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USDA Authorizes Emergency Grazing of CRP Acres for Local Counties

(POST, TEXAS) – December 7, 2012 - Garza-Borden County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director, Victor Ashley today announced that Garza and Borden Counties were authorized for emergency grazing use of Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acres for fiscal year (FY) 2013. This authorization brings the total to 41 counties approved to graze CRP acres.

The CRP emergency grazing authorization for fiscal year 2013 begins immediately for a 90 day period, not to exceed February 28, 2013.

Based on a decision made by the Texas FSA State Committee, CRP emergency grazing approval will only be available for those CRP lands that were not utilized for haying or grazing during fiscal year 2011 or 2012. FSA's fiscal year runs from October 1 to September 30.

"Eligible producers who are interested in emergency grazing of CRP must request approval before grazing eligible acreage and obtain a modified conservation plan from the Natural Resources

Conservation Service that includes grazing provisions," said Ashley. "Current provisions allow grazing on 100 percent of a field, up to the 75 percent stocking rate," he said.

Additionally, there will be a 25 percent CRP payment reduction for CRP acres used for grazing under these emergency provisions.

To take advantage of the emergency grazing provisions, authorized producers can use the CRP acreage for their own livestock or may grant another livestock producer use of the CRP acreage. The eligible CRP acreage is limited to acres located within the approved county.

For more information and to request approval for emergency grazing use of CRP acres contact the Garza-Borden County FSA office at 806-495-2801 x 2.



The circumstances you find yourself in today are the result of your thoughts, actions, and intentions. Although you may find yourself in a situation resulting from circumstances beyond your control, you can determine where you go from there.

Your journey through life is strongly influenced by your beliefs. You will never seek to attain anything you believe to be impossible. Even if you believe something is possible, you have to feel you are worthy and deserving of it before you can attain it.

What you feel you deserve is shaped by your self-image. A surprising number of people don't believe they are worthy of success or good things in life. If this is your belief, you are imposing limitations on yourself.

To determine how you arrived at your current situation, you need to look at the choices you've made in the past. Every decision you make affects you, and some choices have a chain reaction with far reaching effects.

Although you can't change what has happened in the past,

understanding the causes and effects enables you to avoid repeating things you would rather change as well as perpetuating circumstances you are happy with.

Here are some steps to help you proactively control the direction of your life.

Assess and alter your beliefs

Since your belief system defines the boundaries within which you live, you must adjust those beliefs that restrict your progress. Some beliefs are so ingrained that you may not be aware of their existence. Ask yourself the question, "Why can't I accomplish what I want to do?" The answers will give you insight into your beliefs.

Once you understand what

beliefs are limiting you, you can begin to adjust them. Work on them one at a time rather than trying to alter everything at once. That which has limited you in the past does not have to continue restricting you in the future.

Control your thoughts

Your thoughts are based on your beliefs. When you think something is possible, you are right. When you think something is impossible, you are also correct. Your thoughts control your actions. You can't accomplish something you think is impossible.

Thoughts are the one thing you have total control over. You can choose whatever

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Dare to Live Without Limits

By Bryan Golden

How Did You Get Here?

EARLY DISMISSAL

Friday, December 21st, school will be dismissed for the holidays at 12:30 p.m. and the buses will run at that time.

Classes will resume on Monday, January 7th at 8:00 a.m.

Coyotes Take on Lubbock Christian Eagles in Finals

By Coach Edwards

For the second time in three years, the Borden County Coyotes made the finals of the Borden County Invitational Tournament. And both times the foe was the Lubbock Christian Eagles.

The Eagles came out firing on all cylinders in the first quarter of play hitting three field goals behind the arc and six field goals inside the paint outscoring the Coyotes 22-8. But Borden County fought back and won the second quarter 14-11. The Coyotes would cut the lead to seven points four times in the second half. But each time the Eagles seemed to hit a big three point shot to extend their lead back to double figures. Even though the Coyotes managed to put together three good quarters, the Eagle hot shooting, including nine three pointers, was too much and Lubbock Christian won the tournament for the third time in four years 60-43.

Tanner Richey was the leading scorer with 20 points. Helio Rosales added nine points and Korbin Martinez scored eight points. Kurt Shafer chipped in four points and Matt Proulx with two points

In the semi-final round, Borden came back from being down by five with less than four minutes to play and won a thriller 46-44 over Seminole J.V. The Coyotes trailed 10-6 after one period of play, but a 20-13 second quarter in favor of the Coyotes gave them a 26-23 halftime lead. The Indians would take a three point lead into the final quarter, but Borden's defense came up with an answer outscoring Seminole 13-8.

Richey led all scorers with 19 points followed by Shafer who had an outstanding performance with 17 points. Rosales contributed seven points and scoring all seven in the fourth period. Sean Tucker added three points to the total

The Coyotes had a play in

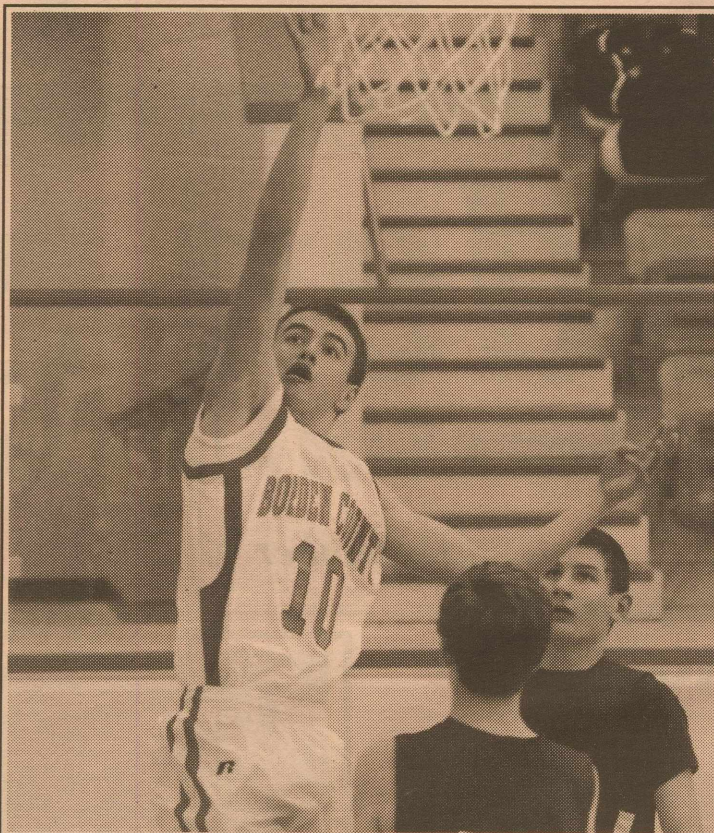
game on Thursday versus Lorenzo and won it with ease, 71-28. Richey's four three point field goals allowed him to be the leading scorer with 20 points. Sean Tucker and Jared Smith each added 11 points followed by Shafer with nine points. Proulx knocked in eight points and Rosales with seven points. Martinez finished the scoring with five points.

In the night cap and second game for the Coyotes on Thursday, Borden County defeated the Mustangs of Wilson 52-34.

After a 14-14 score at the end of the first quarter, Borden County's defense put a halt to the Mustangs allowing only two second quarter points and scoring 13 of their own. Borden would outscore Wilson 25-18 in the second half and secure the victory.

Richey led all scorers with 25 points. Jared Smith finished the night with eight points and Kurt Shafer added seven points. Matt Proulx contributed six points while Rosales chipped in four points. Martinez finished the scoring with two points.

Borden County is 6-2 on the season.



Borden County's, Korbin Martinez, stretches to put the ball in the basket in Fridays' game against the Wilson Mustangs.

Lady Coyotes Suffer Disappointing Loss in Championship Game

By Coach Skelton

The Lady Coyotes opened up with Ralls in their annual Tournament Thursday. The Lady Coyotes jumped out to an early 23-6 1st quarter lead and at half was up 28-11. The Ladies from Ralls made a better showing in the second half outscoring the Lady Coyotes 25-15. The final however was Borden County on top 43-36.

Scorers in the game were: Taylor Gass 15, Kaylyn Dean 10, Tatum Richey 9, Kylie Voss 5, Tye Basquez 3, Kalyn Massingill 1

In the evening game played that Thursday pitted the Lady Coyotes against the Wilson Lady Mustangs. The first quarter pressure by the Lady Coyotes proved again to be too much for their opponent. The girls jumped out to a 20-8 first quarter lead and by half time extended that lead to 43-11. Not wanting a repeat from the first game the Lady Coyotes came out gunning in third scoring 21 points while only giv-

ing up 7. The final was Borden County 75 Wilson 27.

Scorers in the game were: Voss 24, Gass 18, Basquez 9, Shafer 6 Massingill 6, Dean 5, Richey 5, McKenna Campbell 2.

Friday evening's game between the Lady Coyotes and 3A Seminole Lady Maidens JV proved to be a good game on paper, but would it translate to the floor. The first quarter saw the home team up 13-4 and close first half with the Lady Coyotes up seven 21-14. The Lady Coyotes picking off where they left off the previous game came out to start the 3rd with a blistering 19 points while holding Seminole JV to 7. The Lady Coyotes by defeating Seminole JV 47-27 advanced to the Championship game against LCHS.

Scorers in the game were: Gass 18, Voss 13, Dean 6, Shafer 4, Lexi Peterson 2,

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School Lunch Menu

Dec. 17 - 21, 2012

Menu subject to change

Monday - Breakfast: Biscuit, Sausage & Gravy, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Cheese Enchilada, Refried Beans, Garden Salad, Salsa, Hot Cinnamon Apples and Milk.

Tuesday - Breakfast: Egg Patty & Toast, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Hot Dog, Potato Rounds, Fresh Veggie, Fresh Fruit, Chocolate Chip Cookie (9-12 grade only) and Milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Vegetable Soup, Baby Carrots, Fruit Cup and Milk.

Thursday - Breakfast: Breakfast Cookie, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken Nuggets, Garden Salad, Green Beans, Apple Slices, Crispy Cereal Treat and Milk.

Friday: Breakfast-Managers Choice, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch-Hamburger, Fresh Veggie, Baby Carrots, Fruit & Milk.

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Merry Christmas from the Borden Star

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Coyote JV Struggle in Borden County Invitational Tournament

By Coach Edwards

The Borden County Junior Varsity got a chance to play at a higher level of play by competing in the Borden County Invitational against varsity squads. The Junior Varsity squad struggled a bit but gained some valuable experience.

In their tournament opener, the Coyotes fell to New Home's varsity squad 39-23. The Coyotes only trailed 22-15 at the half, but struggled to score in the second half scoring only eight points.

Frank Banman was the team's leading scorer with six points followed by Matt Ham and Riley Herridge with five

points. Jordan Martinez added four points and Tristen Benavidez chipped in three points.

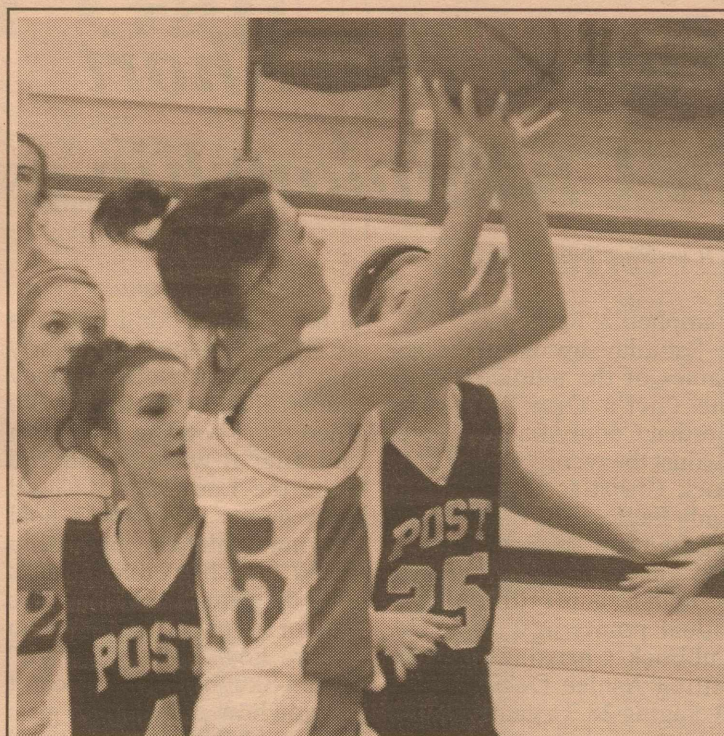
The following afternoon the Coyotes competed against 2A Post. The Antelopes just had too much size and speed for the Borden County JV squad outscoring them 47-7 in the first half of play. The Coyotes continued to play hard and strived to get better in the second half, but the Antelopes won the game 76-19.

Banman lead the team in scoring with 12 points. Jordan Martinez added five points and Tristen Benavidez finished with two points.

In the final game of the tournament for the Coyotes' junior varsity, the Lorenzo Hornets outlasted Borden County 41-29.

Lorenzo got the best of the Coyotes in the first half outscoring them 26-11, but Borden County fought back and won the second half 18-15.

Leading scorers for the Coyotes were Jordan Martinez with nine points. Matt Ham and Tristen Benavidez chipped in six points each followed by Frank Banman with four points. Zach McMeans and Riley Herridge contributed two points.



Mallory McMeans scores for the JV Lady Coyotes against the Post Lady Antelopes.

Coyote Pups Continue Win Streak

By Coach Edwards

Borden County Junior High hoopsters continue their win streak at three games defeating Sands 42-19.

Early pressure in the game was the difference in the game as the Coyotes jumped out to an 18-1 first quarter lead. Another strong defensive second quarter extended their lead 26-5 to end the first half. The Coyotes outscored the Mustangs 11-2 in the third quarter to give them a huge buffer to close out the contest.

Trace Richey lead the Coyotes with 14 points followed by Diego Bernal with eight of his own. Hunter Jones added six points and Corbin Sumners contributed five points. Braxton Coor, Kale Yarbrow, Kace Lott, and Ryan Willborn each added a bucket. Jayton Lewis closed out the scoring with a point.

Borden County will resume play vs Wellman Junior High in Gail at 7:00 p.m.

Merry Christmas

The Annual Christmas Music Program will be held on Thursday, December 20th at 7:00 p.m. in the School Auditorium. Students need to be present at 6:45 p.m.

Coyotes Take on Kingdom Prep

By Coach Edwards

The Coyote Varsity hoopsters traveled to Lubbock to play Kingdom Prep in a matched game. After a bit of "bus lag" early on, Borden County was able to put together a string of runs and pick up their third victory of the young season 59-44.

The Coyotes jumped out to a quick 8-0 lead, but Kingdom Prep answered with 10 straight of their own to take a 10-8 lead at the end of one quarter of play. A couple of three point field goals by Korbin Martinez helped kick start a 16-7 second quarter victory for the Coyotes.

Martinez was able to knock down another bucket behind the arc and added three free throws during the 3rd quarter to extend Borden's lead to 43-24. Tanner Richey sealed the deal scoring 10 points in the final quarter.

Richey lead the team in scoring with 19 points followed by Martinez with 14 points. Sean Tucker, who came alive, added eight points while Jared Smith and Matt Proulx chipped in six points. Kurt Shafer scored four points and Helio Rosales added two points.

JV Lady Coyotes Make Strong Showing at Tourney

By Peter Benavidez

The Lady Coyote JV squad made a very strong showing at the Borden County Tournament this year. The Lady Coyotes did their best against Varsity squads that are either playoff teams from last year in Lorenzo and New Home or a team in Post that is under 2A classification. The girls battled in each of the three games but came out short in each game.

Mollie and Mallory McMeans, Zoie Key, Cheyenne Tucker, Holly Bradbury, Lexi Cheatham and Bailey Robinson all did a great job in taking on this challenge. The first challenge was in the form of the New Home Leopards who made a strong run in post season play last year. The Lady Coyotes fell behind early in the game but were able to bring it back to within 10 points at one point in the second half. The final score was 24-38 in favor of New Home.

The scoring for this game is as follows; Mallory McMeans 7, Zoie Key and Holly Bradbury 6 each, Mollie McMeans 3, and Bailey Robinson 2.

The next game was against 2A Post. The Lady Coyotes made big strides in this game as they continue to learn. The

Lady Coyotes managed to score 27 points against a very tough and very quick Post team. Although they tried their best the Lady Coyotes lost to the Lady Antelopes varsity by a score of 27-54. Scoring for this game is as follows; Zoie Key 12, Holly Bradbury 6, Mallory McMeans 5, Cheyenne Tucker and Mollie McMeans each had 2.

The last game in the tournament for the Lady Coyotes was against a very seasoned Lorenzo Lady Hornets. Not to mention, the Lady Hornets also brought some size in against the Lady Coyotes. The Lady Coyotes did a great job of handling the pressure and had a noteworthy accomplishment - everyone was able to score. The final score of this game was 15-48.

The individual scoring is as follows; Zoie Key 5, Bailey Robinson and Mollie McMeans both 3, Holly Bradbury and Lexi Cheatham both 2, Cheyenne Tucker and Mallory McMeans each with 1 point. Congratulations to the BC JV Lady Coyotes on a great job in our own tournament. They turned huge obstacles into points of learning and made great strides in their basketball achievements. I am very proud of all of you.

Ladies Fall Short in Championship...

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Campbell 2, Richey 2. Saturday saw one of the best games of the tournaments in the Girl's Division. The Borden County Lady Coyotes against the record setting Lubbock Christian High School Lady Eagles. The Lady Eagles set the team 3 point record in one game (11), individual 3 point in a game (10), and individual points in a game 44. Lubbock Christian's record setting Ashlee Delacruz was averaging 28.7 a game coming in to the night match up. Not to be intimidated the Lady Coyotes worked some defensive magic, and at the end of the first quarter was up 18-14, and holding Lady Eagle, Delacruz to 7 points. The end of the first half the Lady Coyotes was up 35-26 with Delacruz held to 9

points. The second half the LCHS Lady Eagles cut majorly into the Lady Coyotes, but they were still up two points 41-39. Then there was the final horn and after it was all said and done the Lady Coyotes fell three points shy of their goal of winning the Championship 47-50. "It is like I told the girls after the game. If we play like that for the rest of the year who knows how far we can go" Coach Skelton stated. "I can't tell you how proud of the girls I am, and how they represented themselves, and this school." "This will be one of those games I remember 20 years from now."

Scorers for the game were: Gass 12, Dean 11, Voss 9, Basquez 7, Soto 6, Shafer 2.



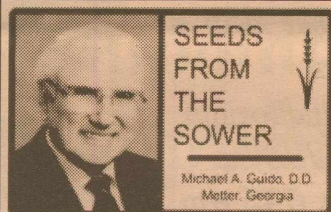
Lady Coyote, Kaylyn Dean stands strong against a Lubbock Christian player in the championship game of the Borden County Invitational Tournament this past weekend. The Ladies lost to the Lady Eagles 47-50.



Lady Coyotes, Tatum Richey (left) and Taylor Gass (right) double team a Seminole player in Friday's game against the Lady Maidens.

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May each one of us dedicate our hearts and homes to the Lord this Christmas Eve!

Coyote JV Travel to Grady to Take on the Wildcats

By Coach Edwards

The Borden County Junior Varsity squad started their season last Tuesday in Grady with a 54-22 victory.

The Coyotes played with some early on jitters but was able to build a 22-11 halftime lead. The Coyotes found some offense in the third period and outscored the Wildcats 17-5. Borden County increased their defensive pressure in the fourth quarter allowing only

five points and adding 15 points of their own.

Frank Banman led all scorers with 19 points and was followed by Riley Herridge with 10 points. Matt Ham, Jordan Martinez and Tristen Benavidez each chipped in six points while Colby Pennell added four points to the total. Zach McMeans also contributed with three points.

This Day's Thought

There are certainly things in this life that God can reveal to us only in the midst of adversity. There are hidden places deep in our souls He can reach only through our suffering.

-Mary Nelson



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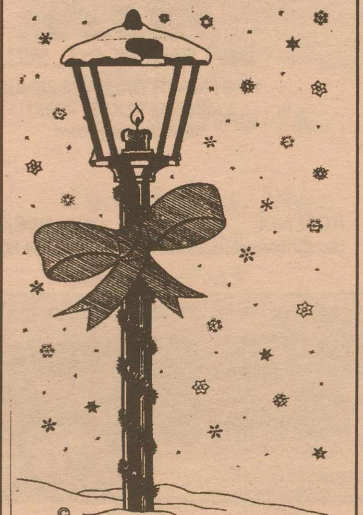
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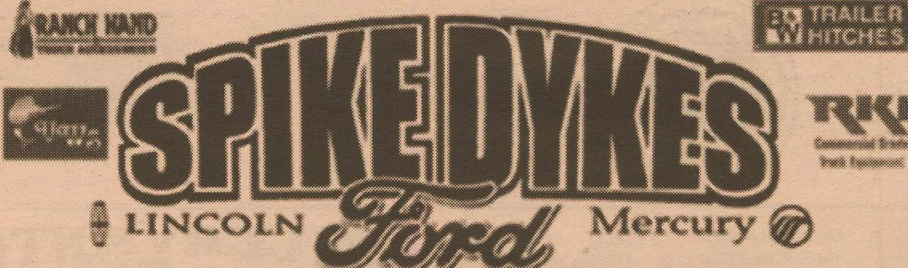
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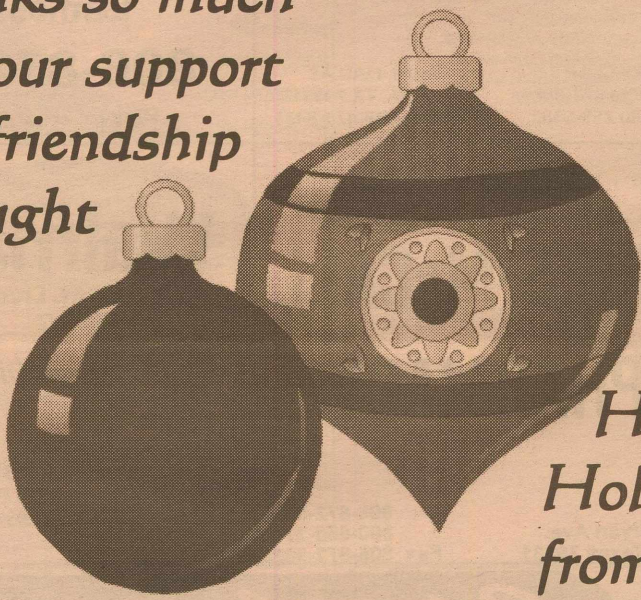
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Commissioners Meeting

WHEREAS, On this the 27th day of November, 2012, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Special Session in the Commissioners Court room in the courthouse of Gail, Texas, the following members of the court being present, to-wit:

ROSS D. SHARP, County Judge, Presiding; **MONTE SMITH**, Commissioner, Precinct N. 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.

Other officers present: Ben Smith, County Attorney.

CALL TO ORDER

Judge Sharp called the November 27, 2012 Special Session of Borden County Commissioner Court to order at 8:40 a.m.

MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the Commissioners Court Meeting of October 9, 2012 were read. Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve said minutes. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the Commissioners Court Meeting of November 13, 2012 were read. Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve said minutes. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

SEAL COAT PROGRAM

Court met with Don W. Bonifay, P.E. with Bonifay & Associates concerning 2013 seal coat program. No action was taken.

LIFE INSURANCE

Bill Atchley with New York Life Insurance visited with the Court.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Belew made a motion to adjourn Commissioners Court and to enter into Executive Session. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner

Smith made a motion to close the Executive Session and Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Belew made a motion to reconvene the Commissioners Court Meeting. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Adcock. Motion carried.

Sharlot Stone, County Treasurer in attendance.

ROAD CONSTRUCTION/ MAINTENANCE

Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve Brande Buchanan application to construct a new road west off east side of 2 acre block 80 in Precinct No. 2. Commissioner Belew seconded the motion.

SOIL CONSERVATION CONSTRUCTION

An application for Soil Conservation Construction was received from Rickie Gass for

fireguards in Precinct No. 4. Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve application. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ACCOUNTS ALLOWED

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

DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE AGENDA

Consider County surplus items.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Smith made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion and was approved unanimously.

THE FOREGOING MINUTES READ AND APPROVED THIS THE 11TH DAY OF December 2012.

Public Notice

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BORDEN
ORDER PROHIBITING
CERTAIN FIREWORKS IN
UNINCORPORATED AREAS
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WHEREAS, the Texas Forest Service has determined that drought conditions exist in Borden County; and

WHEREAS, on the 11th of December, 2012, the Commissioners Court of Borden County has determined that the normal danger of fire in the unincorporated areas of Borden County is greatly enhanced by the extremely dry conditions now existing;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Commissioners Court of Borden County adopts this Order prohibiting the sale or use of restricted fireworks in the unincorporated areas of Borden County.

A. No person may sell, detonate, ignite or in anyway use fireworks classified under 49 C.F.R. part, 173,100 (r)(2) (10-1-86 edition), as "skyrockets with sticks" and "missiles with fins" in any portion of the unincorporated area of Borden County.

B. This Order does not prohibit;

1. Common Fireworks,

small in size classified as Class C explosives;

2. Large fireworks devices designed primarily to produce visible or audible effects by combustion, deflagration, or detonation and classified as Class B explosive by the U.S. Dept. of Trans (Tex. OCC. CODE, Chapter 2154).

C. A person commits an offense if the person knowingly or intentionally violates a prohibition established by this Order. An offense under this order is a Class C Misdemeanor.

APPROVED ON THIS 11TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2012 BY THE BORDEN COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT.

Ross Sharp
County Judge
Joyce Herridge
County Clerk



Borden County ISD Regular Board Meeting

November 26, 2012

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 Board Room of the Borden County I.S.D. Board members present were John Anderson, Joel Dennis, Joe Harding, Randy Hensley, Carol Lewis, Dennis Poole, and Mike Valentine. Superintendent, Jimmy Thomas was also present.

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 P.M. 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 October 22, 2012, board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

4. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Randy Hensley to approve the November 2012, bills. The motion carried unanimously.

5. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Joe Harding to set the regular December board meeting for December 17, 2012, at 7:00 P.M. The motion carried unanimously.

6. A motion was made by

Randy Hensley and seconded by Joe Harding to allow Jimmy Thomas to purchase a new pickup for the vocational agriculture department. The motion carried unanimously.

7. A motion was made by Carol Lewis and seconded by Joel Dennis to amend the 2012-2013 Borden County Independent School District Budget as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

8. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Joe Harding to modify the local board policy pertaining to local sick leave. See Attachment. The motion carried unanimously.

9. Mr. Thomas reported that 238 students were enrolled as of November 14, 2012, gave a second six-week student failure and honor roll report, gave a construction project report, and gave a personnel report. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Randy Hensley to approve the superintendent's report. The motion carried unanimously.

10. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Joe Harding to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.




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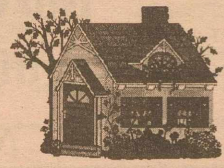
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6-Nov-12	Spur	5:00	There	JVG/VG
9-Nov-12	Roby	6:00	There	JVG/VG
13-Nov-12	Ropes	4:00	Home	ALL
16-Nov-12	Ira	4:00	Home	ALL
20-Nov-12	Garden City	4:00	There	ALL
27-Nov-12	Saugraves	4:00	There	ALL
Nov 29-Dec 1	Post Tourney	TBA	There	VG/VB
Dec 6-8	BC Tourney	TBA	Home	VG/VB
11-Dec-12	Wellman*	4:00	Home	JVG/VG
14-Dec-12	Hamlin	5:00	Home	JVB/VB
14-Dec-13	Grady*	4:00	There	JVG/VG
18-Dec-12	Blackwell	5:00	There	JVB/VB
18-Dec-12	Loop*	4:00	There	ALL
21-Dec-12	Klondike*	4:00	Home	ALL
Dec 27-29	Jayton Tourney	TBA	There	VG/VB
Jan 3-5	Forsan JV Tourney	TBA	There	JVG/VB
4-Jan-13	Dawson*	4:00	There	ALL
8-Jan-13	O'Donnell*	4:00	Home	ALL
11-Jan-13	Sands*	4:00	There	ALL
15-Jan-13	Wellman*	4:00	There	ALL
18-Jan-13	Grady*	4:00	Home	ALL
22-Jan-13	Loop*	4:00	Home	ALL
25-Jan-13	Klondike*	4:00	There	ALL
29-Jan-13	Dawson*	4:00	Home	ALL
1-Feb-13	O'Donnell*	4:00	There	ALL
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Heart and Home ...


by Julie Smith
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Protect Home, Family Against Unseen Danger: Carbon Monoxide

The weather has finally turned colder. That means turning off the air conditioner at home and turning on the heater. That also means making sure the home's heat-producing appliances run the way they are supposed to, said an expert from Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service.

Having the heating system checked before winter starts could prevent a tragedy – carbon monoxide poisoning, said Janie Harris, Extension housing and environment specialist. "Carbon monoxide is an odorless, colorless gas that interferes with the delivery of oxygen in the blood to the rest of the body," she said. "Even though carbon monoxide will not explode, it can be dangerous – even deadly – to you and your family."

Symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning include headache, nausea and disorientation, Harris said.

This dangerous gas can be produced inside a home if carbon-containing fuels are incompletely burned, she said. "The gas must be exhausted to the outside," she said.

These fuels include natural gas, coal, wood, fuel oil and charcoal the sources used most often in home heating. The culprits include oil or gas furnaces and cooking appliances, water heaters, fireplaces and wood stoves that aren't working or vented properly, Harris said.

"Two common sources of carbon monoxide in homes in Texas are the gas furnace heat exchanger and the gas hot water heater," she said. "As homes have been built to be more energy efficient, they have fewer places where fresh air can leak into the home. In order for fuel-burning equipment to operate correctly and safely, it must have a source of fresh air for complete combustion. The ventilation system should provide the fresh air."

A negative pressure could be created inside the house, causing these gases to be pulled back inside in a process called backdrafting, Harris said. Other sources of carbon monoxide are unvented kerosene and gas space heaters, fireplaces, gas or wood stoves, automobile exhaust from attached garages and tobacco smoke, she said.

To protect home and family from the dangers of carbon monoxide this winter, Harris suggested the following steps:

- Have the home furnace checked by a professional who will make sure the burners and vent systems are working correctly and the heat exchanger isn't cracked.
- Look at the area around the furnace to make sure enough fresh air can flow in. A home's furnace should not be in a tightly enclosed space.
- Make sure the water heater and the furnace flue have no internal obstructions or leaks near the joints.
- To test a gas water heater while the burner is on, hold a lighted match under the draft hood. The flame should burn upward. If the match flickers downward or goes out, the exhaust may have a back flow and is releasing carbon monoxide into the house.
- Open the damper of a fireplace or wood stove so combustion gases will flow outside.
- Never use a gas range to heat the house.
- Don't leave cars or lawn mowers running in an attached garage. Carbon monoxide given off by these vehicles can drift into the house.
- Make sure all combustion equipment and appliances in a home are installed correctly, are properly maintained and

have adequate ventilation.

- Don't use all of the home's exhaust vents and the clothes dryer at the same time. This could create negative pressure in the house, pulling carbon monoxide back inside.

"If you have the fireplace burning and turn on the kitchen exhaust vent, you will likely smell smoke," Harris said. "This means the fireplace is not drawing the carbon dioxide out, but is backdrafting. If you use only one of the exhaust fans bathroom, kitchen or dryer the backdrafting will not likely occur."

- Use carbon monoxide detectors near sleeping areas and fuel-burning appliances. Choose detectors that have Consumer Product Safety Commission and Underwriters Laboratories seals of approval.

- If a carbon monoxide detector goes off, call the fire department immediately and get everyone out of the house. Anyone with symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning should be taken to an emergency room.

For more information about this and other home environment issues, visit Texas A&M AgriLife Extension's Family and Consumer Sciences Web site at <http://fcs.tamu.edu/> and click on the link to "House and Home."



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Take action

Action leads to results. You can believe in yourself and have all the right thoughts, but without action, nothing will happen. From the smallest task, to the largest undertaking, action takes place one step at a time. Taking the first step, no matter how small, is critical because it gets you started.

Procrastination is action's enemy. There are countless numbers of people who have the greatest unrealized intentions because they put off taking action. Every day you wait is a day permanently lost.

Visualize the results you want

Visualize yourself attaining your goals. In your mind, have a picture of success. This mental image will guide your actions. Your mind works 24 hours a day to figure out how to make the images you have into reality.

Visualization is much more than daydreaming. It is a specific focus combined with consistent action in support of your goals. Visualization can be practiced virtually anytime and anywhere. The more you do it, the more powerful it becomes.

The combination of beliefs, thoughts, actions, and visualization is essential for reaching the destinations of your choosing. You are in control of your future.

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4-H Canned Food Drive

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4-H Food Challenge

If you would like to participate in the Food Challenge contest, please contact Julie to sign up. We will have our first meeting before school is out for Christmas break.



With Heartfelt Thanks

We can't tell you how much we appreciate your prayers, love, cards, gifts and encouraging words that got us through this difficult time. We are so blessed to have such wonderful family and friends that care for us..

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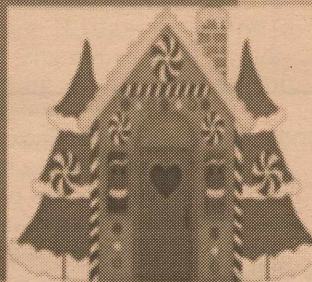
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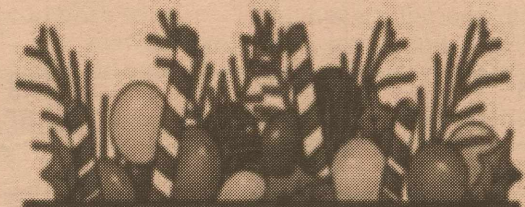
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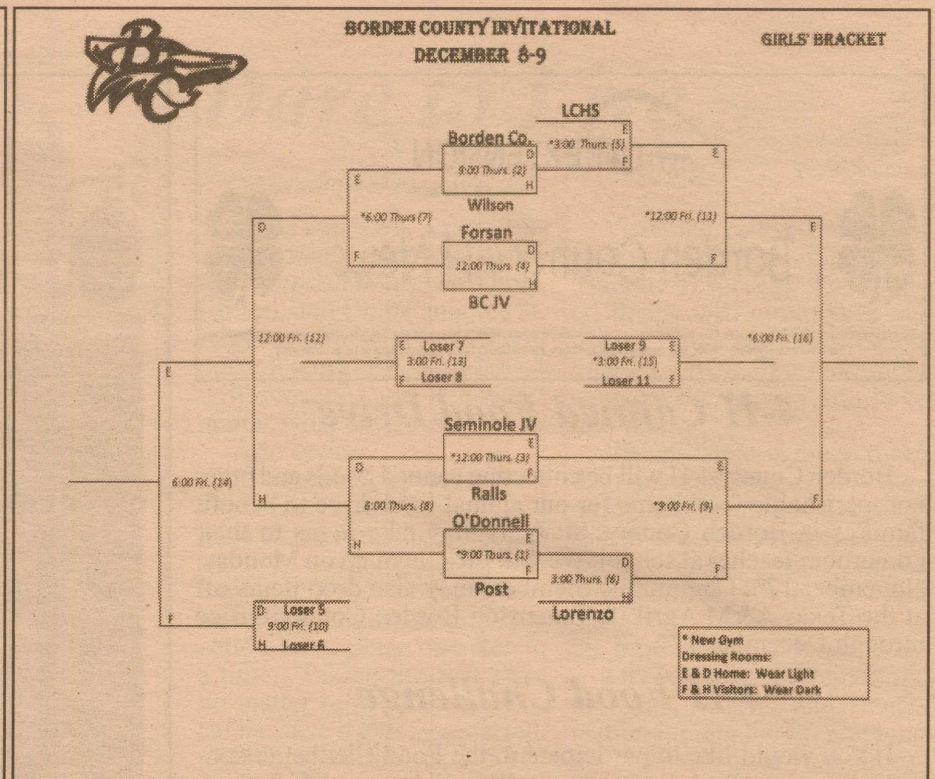
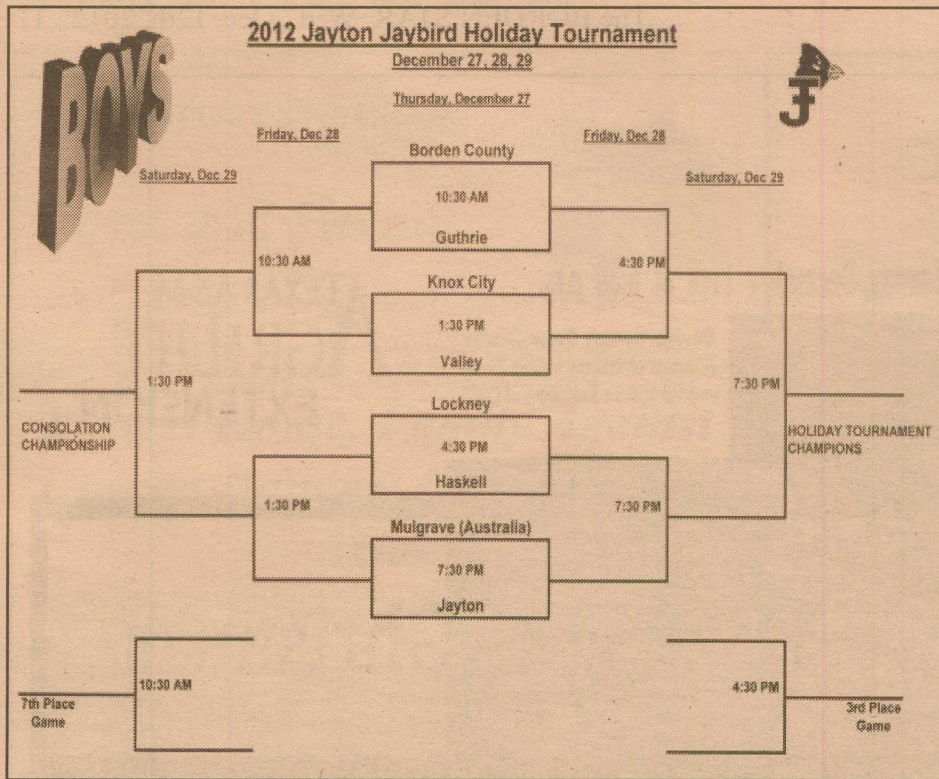
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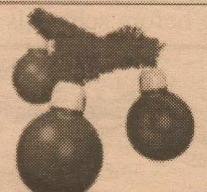
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Merry Christmas



DECEMBER 2012



December 22, 2012 – January 6, 2013 Christmas Holidays

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Aspermont Tourney-B Big Spring Tourney-G
					State Leadership Contest – Sam Houston State- Huntsville	
2	3 JH BB vs. Sands, There 6:00 OAP Practice @ 6:30	4 BB VS. Knox City, Here-TBA bB	5	6 BC Tourney-GB	7 BC Tourney-GB	8 BC Tourney-GB
9	10 JH BB vs. Wellman, Here-6:00	11 BB vs. Wellman/Hamlin, Here 4:00 gG bB	12 JH & Elementary UIL Awards Ceremony 2:30	13 OAP Practice @ 6:30	14 BB vs. Grady, There- 4:00 gG Blackwell, There 5:00 bB	15
16	17 JH BB vs. O'Donnell There-6:00 OAP Practice @ 6:30	18 BB vs. Loop, There 4:00 gGbB	19	20 Christmas Concert 7:00	21 End of 3rd Six Weeks/Semester Early Release 12:30 BB vs. Klondike, Here-4:00 gGbB	22 Work Day
23	24	25 	26	27 Jayton Tourney-GB	28 Jayton Tourney-GB	29 Jayton Tourney-GB
30	31	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS				