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Advancing to Austin Borden County Sends Five to U.I.L. State Meet

Behind strong performances of speakers, spellers, writers, and actors, the Borden County High School U.I.L. Academic Team placed 4th overall at last Friday's U.I.L. Region I Academic Meet in Levelland.

In the process, BHS won an overall Speech & Debate Team Regional Championship and will now send 5 students to next weekend's UIL Academic State Meet.

Leading the way were a trio of juniors in their respective speaking events. Eric Espinoza placed 2nd in Extemporaneous Speaking while Brendan Tarleton placed 2nd in Prose Interpretation. Chasiti Rutherford advanced to the finals of LD Debate where she also placed 2nd.

Joining this trio in Austin will be senior Katherine Froman and junior Lacey Roberts. Froman will make her third consecutive journey to the State Meet in Spelling & Vocabulary after placing third at the Regional Meet. Roberts also placed third in Feature Writing.

To advance to the U.I.L. Academic State Meet, students had to place in the top three individually in their respective contests at the regional level.

Also placing for BHS was junior Karl Lamming, who placed 6th in Extemporaneous Informative Speaking.

Overall, BHS finished with 95 points and finished in 4th place. Regional champion Canadian H.S. finished with 195 points behind strong finishes in many math, computer science, and science contests. Nazareth H.S. was 2nd with 115 points, and Plains H.S. was 3rd with 99 points.

Two additional BHS teams competed well at the contest. The Spelling & Vocabulary team finished in 3rd place while the Calculator Applications team finished in 6th.

Joining Froman on the Spelling & Vocabulary Team were juniors Brendan Tarleton and Michael Porter and sophomore Taylor Richey.

Porter also competed in Lincoln-Douglas Debate, barely missing advancement to the quarterfinals in the event.

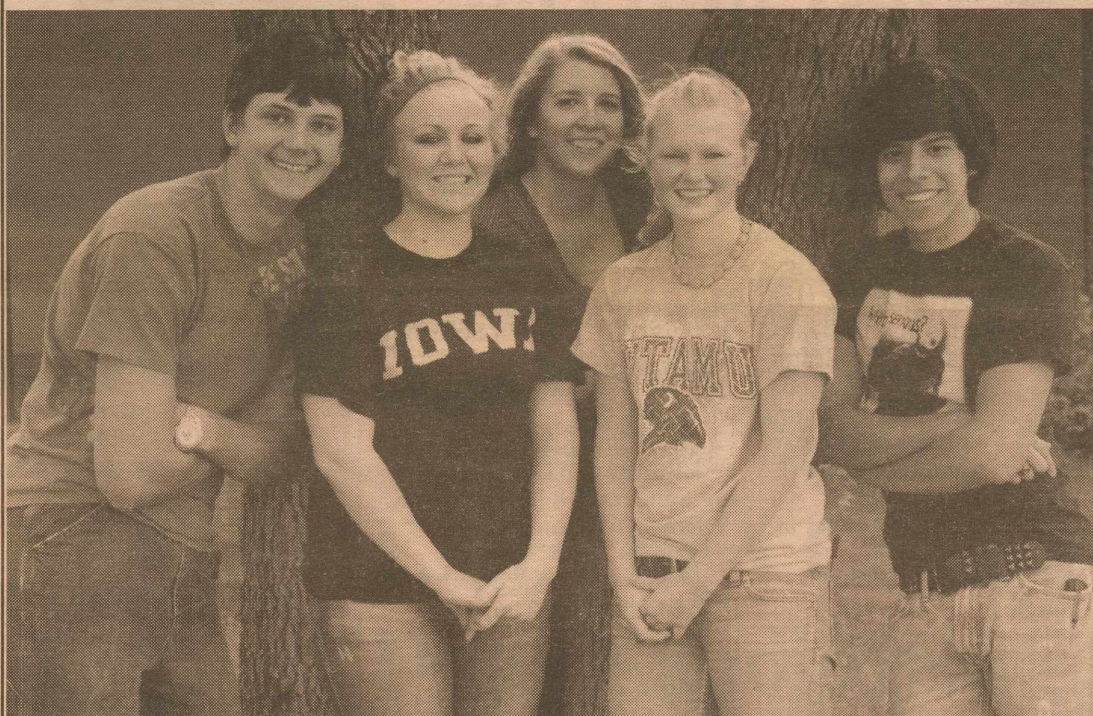
The Calculator Applications Team consisted of juniors Chellsie Pigford & Roberts and freshman Austin Fields. Fellow freshman Austin Tyler was sick and unable to compete, so Richey took his place on the team.

In addition to Calculator, Pigford competed in both Editorial Writing and Feature Writing, while Roberts also competed in News Writing.

Junior D'Nae Johnson represented BHS in both Prose

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State Qualifiers!



Pictured are five Borden County students who have qualified to compete in the UIL Academic State meet in Austin on May 7-9 at the University of Texas. They are (left to right) Brendan Tarleton, Chasiti Rutherford, Katherine Froman, Lacey Roberts and Eric Espinoza.

Planting Season Rapidly Approaching As Area Soil Temperatures Move Up

By Shawn Wade

Soil temperatures are rapidly approaching the 60-degree mark in many areas and that means West Texas farmers are busy preparing for another whirl-

wind planting season.

Depending on the crops they will plant, some producers may have already put planters in the field. The rest are, for now, willing to

wait for conditions to improve as they complete field preparations and get planting rigs and tractors ready to roll.

Regardless of their sta-

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Jr. High District Tennis



Borden County Jr. High Boys and Girls tennis teams traveled to Lamesa this past Saturday to play in the District 4-A tennis meet with both teams placing 1st. Pictured are (back row left to right) Coach McCook, Tanner Richey, Brady Dowds, Zach McMeans, Kurt Shafer, (middle row left to right) Steelie Sanders, Kylie Voss, Taylor Gass, Tristen Benavidez, Matthew Ham, Kalyn Massingill, Mallory McMeans, (front row left to right) Meaghan Herridge, Shea Burkett, Teryn Soto, Jordan Day and Mollie McMeans.

District 4-A Jr. High Tennis Meet

By Coach McCook

The Borden County Jr. High boys and girls tennis teams traveled to Lamesa last Saturday to participate in the District 4-A meet. Both teams placed 1st with the boys' team scoring 35 points and the girls' team scoring 40 points.

The results of the meet are as follows:

Girls Division
Singles

1st-Kayla Pepper-8-5, 9-7;
2nd-Shea Burkett-8-0, 8-0, 8-1,
7-9 and 8-3; 3rd-Kylie Voss-8-0,
9-8, (9-7), 5-8, 8-6 and 3-8;
Lexi Peterson-8-1, 8-9 and (7-9);
Taylor Gass-8-0 and 0-8
and Mindy Tyrrell-0-8.

Doubles

Sage Wheatley and

Meaghan Herridge-3rd-9-7, 9-7,
3-8 and 8-3; Teryn Soto and
Millie McMeans-8-2 and 7-9;
Kalyn Massingill and Mallory
McMeans-8-1 and 5-8; Celina
Guerrero and Kaitlin York-8-5
and 2-8; Jordan Day and Steelie
Sanders-9-8 (7-5) and 1-8.

Boys Division
Singles

1st-Steven Howard-8-0, 9-7,
9-7; Michael McClain- 2-8.

Doubles

1st-Tanner Richey and Kurt
Shafer-8-0, 8-2, 8-1; Tristen
Benavidez and Zach
McMeans- 7-9 and Matthew
Ham and Brady Dowds- 0-8.

Congratulations on a job
well done!

Boys Area Track Results

By Coach Baeza

The boys track team traveled to Sundown on April 17th to compete in the District 3 & 4 area meet and were disappointed as the day did not turn out as well as it could have for many of our Coyotes. Injuries from the previous week and injuries that took place at the meet prevented the Coyotes

from finishing in either relay and competing in individual events that we should have qualified for regional in. However, the day did start well for the Coyotes as Karl Lamming qualified for regional in the Triple Jump and David Rodriguez qualified in the High Jump due to a drop out.

Congratulations Karl and David! The results are as follows:

High Jump: 5th-David Rodriguez-5'10"; 6th-Michael Cooley-5'10" and 7th-Zach Telchik-5'6".

Triple Jump: 4th-Karl Lamming-40'5.5" and 8th-Tony Soto-38'7.75".

Long Jump: 8th-Michael Cooley-17
7.75".

Discus: 8th-R.T. Shafer-102'7".

400 Meter Relay: DNF-Austin Fields, John Hensley, Miles Valentine and Jake Cooley.

800 Meter Relay: DQ-Austin Fields, Miles Valentine, John Hensley and David Rodriguez.



Borden County baseball player, Zach Telchik swings at a pitch Monday. The Coyotes fell to Crosbyton 8-5.

School Lunch Menu

May 4 - 8, 2009

Monday - NO SCHOOL!

Tuesday - Breakfast: Muffin, Fruit Juice and Milk.
Lunch: Popcorn Chicken, Potatoes, Corn, Hot Roll, Apple Slices and Milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast: French Toast, Fruit Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Pizza, Salad, Corn Pineapple and Milk.

Thursday - Breakfast: Ham, Egg & Biscuit, Fruit Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Meat & Gravy, Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread, Cobbler and Milk.

Friday - Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, Fruit Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Cheeseburger, French Fries, Salad, Yellow Cake w/frosting and Milk.

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GAIL FFA

GREENHOUSE PLANTS FOR SALE

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:
Michael Porter, Drew Tyler, Lacey Roberts, Shylo Rinchart, Mandi Hudson, Chasiti Rutherford, Chelsie Pigford, Eric Espinoza, Skyler Williamson, Raylea Underwood and Jacie Eveland.

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

LARGE VARIETY TOMATOES	STARTER FLOWERS
1. Better Boy	
2. Early Girl	HERBS
3. Beef Steak	Cilantro
Roma Tomatoes	Sage
PEPPERS	Oregano
1. Bell (Fat and Sassy, Big Bertha, Jupiter)	
2. Jalapeno (Fooled You, Early)	
3. Banana (Sweet Banana)	

All Vegetable plants are \$1.00 each

Borden County Sends Five to U.I.L. State Meet in Austin

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Interpretation and Literary Criticism, and Rutherford also competed in Extemporaneous Persuasive Speaking

Sophomore John Hensley barely missed advancing to the finals in Extemporaneous Persuasive Speaking, narrowly missing a return trip to Austin. He also competed in Current Issues & Events.

Sophomore Joseph McConnell competed in both Science and Ready Writing,

while fellow sophomore Krista Tarleton competed in News Writing.

The five state qualifiers will now compete May 7-9, 2009, on the University of Texas in Austin. Each of them are now in the top 12 students in the state in their respective contests. All of them are also now eligible for TILF Scholarships through the U.I.L. State Office.

Congratulations to all U.I.L. State Qualifiers!

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Lady Coyote Regional Golf

By Coach Baeza

The Lady Coyote golf team competed in the Regional Golf Tournament in Lubbock on April 20-21 and competed well. The Lady Coyotes got better each day and the future look s good for these lady golfers.

The results are as follows:
Day 1: 462

Krista Tarleton-101; Seleste Herridge-117; Taylor Richey-117; D'Nae Johnson-127 and Olivia Key-134.

Day 2: 442
Krista Tarleton-99; Seleste Herridge-108; Taylor Richey-114; Olivia Key-121 and D'Nae Johnson-139.

Gail FFA Extends Collection Date

By Buddy Wallace

The Gail FFA Chapter has extended the item collection date for the annual "Give the shirt off your back" clothing and shoe collection drive.

The public is welcome to participate!

Categories: Clothing / Shoe Items

Items should be clean, folded and placed in a box or trash bag. (Shoes separate)

Items can be brought by the

Ag. Building or picked up by an FFA student right from your vehicle.

Final delivery date: Tuesday, May 5th..

All items to be delivered by Gail FFA to a needy area organization.

Gail FFA and Lone Wolf District ask you to help "Give the shirt off your back" or... out of your closet.... for a worthy cause.

Extra FFA Cookie Dough and Meat Items Available

The Gail FFA Chapter has several cookie dough and meat items available from their fall sales. Anyone wishing to purchase extra items can contact Buddy Wallace at 806/756-4313 (School) or 806/756-4478 (Home).

The Gail FFA Chapter once again thanks the community for all of their fund-raiser support!

Cookie Dough Items: (All items are \$14)-Pecan Cobbler, Sugar Cookie, White Chocolate Macadamia Nut, Peanut Butter, M&M and Snicker Doodle.


Meat Items: Smoked Sausage Kolaches-\$16; Smoked Bacon-\$16; Smoked Pork Loin-\$16; Cajun Meat Pies-\$16; Tailgate Party Pack-\$15; Peppered bacon-\$16; Smoked Turkey-\$23; Chicken Fajitas-\$15; Beef Fajitas-\$15 and Hickory Smoked Boneless Peppered Turkey Breast-\$18.

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CALENDAR FOR MAY 9, 2009 BORDEN COUNTY I.S.D. BOND ELECTION

- April 27, 2009-First day to vote early in person at Borden County I.S.D. Central Office
- May 1, 2009-Last day to receive an application for a ballot to be voted by mail
- May 5, 2009-Last day to vote early by personal appearance at Borden County I.S.D. Central Office
- May 9, 2009-Election Day at County Election Precincts as follows:

Precinct 1	Plains Community Center 2300 Farm-to-Market Road 1054 Plains Community, Texas
Precinct 2A	Gail Community Room 116 E. Wilbourn Gail, Texas
Precinct 2B	Vealmoor Election Building 651 County Road 236 Vealmoor Community, Texas
Precinct 3A	Murphy Election Building 650 County Road 383 North Lake J. B. Thomas
Precinct 3B	Fairview Election Building 100 County Road 338 South Lake J. B. Thomas
Precinct 4A	Borden County Courthouse 117 E. Wasson Gail, Texas
Precinct 4B	Don Jones Residence 4601 FM 612 Fluvanna Community, Texas
Howard County Precinct 2B	Vealmoor Election Building 651 County Road 236 Vealmoor Community, Texas



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Heart and Home ...

 by Julie Smith

 Borden County Extension Agent-Family and Consumer Sciences

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Money Talks: Using Communication Skills to Discuss Finances

Have you and your partner ever fought over money? You are not alone — most couples have experienced an argument or regular conflict about money. Regardless of income, money is one of the most common issues of conflict in a relationship. When money gets tight, the chance for conflict is even higher. Having to decide priorities of spending when money is tight is not an easy endeavor. However, there are some tips that can help when talking about issues that cause conflict. When bringing up a topic that is likely to be a source of conflict, use the SPEAK/HEAR skills to help.

Start with a positive. Start by saying something positive about your concern, such as “I know that it is important for our family to be financially safe” or “I’m glad that we agree that the bills must be paid first”. We are all more eager to listen when the tone for the conversation starts with a positive.

Pay attention to what you say and how you say it. Be careful about the words you use, your tone of voice and your body language. You are more likely to be listened to if you speak in a gentle, non-threatening way.

Explain how you feel, using details. Share how something makes you feel and what specific situations have upset you. Use an “I” statement to take charge of your own feelings. Name the specific behavior that concerns you and how that behavior makes you feel. For example, “I feel frustrated when you say you will save money and instead you spend money on expensive coffee-house drinks.”

Avoid trigger words, like always and never. Trigger words are words that can quickly turn a conversation into a fight. These include

words like always and never. Everyone has their own set of trigger words as well. Recognize these words and avoid using them.

Keep it brief, then give your partner a chance to talk. Briefly share your concerns with your partner, then allow your partner a chance to paraphrase what you said and share his or her thoughts.

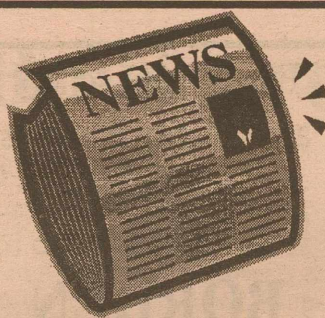
Once you have had a chance to share your side of the story, give your partner a turn to use the SPEAK skills while you listen using the HEAR skills. Use HEAR skills when you are listening to your partner share thoughts, feelings, or concerns. When using the HEAR skills, you are only listening to your partner’s viewpoint, not sharing your own.

Honor your partner’s thoughts and feelings. Honoring your partner is about making your partner feel valued and showing respect for his or her thoughts and feelings. Show your partner that you value him or her by listening and focusing on what your partner is saying, not what you want to say next.

Empathize: Put yourself in your partner’s shoes. Empathizing with your partner means that you understand and can imagine how your partner might be feeling. Show your partner that you respect his or her feelings as being real and valid.

Allow a difference of opinion. Even if you disagree with your partner, your job as the listener is only to listen to what your partner is saying and to repeat back what you hear. Don’t judge your partner or share how you feel.

Repeat respectfully. After your partner is done sharing his or her feelings, repeat what your partner said as closely to his or her words as you can. Repeating your partner’s



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words helps you to really focus on what your partner is saying.

Couples that use these skills when talking about tough issues are often able to do so with less conflict. If you think you are going to have a discussion about a difficult topic, plan a time and a place where you can talk and use these skills to help you have a positive conversation with your partner.

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USDA Planting Season Rapidly Approaching...

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tus, the one thing growers have in common this time of year is the need to keep track of the weather. From helping them determine when conditions are right to begin planting or when the next thunderstorm is likely to hit, having timely weather information is critical to their operation.

WWW.PLAINSCOTTON.ORG Has Weather Info

Whether they are waiting for a planting rain, for soil temperatures to warm a little more or both, the information growers need to keep track of current weather conditions and forecasts is easily accessible from one convenient location — the Plains Cotton Growers website.

Just click the “PCG Weather Pages” link at the top of the PCG Home page (www.plainscotton.org) and you are instantly transported to PCG’s Weather Page.

There you will find 3- and 7-day forecast data, current conditions and a bevy of links on the left-hand side of the page through which growers can access data from the National Weather Service (NWS) in Amarillo and Lubbock as

well as Texas Tech Mesonet. Area Soil Temperatures Updated Daily

Of primary concern to producers this time of year are soil temperatures and Heat Units. Growers can use the “Soil Temperatures” link on the left-hand side of the PCG Weather page to get Lubbock NWS soil temperature information excerpted from the daily NWS weather summary. To go directly to the soil temperature page use the following direct link: <http://www.plainscotton.org/weatherdata/index.php>

Also accessible through the PCG Weather page is information gathered by the West Texas Mesonet and provided courtesy of the Texas Tech University College of Engineering.

With more than 50 weather stations available across the High and Rolling Plains, growers and consultants can easily access locally relevant weather information from a location nearby to help manage the 2009 cotton crop.

Information available on the West Texas Mesonet site includes current weather conditions, soil data, daily summaries and links to the NWS.

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On the Wild Side of Life
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What To Do About Deer and The Drought

The drought we have been experiencing is of great concern to most land and resource managers. Wildlife species found in Texas have dealt with and survived drought before, and, as is often the case, the key to maintaining viable wildlife populations on any area is maintaining good habitat for the species of concern. As species requirements increase in variability, or when multiple species are involved, habitat diversity becomes increasingly important.

With that generalization stated, I will focus on white-tailed deer and the effects the current drought might have on their populations and management. White-tailed deer have survived and flourished in our region regardless of what Mother Nature has thrown at them. They have survived snow storms, ice storms, tornadoes, hurricanes, floods and droughts — but is this drought going to hurt them? Most people agree this drought is a little different from most. Hot, dry summers are the norm for Texas, and deer have evolved and adapted to cope with them. Deer, like all living organisms, require water, but under normal conditions, water is seldom limiting in our area. The thing that is different about this drought is that it did not begin in the hot, dry months of summer — it began last fall. Remember last year's winter pastures? There were not any. The lack of rainfall continued throughout the spring, accompanied by unusually high temperatures. This certainly is not "normal." But back to the question: Will this affect the deer population?

The bottom line is that this drought will probably not have a long-term effect on deer populations, but it certainly has the potential to have some short-term effects.

Generally speaking, even though many ponds have dried

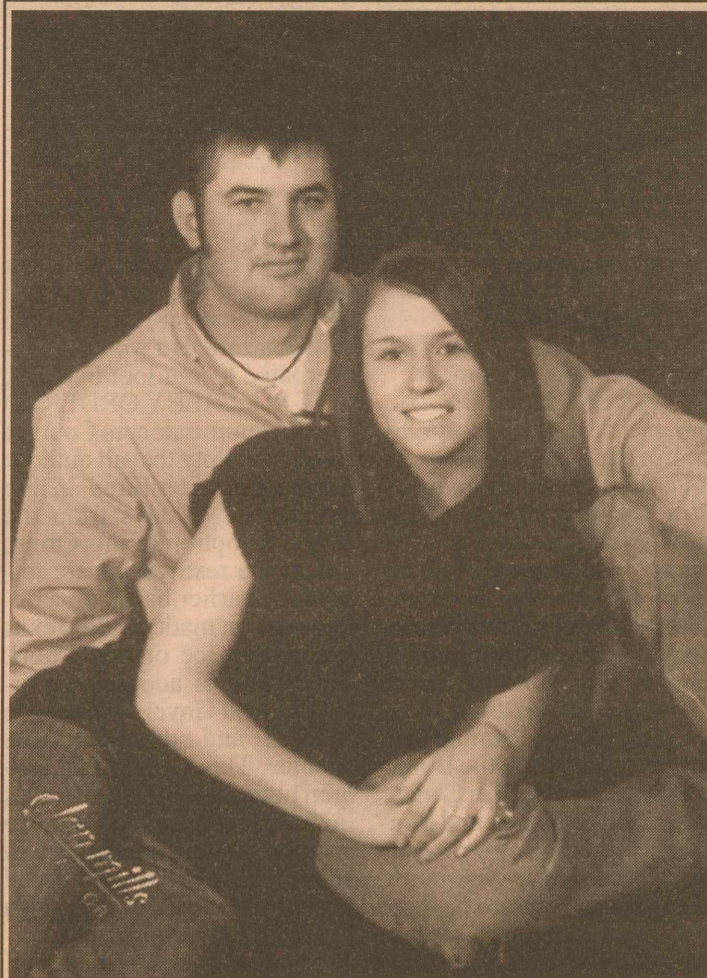
up, and free-standing water is not as plentiful or widely distributed as it is in average rainfall years, drinking water is still not a limiting factor. Deer typically range over a fairly large area relative to water source abundance in our area. They might have to travel a little farther to access water or concentrate their activity in areas with available water, but, in most cases, they can find water.

The most negative impact the drought has had on deer relates to the subsequent lack of forage production, particularly forb production. Generally, forb availability and quality is high during spring and early summer and declines during the latter part of summer. This year, many areas saw very little forb production during the spring or summer. This is a critical time period for females producing and raising fawns, when their protein requirements are relatively high. Lack of suitable-quality forage probably will not have a large impact on adult survival, but if does cannot acquire adequate nutrients, fawn survival and recruitment may be adversely impacted. In addition, a drought-induced reduction in herbaceous growth will result in reduced herbaceous cover, which, in turn, may lower fawn survival due to increased coyote predation of fawns.

The lack of fawn survival and recruitment can have significant management implications. Most resource managers that are seriously making efforts to manage white-tailed deer on their land holdings are aware of the need to harvest female deer for population control. With varying degrees of success, many managers have attempted a "doe harvest" of some magnitude.

A common "knee-jerk" reaction in response to reduced fawn survival is to commensurately decrease doe harvest. However, if like most people,

Engagement Announced



Brooks - Smith

Megan Brooks and Levi Smith would like to announce their engagement and forthcoming marriage.

Brooks is the daughter of Scott and Brandi Brooks of Borden County. She is the granddaughter of Jan Brooks and Jack and Donnie Kelley, all of Lamesa.

The future bride graduated from Borden County High School in 2006. Brooks is a candidate for graduation in May with Associate's degree in elementary education from Howard College in Big Spring.

The prospective groom is the son of Tommy and Kali Smith of Dumas. He also is the grandson of Kyle and Jo Powell of Burnet.

Smith graduated from Dumas High School in 2005. He graduated from South Plains College in 2007 as a welding technician.

He is employed by Whitting Petroleum Co. in Monahans.

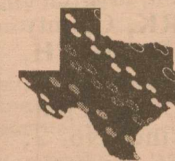
The couple plan to wed on July 25, 2009 in the Apple Country Orchard in Idalou.

your past attempts at harvesting adequate numbers of does have fallen short of the desired goal, then this might be the year to stay the course, harvest some does and really have an impact. If your management goal is to "grow" your deer herd, then you probably want to reduce or eliminate doe harvest this season.



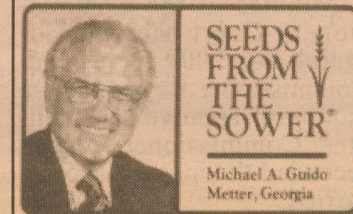
Thought for the Day

It's a wise man who lives with money in the bank; it's a fool who dies that way.
--French Proverb



Walk Across Texas!

Walk Across Texas is now in its sixth week and all the teams are doing great. Team R.A.C.E. is in the lead with 93.5 for this past week for a total of 492 miles. The County Cruisers walked 44 miles and have a total of 193.2 miles followed by the Cool Coyotes with 43 miles last week and a total of 178 miles. Great job everyone!



A friend, while posing for a picture, saw a sign that read, "You get what you pay for."
"What does that mean?" he asked.

"A twenty-five-dollar picture is a 'Justice Picture'," said the photographer. "It's just as you are. The fifty-dollar picture is a 'Mercy Picture.' It makes you look better."

When the proofs came back, he said, "I needed mercy."

Don't we all!
We aren't so close to perfection that we can be spiritual policemen over the lives of others. Since we need mercy more than justice, let's dwell more on being merciful than on being judgmental.

The Bible says, "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy."



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Commissioners Meeting

WHEREAS, On this the 14th day of April, 2009, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Regular Session in the Commissioners Court room in the courthouse of Gail, Texas, the following members of the court being present, to-wit:

VAN L. YORK, County Judge; MONTE SMITH, Commissioner Precinct No. 1; RANDY ADCOCK, Commissioner, Precinct No. 2; ERNEST REYES, Commissioner Precinct No. 3; JOE BELEW, Commissioner, Precinct No. 4; JOYCE HERRIDGE, County Clerk and Ex-Officio of the Commissioners Court, constituting a quorum, when the following proceedings were had, in accordance with the posted agenda.

MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the Commissioners Court Meetings of March 23, 2009 were read. Commissioner Reyes made a motion to approve said minutes. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

AEROVAC

Mary Frances Malone with Aerovac Coverage (Air Ambulance) presented their plan to the Court. Commissioner Adcock made a motion for the County to enroll the County Employees and the County Extension Agents in the 24hr Coverage Plan. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

COUNTY OFFICE REPORTS

After examination of the County Offices Reports, Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve submitted March 2009 County Offices Reports consisting of Treasurer's Office past month's Financial Report and Investment Report, the Tax-Assessor-Collector Report of Tax Collections for current tax year, Extension Office report of past month's activities and programs, District/County Clerk for fees collected for past month, and the Texas Wildlife Damage Control year to date activity. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

INTEGRATED JUSTICE SYSTEM SOFTWARE

Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve the

Interlocal Agreement between the County Information Resources Agency and Borden County for a project to develop standards and Requirements for a common Integrated justice system software solution for County government. Motion carried.

COUNTY SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

No action taken on Bids for County Surplus equipment.

RESOLUTION

A motion was made by Commissioner Belew to approve the Resolution requesting a reinterpretation of the Texas Tax Code Sec. 23.175 (market condition factor) by the State of Texas Comptroller's Office. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reyes. Motion carried.

BONDS

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Bonds for Ross Sharp, Borden County Tax Collector Deputy and Benjamin R. Smith, County Attorney as recorded in Volume 6, Page 25 and Volume 6, Page 22 of the Bond Book. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Adcock. Motion carried.

BURN BAN

Commissioner Smith made a motion to extend for 90 days the burn ban for the county effective immediately. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

SOIL CONSERVATION CONSTRUCTION

An application for Soil Conservation Construction of fireguards was received from Mrs. Bill (Jean) Sealy in Precinct No. 3. Commissioner Reyes made a motion to approve the application at the rate of \$35.00 per hour for a motor grader and \$65.00 per hour for a dozer. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Adcock. Motion carried.

ACCOUNTS ALLOWED

The current accounts were examined and Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve and pay said accounts. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

DEPOSITORY BANK LEGAL NOTICE

Commissioner Adcock made a motion to reissue Legal Notice that Borden County will accept bids for the County Depository Bank for a two year contract effective June 1, 2009. Said bids will be opened at

Legal Notices

STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF BORDEN)

ORDER PROHIBITING OUTDOOR BURNING

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court finds that circumstances present in all or part of the unincorporated area of the county create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning; IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Commissioners Court of Borden County that all outdoor burning is prohibited in the county for 90 days from the date of adoption of this Order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Texas Forest Service or this Court. This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code 352.081, and other applicable statutes. This Order does prohibit outdoor burning activities including trash and outdoor grilling. Welding activities will be permitted when additional personnel are on site with firefighting equipment.

In accordance with Local Government Code 352.081 (h) a violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00

ADOPTED this 14th day of April, 2009 by a vote of 5 ayes

FOR SALE GRAIN FED BEEF

CALL DENNIS POLE
AT
806/756-4426 OR
806/470-6084

9:30 a.m. on May 12, 2009. Commissioner Belew seconded the motion. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE AGENDA

No new items were presented.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Belew made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion and was approved unanimously.

THE FOREGOING MINUTES READ AND APPROVED THIS THE 28th day of April, 2009.

and 0 nays.
County Judge
Van L York

STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF BORDEN)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is given herewith that proposals will be considered from Banks and Banking Corporations desiring to serve as depository for public funds and county public school funds of Borden County, Texas. Such proposals will be considered Tuesday, May 12, 2009 at 9:30 a.m., and the Commissioners'

Court of Borden County may, at its discretion, reject any and all bids or proposals submitted. Applications submitted should be in accordance with Article 116.021, Local Government Code, Vernon's Civil Statutes, and it is desired that same stipulate percent interest to be paid on time deposits and rate of interest Borden County would pay on borrowed funds for ordinary operating expenses and borrowed funds for equipment purchases. Depository Bank would be expected to furnish printed checks and deposit slips for all accounts.

Van L. York
County Judge
Borden County

Borden County ISD Board Meeting

April 20, 2009

The Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District of Gail, Texas met in regular session at 7:00 P.M. in the Borden County I.S.D. Board Room. Board members present were John Anderson, Joel Dennis, Joe Harding (arrived at 7:18 p.m.), Carol Lewis, Dennis Poole, and Mike Valentine. Jimmy Thomas and Bart McMeans were also present. Randy Hensley was absent.

1. The meeting was called to order by John Anderson.

2. There was no community input.

3. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Carol Lewis to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2009 and April 13, 2009 Board Meetings with the changes discussed. The motion carried unanimously.

4. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Joel Dennis to approve the April 2009 bills. The motion carried unanimously.

5. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Joe Harding to appoint Jimmy Thomas as the 2009-2010 Borden County ISD represen-

tative to the Region 17 ESC Advisory Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

6. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Mike Valentine to set a special meeting for 7:00 P.M. on May 11, 2009 and the regular May meeting for 7:00 P.M. on May 18, 2009. The motion carried unanimously.

7. A motion was made by Carol Lewis and seconded by Joel Dennis to amend the 2008-2009 Borden County I.S.D. Budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.

8. Mr. Thomas gave a year to date financial report, gave a personnel report, reported that 210 students were enrolled as of April 14, 2009, gave a personnel report, and reported that a Pre-Kindergarten Program needed to be considered for the 2009-2010 school year. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Joe Harding to approve the superintendent's report. The motion carried unanimously.

9. A motion was made by Joe Harding and seconded by Carol Lewis to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Drive Safely

Watch Out for Our Playing Children

AVISO DE UNA ELECCIÓN DE BONOS

1. Se celebrará una elección (la "Elección") en el horario de las 7:00 A.M. a las 7:00 P.M. el 9 de mayo del 2009, en el Distrito Escolar Independiente del Condado de Borden (el "Distrito") en los distritos electorales habituales de dicho Distrito, en los centros de votación, como sigue:

Centro de Votación para las personas que radican en el Distrito y en el Núm. del Distrito Electoral del Condado de Borden	Ubicación del Centro de Votación
1	Centro Comunitario Plains 2300 Farm-to-Market Road 1054 Plains Community, Texas
2A	Salón Comunitario Gail 116 E. Wilbourn Gail, Texas
2B	Edificio Electoral Vealmoor 651 County Road 236 Vealmoor Community, Texas
3A	Edificio Electoral Murphy 650 County Road 383 North Lake J.B. Thomas
3B	Edificio Electoral Fairview 100 County Road 338 South Lake J.B. Thomas
4A	Recinto Judicial del Condado de Borden 117 E. Wasson Gail, Texas
4B	Residencia Don Jones 4601 FM 612, Fluvanna Community, Texas

Centro de Votación para las personas que radican en el Distrito y Núm. del Distrito Electoral del Condado de Howard	Ubicación del Centro de Votación
2B	Edificio Electoral Vealmoor 651 County Road 236 Vealmoor Community, Texas

2. La votación anticipada en persona y por correo se llevará a cabo en:

Distrito Escolar Independiente del Condado de Borden
Oficina de la Superintendencia
240 W. Kincaid Street
P.O. Box 95
Gail, Texas 79738

y durante el período de votación anticipada que se requiere o se permite por ley, que es desde el 27 de abril del 2009 hasta el 5 de mayo del 2009, el horario designado para la votación anticipada en persona será de 8:00 A.M. a 4:00 P.M., cada día excepto sábados, domingos y días feriados del estado, y las secretarías de la votación anticipada mantendrán el centro de votación anticipada abierto durante dichas horas para la votación anticipada en persona. Las secretarías para la votación anticipada de la Elección serán Joan Marshall y Terri Buchanan.

3. Todos los residentes que sean electores calificados de dicho Distrito tendrán derecho a votar en la Elección.

4. En la Elección, se someterá la siguiente PROPOSICIÓN de acuerdo con la ley:

PROPOSICIÓN

¿Se le autorizará al Consejo de Administración del Distrito Escolar Independiente del Condado de Borden a emitir bonos del Distrito, en una o más series, por un importe total agregado al capital de \$25,000,000 con el propósito de adquirir, construir, renovar y equipar los edificios escolares en el Distrito y adquirir autobuses escolares y terrenos para construir escuelas, cuando dichos bonos tendrán una fecha de vencimiento, devengarán intereses y serán emitidos y vendidos de acuerdo con la ley existente en el momento de su emisión; y se le autorizará al Consejo de Administración gravar y avalar y hacer que se valían y recauden impuestos ad valorem anuales sobre todas las propiedades en el Distrito que estén sujetas a impuestos, sin limite en cuanto a tasa o cantidad, suficientes para pagar el capital y el interés de los bonos y el costo de cualquier acuerdo de crédito celebrado con respecto a los bonos?

5. Las boletas oficiales para la Elección se prepararán de acuerdo con el Código Electoral de Texas a fin de permitirles a los electores a votar "A FAVOR" o "EN CONTRA" de la PROPOSICIÓN antedicha, y las boletas contendrán las cláusulas, marcas y lenguaje exigidos por la ley, y que la susodicha PROPOSICIÓN deberá expresarse sustancialmente como sigue.

PROPOSICIÓN

A favor _____)
) LA EMISIÓN DE BONOS DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR
) INDEPENDIENTE DEL CONDADO DE BORDEN POR LA
) CANTIDAD DE \$25,000,000 PARA CONSTRUIR EDIFICIOS
) ESCOLARES Y ADQUIRIR AUTOBUSES ESCOLARES Y
 En contra _____) TERRENOS PARA CONSTRUIR ESCUELAS Y GRAVAR UN
) IMPUESTO EN PAGO DE DICHO BONOS.

PRE-KINDERGARTEN NOTIFICATION FOR THE 2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR

Borden County School will offer the pre-kindergarten program during the 2009-2010 school year. The program will be for eligible students who are four years of age on or before September 1, 2009. 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, 2009.

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 2009. The program will be scheduled for a minimum of 120 hours and will conclude prior to August 1, 2009. The program is designed for students who will enter Kindergarten or First Grade in the fall of 2009-2010. 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, 2009.

DISCLAIMER

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

LA NOTIFICACION DE PRE-KINDERGARTEN PARA EL AÑO ESCOLAR 2009-2010

La Escuela de Borden ofrecerá el programa del pre-kindergarten durante el año escolar 2009-2010. El programa será para los estudiantes elegibles que tienen cuatro años en o antes de 1 de septiembre, 2009. 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, 2009.

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 2009. El programa será programado por un mínimo de 120 horas y concluirá antes del 1 de agosto, 2009. El programa esta diseñado para los estudiantes que entraran kindergarten o el primer grado en el otoño de 2009-2010. 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, 2009.

LA DENEGACIÓN

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