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Back To School News

BCISD Registration Set for August 12th-14th

With July basically behind us, it is just over three weeks before the start of the 2009-2010 school year at Borden County Schools, where classes will resume on Monday, August 24th, 2009.

Now, as you begin your back-to-school shopping trips, Borden County I.S.D. junior high and high school students should also plan to register for the upcoming school year.

BCISD Registration has been set for Wednesday-Friday, August 12th-14th, 2009, in the BCISD Library. Students new to the district, as well as current BJH & BHS students, should register on these days.

To facilitate a better counseling situation for secondary-level students, the following schedule has been established on a first-come, first-served basis within each time period:

· **Seniors** – Wednesday, August 12th – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

· **Juniors** – Wednesday, August 12th – 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

· **Sophomores** – Thursday, August 13th – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

· **Freshmen** – Thursday, August 13th – 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

· **8th, 7th, & 6th grades** – Fri-

day, August 14th – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

· **Late registration** – Friday, August 14th – 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (for all students unable to register at designated times)

· **Elementary students new to the district** – anytime

Please come at your designated times or during late registration. If you are unable to come at the assigned times, please call the school at (806) 756-4313 to set up an alternative time.

BJH students (grades 6-8) will receive their class schedules and will select their lockers. The process should be completed in about 5-10 minutes.

BHS students (grades 9-12) should plan on meeting with Mr. Ard, BCISD guidance counselor, for around 20 minutes each. They will finalize their class schedules, update or create their four-year graduation plans, select their lockers, and discuss other academic issues. During the registration process, parents are certainly welcome to meet with Mr. Ard along with their child to discuss their child's academic needs.

On a special note, all foot-

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Cotton



News

from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

Cornyn Appointment Adds Texas Voice To Senate Agriculture Committee

by Shawn Wade The appointment of Senator John Cornyn to the Senate Agriculture Committee is good news to Texas farmers and ranchers facing an uncertain economic future threatened by drought, an extended worldwide economic slowdown and the uncertain potential impacts of pending climate change legislation. Noting the importance of agriculture to the Texas economy in the statement announcing his appointment Cornyn said, "I look forward to serving on the Senate Agriculture Committee to advance Texas' priorities and ensure our state's agriculture industry continues to thrive." Plains Cotton Growers President Barry Evans, of Kress, said that Senator Cornyn's appointment couldn't have come at a better time and that cotton producers are looking forward to Cornyn bringing his knowledge of agriculture issues as he heads for the Agriculture Committee. "Having someone who under-

stands the needs of rural America is critical as we go forward," Evans said. "I think Senator Cornyn really works to understand that." Cornyn's appointment will allow the Senator to take a more active role in formation of key policy initiatives impacting Texas and U.S. agriculture. In addition to his new seat on the Senate Agriculture Committee, Senator Cornyn will continue to hold seats on the Senate Finance, Budget and Judiciary Committees. The fact that Texas agriculture is reeling from the devastating effects of declining world demand for agriculture commodities as well as the more immediate devastation wrought on a large portion of

the state by drought gives the Senator an opportunity to hit the ground running. Evans notes that High Plains cotton leaders are eager to help the Senator in any way they can to address the issues that face production agriculture. "Sitting on the Agriculture, Finance and Budget Committees puts him in the middle of the action on virtually every issue that impacts agriculture," says Evans. He concludes, "It has been some time since Texas has been represented in such a comprehensive way on the Agriculture Committee and we look forward to the opportunity to work closely with the Senator and his Washington and District staff on a more regular basis."

ATTENTION BORDEN COUNTY FOOTBALL PLAYERS

The 2009 Football season will kick off
August 3rd at 4:30 P.M.
We will practice from
5:00 to 9:00 P.M.

Borden County ISD Dress Code 2009-2010

The Borden County School's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following:

Borden County's students shall be dressed and groomed in a manner that is clean and neat and that will not be a health and safety hazard to themselves or others. Clothing and grooming that in the principal's judgment may reasonably be expected to cause disruption of or interference with normal school operation is prohibited.

The Borden County School prohibits pictures, emblems, or writing on clothing that

1. Is lewd, offensive, vulgar, or contains obscene language

2. Advertises or depicts tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs, or any other substance prohibited by the school

3. Refers to satanic, cult, prison wear or gang activities

The following guidelines will be used to determine appropriate dress:

1. Dresses, skirts, split skirts and shorts should not be shorter than two inches above the knee. A student will lose the privilege of wearing shorts for the school year upon a third offense. Parents will be notified when the second offense occurs. Shorts must be tailored (hemmed with no frayed edges). No spandex biker shorts or wind shorts are allowed (loose-legged, athletic running shorts) and shorts shall not be too tight.

2. Wearing of oversized or baggy pants and/or jeans is prohibited at school or at any school-sponsored activity on or off campus. No "saggin, baggin, or draggin." Pants must be an appropriate length and not drag the floor. Boys' pants will be worn at the waist and properly fit the waistline. No excessively wide legged pants will be allowed. No trench coats, dusters, jail attire or para-military attire will be

allowed. No chains will be allowed on school property or at school sponsored functions.

3. Shirts and blouses must be buttoned appropriately with midriff and back covered at all times. (Tops must be long enough that skin does not show when arms are lifted.) Clothing shall be designed, constructed, and worn in a manner that is not suggestive or indecent, and that shall promote proper decorum. The opening on any type of shirt shall not exceed the equivalent of the first button below the collar of a dress shirt.

Tank tops and "see-through chiffon blouses" will not be allowed unless they are worn with a crew neck T-shirt underneath it or a shirt worn over them during all school hours and activities. Tailored shirt shirttails must be tucked in unless you have a crew T-shirt underneath the shirt. (All tailored shirts will be buttoned and tucked into the pants or skirt when representing Borden County in any extracurricular activity.)

Sleeveless blouses are permissible but must be in good taste. Appropriate undergarments must be worn and must not be exposed at any time.

4. Footwear shall be a part of regular attire. House shoes are not acceptable footwear. No metal cleats or plates on the soles of shoes shall be worn in the building.

5. Hair shall be clean and well groomed at all times while attending school, school functions, and school sponsored activities. It will be styled in a manner that will keep it out of the student's eyes and not obstruct one's vision. No unnatural or bizarre hair colors or haircuts will be permitted. Eyebrows must not be notched or shaved in an unnatural manner. Male students' hair may be worn no longer than the top of the collar. In addition: geometric or unusual patterns will not be allowed to be shaved or cut in the hair, and boys may not wear ponytails, rat-tails, or braids.

Students are to be clean-shaven at all times. Mustaches and beards are not allowed.

Sideburns shall not be worn lower than the bottom of the ear lobe and no wider than one inch at the base.

6. Boys will not wear piercing jewelry. Girls may not wear exposed piercing jewelry other than earrings. No tongue piercing will be allowed for boys or girls.

7. Sunglasses may not be worn in the building during school hours or events inside the building unless prescribed by a doctor.

8. Students may not wear hats, caps, bandanas, or hoods inside the building during the school day unless approved by the school administration. In addition, they may not wear such headwear when participating in basketball games, whether actively participating or sitting on the bench.

9. Any clothing or grooming not listed above that is determined by the school administration to pose a disruption, interference, or safety concern to the normal school operation or Borden County School Community will be prohibited and addressed as appropriate.

10. Students may not wear

gloves or arm sleeves in the school building.

A student who violates the dress code shall be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school. If not corrected, the student shall be assigned to in school suspension either for the remainder of the day or until a parent or designee brings an acceptable change of clothing to the school. Repeat offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action. The principal, in cooperation with the sponsor, coach, or other person in charge of an extracurricular activity, may regulate the dress and grooming of students who participate in the activity (for example: cheerleader uniforms may vary from normal requirements according to principal/sponsor approval). Students who violate these standards may be removed or excluded from the activity for a period determined by the school administration or sponsor and may be subject to other disciplinary action.

Violations of the Borden County Dress Code may be handled through the Student Code of Conduct.



Got News?

Mail to:

P.O. Box 137

Gail, Tx. 79738

Call: 806/756-4313

Ext: 275

Email:

kdean@bcisd.net

Back To School...

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ball players should arrive early enough to finish registration prior to their workout time. Additionally, all college-bound seniors interested in taking the first administration (Sept. 12) of the ACT college entrance exam should register online prior to August 7th. They will need to use a credit card to pay for the test online at www.actstudent.org. The BHS school code requested when you register is 442-650. The test costs \$47 with writing (suggested) and \$32 without the writing test. Contact Mr. Ard at the number below if computer access is needed to register.

If you have questions concerning registration or you need further information, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Ard, Mr. McMeans, or Mrs. Rinehart at the school during regular office hours (8-5) at (806) 756-4313. Mr. Ard may also be reached at djard@bcisd.net.



Borden County Football 2009 Schedule

Week #	Date	Day	Opponent	Site	Time
Scrimmage	Aug. 15	Saturday	Ropes/Loop	Ropes	TBA
Scrimmage	Aug. 21	Friday	Klondike	Gail	TBA
#0	Aug. 28	Friday	New Home	There	7:30
#1 (tentative)	Sept. 5 (tentative)	Saturday	Richland Springs	Trent	6:30
#2	Sept. 11	Friday	Wellman-Union	Here	7:30
#3	Sept. 18	Friday	Rule	There	7:30
#4	Sept. 25	Friday	Klondike	There	7:30
#5	Oct. 2	Friday	Sterling City	Here	7:30
*#6	Oct. 9	Friday	Buena Vista	There	7:30
*#7	Oct. 16	Friday	Grandfalls-Royalty	Here	7:30
*#8	Oct. 23	Friday	Sands	There	7:30
*#9	Oct. 30	Friday	Westbrook	Here	7:30
*#10	Nov. 6	Friday	Open		

** District Opponents for 2008 - 2009: Sands, Grandfalls-Royalty, Buena Vista & Westbrook.

Head Coach: Trey Richey
Assistant Coaches: Peter Benavidez, Fernando Baeza, Colt McCook

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Borden County Elementary Supply Lists 2009-2010

Kindergarten: Elmer's school glue (not paste), 2-Glue sticks, 2-Boxes of 16 Crayons, Scissors (Fiskars for kids), 4-#2 pencils, 2-Folders w/pockets, Big eraser, Supply box (cigar box size), Towel for nap time, 2 Boxes Baby wipes/wet wipes, 1 box Kleenex, Gym shoes.

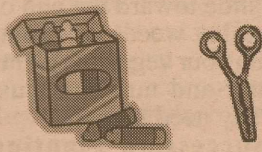
First Grade: 2-Boxes of 16 Crayons, 12-#2 pencils, Supply box, Scissors (Fiskars for kids), 2 medium sized bottles Elmer's Glue, 2-Glue sticks, 1-one subject spiral notebook (wide ruled), 2-Boxes Kleenex, Pink Eraser, Gym shoes.



Second Grade: 12-#2 pencils, 2-Red grading pencils (no pens), Crayons, Colored Pencils, 1 Bottle Elmer's Glue, 4-Glue sticks, Notebook paper (wide ruled), Scissors, Eraser, Ruler, Small supply box, 1-Red pocket folder (no brads), 3-Pocket folders of choice (no brads), 2 boxes Kleenex, Gym shoes.

Third Grade: 1-Wide ruled spiral notebook, 1-Ruller (metric & standard), 4-

Red pens, 1 bottle school glue, 2-glue sticks, 3-pocket folders (no brads), 24-#2 pencils, large supply box, crayons, colored pencils, scissors, 1 box Kleenex, 1 box wet wipes, 1 pkg. notebook paper (wide ruled), 1pkg. 3X5 index cards, gym shoes.



Fourth Grade: Crayons, 1 box #2 pencils, 3-red grading pens, 3-pocket folders (no brads), Notebook paper (wide ruled), 1-ruler (metric & standard), 2-glue sticks, 1-eraser, scissors, 1-bottle Elmer's school glue, 1-box Kleenex, 1-large, inexpensive box baby wipes, gym shoes.

Fifth Grade: 1-school box, 1-pocket folder (no brads), 2-pocket folders w/ brads, 2-composition notebooks, 1-box #2 pencils (may be mechanical), 1-pkg. wide ruled notebook paper, 4-red grading pens, 1-black Sharpie, 2-large glue sticks, 1-bottle Elmer's school glue, 1-box 24 crayons, colored pencils, 2-highlighters, 2-boxes of Kleenex, 1-box of baby wipes, gym shoes.

Youth Horse Club Results

The Borden County Youth Horse Club gathered again on July 21 for an evening of fun and talent. There were a total of 9 participants. The following are results for the event.

Lead Line Western Pleasure Participants: Kambell Schmidt.

Lead Line Barrels Placings: 1st Kambell Schmidt.

Lead Line Poles Placings: 1st Kambell Schmidt.

Lead Line Flags Placings: 1st Kambell Schmidt.

Lead Line Goat Ribbon Pull Placings: 1st Kambell Schmidt.

8 & Under Western Pleasure Participants: J. Tom Price, Luke Carpenter and Haley Kizer.

8 & Under Barrels Placings: 1st-Haley Kizer; 2nd-Macye Maben; 3rd-Luke Carpenter and 4th-J. Tom Price.

8 & Under Poles Placings: 1st-Haley Kizer; 2nd-Macye Maben; J. Tom Price and Luke Carpenter participated.

8 & Under Flags Placings: 1st-Macye Maben; 2nd-Luke Carpenter; 3rd-J. Tom Price and 4th-Haley Kizer.

8 & Under Goat Ribbon Pull: 1st-Haley Kizer; 2nd-Luke Carpenter; 3rd-J. Tom Price and 4th-Macye Maben.

9-12 Western Pleasure Participants: Avery Price.

9-12 Barrels Placings: 1st-Jett Cabler and 2nd-Avery Price.

9-12 Poles Placings: 1st-Jett Cabler and Avery Price also participated.

9-12 Flags Placings: 1st-Jett Cabler and 2nd-Avery Price.

9-12 Goat Ribbon Pull Placings: 1st-Avery Price and 2nd-Jett Cabler.

13-18 Western Pleasure Participants: Seleste Herridge and Taylor Gass.

13-18 Barrels Placings: 1st-Taylor Gass and 2nd-Seleste Herridge.

13-18 Poles Placings: 1st-Seleste Herridge and 2nd-Taylor Gass.

13-18 Flags Placings: 1st-Taylor Gass and 2nd-Seleste Herridge.

13-18 Goat Ribbon Pull Placings: 1st-Seleste Herridge and 2nd-Taylor Gass.

Horse Club



Haley Kizer participates in the 8 & Under Pole event. She is the daughter of Aaron and Kristi Kizer of Draw.

BORDEN COUNTY ISD 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 AM on Thursday, August 13, 2009:

1992 Blue Bird 48 Passenger Bus
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Vin # 4CDT74M28P2700227

1993 Thomas 48 Passenger Bus
Vin # 4CDT74M26P2700226

1994 GMC 21 Passenger Bus
Vin # 1GDHG31V4RF533981

1972 Chevrolet Van
Vin # 0P4253F104485

These vehicles may be viewed at the above address through August 12, 2009. Please contact Jimmy Thomas at (806) 756-4313 no later than 5:00 PM on August 12, 2009, 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 writing: P.O. Box 95, Gail, Texas, 79738 or by calling (806) 756-4313. Transmissions by fax may be sent to (806) 756-4310.

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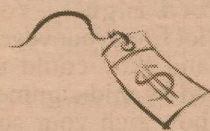
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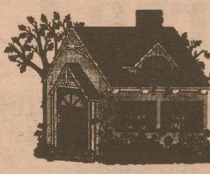


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Heart and Home ...


 by Julie Smith

 Borden County Extension Agent-Family and Consumer Sciences

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Tips for Removing Common Summer Stains

Summer brings about many wonderful activities, but unfortunately, it also brings about stains on our favorite summer clothes. Here are a few tips to follow for the most common stains. Remember, pretreat and wash the garment by following the care label. Never dry a stained garment in the dryer until the stain is completely gone, as the dryer heat will set the stain making it near impossible to get out.

Blood: Soak fresh stains in cold water. Pretreat dried stains with a pretreat product or a liquid laundry detergent. Launder, using detergent and a bleach (chlorine or non-chlorine) that's safe for the fabric.

Grass: Pretreat with a prewash stain remover or liquid laundry detergent. Launder, using detergent and a bleach (chlorine or non-chlorine) that's safe for the fabric.

Juice: Wash with laundry detergent and a bleach (chlorine or non-chlorine) that's safe for the fabric.

Mustard: Pretreat with a prewash stain remover. Launder, using detergent and a bleach (chlorine or non-chlorine) that's safe for the fabric.

Sun screen: Pretreat by using a prewash stain remover and then wash in the hottest water allowed by the fabric care label with a detergent. Inspect and repeat if necessary.

For more information on stain removal from clothing, carpet or upholstery, contact the Extension office.

How to Succeed With Clothes Shopping

School clothes shopping is upon us! Whether you are looking for a new wardrobe for yourself or your child(ren), here are a few tips that can help you get the most value and en-

joyment from the clothes you buy:

1. When you consider a purchase, ask yourself if you like it well enough to wear it two or three times a week for the next six months. If so, you have a winner!

2. Concentrate on solid colors. They are more versatile than prints, so you will get more use out of them. Consider prints as extras. Use your accessories, belts, jewelry, scarves, ties, jackets, and vests to create textured accents.

3. Seek quality instead of quantity. Buy well-made, well-designed clothes in classic styles. Don't overbuy; just buy the best you can afford. When you go to a department store, go first to the designer section. You don't have to buy your clothes there, but you can see what the designers are offering then find similar garments in less expensive departments.

4. Check the color of garments in natural light before you buy them. Store lights can distort colors. What looks great on you in the dressing room might be a suit of a different color when you go outside. Try your clothes on at home before you take the tags off, just to make sure they are right for you. And don't hesitate to return an item if you've changed your mind about it.

5. Buy accessories that will add a touch of color near your face. This will help you avoid looking "washed out" when you wear not-so-perfect colors, or neutrals that require a color accent.

6. Your most two practical colors for shoes, handbags/briefcases, and belts are your hair and skin colors.

7. Don't fret over specific figure faults. You can create an attractive, harmonious look by using your color and style wisely.

A Long Producing Vegetable Garden: *Extend your vegetable growing season with minimal effort*

It's easy to become complacent when your vegetable garden first starts producing in early summer. But to get the most out of your vegetable garden, plan on harvesting into the fall or even the winter, where weather permits.

Keeping your vegetable plants healthy is the first key to a long producing vegetable garden. But even the healthiest vegetable plants will finally exhaust themselves setting fruits and will need replacing. With a little planning, you can easily keep your vegetable garden producing in succession. Here are some simple, but key factors for a long producing vegetable garden and maybe even a whole new fall vegetable garden.

1. Keep Picking Don't give up and leave those over ripened zucchini on the vines. Once a plants fruits have gone to seed, it thinks it is done for the season and begins to decline. Many plants, like squash, beans, peppers and eggplant, will stop producing new vegetables if the existing veggies are left on the plants to fully ripen.

2. Water Regularly Vegetables don't just need water, they need regular, consistent watering. Irregular watering results in diseases like blossom end rot, in cracking and can often make the vegetables bitter tasting. Allowing plants to dry out will stress the plant and cause it to stop producing and to drop whatever blossoms it already has.

3. Control Insects & Diseases Stop problems while they are small. Plants can defoliate from fungus diseases and a plant with no leaves is not going to produce fruit.

4. Feed Lightly You've asked a lot from your vegetable plants and they could use a little food by mid-summer, no matter how rich your soil is. But feed them lightly, especially with nitrogen. Too much nitrogen will encourage a lot of leaf growth and inhibit fruit production.

5. Let the Sun Shine In Make sure the vegetables are

getting enough sunlight. Sometimes by the middle of summer, there is so much foliage that the sunlight can't get through. Most vegetables ripen faster in sunlight and produce tastier fruits. Vegetables that languish in the shade of leaves are more susceptible to insects and diseases.

6. Weed It's easy to let things slide toward the end of summer, but weeds will compete with your vegetable plants for water and nutrients, just when they need it most.

7. Succession Planting Planting crops at intervals will renew your garden by having new plants ready to take over for spent plants. Beans, radishes and lettuce can be seeded every two weeks, for an almost endless supply. Seedlings of early maturing tomatoes can be planted to replace plants that are on their last legs.

8. Fall Planting The cooler weather and shorter days of fall make it a more ideal planting season than spring, as long as an early frost doesn't spoil everything. Peas, spinach, broccoli, cauliflower and greens can all be planted in July and August for harvest in September and October. In milder areas, harvesting can extend into winter.

When seeding in late summer, plant your seeds a little deeper than you would in the spring, to take advantage of

cooler soil and moisture. Shading the newly planted seeds and seedlings will help protect them from the summer sun. Mulch, row covers and taller plants, like your mature tomatoes, can be used for this.

9. Extend the season Cool nighttime temperatures send a signal to many plants to stop producing new fruits. If cool temperatures or a frost are inevitable, cover your crops with floating row covers. These light-weight woven fabric allow light and water to come through, but raise the temperature slightly. If your crops need to be fertilized by insects, the row covers should come off during the day.

10. Share the Bounty With any luck and a bit of work, you'll probably have more vegetables than you can use (or drop off on your neighbor's porch when they're not looking). Why not consider contributing the extras to a local food bank or a program sponsored by Plant a Row for the Hungry (PAR). PAR is a grassroots program sponsored by the Garden Writers Association, that encourages gardeners to donate their surplus garden produce to local food banks, soup kitchens and service organizations to help feed America's hungry. There are over 70 million gardeners in the United States alone. That's a lot of cabbage.

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On the Wild Side of Life
by Cody G. Hill
Borden County Extension Agent –
Agriculture

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Roberson Competes at Texas State Shoot


Matthew Roberson recently competed in the 2009 Texas State 4-H Shoot held at San Antonio from July 22 to July 25. Matthew competed in 100 degree temperatures over this 4 day event.

Results:

International Trap – 44 out of 50 targets placing 18th out of 128 shooters; 5-stand – 37 out of 50 targets placing 30th out of 201 shooters; International Skeet – 35 out of 50 targets placing 12th out of 104 shooters; Sporting Clays – 54 out of 75 targets placing 25th out of 184 shooters; American Skeet – 73 out of 75 targets placing 5th out of 202 shooters; and American Trap – 70 out of 75 targets (tying with 7 other shooters) placing 16th out of 222 shooters.


Matthew also placed 5th High Over All in the American games and 10th overall in all six games combined in the Intermediate Class.

Way to go Matthew!



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Borden County 4-H News



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4-H Booster Club Meeting

We will be holding a 4-H Booster Club meeting on Thursday, August 6, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room. We invite all parents and any community members wishing to be involved in 4-H to attend. We will be planning the 4-H Achievement Picnic and Fall fund raisers! We look forward to seeing you there! For more information, please contact the Extension office at (806)756-4336.

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LCU Grants Degree to Former Student

Lubbock Christian University held commencement exercises in May and among those that graduated was Andrew Lamming of Gail.

Lamming graduated with a Bachelor of Arts-Humanities. While at LCU, he was a member of Koinonia men's social club. He was also involved in Students in Free Enterprise and served as Chief Executive Officer. Lamming is the son of Barbara Bush-Lamming of Gail.

Lubbock Christian University is a private four-year comprehensive institution that promotes unique educational opportunities with a strategic focus on student success in four key areas: spiritual formation, intellectual growth, personal stewardship and leadership development. Degree programs are offered for 29 bachelor's degrees and 14 master's degrees. For over 50 years, the school has offered academic excellence in a Christian environment.

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69th Annual Post Stampede Rodeo Set for Aug 6-8

A cowboy tradition in West Texas for 69 years, the annual Post Stampede Rodeo will kick off August 6 and continue nightly through August 8. Grand entry begins at 7:45 each night. Admission to the rodeo is \$5 and children aged 6 and under are admitted free.

The annual Rodeo Parade makes its way down Main Street in Post Saturday afternoon, August 8 at 3 p.m.

Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys play for the Rodeo Dance Friday night immediately following the rodeo performance. Saturday night's band is the Wes Nixon Band. The dance is under the pavil-

ion on the rodeo grounds. Admission is \$10 per person.

Cowboys and cowgirls like this rodeo because of its great tradition and prize money. This year the rodeo will pay \$8500 added prize money. Books open Sunday, August 1 from 12:00 noon until 8 p.m. – 806-276-5672. The Stampede Rodeo also offers events for the youngsters with a Flag Race (12 & under) and Mutton Bustin' (8 & under). The books open Monday, August 3 at 8 a.m. for these two events – 806-495-2501.

For more information, call the Post Area Chamber of Commerce, 806-495-3461.

Borden County 2009 Graduate Recieves Award



Katherine Froman

Permian Basin Area Foundation announced \$202, 125 in scholarship awards at its 13th Annual Scholarship Dinner recently held at the Midland Count Horseshoe. John James, Midland City Councilman, was the featured speaker at the event.

Scholarships were awarded

to 127 students representing communities throughout the Permian Basin region. Among those receiving scholarships were Katherine Froman of Gail. She received the Marie Hall Scholarship and the Wes-Tex Telephone Cooperative Scholarship. These were made possible by countless donors to the Foundation's 57 endowed scholarship funds. Since 1995, Permian Basin Area Foundation has provided 1,171 awards totaling more than \$1.6 million.

"Communities in the Permian Basin can be justifiably proud of these young men and women," noted Guy McCrary, Foundation president and CEO. "If an organization or individuals are looking for a way to make an investment, one that pays enormous benefits for years to come, I can't think of a better opportunity than supporting education for our youth."

Commissioners Meeting

WHEREAS, On this the 14th day of July, 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.

COUNTY OFFICE REPORTS

After examination of the County Offices Reports, Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve submitted June, 2009 County Offices Reports consisting of Treasurer's Office past months 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 Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the Commissioners Court Meeting of June 23, 2009 were read. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve said minutes. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

WATER SYSTEM HEARING

Commissioner Belew made a motion at 9:05 a.m. to recess Commissioners Court meeting and to call the Public Hearing on the Borden County Water System as required by TCEQ to provide public participation. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

SHOW BARN & RODEO ARENA

Plans for the building of the Show Barn and rodeo Arena were presented by Bert Moffit, representative of Grimes & Associates Consulting Engi-

neers, and Priefert Complex Designs and Ranch Equipment.

COMMISSIONERS COURT ORDER PRIVATE ROAD WORK

Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve the Commissioners Court Order enabling Borden county to construct and or maintain private roads in compliance with Texas Constitution, Art. 3, Section 52f. Commissioner Smith seconded motion. Motion carried.

APPLICATION PRIVATE ROAD WORK

Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve the application form for Road Construction/Maintenance on Private Roads with the provision that all applications expire on December 31 of each year. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Adcock. Motion carried.

DIVISION ORDER

After consideration of the Division Order for the Permanent School Fund, Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Division Order from Sunoco Partners Marketing & Terminals L.P. and authorize Judge Van L. York to sign Order. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ROAD AND BRIDGE BUDGET

Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve the Road and Bridge Fund Special Budget for funds in Precinct 2 and 3 not anticipated as required by Sec. 111.0108 of the Texas Local Government Code. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Reyes. Motion carried.

COUNTY FEE ON VEHICLES

A motion was made by Commissioner Acock to NOT collect the OPTIONAL County Road and Bridge Fee for the year 2010 that can be collected on each vehicle registered in the County. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Reyes. Motion carried.

SPECIAL COURT MEETING

Commissioner Belew made a motion to move th Commissioners Court Special Meeting from July 28, 2009 to July 21, 2009. Motion carried

ACCOUNTS ALLOWED

The current accounts were

50-211
(Rev. 05-06/8)

2009 Property Tax Rates in Borden County

This notice concerns 2009 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
Last year's tax rate:			
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 1,701,211	\$ 0	\$ 0
Last year's debt taxes	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Last year's total taxes	\$ 1,701,211	\$ 0	\$ 0
Last year's tax base	\$ 759,571,166	\$ 0	\$ 0
Last year's total tax rate	\$.22397 /\$100	\$ 0 /\$100	\$ 0 /\$100

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 1,701,211	\$ 0	\$ 0
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 655,245,409	\$ 655,245,409	\$ 655,245,409
= This year's effective tax rate for each fund	\$.25963 /\$100	\$ 0 /\$100	\$ 0 /\$100
Total effective tax rate	\$.25963 /\$100		

(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)

In the first year a county collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, it must insert the following lines unless its first adjustment was made last year:

- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$ 0 /\$100
= Effective tax rate	\$ 0 /\$100

This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$ 1,701,211	\$ 1,701,211	\$ 1,701,211
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 655,245,409	\$ 655,245,409	\$ 655,245,409
= This year's effective rate	\$.25963 /\$100	\$ 0 /\$100	\$ 0 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$.28040 /\$100	\$ 0 /\$100	\$ 0 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ 0 /\$100	\$ 0 /\$100	\$ 0 /\$100
= This year's rollback rate for each fund	\$.28040 /\$100	\$ 0 /\$100	\$ 0 /\$100
This year's total rollback rate	\$.28040 /\$100		

A county that collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, including one that collects the tax for the first time this year, must insert the following lines:

- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$ 0 /\$100
= Rollback tax rate	\$ 0 /\$100

For a county with additional rollback rate for pollution control, insert the following lines:

+ Additional rollback rate for pollution control	\$ 0 /\$100
= Rollback tax rate	\$ 0 /\$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If Borden County adopts a 2009 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$.25963 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2008 taxes by \$ 124.

Schedule A - Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will 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	\$22,556.00
General	\$1,234,486.00
Officer's Salary	\$54,208.00
Permanent Improvement	\$24,640.00
Road & Bridge	\$132,878.00
Precinct 1	\$175,509.00
Precinct 2	\$51,305.00
Precinct 3	\$209,586.00
Precinct 4	\$181,820

Schedule B - 2009 Debt Service

No Debt

Schedule C - Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax

N/A

Schedule D - State Criminal Justice Mandate (For Counties)

The Borden County Auditor certifies that Borden County has spent \$ 0 in the previous 12 months beginning July 1, 2008, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Borden County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

Schedule E - Transfer of Department, Function or Activity

N/A

Schedule F - Enhanced Indigent Health Care Expenditures

N/A

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at County Judge's Office, Borden County Courthouse, Gail, Texas

Name of person preparing this notice Van L. York

Title County Judge

Date prepared July 27, 2009

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

DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE AGENDA

Schedule of rates for Private Road Construction/Maintenance.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Smith made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Reyes sec-

onded the motion and was approved unanimously.

THE FOREGOING MINUTES READ AND APPROVED THIS THE 11th day of August, 2009.

Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit
Tumbleweed Smith

Mr. Brewster and His Art of Living

When I first met Delbert Brewster in the early seventies, I knew he would be a friend for life. There were just a couple of similarities: we both had two kids about the same age and we both were in the midst of trying to get new enterprises going. There the similarities ended. He was big and outdoorsy. I prefer inside endeavors. He liked to hunt, fish, shoot black powder rifles and go on primitive campouts where participants wear buckskin, throw tomahawks and compare knives. I don't do any of those things.

Delbert was a craftsman. He created art from objects in nature. I don't know who first told me about Delbert Brewster and his work with bone, antler, wood and stone. Anyway, I called him at his home in Andrews and asked him if I could interview him. He said he was going to be coming through my town on his way to Comanche, where he grew up. I gave him directions to my house and he stopped by and showed me some of his work. It was exquisite. He did scrimshaw on cow horns, carved images in stone, made wooden containers accented with antlers. He made all sorts of things, some big, some tiny. I didn't see how such a big man with big hands could do such intricate work.

Over the next few decades, our families did things together. When we were building our house near Fort Davis, Delbert showed us how to stucco and did a good bit of the work himself. Our kids climbed in the back of our old pickup and I'd drive them over the mountain roads. They compared it to a carnival ride.

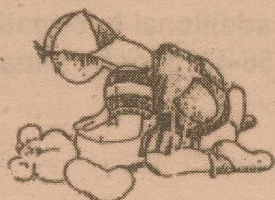
Delbert and his wife Elwana showed up at most of our family's weddings, graduations or other significant events. We always made it a point to attend Delbert and Elwana's annual wild game dinner, which turned out to be big gatherings of forty people or more. The menu included everything from rattlesnake to mountain lion.

Delbert had a career as an art teacher in Andrews before embarking fulltime on his art. He displayed his work at some of the most prestigious art shows in the country. He turned out tons of work, much of it given away because Delbert thought the person receiving it could use it in some way. When we wanted to buy some of his work, we practically had to twist his arm to let us pay for it.

But Delbert's real specialty was the art of living. He was patient, kind, generous and considerate. He was always the same. As an art teacher, he was encouraging to his students and knew how to get them to do good work and be proud of it. To his friends, he was interested in what they were doing. When we hadn't seen the Brewsters for a few months, we'd have long telephone conversations back and forth getting caught up on each other's activities. Delbert never bragged about his accomplishments, but he bragged plenty about his wife, his daughter Regina and son Todd. As you can tell by the past tense, Delbert is no longer with us. He had a massive heart attack while on a fishing trip with friends and family near Lake Livingston. But his art and influence still live.

**We're always here for you
in case of an Emergency!
Just Call Us . . .**

**BORDEN CO
806/759-5111**



Borden County ISD Board Meeting

July 20, 2009

Regular Board Meeting July 20, 2009

The Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District of Gail, Texas met in regular session at 7:33 P.M. in the Borden County I.S.D. Board Room. Board members present were John Anderson, Joel Dennis, Joe Harding, Randy Hensley, Carol Lewis, Dennis Poole, and Mike Valentine. Superintendent was also present. Guests present were County Commissioners Joe Belew and Randy Adcock. County Judge Van York and Ross Sharp were also present.

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

2. There was no community input.

3. Members of the Borden County Commissioner's Court met with the Borden County I.S.D. Board of Trustees to discuss a possible increase in the cost of replacing the County Facilities presently located on the land the School is in the process of purchasing from Borden County. No action was taken.

4. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Joel Dennis to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2009 and July 9, 2009 Board Meetings. The motion carried unanimously.

5. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Carol Lewis to approve the July 2009 bills. The motion carried unanimously.

6. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Mike Valentine to approve scoreboard and sound system upgrades to the current stadium upgrade project at a price of \$42,034 outside of the contingency of the current project. The motion carried four to three with Mike Valentine, Randy Hensley, Dennis Poole, and Joel Dennis voting in favor. Joe Harding, Carol Lewis, and John Anderson voted against.

7. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Joe Harding to provide free meals to school students and

school employees for the 2009-2010 school year and to charge \$3.00 for lunch and \$1.75 for breakfast to guests wanting to eat in the cafeteria. The motion carried unanimously.

8. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Randy Hensley to approve the propane bid submitted by Propane Direct of Big Spring and the gasoline and diesel bid submitted by Lamesa Butane Company of Lamesa for the 2009-2010 school year. The motion carried unanimously.

9. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Carol Lewis to add, revise, and delete policies as recommended by TASB Policy Service and according to the instruction sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 85. The motion carried unanimously.

10. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Joe Harding to set the regular August 2009 meeting for August 17, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. The motion carried unanimously.

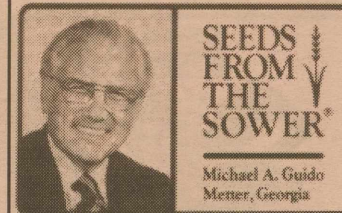
11. A motion was made by Carol Lewis and seconded by Randy Hensley to approve the 2008-2009 Borden County I.S.D. Budget Amendments as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.

12. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Carol Lewis to approve the 2009-2010 local professional salary schedule in association with House Bill 3646 and the regular employee salary schedule as recommended by Mr. Thomas. The motion carried unanimously.

13. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Joel Dennis to approve a Staff Development and Early Release Waivers for the 2009-2010, 2010-2011, and 2011-2012 school years. The motion carried unanimously.

14. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Randy Hensley to solicit bids to sell house #13. The motion carried unanimously.

15. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Carol Lewis to solicit bids for the Borden County I.S.D. Bank



Jimmy Durante was born with a nose that would have embarrassed most people. But he went on to become one of our greatest performers.

One day he was asked, "How did you manage to accept your features?"

He answered, "All of us have schnozzles. That is, we're ridiculous in one way or another. If not in our faces, then in our minds, or habits. When we admit our schnozzles instead of defending them, we begin to laugh and the world laughs with us."

There isn't anything that you and the Lord can't overcome. He promised, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My power is made perfect in weakness."

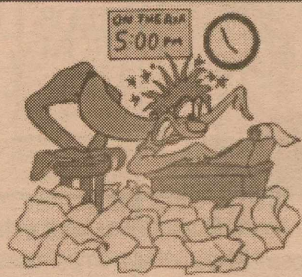
With His power you can turn your schnozzles into success!

**THANK
YOU
FOR
READING
THE
BORDEN
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Depository to begin September 1, 2009 and conclude August 31, 2011. The motion carried unanimously.

16. Mr. Thomas gave a year to date financial report, a construction report, and a personnel report. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Dennis Poole to approve the Superintendent's Report. The motion carried unanimously.

17. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Mike Valentine to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.



Got News?

Mail to:
P.O. Box 137
Gail, Tx. 79738
Email:
kdean@bcisd.net
or call
806/756-4313
ext. 275

Thought for the Day

And when we come to think of it, goodness is uneventful. It does not flash, it glows. It is deep, quiet, and very simple. It passes not with oratory, it is commonly foreign to riches, nor does it often sit in the places of the mighty; but may be felt in the touch of a friendly hand or the look of a kindly eye.

Source: ThisDaysThought.org

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**Bro. Randy
Hardman**
First Baptist Church
Gail
Call: 806/756-4363
Cell: 806/759-9472

BANK DEPOSITORY BID NOTICE/REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NOTICE BORDEN COUNTY ISD BOX 95 GAIL, TEXAS 79738

The Superintendent's Office, on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District will receive bids/requests for proposals to serve as Depository for the purpose of assisting with the banking functions for all funds of the Borden County Independent School District.

Pursuant to existing provisions of Chapter 45, Subchapter G, School District Depositories, Texas Education Code, it is the intention of the Board of Trustees of the District to select a Depository through soliciting bids and/or proposals for a Depository services contract for a term of two years beginning September 1, 2009, and ending August 31, 2011, or until such time as a successor Depository is selected and qualified agrees to a depository agreement based on either fees or compensating balances.

The District and the Depository may agree to extend this contract for two additional two-year terms in accordance with Section 45.205 of the Education Code. This section requires that the contract and any extension of this contract coincide with the District's fiscal year. In the event the District changes its fiscal year, the term of the contract may be shortened or extended no more than one year by mutual agreement to coincide, provided that this contract is to remain in effect until its successor is selected and been qualified. If the parties cannot agree, the District may at its option change the term of this contract.

The resulting contract and any extension(s) shall become binding upon the District and the Depository only upon acceptance by the Texas Education Agency.

The legal provisions providing for the naming of a Depository of the District are set forth in Subchapter G, School District Depositories, Sections 45.201 through 45.209, of the Texas Education Code. Investments by the District will be governed by the Government Code, Chapter 2256, Public Funds Investment. Securities pledged as collateral to secure District deposits will be governed by the Government Code, Chapter 2257, Collateral for Public Funds.

Bidders Conference

A bidders conference/pre-proposal conference will not be held. Bank representation is not required for submitting a bid or proposal; however, the submission of a bid or proposal shall be prima facie evidence that the bidder has full knowledge of the detailed requirements as outlined in this bid and proposal notice.

Bids and Proposals shall be addressed to Jimmy Thomas; Borden County Independent School District; Box 95; Gail, Texas 79738, and shall be delivered in a sealed envelope marked appropriately as "Borden County ISD Depository Bid"/ "Borden County ISD Depository Proposal". Bids and/or Proposals will be received up to but no later than 2:00 P.M. on Friday, August 14, 2009. Bids and/or Proposals will be opened and read as they are received. Banks submitting bids and/or proposals should be careful to see that the appropriate form is used. Bids and/or Proposals will be tabulated, researched, and selected by the Board of Trustees at the regular meeting on August 17, 2009. Bids and/or Proposals received after the specified date will not be considered.

The Borden County ISD Board of Trustees or its designee reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposed bids and/or proposals, to waive any and all technicalities, and to accept the bid and/or proposal that will best serve the needs of the District.

Questions regarding bid and/or proposal forms, and additional information shall be directed to Jimmy Thomas by writing the above address; by fax at 806/756-4310; or by e-mail to jthomas@bcisd.net;

By Order of the Board of Trustees
Borden County Independent School District
Mike Valentine, Secretary