farmers and ranchers who have suffered damages due to wildfires. Since January, the Texas Forest Service has recorded nearly one million acres lost to wildfires.

"Unfortunately, as our state continues to experience severe dry and windy conditions, Texas land owners will be susceptible to wildfire danger," Commissioner Staples said. "The good news is, there are measures farmers and ranchers can take to proactively protect their livelihood, and we are working to identify assistance programs that will help producers if they do in fact suffer losses."

Commissioner Staples urged USDA to grant emergency grazing on Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acres in areas impacted by wildfires and in contiguous counties, providing the livestock producer has suffered forage loss in the primary county. The commissioner also asked for the authorization of cost share reimbursements for the installation of firebreaks on CRP land. Bar-

ren firebreaks are valuable tools to prevent fire damage.

When preventative measures are not successful, producers can often encounter high expenses when restoring their operations after devastation. With this in mind, Commissioner Staples has asked USDA to allocate appropriate funding levels to cover Emergency Conservation Program (ECP) resources that can assist Texas livestock producers who suffer damages this year. Without timely disaster aid, many producers face bankruptcy and the potential loss of their operations.

Commissioner Staples is also encouraging farmers and ranchers to take advantage of the Texas Department of Agriculture's Hay Hotline, especially now that producers will not need a hay permit. The commissioner recently requested and was granted a hay permit waiver that suspends permitting requirements and legal height restrictions for round hay bales. Farmers and ranchers can use the TDA Hay and Grazing Hotline to find available hay for sale or pastures for lease, in addition to listings of livestock haulers to move cattle and other live-

stock. Producers can access the Hay Hotline through TDA's Web site, or call TDA at (800) TELL-TDA.

TDA also offers an Interest Rate Reduction Program to farmers and ranchers who have experienced crop and livestock losses. Some producers might be eligible for loans of up to \$250,000, if the county in which their property is located was declared a federal disaster area. For more information on this service, contact TDA's Rural Economic Development Division at 512-936-0273 or toll free at 877-428-7848.

Producers can also contact their local Farm Service Agency office or county judge. These offices can perform damage assessments to assist with the disaster declaration process.

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Borden County Track Season Comes to End

By Coach Baeza

The Borden track team traveled to Abilene on April 25th to compete in the Region II-A track meet and for a chance to advance to state. The Coyotes did well advancing to the finals in the discus and mile relay but not qualifying for state. This group of young athletes did an excellent job of competing and represented our community. The future of Borden County track defiantly looks good. Here are the regional results:

800 Meter Run: Jake Cooley-4th-2:02.43.
800 Meter Relay: 1:37.80-

John Hensley, Michael Cooley, Flynn Chapman and Jake Cooley.

1600 Meter Relay: Prelim-3:40.98, Finals- 3:39.93-John Hensley (57.95, 56.78), Michael Cooley (54.30, 54.84), Tony Soto (55.87, 54.87) and Jake Cooley(52.85, 53.16).

Triple Jump: Karl Lamming-14th-38'2".

High Jump: Michael Cooley-9th-5'10".

Discus: Taylor Richey-7th-102'6".

Richey Receives Honor



Borden County athlete, Taylor Richey recently received the Avalanche-Journal's All-South Plains Class 1A-Division II First Team Honor. She averaged 20.4 points and 7.1 rebounds per game. Taylor Richey is a freshman and the daughter of Trey and Hayley Richey.

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Pre-K Day at Borden County



Mrs. Gray had her hands full this year with Pre-K Day as she had 20 youngsters. Taking part in the fun filled day were (bottom row left to right) Mason Cole, Klancey Kleck, Miles Wilson, Gunner Shofner, (middle row left to right) Kennedy Tucker, Keigan Benavidez, Kaci Hudson, Kaitlyn Hamm, Quinten Freeman, Camree Miller, Christian Torres, (top row left to right) Jaci Slover, Maegen Bland, Susie Neufeld, Will Yarbro, Brad Thomas, Anthony Lopez, Michael Brady, Kodie Dowds and Alex Humphreys. (Not pictured Erin Nix)

BC Track Compete in Qualifiers Meet

By Coach Baeza

The Borden High School regional qualifiers in track traveled on April 11th to Abilene Christian for one last practice before regional competition. Here are the results:

Taylor Richey: 100 Meter Hurdles-18.09, Discus: 93'1".

Jake Cooley: 800 Meter Run-2:12.36.

800 Meter Relay-1:37.31-Michael Cooley, John Hensley, Flynn Chapman and Jake

Cooley.

David Rodriguez: 400 Meter Dash-59.16.

1600 Meter Relay-3:38.10-John Hensley, Michael Cooley, Tony Soto and Jake Cooley.

High Jump: Michael Cooley-5'8" and David Rodriguez-NH.

Karl Lamming-Triple Jump-36'9".

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Errors and Tough Calls Doom Pitching Effort Against Bulldogs

By Coach Baeza

Quentin Shafer was a hard luck pitcher Saturday as some controversial calls mixed with 7 critical errors by the Coyotes resulted in a 12 to 2 loss at the hands of the Ira Bulldogs.

The Bulldogs used a bases loaded walk off of freshman reliever Miles Valentine to end the game in the 5th inning by

virtue of the 10 run rule.

The Coyotes played much better than the score indicated, but a couple of plays lead to 9 unearned runs and as a result the Coyotes dropped to 8 and 5 in district play and 15 and 8 overall with one game remaining Saturday, April 26th at Hamlin at 7:00 p.m.

Hitting for the Coyotes were Miles Valentine going 1 of 3, Quentin Shafer 2 of 3 with a run and a double, Karl Lamming 1 of 2, Flynn Chapman 1 of 2 with a triple and 1 RBI, Miller Valentine, 1 of 2 with a run, and Tony Soto 0 of 1 with a sac fly RBI.

To Cook or Not to Cook?



Think the only place to get a hot meal at school is in the cafeteria? Well, think again. The 6th grade science class researched and built their own solar cookers following a unit on solar energy. Each student had a week to gather materials and construct the cooker at home. On Tuesday, April 29, the class placed raw weiners in their cookers at 12:15 pm and set them out on the sidewalk north of the old gym. At 3:00 when the class returned to check, each student had a golden (some crispy due to the black spray painted jars) hot dog. After making the rounds to show off their cookers to the elementary classes, the 6th graders made their way to the cafeteria to brag and enjoy their solar cooked hot dogs with mustard. As can be seen from the photo, there is more than one way to cook a hot dog.

Making the Grade!

5th Six-Weeks Beta Achievement

Senior: Heather Brooks, Sharelle Gass, Shelby Roberts, Kate Wallace and Rachel Wilson; **Juniors:** Katherine Froman and Krystal Hobson; **Sophomore:** Lacey Roberts; **Freshman:** Bailey Anderson, Taylor Richey and Krista Tarleton; **Eighth Grade:** Austin Fields, Blake Turner and Austin Tyler; **Seventh Grade:** Shea Burkett, Steven Howard, Kayla Pepper, Tanner Richey, Matthew Roberson, Steele Sanders, and Mattie Turner; **Sixth Grade:** Zach McMeans.

5th Six-Weeks Honor Roll

Senior: Hannah McConnell; **Junior:** Carlos Hernandez; **Sophomore:** Karl Lamming, D'Nae Johnson, Michael Porter, Brendan Tarleton and Raylea Underwood; **Freshman:** John

Hensley, Kimberly Proulx and Phyneshia Rutherford; **Eighth Grade:** Chance Taylor; **Seventh Grade:** Riley Smith and Teryn Soto;

Sixth Grade: Brady Dowds, Taylor Gass, Maeghan Herridge, Kalyn Massingill, and Matthew Proulx; **Fifth Grade:** Frank Banman, Tye Basquez, McKenna Campbell, Blaise Freeman, Sean Tucker and Cayden Vaughn; **Fourth Grade:** Joel Andrade, Rhaeden Bland, Kylee Dean, Zoie Key, Channing Miller, Kelby Miller, Colby Pennell, Samuel Raborn, Tatum Richey, Flint Roberts, Taylor Roberts, Caelan Thuett, Merik Valentine and Tate Wheatley; **Third Grade:** Maddie Benavidez, Cheyenne Dowds, Tanner Freeman, Hayley Gray, Hunter Jones, Dylan Murphy, Maria Neufeld, Avery Price and Bryce Turner; **Second Grade:** Thadd Basquez, Kable Kleck, Thomas Nix, Nicholas Proulx, Trace Richey and Morgan Wilson.

Gail FFA Greenhouse Plants for Sale

By Buddy Wallace

The Gail FFA chapter now has plants available for spring planting!

These plants are available in the greenhouse, which is located north of the Ag. Building on the Borden County Campus.

Quality plants are a result of hard work by the Borden County Ag. Science Horticulture class.

Anyone wishing to purchase starter plants can contact Buddy Wallace at 806-756-4313 (School) or 806-756-4478 (Home).

Customers can also place orders with students of the Horticulture Class.

Students are:
Jacie Eveland, Tyrell Massingill, Clay Harding, Carlos Hernandez, Jake Cooley, Corey Teel, Bailey Benavidez

All plants are suitable size for ground planting. The Gail FFA chapter welcomes everyone to come view the plants and tour their greenhouse!

PLANTS AVAILABLE:

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1. Better Boy
2. Early Girl

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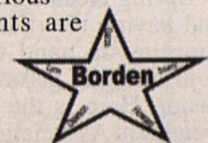
PEPPERS:

1. Bell
2. Jalepeno
3. Banana

STARTER FLOWERS

1. Marigold
2. Various

All plants are \$1.00 each



School Lunch Menu

May 5 - 9, 2008

Monday - Breakfast: Waffles, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Taco Salad, Corn, Pudding and Milk.

Tuesday - Breakfast: Pancake Pup, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Steak Fingers, Potatoes, Green Peas, Hot Roll, Fruit Mix and Milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast: Oatmeal w/toast, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken & Rice, Carrot Stick, Green Beans, Bread Stick, Pineapple and Milk.


Thursday - Breakfast: Muffin, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Beef & Bean Burrito, Potato Wedges, Salad, Peaches and Milk.

Friday - Breakfast: Sausage & Biscuit, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Sloppy Joe, Salad, Chips, Pears, Cookie and Milk.

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Hard at work! Camree Miller, daughter of Clay and Vanessa Miller, enjoys visiting with new friends, coloring a picture and other fun activities during Pre-K Day.


Heart and Home ...
 by Julie Smith
 Borden County Extension Agent-Family and Consumer Sciences

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Clean Ideas: The Basic Cleaning Closet

The right supplies for faster and easier cleaning

Spring cleaning is upon us and having the right cleaning supplies on hand will make your cleaning tasks faster and easier. Here is the Soap and Detergent Association's "dirty dozen." If killing germs is your goal, be sure the label says "disinfectant" or "sanitizer." If you are interested in taking it easy on the environment, you might even look for the "green" versions of these products which are readily available in grocery and discount stores.

1. All-purpose spray cleaner: Designed for quick cleanup on smaller washable areas, such as around switch plates and chrome fixtures, and on greasy surfaces, such as appliances and stovetops.

2. All-purpose powder or liquid cleaner: Mixed with water, these are most often used on large washable surfaces, such as floors, painted walls, countertops and woodwork.

3. Abrasive cleanser: These are designed to remove relatively heavy amounts of soil in a small area and contain a kind of built-in elbow grease that helps reduce the need for hard rubbing. They're available in powder, gel or scouring-pad forms.

4. Nonabrasive cleanser: These cleansers are for gentle cleaning on hard surfaces that are easily scratched, including porcelain sinks and ceramic tile.

5. Chlorine bleach: An effective disinfectant that kills bacteria, viruses and fungi, including molds and mildew.

6. Disinfectant wipes: A convenient way to clean hard surfaces such as countertops, sinks, windows and toilets.

7. Glass cleaner: For easy wipe-down of mirrors, shower doors, glass table-tops and glass-covered photos and art-

work. Spray the cleaner on a clean cloth or paper towel, rather than directly onto the surface.

8. Mildew stain remover: Removes stains in grout lines and other places where mold and mildew can appear. As a substitute, mix a solution of 3/4 cup of chlorine bleach to one gallon of water.

9. Furniture dusting product: Choose a product that will capture the dust. Choices include microfiber cloths, electrostatic cloths and dusters, dusting sprays and polishes. Dusting with a dry cloth just spreads the dust around.

10. Toilet-bowl cleaner: Choices include drop-in toilet cleaners that dispense cleaning solution into the water when the toilet is flushed, liquid or powdered cleaners that are designed to remove stains in the bowl, and disposable cleaning

systems that eliminate the need for a reusable brush.

11. Silver or metal polish: Take inventory of the metals in your home and select the appropriate polish(es).

12. Specialty cleaners: Take inventory of the surfaces in your home, including stone surfaces, floor finishes, leather upholstery and non-self-cleaning ovens. Cleaners that are specially formulated for these surfaces can do a better job and prolong the life of the surface.

For more information about home management, contact the Texas AgriLife Extension Service-Borden County office at (806)756-4336.


Source: Soap and Detergent Association's *Cleaning Matters* Newsletter March/April 2008
<http://www.cleaning101.com>

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Borden County 4-H News

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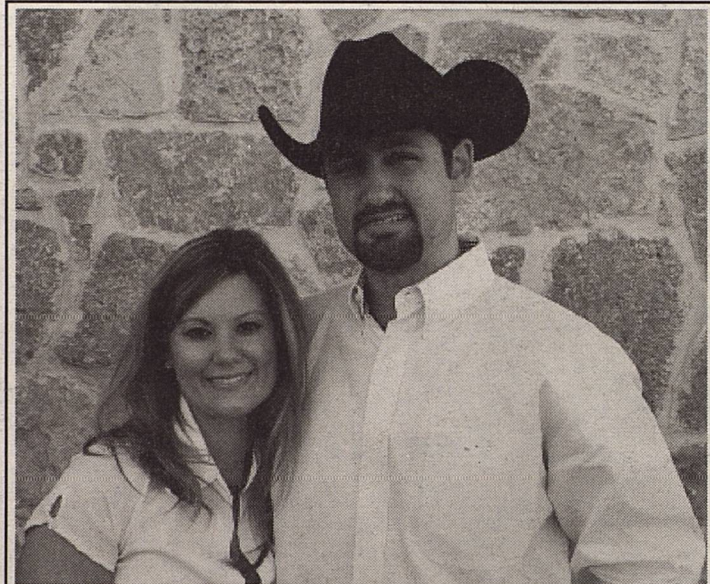
4-H Meetings Date Has Changed to Tuesday, May 6th! Junui High and High School 4-H Meeting

The Borden County Junior High and High School 4-H will meet on Tuesday, May 6 from 12:20 to 1:05 p.m. Any youth 6th through 12th grade are invited to attend. We will have a guest speaker, elect officers for 2008-09 and this will be the last meeting for the school year. For more information contact the Extension office at (806)756-4336 or borden-tx@tamu.edu.

Cool Clovers 4-H Meeting

The Cool Clovers 4-H Club will meet on Tuesday, May 6 from 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. Refreshments will be provided. Any youth ages 9 (or currently enrolled in 3rd grade) through 5th grade are invited to attend. We will have a guest speaker, elect officers for 2008-09 and this will be the last meeting for the school year. For more information contact the Extension office at (806)756-4336 or borden-tx@tamu.edu.


Engagement Announced



Landry - Nowlain

Jibber and Cindy Herridge are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their son, Cody Nowlain to Emily Landry of Grapevine, Texas. The couple plan to wed on May 31, 2008, at Caprock Winery in Lubbock.

Cody is a 2002 graduate of Borden County. Emily is a 2002 graduate of Martin High School in Arlington and a 2007 graduate of Texas Tech University. The couple plan to reside in Grapevine.


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Monday, April 7
 Monday, April 14
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 Monday, April 28
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NOTE: Classes in Gail will be held in July.

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Agriculture News
by Cody G. Hill
Borden County Extension Agent -
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4-H'ers Compete at District

Borden County 4-H'ers competed at the 2008 District 2 4-H Livestock Judging Contest on April 19 at Texas Tech University. District 2 represents over 20 counties from across the district. Over 200 4-H'ers competed at this very educational event this year. Borden County 4-H'ers participating were: Tanner Freeman, Matthew Ham, Hunter Jones, Flint Roberts, Lacey Roberts, Shelby Roberts, Sean Tucker, and Raylea Underwood.

In the Junior Division, Sean Tucker placed 4th High Individual in Swine and 8th High Individual Overall. Tanner Freeman, Matthew Ham, Hunter Jones, Flint Roberts and Sean Tucker placed 3rd High Team in Swine and 4th High Team in Sheep.

In the Senior Division, Lacey Roberts placed 6th High Individual in Swine. Shelby Roberts placed 7th High Individual in Swine and 11th High Individual in Beef. Raylea Underwood placed 4th High Individual in Beef.

Congratulations to all of these Borden County 4-H Livestock Judging Team members!

Borden County 4-H Livestock Judging Team



Borden County 4-H Livestock Judging Team members recently competed at the District 2 4-H Livestock Judging Contest held at Texas Tech University on April 19. Those members were: (bottom row left to right) Hunter Jones, Matthew Ham, Sean Tucker, Flint Roberts, Tanner Freeman, Garrett Hill, (top row left to right) Lacey Roberts, Shelby Roberts, Raylea Underwood, Cheyenne Hill and Borden County Ag Agent, Cody G. Hill.



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Hensley Receives Certificate



Randy Hensley (4th from left) receives a certificate recognizing his 6 years of service as a County Committeeman to the Garza-Borden FSA Committee. Also shown with Mr. Hensley are (left to right) Jerry Thuett, Vice-chairman; Brian Briley, Member; Ronnie Dunn, Chairman; Mr. Hensley; Marsha Norman, Advisor; Victor Ashley, Executive Director; Jay McKay, District Director.

Thought for the Day

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MOTHER'S DAY GIFT IDEAS

Picturing Ways To Celebrate Mom

(NAPS)—You might not think "high-tech" when you think Mother's Day, but digital picture frames were one of last year's hottest-selling gifts for Mom, with sales of more than \$12 million in just one week last May.

Why the interest in frames? The gadgets—which let you upload digital pictures to their memory—can display hundreds of family photos as a slide show, making them a personal and memorable gift. Plus, today's frames have brighter, more vibrant screens than in the past, and boast a number of new features.

But just as important, according to Stefan Guelpen, president of Smartparts, Inc., a leading digital frame manufacturer, they've become extremely easy to use.

"These new frames cut down on the intimidation factor," says Guelpen. "Your Mom doesn't have to be at all tech-savvy to enjoy one. And you can preload a frame with favorite photos before you give it to her, so it's ready to use right out of the box."

Finding Frames

Guelpen advises searching for a reputable manufacturer and paying attention to important features like screen resolution, supported memory cards and internal memory.



Digital picture frames were one of last Mother's Day's top-selling gifts.

Additionally, watch for add-ons that make certain frames stand out from the crowd. For instance, Smartparts' SP8PRT 8-inch digital picture frame comes with a built-in photo printer that lets Mom instantly print a favorite photo with just one touch—while still enjoying the frame's slide show.

The frame comes with an all-in-one printer cartridge that contains paper and ink, which lets Mom print up to 36, 4x6-inch photos to share with family and friends.

Smartparts offers a wide selection of other frames as well. They come in a variety of styles and range in size from 3.5" to 32". For more information, visit www.smartpartsproducts.com.

BORDEN COUNTY I.S.D. PUBLIC NOTICE

The Superintendent's Office, on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District will sell the following vehicles at the Lubbock Auto Auction located at 1122 East 34th Street in Lubbock, Texas at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, May 15, 2008:

1985 Chevrolet 1/2 Ton Pickup
Vin# 1GCDC14H2FJ103373

1988 Chevrolet 1/2 Ton Pickup
Vin# 1GCDC14K8JZ105778

1967 Ford 2 Ton Septic Pump Truck
Vin# F50AKB42432

1995 Chevrolet 1/2 Ton Pickup
Vin# 1GCEC14H7SZ256816

1996 Chevrolet Lumina Car
Vin# 2G1WL52M2V9122671

1999 Chevrolet Lumina Car
Vin# 2G1WL52M3X9194787

1994 GMC 16 passenger bus
Vin# 1GDHG31Y5RF533875

These vehicles may be viewed at the above address through May 14, 2008. Please contact Jimmy Thomas at (806) 756-4313 no later than 5:00 P.M. on May 14, 2008, if you would like to submit a bid on these vehicles. The Borden County I.S.D. Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposed bids, to waive any and all technicalities, and to accept the proposal that will best serve the needs of the district. Questions regarding additional information shall be directed to Jimmy Thomas by calling (806) 756-4313, e-mail jthomas@bcisd.net, or writing PO Box 95, Gail, Texas, 79738. Transmissions by fax may be sent to (806) 756-4310.

By order of the Board of Trustees
Borden County Independent School District
Joe Harding, Secretary

COUNTY OF BORDEN)(**LEGAL NOTICE**
STATE OF TEXAS)(

The Commissioners' Court of Borden County will receive bids on the following until 9:00 a.m., May 13, 2008.

- 1.. Fuel for 2008
 - 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.

BY ORDER OF THE BORDEN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Van L. York
County Judge
Borden County

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

STATE OF TEXAS)(**LEGAL NOTICE**
COUNTY OF BORDEN)(

Borden County Commissioners' Court will receive bids until 9:30 a.m., May 13, 2008 for the purchase of a new truck for use in the Borden County, Precinct 1. Bids will be opened and considered in the Borden County Commissioners' Courtroom in the County Courthouse. Specifications may be obtained at the office of the County Judge, 806/756-4391 or Commissioner, Monte Smith, 432/556-6503.

Borden County Commissioners' Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waiver all formalities.

BY ORDER OF THE BORDEN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Van L. Youk
County Judge
Borden County

STATE OF TEXAS)(**LEGAL NOTICE**
COUNTY OF BORDEN)(

Borden County Commissioners' Court will receive bids until 9:30 a.m., May 13, 2008 for the purchase of a new tractor for use in the Borden County, Precinct 4. Bids will be opened and considered in the Borden County Commissioners' Courtroom in the County Courthouse. Specifications may be obtained at the office of the County Judge, 806/756-4391 or Commissioner, Joe Belew, 325/573-7718.

Borden County Commissioners' Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waiver all formalities.

BY ORDER OF THE BORDEN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Van L. York
County Judge
Borden County

Memorial Scholarships

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 21st, 2008. Letters of application must be sent to the following address:

*John Harding
Memorial Scholarship
Committee
P.O. 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 participation in school activities as a student of Borden County High School.

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

Brandon Adcock Memorial Scholarship

Applications are currently being accepted for the: *Brandon Adcock Memorial Schol-*

arship.

Applicants wishing to be considered must submit a formal letter of application prior to May 21st, 2008. Letters of application must be sent to the following address:

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Memorial Scholarship
Committee
P.O. 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 21st, 2008. Letters of application must be sent to the following address:

J. Pat Porter

*Memorial Scholarship
Committee
P.O. 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 of consideration; however, financial need may be 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 of 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 signification of the positive attributes that were exhibited by the late J. Pat Porter.

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Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit
Tumbleweed Smith

Freshman Fun at Baylor

I saw Wes and Pinky and Dick and Bob and Max and a whole bunch of other folks at my 50th class reunion at Baylor. We all lived on Kokernot Hall's 3rd floor south. We were always into some sort of mischief and had to be marched down to the dorm director's apartment more than once. But we were having fun. We even had fun marching down the stairs to see the dorm director. We sang the Volga Boatman's song: "Yo, heave ho! Yo, heave ho!" over and over again. The dorm director was Lannes Hope, a married psychology graduate student. When we got to his living quarters, he and his wife served us cookies and milk. I really think he was studying us. Why did we get in trouble? For all sorts of things. Like taking some

Christmas decorations from downtown Waco and decorating 3rd floor south with them and winning second place in the University's decorating contest. Like nailing a fellow student's dorm door shut. Like setting up Wes's bed, desk and record player in the communal bathroom. Like rebuilding a model A in somebody's dorm room. Creative things. Things that today would land us in jail. Back then, it was just mischief. The week before homecoming, freshmen are posted to guard the campus from the opposing school's pranksters. Around 5 AM at the busiest corner on campus there wasn't much activity so we decided to stage a car wreck. We put cars together in all sorts of bizarre positions and the 30 or so of us were lying on the ground, slumped over mail boxes and fireplugs,

draped over car doors and we all appeared to be dead. It was a terrible sight. When a car screeched to a halt and the driver came running up, we'd all come to life and sing "Good Morning to you. Good morning to you. We're all in our places with bright shiny faces and that is the way to start a new day." Some people didn't think it was the way to start a new day and called the cops. When they came, they just said, "OK, boys, you've had your fun. Now just run along." And that was it.

The Spring Quarter was my favorite during my freshman year. We lived mostly at Lake Waco. Just slept on cots and drove back and forth to school. During spring break we threw a mattress from the dorm's window and headed for Fort Lauderdale in my parent's station wagon. We slept on the beach there and wouldn't you know it, they decided to have a sunrise service right where we were parked. We woke up to find hundreds of people around our car.

I had so much fun my freshman year I had to stay over for the summer semester. Something about bringing up some poor grades. I moved to Brooks Hall and had the room just over the breezeway. My roommates and I drove golf balls out the window toward downtown Waco. We had water gun fights, sometimes filling the guns with permanent ink. What a mess!

By the end of my sophomore year I got serious about studies and started taking courses that I thought could stay with me the rest of my life. I ended up majoring in English and drama. Baylor was a super experience for me in every way.

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-- Randy's Roundup --

A Weekly Newsletter from Congressman Randy Neugebauer

Farm Bill Update

Late last week, the Chairmen and Ranking Members of the House and Senate Agriculture Committees, as well as the Chairmen of the House Ways and Means and Senate Finance Committees, along with House and Senate leadership met for much of two days to negotiate outstanding Farm Bill issues. Top among the agreements they made is on the funding offset that will be used to cover the cost of this Farm Bill.

The leaders of the committees also reached a mutual understanding on other issues that are paving the way for possible completion of the Farm Bill. However, while they have reached some agreements, the remainder of the conferees must approve those as well.

I do not agree with everything they hammered out and will be working with others to try to improve upon some areas. In addition, several key issues remain open and will need to be decided by all members in the conference.

This will be a key week in the negotiations, and as events happen, I will be sure to keep you up to date.

Today, I was on CNBC with House Agriculture Committee

Chairman, Collin C. Peterson (D-MN), to discuss ethanol and the 2008 Farm Bill. A copy of the interview is attached to this e-mail, or you can visit CNBC's website to view the clip at: <http://www.cnbc.com/id/15840232?video=724385685>.

Rising Cost Of Energy And Food

There is no doubt that Americans are facing financial difficulties, struggling with the rising costs of filling their gas tanks and kitchen cupboards. There is a direct correlation between the cost of energy and the cost of food. Agriculture is a very energy-intensive industry, and when we have record setting energy costs, it costs more to produce, process and deliver food.

Fertilizer costs, also tied directly to the price of energy, have more than doubled during the last ten years. Diesel fuel has gone up 36 percent in the past two years. Between the increase in fertilizer and fuel costs, production costs have risen up to 25 percent across Texas in the past two years, according to a recent study by Texas A&M.

An additional reason for the increase in cost is supply and demand. There is an increasing de-

mand for meat and processed food in emerging markets such as China and India. That is why it is critical to lower energy prices to increase our production of food and fiber here in America.

Unfortunately, I believe that while the intention is good, too much confidence has been placed too quickly on alternative energy, such as corn ethanol and biofuels. While these renewable energy industries and others such as wind farms have shown tremendous potential, we cannot afford to ignore the simple fact that our nation is in desperate need of an increased domestic production of oil and traditional energy sources. Yet, environmental groups refuse to acknowledge this dire need, ignoring the fact that America has abundant resources of oil, natural gas and a 200 year supply of coal. Additionally, America has state of the art technology to harvest these in an environmentally friendly way.

If we continue down the path of indifference to our dependence on oil, food and energy prices will continue to rise to unaffordable levels. Now is the time to take action and begin increasing our domestic production to protect the American consumer.

—Randy

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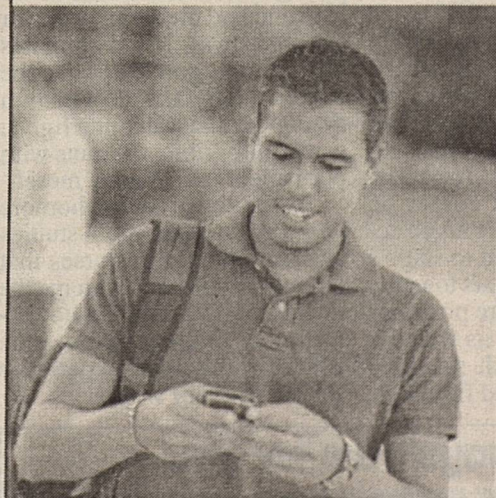
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LA NOTIFICACION DE PRE-KINDERGARTEN PARA EL AÑO ESCOLAR 2008-2009

La Escuela de Borden ofrecerá el programa del pre-kindergarten durante el año escolar 2008-2009. El programa será para los estudiantes elegibles que tienen cuatro años en o antes de 1 de septiembre, 2008. 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 School, 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, 2008.

LA DENEGACIÓN

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

ESL PROGRAMA NOTIFICACION

La Escuela de Borden ofrecerá un programa de ESL para los estudiantes del LEP (Experto Inglés Limitado) durante el verano de 2008. El programa será programado por un mínimo de 120 horas y concluirá antes del 1 de agosto, 2008. El programa esta diseñado para los estudiantes que entraran kindergarten o el primer grado en el otoño de 2008-2009. Los padres de niños elegibles serán responsables del transporte.

Si usted conoce de un niño que califique por el programa, notifica a Bart McMeans, director, Borden County School, 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, 2008.

LA DENEGACIÓN

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

PRE-KINDERGARTEN NOTIFICATION FOR THE 2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR

Borden County School will offer the pre-kindergarten program during the 2008-2009 school year. The program will be for eligible students who are four years of age on or before September 1, 2008. 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 qualifies for the program, notify Mr. Bart McMeans, Principal, Borden County School, 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, 2008.

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 2008. The program will be scheduled for a minimum of 120 hours and will conclude prior to August 1, 2008. The program is designed for students who will enter Kindergarten or First Grade in the fall of 2008-2009. Parents of eligible children will be responsible for transportation.

If you know of a child who qualifies for the program, notify Mr. Bart McMeans, Principal, Borden County School, 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, 2008.

DISCLAIMER

Borden County Elementary School will offer this program only if ten or more students qualify.