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Homecoming and New Field A Hit For the Coyotes

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Coyotes got to play their first home game of the season Friday night, and on Homecoming night, in front of one of the largest home crowds in recent memory on the new field turf, the home team Coyotes did not disappoint.

The Coyotes completely dominated this game on both sides of the ball as they scored on 9 of their 10 offensive possession, with that one possession resulting in an interception inside the 10 yard line en route to a convincing 70 to 20 final. This game ended early in the 3rd quarter because of the 45 point rule.

The Coyotes got off to a very quick start as Michael Cooley took the pitch from Miles Valentine and followed him along with a great kick out block by fullback Austin Fields and tremendous line blocking by Derek Tatum, RT Shafer and Flynn Chapman to scamper 55 yards untouched on the first play from scrimmage. Chapman made the first of what was 8 for 8 kicking on extra points to make the score 8 to 0. The Coyote defense forced a quick 3 and out to regain possession of the ball. The first team Coyote defense

only allowed 2 first downs and if not for a 67 yard passing play would not have given up a score or more than 20 yards of offense, so a very dominating performance by this unit.

The Coyotes second offensive possession resulted in their only negative result of the day as a Valentine pass that appeared to be a sure touchdown was snagged out of the air one handed to stop a Coyote drive inside the 5 yard line. The Coyote defense would stiffen and force the Sterling City Eagles to turn the ball over on downs. Cooley scored moments later on a 7 yard run after a nice 42 yard pass and run from Valentine to RT Shafer set the Coyotes up at the 7. The score made it 16 to 0.

The Eagles got the nice pass play to set up a 1 yard run to cut the Coyote lead to 16 to 8 after one period of play, but the Coyotes erupted in the 2nd quarter as Valentine again connected with RT Shafer, but this time he covered the entire distance for a 60 touchdown and a 24 to 8 lead after the Chapman kick. The defense again stiffened and on the first play of the Coyotes next possession, Cooley reached the end zone again from 68 yards

2009 Homecoming Queen



Olivia Key was crowned as the 2009 Homecoming Queen during last Friday nights' Homecoming halftime ceremony. She is the daughter of Brice and Darby Key of Gail. She is pictured with her escort, Micheal Cooley. Cooley is the son of Chris and Tracy Cooley of Gail.

out. A few minutes later Cooley had his 4th score for the Coyotes from 7 yards out to push the lead to 40 to 8 after the 5th consecutive Chapman kick.

The 2nd team defense came in and did not fair too well as the visitors managed to put another score on the board to make the score 40 to 14, but

any hopes of making a comeback were quickly thwarted as the first unit offense shifted to the shotgun which only changed Tanner Richey for Austin fields, but the results were the same as some nice blocks resulted in a 60 yard touchdown run by Cooley on first down and quickly the Coyotes again had firm control

of the game at 48 to 14.

Another defensive stop by a mixture of first team players and 2nd team players gave the Coyotes the ball in scoring position. Flynn Chapman got into the touchdown act as he carried the ball on consecutive plays with the final carry re-

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Homecoming Brings Victory Over Eagles...

By Coach Richey

sulting in a touchdown and his 7th kick made the score 56 to 14 at half.

In the 2nd half, the 2nd team defense again gave up a touchdown, but played much better in the process and narrowly missed getting a stop on two different occasions, but nevertheless the Eagles cut the half-time deficit to 56 to 20.

The Coyotes wasted very little time regaining the advantage as Cooley capped off his night and the first team offenses night by taking the hand-off and following some tremendous blocks to skirt 60 yards untouched and after Chapman's 8th straight kick the score was 64 to 20. This time, the 2nd team defense put it all together and managed to get a big stop on the visitors. The 2nd team offense then had their opportunity to put an end to the homecoming game. Karl Lamming connected with Tony Soto for a big 3rd down completion on a screen pass and then had the apparent game ending touchdown pass to Skyler Dear taken off the boards but managed to connect with Zach Telchik on a huge 4th down play to keep the drive alive.

On the very next play, Lamming connected with Brendan Tarleton for a 15 yard touchdown pass to officially end the homecoming game and the Coyotes first experience of playing on the new field. Borden County 70 Sterling City 20.

Leading the way for the Coyotes was Michael Cooley with 13 carries for 330 yards and 6 td's, he also had 3 tackles and 2 passes broken up.

RT Shafer had 2 catches for 102 yards and a score and 2 tackles and a sack.

Miles Valentine was 2 of 5 for 102 yards passing a td and interception, while also making 4 tackles.

David Rodriguez had a tackle and a pass broken up, had 1 catch for 7 yards and one carry.

Quint Shafer had 3 tackles and blocked well.

Skyler had a nice touchdown pass called back.

Zach Telchik had 4 tackles, one for a loss and 1 catch for 8 yards.

Brendan had two kicks for touchbacks and a reception for a 15 yard score.

John Hensley was in on 5 tackles including another sack.

Tanner Richey had a carry on offense and was in on 13 tackles and 2 passes broken up.

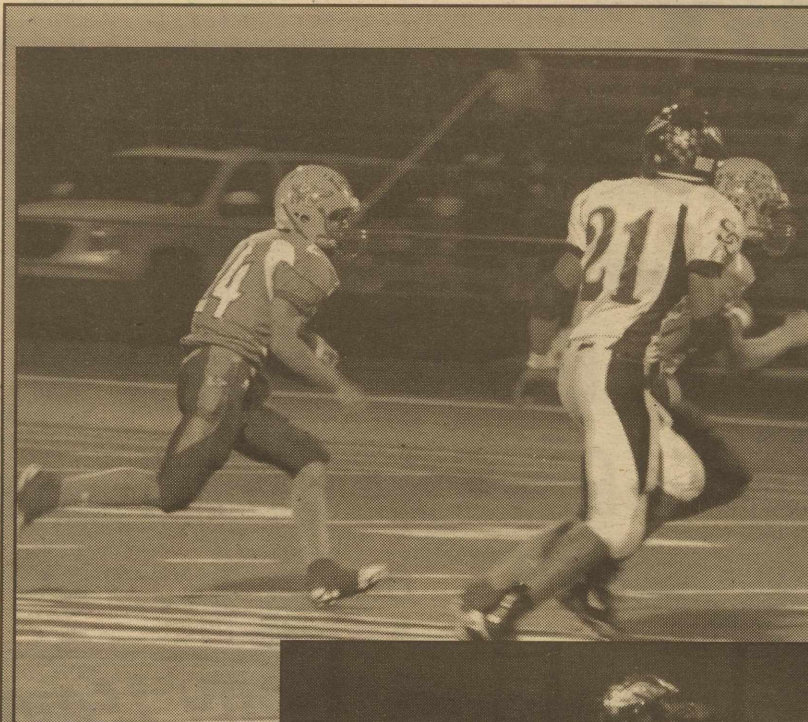
Tony Soto had 1 catch for 30 yards and was in on 9 tackles.

Austin Fields was in on 4 tackles and had a carry for 14 yards.

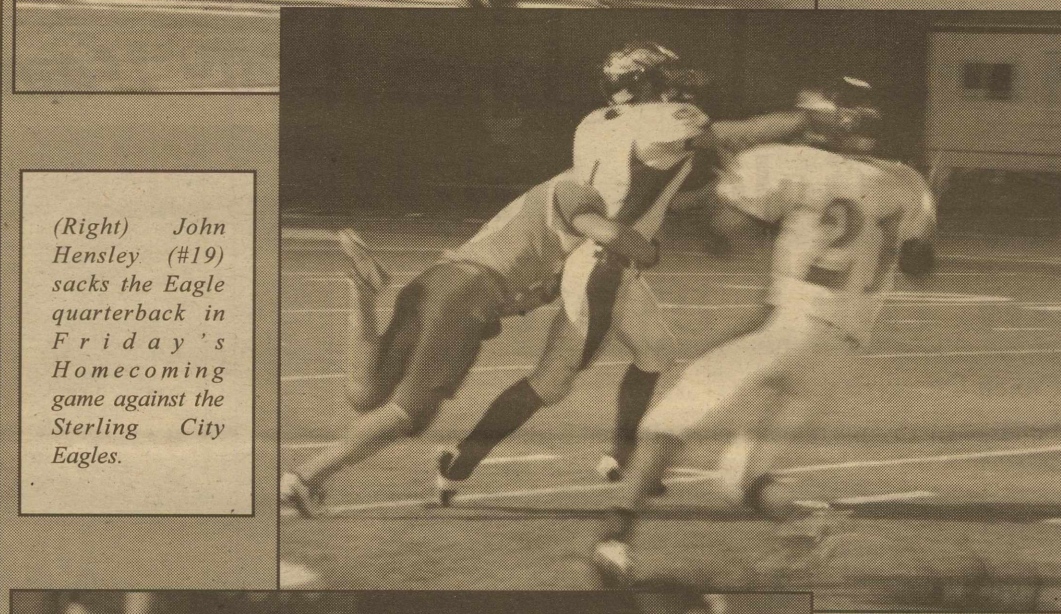
Karl Lamming was 4 of 8 passing for 59 yards and a score had an 9 yard run and was in on 4 tackles with a pass break up.

Derek Tatum was in on 3 tackles and blocked well and Flynn Chapman had 2 carries for 10 yards and a score and 8 of 8 on extra-point kicks while also making 8 tackles including a sack.

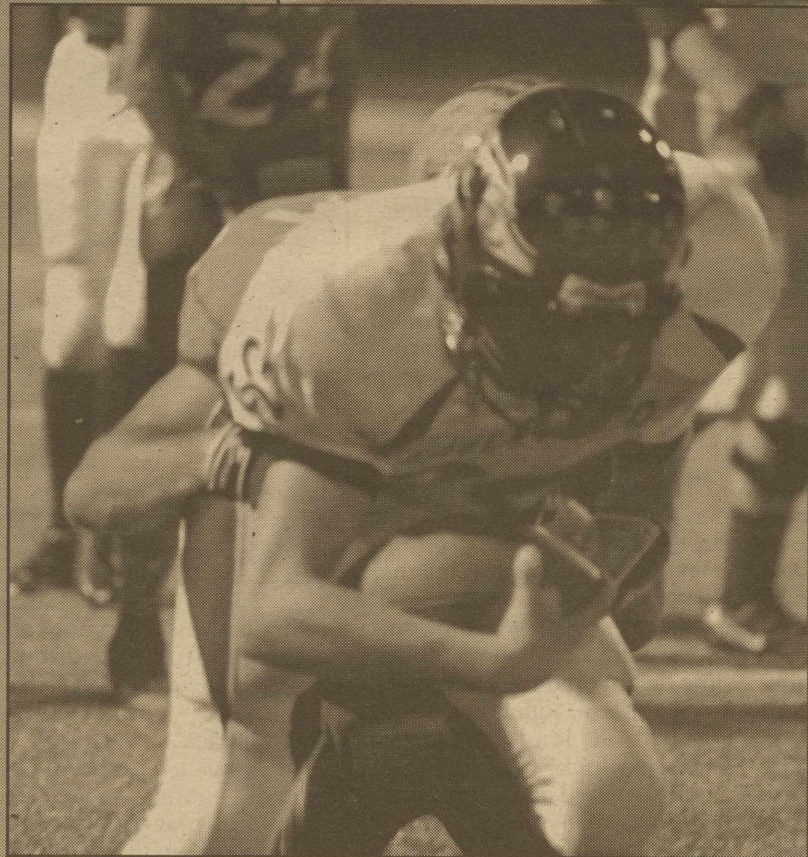
Thank you all for your support, the crowd was amazing. Please continue to support these young men as they begin their quest for back to back district titles as we travel to Buena Vista Friday for our district opener.



(Left) Borden Coyote, Austin Fields (#24) slides around a Sterling City Eagle while Coyote teammates block.



(Right) John Hensley (#19) sacks the Eagle quarterback in Friday's Homecoming game against the Sterling City Eagles.



Coyote cornerback, Zach Telchik (#7) comes from behind to bring down a Sterling City opponent. The Coyotes defeated the Eagles with a 70-20 win.

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Coyote JV Clips the Eagles

By Peter Benavidez

The Borden County JV squad traveled to Sterling City on October 1st to take on the Sterling City Eagles.

The Eagles got out to a fast start as they forced the Coyotes to punt after going 3 and out on their first possession. It became worse for the Coyotes as the same punt was returned for a touchdown making the score 6-0. The PAT was no good.

Steven Howard got things rolling for the Coyotes as he followed some great blocks by Kobie Benham, Austin Tyler, Matt Roberson, and Michael Froman. Howard ran in from 23 yards out to score the Coyotes' first touchdown. The PAT was good as Helio Rosales connected with Luis Andrade on a 3 yard pass which gave the Coyotes a 7-6 lead.

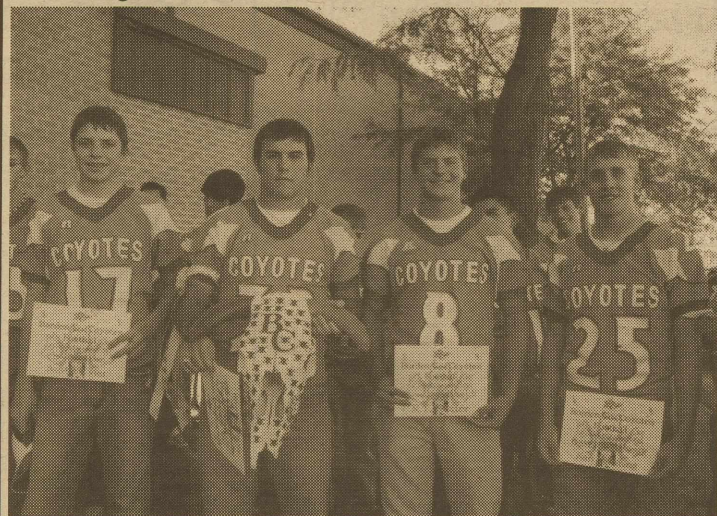
The Eagles came back strong as they scored the game's next two touchdowns both on short runs. This put the Eagles ahead by a score of 18-6. Steven again came

through big for the Coyotes as he had a 60 yard kick return for a touchdown. The PAT was no good making the score 18-13 Eagles. Sterling City scored again before the end of the half to take a 25-13 lead.

By the end of the 3rd quarter, the Coyotes had scored on runs of 5 and 20 yards by Steven Howard. Austin Cope chipped in on the scoring by adding a 6 yard run. Helio Rosales kicked all three PAT's successfully. Steven was able to score due to the great blocking by the aforementioned as well as Collin Telchik, Luke Burkett, Brady Bybee, Jared Smith, and Luis Andrade. The score stood at 37-31 in favor of the Coyotes.

The Coyotes added one score on a 10 yard run by Steven Howard. The PAT was unsuccessful. The final score was 43-31. The Coyotes did a great job of fighting adversity to win this game. The guys did a lot of growing up in this game. Great job, guys!

Players of the Week



Players of the Week for week 6 are (left to right) Austin Tyler (JV-quarterback/cornerback), Flynn Chapman (end/linebacker), R.T. Shafer (end) and Karl Lamming (quarterback/cornerback). Great job!



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Cross Country News

Sundown Meet

The Coyote cross-country team traveled to Sundown this past weekend to run in the Oil Patch Invitational. The girls and junior high boys ran a 2.2-mile course and the high school boys ran a 3.3-mile course. This was the fourth cross-country meet of the year for the high school runners but only the third for the junior high.

In the Junior High Girls' Division, Taylor Gass (15:56.2), Tye Basquez (15:56.7), Mollie McMeans (17:12), Mallory McMeans (19:02), Clair Shafer (19:34), and McKenna Campbell

(20:39) represented the Coyotes. Zach McMeans (15:21) and Ricky Torres (20:54) competed in the Junior High Boys' Division.

Lexi Peterson (18:21) was the sole Lady Coyote representative in the JV Girls' Division. Brendan Tarleton (27:03) and Joseph McConnell (29:33) ran JV as well. David Rodriguez (20:47), Karl Lamming (21:37), Austin Fields (21:43), and Michael Froman (21:50) represented the Red, White, and Columbia Blue in the Varsity Boys' Division. The Coyote cross-country team will run at Lamesa next Saturday.

Parents/Guests

Come enjoy a meal with your child in the Borden County Cafeteria.

\$3.00-Adult

Elementary Lunch-11:20-11:50

Jr. High Lunch-12:15

High School Lunch-12:30



CLASS OF 2011

WINDOW DECALS

5" X 5"

\$5 EACH

Please contact Mrs. Key at school or at 806/756-4313 to make purchase.

School Lunch Menu

October 12-16, 2009

Monday - NO SCHOOL

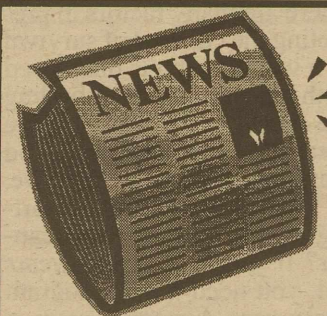
Tuesday - Breakfast: Pop Tart, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken, Potatoes, Corn, Hot Roll, Fresh Fruit and Milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast: Ham, Egg, Biscuit, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Cheeseburger Mac, Green Beans, Carrots, Corn Bread, Mixed Fruit and Milk.

Thursday - Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Polish Sausage, Baked Potato w/Ham & Cheese, Steamed Broccoli, Crackers, Ice Cream and Milk.

Friday - Breakfast: Cinnamon Pastry, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken on a Bun, French Fries, Salad Cup, Brownie and Milk.

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Heart and Home ...

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



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National Breast Cancer Awareness Month

With the fall season now upon us, it is important to remember that October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Today, breast cancer is the most common cancer among women in the United States and the second leading cause of cancer death among North American women. Unfortunately, many women with breast cancer do not even know that they have cancer until it is in its advanced stages. It is estimated that 1 in 8 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in their lifetime, and 1 in 30 women will die of the disease.

So what can we do to decrease our risk of dying of breast cancer? Early detection via health screenings, such as mammography, is an important step. Screening examinations can detect breast cancers early, before symptoms occur, which may make it easier to treat the disease. Screening involves getting mammograms, clinical breast exams, and self breast exams, which are optional. There are many factors in predicting the chances of survival of a woman who is diagnosed with breast cancer, but finding the cancer as early as possible greatly improves the likelihood that treatment will be effective.

When should women start screening for breast cancer? If you are over 40 years old, you need a mammogram every year. A mammogram is an x-ray of the breast that usually involves two views, or pictures, of each breast. Mammograms help find lumps or growths that are too small for you or your health care provider to feel when conducting an exam. Additionally, women who are younger than 40 and have had breast cancer or breast problems or have a family history of breast cancer need a mammogram once a year.

A clinical breast examination is an examination of your breasts by a health professional, such as a doctor, nurse practitioner, nurse, or doctor's assistant. This exam is also known as a CBE. Clinical breast exams should be part of a periodic health exam, at least every three years for women in their 20s and 30s, and every year for women 40 and over. During your CBE, your health care provider may tell you how to perform a breast self-exam, or BSE. By regularly performing BSEs, you will learn how your breasts normally feel, and you will be able to report any changes in your breasts to your health professional as soon as you find them. Finding a breast change does not mean that there is a cancer. You may choose not to do BSEs, or you can just do them occasionally.

Remember: The most important screening tools we have are mammograms and clinical breast exams. To reduce your risks of dying from breast cancer, you need to follow the guidelines on when to get them. Taking charge of your health now can lead to a healthier tomorrow. Start by getting screened this month in recognition of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. For more information, contact your health care provider or Texas AgriLife Extension Service - Borden County at (806)756-4336.

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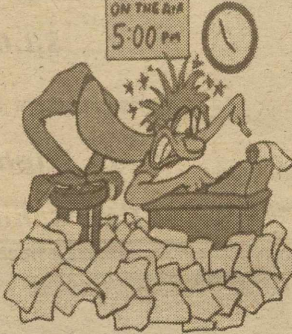
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Thought for the Day

Faith is self-surrender to the great Physician, a leaving of our case in his hands. But it is also the taking of his prescriptions and the active following of his directions.

--Augustus Strong

ON THE AIR
5:00 PM



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October 4-H Meetings



Tuesday, October 6
Cool Clovers from 11:30-12:00
Jr High and High School from 12:35-1:05
Conference Room at School

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Borden County 4-H News

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"I Pledge My HANDS to Greater Service"

Learning how to serve goes right to the heart of valuable life lessons. Whether it's teaching younger children to care for the environment, creating a wildlife habitat for the community, restoring and beautifying a city park that has succumbed to neglect, caring for a prized animal or packing food baskets for an area food bank, 4-H'ers hands are involved in doing.


By pledging their hands to greater service, 4-H members learn marketable skills, responsibility, commitment, teamwork and leadership. They experience the satisfaction of a job well done, the self-esteem that comes from knowing they made a difference, the flush of pride in reviewing a finished project and the warm feeling of camaraderie that comes from working as a team. These are positive experiences and lessons for life.

National 4-H week will be celebrated October 4-10, 2009 in Borden County.

Thank You

We want to thank the Snyder, Post, Borden County and Fluvanna Fire Departments for their response to our house fire on August 29th. We would undoubtedly have lost our home if not for their prompt actions. We appreciate very much the sacrifices of both time and effort of our local firemen in our time of need.

Sincerely,
Ben and Paula Miller



Join us monthly for
FUN WITH 4-H AFTERSCHOOL
to focus on a different project offered through 4-H.

Learn by doing!

Projects are a surprise each month!

Come join the fun and bring a friend!

Get involved in 4-H
It's not just about animals and stock shows!

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills.

Fun with 4-H Afterschool

WHEN:
From 3:45 to 5:30 p.m.
Monday, September 14
Monday, October 26
Monday, November 16
Monday, December 14

WHERE:
Show Barn in Gail
For reservations, please call

WOW!
4-H DOES THAT?

For more information, contact Texas AgriLife Extension Service, Borden County at (806)756-4313 or borden.tx@tamu.edu

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY



*Happy 18th Raylea
We Love You!*

Borden County Booster Club Meeting

*will be held on
Tuesday, October 13th
in the Show Barn
at 6:30 p.m.
Everyone Welcome!*

Flu Shot Clinic

*October 23, 2009
9:30 am - 3:00 pm
in Nurse's Office
\$10*

Medicare and Medicaid Accepted



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3rd & 4th generations still serving this area.

“Co-op Teens Power Texas” Video Competition

Big Country Electric Cooperative, together with *Texas Co-op Power* magazine, invites high school students who live in households served by an electric cooperative to compete in the “Co-op Teens Power Texas” video competition that will award \$4,000 in cash prizes! The mission: create a one – to three-minute educational video showing

Texans how to save electricity in their everyday lives. Students may work alone or in a group, just be sure to share the credit!

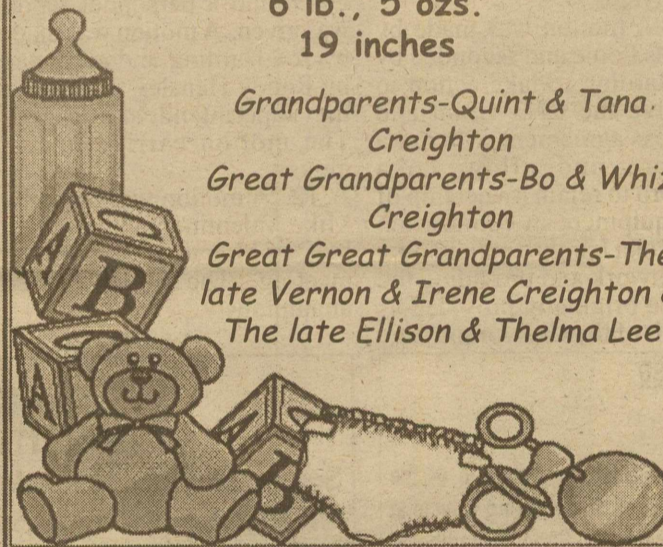
The grand-prize winner will receive \$1,500. If the winner’s school sponsors them in the competition, the school will receive \$1,000. Six runners-up will receive \$250 each. For complete rules, entry forms

and deadline information, go to www.texascooppower.com and click on the Co-op Teens Power Texas link. Applications and video uploads will be accepted until 5:00 pm October 15, 2009. Don’t miss out on a great opportunity!

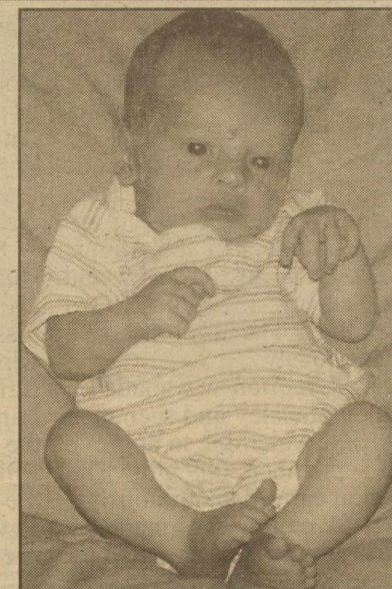


T.J. & Michele Lee Termin would like to announce the arrival of their son

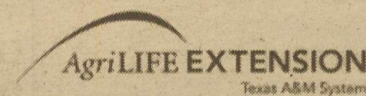
Creighton Gunner Termin
August 31, 2009
6 lb., 5 ozs.
19 inches



*Grandparents-Quint & Tana Creighton
Great Grandparents-Bo & Whiz Creighton
Great Great Grandparents-The late Vernon & Irene Creighton & The late Ellison & Thelma Lee*



*Uncle-Cody Vernon Creighton
Great Aunt & Uncle-Rickey & Cristy Brazael*



Living Well Educational Program BY MAIL

Financial Management in Difficult Times

Participants will be provided information about the various issues that are facing families during this difficult financial time, with a focus on how to budget and save money.

Contact the Extension Office by Wednesday, October 20th if you would like to receive the educational program packet by mail on Financial Management in Difficult Times.

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Borden County ISD Board Meeting

Regular Board Meeting September 21, 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, Randy Hensley, Carol Lewis, Dennis Poole, and Mike Valentine. Superintendent, Jimmy Thomas and principal, Bart McMeans were also present.

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:12 P.M. by John Anderson.

2. There was no community input.

3. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Joel Dennis to approve minutes of the August 17, 2009; August 31, 2009; and September 1, 2009 Board Meetings. The motion carried unanimously.

4. A motion was made by Randy Hensley and seconded by Mike Valentine to approve the September 2009 bills. The motion carried unanimously.

5. A motion was made by Carol Lewis and seconded by

Joel Dennis to sell a used school vehicle at public auction. The motion carried unanimously. (1998 Chevrolet 3500 Four-Door Pickup Vin #1GCGC33R1WF022211)

6. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Randy Hensley to set a special meeting for 6:00 P.M. on October 13, 2009 and the regular meeting for 7:00 P.M. on October 19, 2009. The motion carried unanimously.

7. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Randy Hensley to cancel the November 3, 2009 School Board election as a result of no opposition or write-in candidates to the four persons signing up for a place on the ballot. The motion carried unanimously.

8. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Joe Harding to take action to dissolve the CN3 Grant and wireless agreement with Poka Lambro and allow Poka Lambro to retain ownership of the equipment in conjunction with Poka Lambro maintaining the network and providing the service originally provided as a result of the CN3 Grant. The

motion carried unanimously.

9. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Carol Lewis to approve the payment of \$1,200,000 for the purchase of land from Borden County for the site to build the new school facility. The motion carried unanimously.

10. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Joe Harding to approve Borden County Extension Agents as adjunct staff members for the 2009-2010 school year in order to be able to count students present on 4-H trips for attendance purposes. The motion carried unanimously.

11. Mr. Thomas gave a year to date financial report, reported that 219 students were enrolled as of September 15, 2009, and a personnel report was given. A motion was made by Joe Harding and seconded by Randy Hensley to approve the Superintendent's Report. The motion carried unanimously.

12. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Carol Lewis to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Polar Express Ride Returns to Lubbock

LUBBOCK, Texas (October 1, 2009) – The Polar Express Train Ride will return to Lubbock beginning November 13th through December 19th (except November 26th) from 6:00pm to 8:00pm at the site of Lubbock Water Rampage, 6602 Marsha Sharp Freeway.

Inspired by the award-winning book by Chris Van Allsburg, the magic of *The Polar Express* will come to life as the train makes a round-trip journey to the North Pole. Passengers are invited to wear their pajamas on the train. En route to the North Pole, the book, *The Polar Express*, will be read, music from the movie will be played and passengers will be served hot chocolate and cookies by the chefs. At the North Pole, Santa Claus and the elves will await the passengers, and then board the train to meet the children and sing Christmas carols. Each child will receive a silver bell from Santa Claus.

At the event site, a Winter Fun Land will be available for attendees to visit before or after their train ride. A gift store will also be open.

Ticket prices are as follows:

Regular coach seating:
Passenger coaches

Adults: \$26.50; Children (2-12 years): \$17.50

Premium seating: Upper or lower seats in the special Dome car plus a souvenir commemorative The Polar Express mug filled with hot chocolate and topped with whipped cream

Lower Dome seating:
Adults: \$36.50; Children (2-12 years): \$27.50

Upper Dome seating:
Adults: \$41.50; Children (2-12 years): \$32.50

Ticket prices include sales tax; additional ticket handling charge from ticketing agency may apply. Tickets will be on sale beginning Thursday, October 1st and may be purchased through Ticket Web, a national ticketing agency, online at www.ticketweb.com or by phone at 1-866-468-7630. All ticket sales are final.

For more information, visit www.westtexaspolarexpressride.com.

Visit Lubbock is the official destination marketing entity for the city of Lubbock. For a free visitor guide call 800-692-4035 or visit www.VisitLubbock.org.

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 vehicle at the Lubbock Auto Auction located at 1122 East 34th Street in Lubbock, Texas at 10:00 AM on Thursday, October 8, 2009:

1998 Chevrolet Pickup 3500 4-Door
Vin # 1GCGC33R1WF022211
Miles 106,492

This vehicle may be viewed at the above address through October 7, 2009. Please contact Jimmy Thomas at (806) 756-4313 no later than 5:00 PM on October 7, 2009, if you would like to submit a bid on this vehicle.

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.

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

CALENDER FOR NOVEMBER 3, 2009 ELECTIONS CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ELECTION

September 4, First day to submit application for early voting by mail.
October 5 Last day to register to vote
October 19 Early voting by personal appearance begins
Early voting located in Clerks Office in Courthouse
October 27 Last day to receive application by mail
October 30 Last day to vote early by personal appearance
November 3 ELECTION DAY

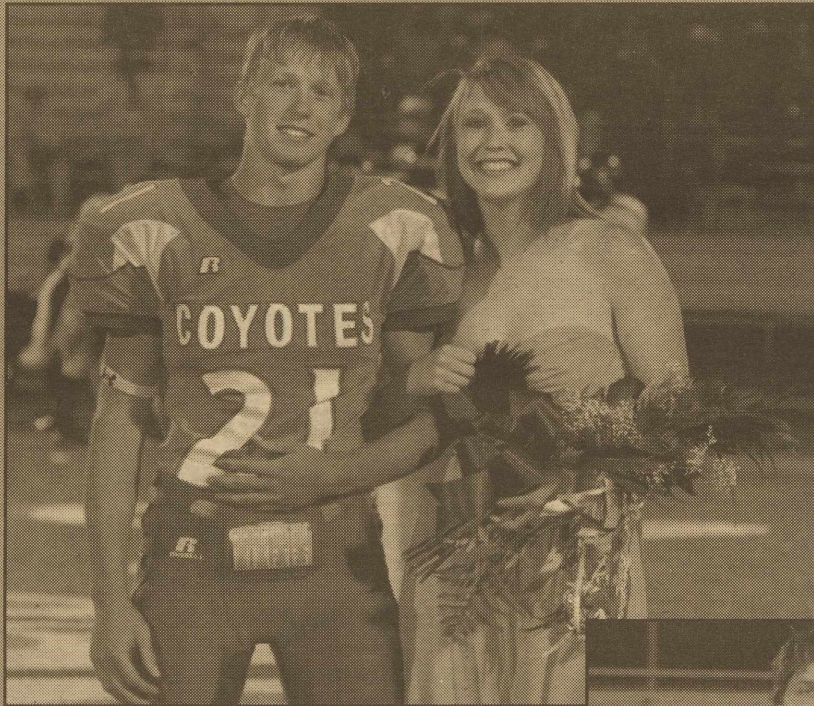
Contact Joyce Herridge, County Clerk if you have a question

PUBLIC NOTICE- FINANCIAL INTEGRITY RATING SYSTEM OF TEXAS BORDEN COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC MEETING 6:00 P.M.; OCTOBER 13, 2009

The Borden County Independent School District Will Conduct a public meeting as required by State Law to review the District's Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas which is referred to as the FIRST Rating. This meeting will take place in the Borden County School Cafeteria at 6:00 P.M. on Tuesday, October 13, 2009.

The 2009 School First Ratings were based upon an analysis of staff and student data reported for the 2007-2008 school year, and budgetary and actual financial data for the 2008 fiscal year.

Homecoming 2009



(Above) **Homecoming Queen**-Olivia Key was chosen as the 2009 Homecoming Queen. She is pictured with her escort Michael Cooley.

(Right) **Band Sweetheart**-Kylie Vos was chosen as Band Sweetheart. She is the daughter of Ray and Tammy Simmons of Gail. She is pictured with her escort, Brendan Tarleton.

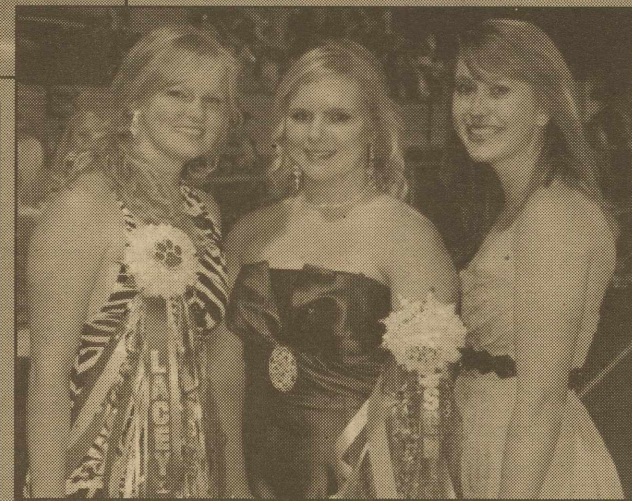
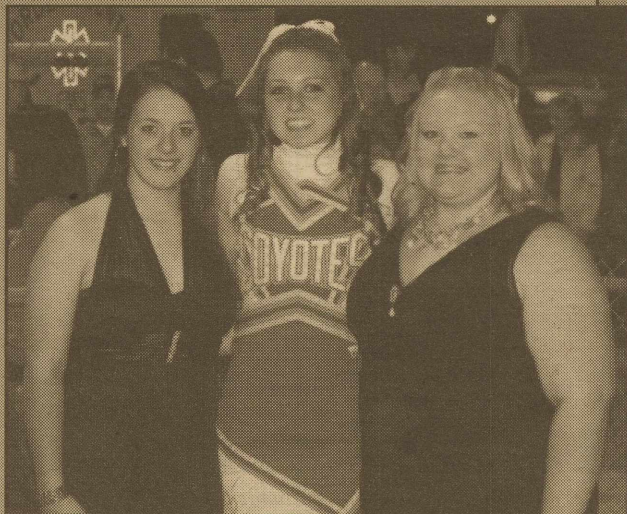
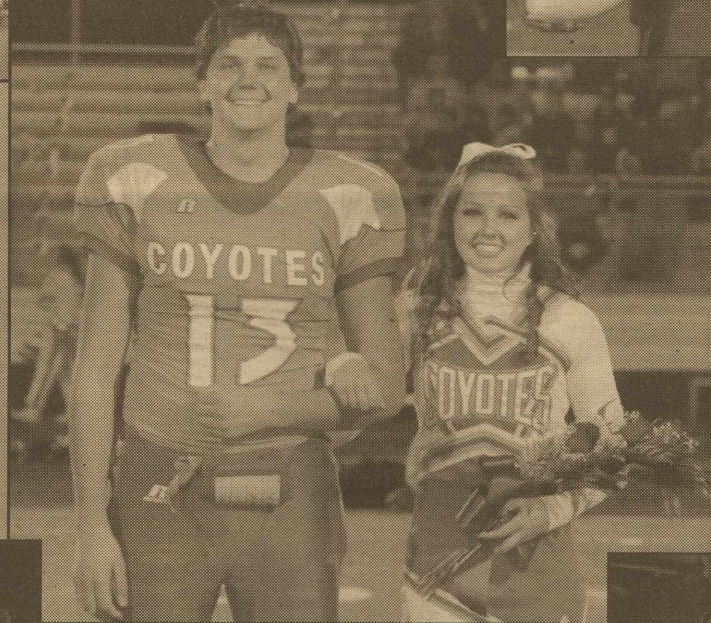
(Bottom left) **Band Sweetheart Candidates**-Candidates for Band Sweetheart are (left to right) Seleste Herridge, Kylee Voss and Stealie Sanders.

(Bottom center)-**Football Sweetheart Candidates**-Candidates for Football Sweetheart are (left to right) Taylor Richey, Teryn Soto and Stefanie Cooley.



(Above) **Football Beau and Sweetheart**-Brendan Tarleton was chosen as Football Beau. He is the son of Tarey Tarleton of Gail and Bill and Sheryl Tarleton of West. Taylor Richey was chosen as Football Sweetheart. She is the daughter of Trey and Hayley Richey of Gail.

(Bottom) **Homecoming Queen Candidates**-Candidates for Homecoming Queen are (left to right) Lacey Roberts, Kagan Benham and Olivia Key.



Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit
Tumbleweed Smith

The Calf Had Murder Branded On It

One of the most intriguing stories to come out of the Texas mountain country is one that took place more than a hundred years ago near Marathon. I visited with Carl Williams in Midland the other day and he has done some research on the story. Carl is a former sheriff of Brewster County where the incident occurred and is writing a book about some of the lawmen, crimes and criminals of the Big Bend.

In the 1890's the Indians had pretty much left the Big Bend and ranchers had moved in along with an occasional outlaw or two. There were few lawmen in this vast country and many times disputes were settled with gunfire. Sometimes the shooting incidents went unreported.

The range was open then, no fences. Ranchers helped each other round up cattle. Once the herds were separated, the calves were identified and branded be-

fore they were sold. This story took place in the Glass Mountains of Northeastern Brewster County during January of 1890. A rancher named Henry Harrison Powe owned a small herd and joined other ranchers in rounding up calves that were missed in the fall roundup. During these roundups, owners of large ranches sent representatives to make sure their calves didn't end up with someone else's brand.

Powe's young son R. M. Powe is the one who has given the most accurate account of what happened that day. He was helping with the roundup of several thousand cattle. His father selected a calf he thought was his and got it ready to brand. But a representative of one of the larger ranches, Finus Gilliland, thought it belonged to his employers, Dubois and Wentworth Ranches. The calf was moved back and forth while each man

claimed ownership. Anger turned to rage and finally Powe went to a nearby horse and removed a gun from the saddlebag. He fired a shot at Gilliland, but missed. Gilliland fired back and shot Powe to death. He mounted his horse and fled the scene.

Young Powe rode to Alpine to report the shooting to Sheriff James B. Gillett. A search party was formed and riders began looking for Gilliland. The sheriff sent a description of Gilliland to area law enforcement officers. Just by chance one day in the Glass Mountains, Gilliland encountered a couple of Texas Rangers, Thalix T. Cook and James Putnam. A gunfight ensued and Gilliland was killed.

Carl Williams says at this point, legend gets mixed up with fact. Nobody wanted the calf. Neither of the two entities that claimed ownership would brand it. Someone branded the word MURDER on the side of the calf and it was set free to roam the range. Some say an apparition of the calf appears and disappears like the Marfa lights at bunk houses, bars, saloons or lonely spots where violence and murder have occurred. Some say the sheriff shot the calf to prevent further hard feelings and killings.

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Cheering on the Coyotes: (above) 2009-2010 Borden County Varsity Cheerleaders are (top row left to right) Chelsey Sapp, Krista Tarleton, Teryn Soto, (bottom row left to right) Stefanie Cooley, Taylor Richey and Kylie Voss. (left) 2009-2010 Jr. High Cheerleaders are (top row left to right) Sydnie Day, Tye Basquez, Maeghan Herridge, (bottom row left to right) Claire Shafer and Taylor Gass.