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## Coyotes Dominate The Wildcats on Homecoming

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Coyotes dominated the Water Valley Wildcats on Friday in front of a large 2015 Homecoming crowd. The Coyotes got off to a very fast start then battled through the slowdown strategy of the visitors milking the clock on every play and trying to pound the smaller Coyotes. In the end, the home teams speed and quickness dominated on both ends of the field winning this Homecoming contest, which also marked the final non-district game for the 2015 season.

Borden County would receive the opening kick-off and on the very first play of the game, junior Corbin Sumners would follow nice blocks by senior Korbin Martinez, classmates Braxton Coor, Diego Bernal and Hunter Jones and sophomore Trace Richey as Sumners raced 70 yards untouched for the first score of the contest. The extra point kick would be blocked, but that would be the only time this group would not connect on the evening as the Coyotes led 6-0 only a few seconds into the

contest. The Wildcats came right back and used a very methodical drive converting a couple of 4<sup>th</sup> downs and running their play with only a second or 2 on the play clock trying to slow the home town team down by using as much clock as possible. In the end, the Wildcats reached pay dirt to knot the score at 6 apiece with 4:49 left in the first quarter after taking 5 minutes off the clock. The Coyotes would quickly respond capping off a fast 3 play drive that had a nice 17 yard run by Sumners followed by a 38 yard pass play from Jones to Bernal before the jumbo package came into the game. Richey followed the blocks of Kale Yarbro, Bernal, Coor, Martinez and Jones to score from 3 yards out to make the score 12 to 6. On the extra point kick, Jones held the ball that was snapped by Nathan Souder and Easton Edwards would kick the first of 6 in a row to make the score 14 to 6.

The Borden County defense would stiffen on the next possession forcing a 3 and out and a punt, but on the punt a Coyote inadvertently touched the ball allowing the visitors to jump on the ball and regain possession and set up shop deep in Coyote territory. The defense of Corbin Sumners,

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## Texas Stories

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### *The Proper Way to Propose Marriage*

When my grandson Jackson was entering his teenage years he told his dad, "You're not going to have any trouble with me." He has lived up to that promise he made to his dad. Jackson has his sights set on living a life that lets him be comfortable with his conscience. In high school he was active in choir, was on the swim team, played the violin and acted in plays. He made good enough grades to earn him a scholarship to college.

Jackson attended Millikin University in Decatur, Illinois. If his high school years were impressive, his college years were off the charts, full of significant accomplishments. He was president of his fraternity, wrote a book, graduated summa cum laude and was the spokesman for his class at graduation ceremonies. His speech was interrupted dozens of times with either laughter or applause.

Jackson has been out of college just a couple of years and will turn 25 this month. Many of his fraternity brothers moved to Chicago after graduation, so Jackson moved up there, too. His girlfriend Erika Davidson, whom he met in college, also lived in Chicago. Jackson's degree is in creative

writing. His first job out of college was with a recruiting company that found jobs for people. He didn't find that to his liking, so he left there and took a part time job at Starbucks so he could look for something better. He is now with a growing public relations firm and has had two raises in the past year.

Jackson called us a few weeks ago and said he and Erika were getting serious and were thinking about marriage. He said he loved her very much. Jackson was 12 years old before we had other grandchildren. He and his parents let us take him all over the country, from coast to coast and border to border and then some. He became like a son to us. I guess you get the idea we think he's special. My wife Susan and I made a trip to Chicago to visit with Jackson and Erika. Susan and Erika had lunch one day while Jackson and I took a walk along lake Michigan.

While he and I were resting on a bench during our walk, he asked if it would be OK if he made a phone call. I said sure. He called a man called Captain Chris, who has a private boat he hires out for special occasions. Jackson had called him

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### *On the Heels...*



Trace Richey (#20) is one the heels of a Water Valley ball carrier in Friday's game against the Wildcats. The Coyotes defeated the Wildcats 60-12.

# Coyote JV Early Mistakes Key in Loss Against Sands

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Coyotes traveled to Sands on Saturday to play the #12 Sands Mustangs for their Homecoming game and if not for a few mistakes the Coyotes would have given the Mustangs more than they bargained for. The nerves showed early as the Coyotes took the opening kick-off and put the ball on the ground twice before they could get the nerves to settle. On the 4<sup>th</sup> play, a pass was just out of the reach of a Coyote receiver that would have resulted in a touchdown to start the game for them, but unfortunately it resulted in turning the ball over on downs. The Mustangs and their high powered offense almost made a big mistake late in their drive as a late pass back across the field was almost intercepted, but with the good fortune the Mustangs would answer and get on the board first taking a quick 8-0 lead. The Coyotes who had 3 young men drop down to help the JV, consisted of Braxton Barnes, Nick Proulx, Morgan Wilson, Brian Torres, Noah Morales, JW Nix, Trent Collins, Jeremy Souder, Payton Merket and Lukas Grantham truly compete, but you could tell the nerves were something they struggled with early and often. This again showed itself on the second drive as Borden County fumbled the ball back to Sands and they quickly answered to extend their lead to 16 to 0 in the first quarter.

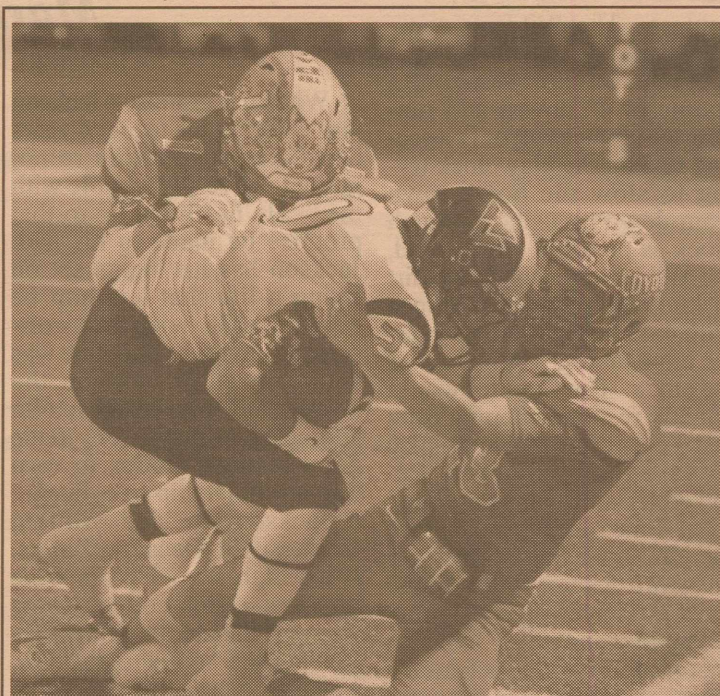
On the next drive, the Coyotes finally got some things going and Nick Proulx would follow some nice blocks to get them on the board from 22 yards out. Braxton Barnes kicked the point after attempt out of the hold of Morgan Wilson and snap of Jeremy Souder to make the score 16 to 8. The Coyotes again looked poised to stop the Mustangs as another errant pass was almost intercepted by the visiting team only to allow the Mustangs to continue their drive that would end up finishing in the endzone and a 24 to 8 lead in the first. The Coyotes would answer as Morgan Wilson would connect

with Noah Morales to set us deep in Mustang territory and Brian Torres would get in from 5 yards out to make the score 24 to 14. The Coyote defense would get a stop and then moments later just as the quarter would draw near to closing, Wilson found Morales again, this time a 32 yard scoring strike to cut the #12 Mustangs lead to 24 to 20. Unfortunately for Borden County, that would be it as the mistakes and the Mustangs would take over. The Coyotes had several near misses following the final score. One, a receiver fell down as the ball got to him causing a very difficult catch that could have potentially been a touchdown. The Coyotes got inside the 5 and fumbled. They fumbled inside

their own 10, the Coyotes threw an interception when we had a receiver open that was returned for a score and then just as it seemed it couldn't get any worse a long run ended with Borden County's 5<sup>th</sup> turnover of the contest and as a result the home town team came away with a 66 to 20 final score.

All in all, I was very proud of the guys, they competed extremely well and gave the Mustangs all they could handle for a long time but the inexperience proved too much, but a great experience for these young men that will make them so much better down the road.

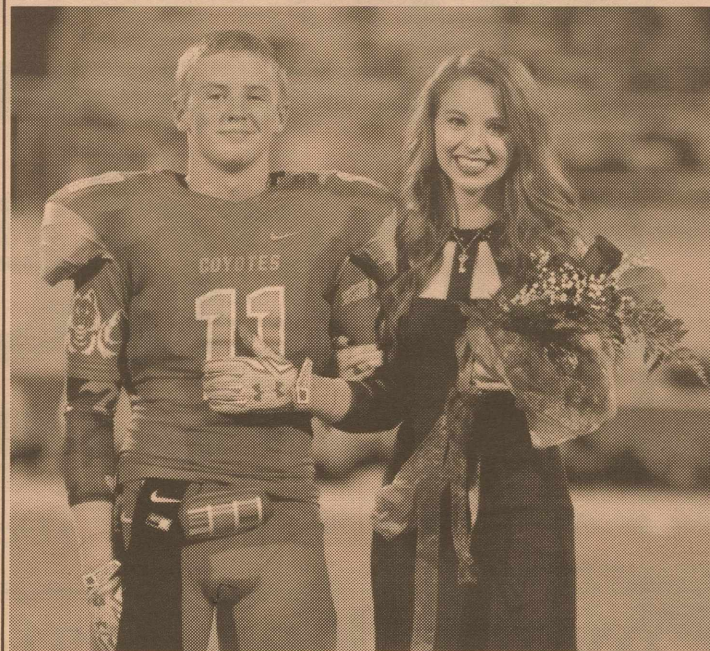
This group will next take on the Amherst Varsity Bulldogs next Thursday.



Coyotes, Ben Justice (#13) and Ryan Willborn (#1) stop a Wildcat from gaining extra yards.

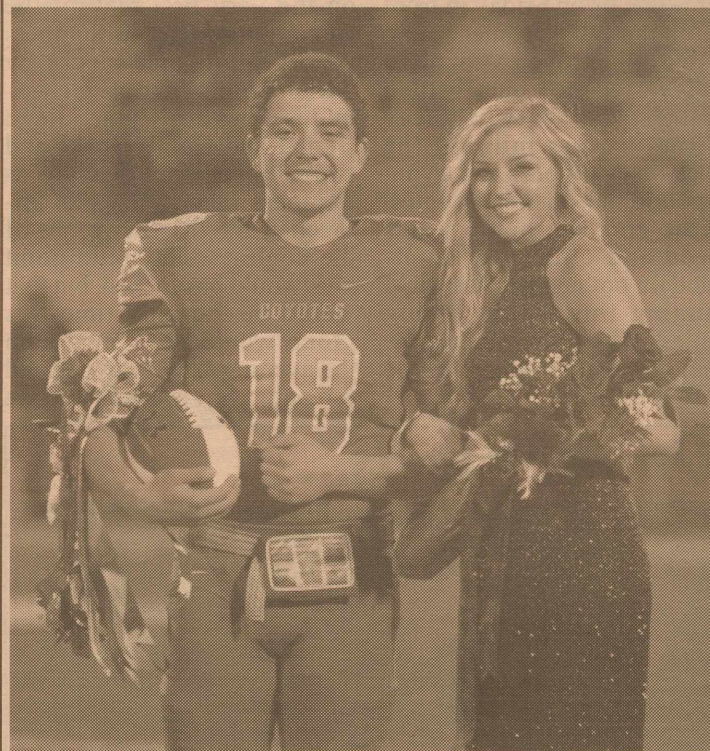


## 2015 Homecoming Queen



Zoie Key was elected 2015 Homecoming Queen during last Friday nights' Homecoming ceremonies. She is the daughter of Brice and Darby Key of Gail. She is pictured with her escort, Corbin Summers. He is the son of Chad and Farrah Summers of O'Donnell

## 2015 Football Beau and Football Sweetheart



Tatum Richey was elected the 2015 Football Sweetheart at this past weeks' Homecoming ceremonies. She is the daughter of Trey and Hayley Richey of Gail. She is pictured with Nathan Souder who was elected Football Beau. He is the son of Maggie Souder of Snyder and Nathan Souder Snyder.

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# Homecoming Win for Coyotes...

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Korbin Martinez, Trace Richey, Jayton Lewis, Ben Justice and Hunter Jones would keep the visitors out of the endzone after the quick change, and on their second offensive play of the next series, only moments into the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter the Coyotes extended their lead as Corbin Sumners followed some nice blocks by Colby Pennell, Yarbro, Souder, Ryan Willborn and Jones sprinting 57 yards to the endzone. Edwards again added the extra point kick to extend the lead to 22 to 6 with 9:33 left in the second quarter. The Coyotes forced a fumble on the next defensive series with Jayton Lewis jumping on the lose pigskin and then 3 plays later Sumners found Richey with a 29 yard strike for the score and with another Edwards kick the Coyotes had a very comfortable lead of 30 to 6 with 7:23 left in the half.

The Borden County defense would again stiffen as the Wildcats moved deep into Coyote territory following a nice kick-off return by a Wildcat player with Hunter Jones ending the drive with an interception near the Coyote goal line. Just when it seemed the Coyotes were going to completely put the Wildcats away as they drove deep into Wildcat territory following the interception, an error filled play resulted in a fumble by Borden County and their second turnover of the half. The Wildcats moved the ball down the field, but again the Coyote defense would stiffen and force the ball over on downs giving them just over a minute left in the half to try to add to their score. The Coyotes used a quick 4 play drive to quickly march down the field, with a quick run by Sumners followed by a Jones to Coor 17 yard pass play and a Sumners to Martinez 20 yard pass play before the Coyotes with :17 left on the clock would get another touchdown as Sumners got some very nice blocks as he sprinted untouched from 14 yards out. Edwards again would split the uprights pushing the Borden County lead to 38 to 6. The Wildcats instead of just taking a knee decided that they would try to answer as they got a nice kick-off return and after a

tackle in the field of play allowed them one play with :01 left on the clock the decision to try to score backfired as a deep pass attempt was intercepted by Trace Richey who made a nice cut and got some great blocks resulting in a 60 yard return for a score with no time on the clock to end the half. Edwards kick extended the halftime lead to 46 to 6 for the Coyotes.

The Wildcats would get the ball to start the second half and with a few defensive changes and combinations the Wildcats were able to march the ball down the field on the Coyotes using their same methodical approach of taking as much time off the clock as possible. In the end, the Wildcats used a 5 plus minute drive to score cutting the Coyotes lead to 46 to 12. Again, the Coyotes would answer immediately as they scored on the second play of what would be the only two plays the home team would have the ball in the period. This touchdown covered 37 yards by Corbin Sumners and the Edwards kick made the score 54 to 12 after 3 quarters of play. The Coyote defense, again mixing in different combinations would stiffen and with them using some different combinations in the backfield and on the line, the Coyotes were forced to give the ball back to the Wildcats as a penalty nullified a nice 45 yard run by Jones and eventually kept the Coyotes from getting a first down to keep the drive alive. The Borden County defense would force another Water Valley punt and this time the Coyotes would answer in typical fashion as Ryan Willborn capped the 2-play drive sprinting 42 yards to paydirt and the final score of the contest with 5:32 remaining in the 4<sup>th</sup> to end the game by the mercy rule. Final score on Homecoming night 2015, Borden County 60 Water Valley 12.

Leading the way for the Coyotes was Corbin Sumners with 244 yards on 11 carries and 4 touchdowns, 2 of 2 passing for 52 yards and a score and a 9 yard reception. Corbin also had 9 tackles, 3 for loss and a sack. Ryan Willborn had 3 tackles and 94 yards on 6 car-

ries and a score. Braxton Coor had a tackle for loss, a 22 yard reception and some nice blocks. Ben Justice had 8 tackles, a tackle for loss and 2 pressures and some nice blocks. Easton Edwards had a tackle and was 6 of 7 on extra point attempts. Steven Carrillo had 4 tackles and a pressure. Kale Yarbro had some nice blocks. Nathan Souder had a tackle and some nice blocks. Trace Richey had 11 tackles, a sack a caused fumble a tackle for loss and an interception return for a score, 1 carry for 3 yards and a score and a touchdown reception on 2 catches for 61 yards. Hunter Jones had 13 tackles and an interception was 5 of 7 passing for 123 yards and 4 carries for 69 yards and a score. Korbin Martinez had 8 tack-

les and a pass break up and 2 catches for 45 yards. Jayton Lewis had 10 tackles, 3 for loss a sack and a fumble recovery. Colby Pennell had 6 tackles with a tackle for loss and some nice blocks and Diego Bernal had a tackle for loss and some nice blocks.

Noah Morales, Morgan Wilson and Brian Torres did not play with the varsity this week as they played Saturday with the JV who took on #12 ranked Sands. The Coyotes will be open this week as they prepare for phase two of the season, District play and the hopes of a 9<sup>th</sup> straight district title. Thank you all for coming out to our Homecoming game, please continue to support these young men as they strive for greatness.



Photo by Kembra Jones

Junior Coyote, Hunter Jones slips through the grasp of a Water Valley Wildcat in Friday night's Homecoming game here. The Coyotes had a big win over the Wildcats 60-12.



## School Lunch Menu

Oct. 12 - 16, 2015

Menu subject to change

**Monday** - Breakfast: Pancakes Wrap & Yogurt, Fruit Juice, Fruit and Milk. Lunch: Lasagna Roll, Salad, Veggie Cup, Fruit and Milk.

**Tuesday** - Breakfast: Chicken & Biscuit, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk. Lunch: Asian Bowl w/Rice & Egg Roll, Baby Carrots w/Ranch, Steamed Broccoli, Pineapple, Sugar Cookie and Milk.

**Wednesday** - Breakfast: French Toast & Sausage, Fruit Juice, Fruit and Milk. Lunch: Tex-Mex Stack w/Salsa, Spanish Rice, Refried Beans, Tomato Cup, Hot Cinnamon Apples and Milk.

**Thursday** - Breakfast: Breakfast Pocket, Fruit Juice, Fruit and Milk. Lunch: Cheeseburger w/Garnish, Oven Fries, Western Beans, Diced Pears and Milk.

**Friday** - Breakfast: Dutch Waffle & Bacon, Fruit Juice, Fruit and Milk. Lunch: Italian Pasta Bake, Breadstick, Green Beans, Salad, Apple Slices and Milk.

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## What is Bullying? Who is at Risk?

*Bullying is a problem even amongst very young children. October is Bullying Prevention Month.*

Boys will be boys.

It's just a squabble.

They have to learn to deal with it themselves.

How much truth do these axioms hold? Are they just an excuse not to intercede? Of course it's true that children do have to learn to deal with conflict and we shouldn't always jump in. However, with research suggesting that adults believe they intervene 75% of the time while children say adults intervene 25% of the time, we're clearly not as observant as we'd like to think!

Does bullying occur in the early years? Absolutely! And there are studies to show that bullies can start young and carry on bullying for many, many years. So it's important to do as much as we can to curb this problem while teachers and other significant adults still have the influence to intercede. By the time kids get to upper primary teacher input is less effective and often unwelcome.

### What is bullying?

Bullying behavior is generally defined as repetitive and intentional harm to another, where there may be an imbalance of physical or social power. Of course, this is not fixed. I have seen younger, smaller children bully kids nearly twice their size so it's important not to assume the accepted stereotype is always true.

In the early years bullying tends to be direct: grabbing a toy from another child, spur of the moment hitting or pinching, comments such as "I don't want to be your friend anymore" or "I don't want to play with you." Boys tend to favor physical aggression whereas girls are more prone to relational aggression such as verbal attack and actively cutting victims out of the social group.

Role definitions

**Bully:** Someone who is proactively aggressive – that is, they purposely cause trouble.

**Victim:** Someone who is being bullied. Often they will be submissive and insecure. They may have social awkwardness or physical characteristics that isolate them from belonging to the group. Please note that actually calling someone a victim or giving them that label is not empowering and should, in most cases, be avoided.

**Bully-Victim:** Someone who is reactively aggressive – for eg, when they feel victimized they will react quickly with a high level of aggression. They may be anxious and emotional and these children are at the greatest risk of remaining both a bully and a victim for the long-term and developing psychological and behavioral disorders.

**Bystanders:** Witnesses to the bullying. Some stand up for the victim but statistically most just watch due to a mixed reaction of passive acceptance or fear of attracting the bully's attention. 88% of episodes occur in front of classmates and whether intentional or not, this makes bullying a group activity.

**At risk indicators (of being either a victim or bully):**

- Low working memory
- Low planning and organization skills
- Poor self-control
- Minority ethnic groups
- Speech disorders such as stuttering
- Physical or mental disability
- Autism spectrum
- Lower IQ
- Parents who were bullied (doubles the risk)
- Children of single parents and lower socio-economic groups

**When and where does it happen?**

Whenever there are 2 or more children together there is potential for bullying, espe-

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cially with young children who are still learning to control their own behavior. It only takes a few seconds, after all, so it can be difficult to catch. Bullying is not a one-off episode, it's the repetitive and often intentional nature of it that marks it as a behavior that needs thoughtful intervention. Bullying can occur anywhere and classrooms, play dates, playgrounds and parks are all prime candidates. While bullying occurs in front of adults, especially with young children, it's more prevalent when there's less supervision. Adding an extra adult to a play area can significantly reduce, and definitely shorten, bullying episodes.

What are the consequences?

- Depression, anxiety and sleep problems (for many years)
- Not wanting to go to school (or wherever the bullying is occurring)
- Lower academic achievement
- Loneliness and isolation from the group (and as a result difficulty in developing relationships)
- Internalizing or externalizing problems
- As children get older the consequences become increasingly severe

*Source: This article was taken from a two-part blog post written by Elizabeth Hah on Teachers Notebook [http://blog.teachersnotebook.com/bulletin-board/what-is-bullying-who-is-at-risk/?utm\\_medium=em](http://blog.teachersnotebook.com/bulletin-board/what-is-bullying-who-is-at-risk/?utm_medium=em)*

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## Panhandle-South Plains Fair Youth Entry Results

Borden 4-H'ers submitted a variety of items in the Panhandle-South Plains Fair Youth Division. We are proud of these youth for taking the time to submit entries.

Kennedy Tucker: Junior Crafts Wall Hanging (chevron cross) - Honorable Mention; Junior Household Linens (sewn apron) - Third Place; 2 Photographs in Junior Photography Color; Junior Jam, Jelly and Preserves (prickly pear jelly) - Second Place; Junior Candy, Any Other Not Listed (candied cashews) - Honorable Mention

Laney Stansell: Junior Crafts Drawing, Pen, Pencil, Crayon (pencil horse drawing)

Tres Spencer: Junior Photography Color People

Jenna Holbrooks: Junior Bread, Vegetable (pumpkin bread) - Honorable Mention

Paige Holbrooks: Senior Cookies, Any Other Not Listed (pumpkin cookies) - First Place



Borden County 4-H members work together to plant a Bur Oak tree in celebration of 4-H One Day.

## Borden County Celebrates Texas One Day 4-H

By Ashlyn Tucker

On Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, Borden County 4-H participated in Texas's One Day 4-H program. This years project was to plant a Bur Oak tree to commemorate 100 years of service of the Texas Forestry Service. The 4-H club also took this time to honor our local volunteer firefighters. Many 4-H members and their families joined in this project along with our special guests – local game wardens and local volunteer firefighters. Thanks to all for making this a great event for our community!

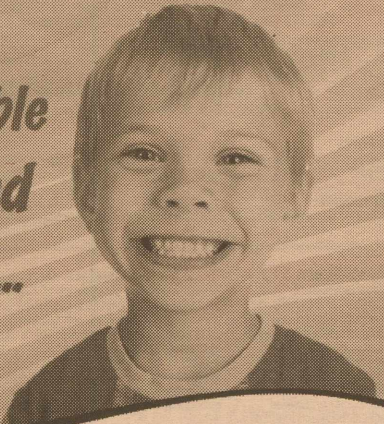
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and other acts of  
kindness shown during  
the loss of our loved  
one.*

*The Lonnie  
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**Making the Grade!**

**1<sup>st</sup> Six-Weeks  
Beta Achievement**

**Seniors:** Karly Etheredge, Samuel Raborn, Kyrsten Rebeles, Tatum Richey, Flint Roberts, Nathan Souder, Caelan Thuett and Merik Valentine; **Juniors:** Madison Benavidez, Hayley Gray, Savannah Herridge and Avery Price; **Sophomores:** Carley Bell, Preslea Hall, Harley Merrill, Ashlyn Tucker and MJ van der Bank; **Freshmen:** Madison Cole, Trent Collins, Katie Gray and Paige Holbrooks; **Eighth Grade:** Kaitlyn Cribbs, Camben Edwards, Callie Hargove, Tatum Treadwell and Kaylee Walker; **Seventh Grade:** Mason Cole, Haddie Flanigan, Kaci Hudson, Maggie Miller, Erin Nix, Gunner Shofner, Kennedy Tucker and Leandre van der Bank; **Sixth Grade:** Ryann Phillips and Ethan Stephens.

**1<sup>st</sup> Six-Weeks  
Honor Roll**

**Seniors:** Lexi Cheatham, Zoie Key and Cheyenne Tucker; **Juniors:** Jamyaleigh Gray and Corbin Sumners; **Sophomore:** Braxton Barnes, Easton Edwards, Victoria Huckaby, Kable Kleck, Joshue Murphy and Trace Richey; **Freshman:** Rayme Jones and Kami Key; **Eighth Grade:** Lindsay Brantley, Hailey Lowery, MaKenzie Milhauser and O'Livia Reyes; **Seventh Grade:** Kylie Barnes, Sydney Coor, Connor Etheredge, Tommy Mack Kingston, Trent Lewis and Maddy Sumners; **Sixth Grade:** Paige Parker and

Rachel Thomas; **Fifth Grade:** Kristen Bermea, Haley Carpenter, Kassi Collins, Callie Edwards, Dallis Miller, Allie Murphy, Hayden Neill, J. Tom Price, Oliver Skelton, Tres Spencer, Shelton Teel and Brooklyn Torres; **Fourth Grade:** Savannah Barnes, Aubree Blissard, Hannah Brady, Luke Carpenter, Vincent Frankl, Jenna Holbrooks, Rhett Kingston, Kadence Lowery, Ben Nix, Kasen Oaks, Bailey Pennell, Jordan Ramos, Ishmael Rodriguez, Rexie Sanders, Agatha Skelton, Laney Stansell, Kendall Swaffar, Bella Taylor and Kenzie White; **Third Grade:** Tyler Cole, Hannah Criswell, Kenlei Estes, Datch Flanigan, Haven Hill, Tynslee Horton, Zak Lewis, Maddox Merket, Pace Parker, Nevaeh Partney, Tegan Treadwell and Juan Andrade; **Second Grade:** Grace Cooley, Cason Cribbs, Andrea Dommar, Kellar Estes, Shawn Fields, Jesse Hernandez, Kason Law, Tatum Runge, Ethan Scott, Keller Silver, Hagen Smith, Evie Stansell, Brogen Walker and Randen Williams.



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to arrange his giving Erika an engagement ring. I heard Jackson tell Captain Chris he wanted champagne, roses and chocolate covered strawberries. He wanted the captain to glide along a stretch of water that gave Erika her favorite view of Chicago and to stop near Buckingham fountain where he wanted the photographer on board to get a picture of Jackson down on one knee proposing to Erika. I got emotional while he was mak-

ing that call and with tears in my eyes reached over and gave him a pat. The event was set for a week from the time we returned home. We were anxious to hear about the night and hoped the weather would be good. He and Erika called us last night, both giddy and happy as could be. She said yes.

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(AVISO DE ELECCION)**

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(a los votantes registrados del Condado de Borden, Texas.)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., November 3, 2015 "to adopt or reject the proposed Constitutional Amendments as submitted by the 84th Legislature, Regular Session, of the State of Texas."  
(Notifíquese, por la presente, que las Casillas electorales citadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 3 de Noviembre de 2015 para votar en la Elección Especial para "para adoptar o rechazar las enmiendas constitucionales propuestas así como fueron sometidas por la 84a Legislatura Sesión Regular, del Estado de Texas.")

**LOCATIONS(S) OF POLLING PLACES**

- Precinct 1A & 1B -- First Baptist Fellowship Hall, Gail
- Precinct 2A & 2B -- Borden County Courthouse District Court Room
- Precinct 3A & 3B -- Fairview Election Bldg.
- Precinct 4 -- Borden County Courthouse County Courtroom
- Early Voting at the Borden County Courthouse Clerks Office

**(DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)**

- No. 1A & 1B First Baptist Fellowship Hall, Gail
- No. 2A & 2B en Courthouse de Gail
- No. 3A & 3B en la sitio de votacion Fairview
- No. 4 en Courthouse de Gail
- Para los que se encuentran ausente, para el dia propuest pueden votar en oficina del County Clerk en Gail, Texas durante las horas normales.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Borden County Courthouse County Clerk's Office between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. beginning on October 19, 2015 and ending on October 30, 2015  
(La votacion adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en: oficina del Secretario del Distrito y Condado entre las horas de 8:00 am a 12:00 pm y 1:00 pm a 5:00 pm a partir del 19 de Octubre 2015 y terminando 30 de Octubre 2015)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:  
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votacion adelantada por correo deberan enviarse a:)

Jana Underwood, County Clerk  
P.O. Box 124  
Gail, Texas 79738

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on: October 23, 2015.  
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votacion adelantada por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el: Octubre 23, 2015)

Issued this the 1st of October, 2015.  
(Emitada este dia 1 de Octubre, 2015)

  
Ross D. Sharp, County Judge (Firma del Juez Condado)

**OFFICIAL BALLOT - CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ELECTION  
(BOLETA OFICIAL) - (ELECCION SOBRE ENMIENDAS A LA CONSTITUCION)**

(Condado de) Borden County, Texas  
November 3, 2015 (3 de noviembre de 2015)

**INSTRUCTION NOTE:**  
Vote for the statement of your choice in each race by darkening in the oval (●) provided to the left of the statement indicating the way you wish to vote.

**(NOTA DE INSTRUCCION):**  
Vote por el declaración de su preferencia en cada carrera llenando completamente el espacio ovalado (●) a la izquierda del declaración.

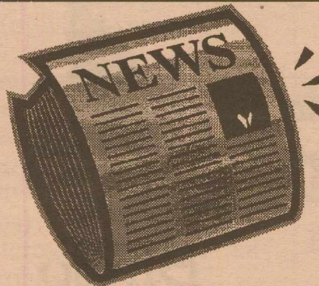
<p><b>PROPOSITION 1</b> "The constitutional amendment increasing the amount of the residence homestead exemption from ad valorem taxation for public school purposes from \$15,000 to \$25,000, providing for a reduction of the limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes that may be imposed for those purposes on the homestead of an elderly or disabled person to reflect the increased exemption amount, authorizing the legislature to prohibit a political subdivision that has adopted an optional residence homestead exemption from ad valorem taxation from reducing the amount of its optional exemption, and providing for the enactment of a law that imposes a transfer tax on a transaction that conveys fee simple title to real property." (La enmienda constitucional que aumentaría el monto de la exención de impuestos ad valorem sobre la vivienda residencial para propósitos de la educación pública de \$15,000 a \$25,000, establecería una reducción de la limitación del valor total de impuestos ad valorem que puedan ser impuestos por dichos propósitos sobre la vivienda residencial de un anciano o discapacitado para reflejar el monto de la exención, autorizaría a la legislatura a prohibir que una subdivisión política que haya adoptado una exención opcional de impuestos ad valorem sobre viviendas residenciales reduzca la cantidad o derogue la exención, y prohibiría la promulgación de una ley que imponga impuestos de transferencia sobre transacciones que transfieran título propietario y derecho a una propiedad.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> For (A Favor) <input type="radio"/> Against (En Contra)</p>	<p><b>PROPOSITION 2</b> "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a 100 percent totally and permanently disabled veteran who had before the law authorizing a residence homestead exemption for such veterans took effect." (La enmienda constitucional que autorizaría a la legislatura a proporcionar una exención de impuestos ad valorem de todo o parte del valor de mercado de la vivienda residencial del cónyuge sobreviviente del veterano de las Fuerzas Armadas 100 por ciento o totalmente discapacitado quien haya muerto antes de que la ley autorizando una exención para la vivienda residencial de dicho veterano hubiese tomado efecto.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> For (A Favor) <input type="radio"/> Against (En Contra)</p>	<p><b>PROPOSITION 5</b> "The constitutional amendment to authorize counties with a population of 7,500 or less to perform private road construction and maintenance." (La enmienda constitucional que autorizaría a los condados con una población de 7,500 o menos, a llevar a cabo el mantenimiento y construcción de caminos privados.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> For (A Favor) <input type="radio"/> Against (En Contra)</p>
<p><b>PROPOSITION 3</b> "The constitutional amendment repealing the requirement that state officers elected by voters statewide reside in the state capital." (La enmienda constitucional que derogaría el requisito de que los oficiales estatales electos por el electorado estatal residan en la capital del estado.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> For (A Favor) <input type="radio"/> Against (En Contra)</p>	<p><b>PROPOSITION 6</b> "The constitutional amendment recognizing the right of the people to hunt, fish, and harvest wildlife subject to laws that promote wildlife conservation." (La enmienda constitucional que reconocería el derecho de la población a la caza, a la pesca, y a la cosecha de la vida silvestre sujeto a las leyes que promueven la conservación de la fauna silvestre.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> For (A Favor) <input type="radio"/> Against (En Contra)</p>	<p><b>PROPOSITION 7</b> "The constitutional amendment dedicating certain sales and use tax revenue and motor vehicle sales, use, and rental tax revenue to the state highway fund to provide funding for nonbonded roads and the reduction of certain transportation-related debt." (La enmienda constitucional que dedicaría ciertos ingresos de impuestos sobre ventas y uso, e ingresos de impuestos sobre venta, uso, y renta de vehículos motores, al Fondo Estatal de Transporte, (SHT) por sus siglas en inglés), para proveer fondos para carreteras sin bonos y la reducción de cierta deuda relacionada a la transportation.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> For (A Favor) <input type="radio"/> Against (En Contra)</p>
<p><b>PROPOSITION 4</b> "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit professional sports team charitable foundations to conduct charitable raffles." (La enmienda constitucional que autorizaría a la legislatura a permitir que las fundaciones caritativas de equipos deportivos profesionales lleven a cabo rifas caritativas.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> For (A Favor) <input type="radio"/> Against (En Contra)</p>	<p><b>PROPOSITION 8</b> "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit professional sports team charitable foundations to conduct charitable raffles." (La enmienda constitucional que autorizaría a la legislatura a permitir que las fundaciones caritativas de equipos deportivos profesionales lleven a cabo rifas caritativas.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> For (A Favor) <input type="radio"/> Against (En Contra)</p>	<p><b>PROPOSITION 9</b> "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit professional sports team charitable foundations to conduct charitable raffles." (La enmienda constitucional que autorizaría a la legislatura a permitir que las fundaciones caritativas de equipos deportivos profesionales lleven a cabo rifas caritativas.)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> For (A Favor) <input type="radio"/> Against (En Contra)</p>

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ELECTION  
CALENDAR**

- SEPTEMBER 1 - First day to accept regular application for ballot by mail
- OCTOBER 5 - Last day to register to vote in the amendment election
- OCTOBER 19 - Early voting begins
- OCTOBER 23 - Last day to receive a regular application for ballot by mail
- OCTOBER 30 - Early voting ends
- NOVEMBER 3 - ELECTION DAY

**MUST HAVE VOTER ID**

Early voting will be held in the county clerk's office in the Borden County Courthouse  
If you have any questions concerning the election, please contact  
Jana Underwood, County Clerk



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**Phone 512/478-9800 or emial: txdemocrats.org**  
You must reside and be a registered voter in Borden County to be eligible for the position.

## Borden County ISD Board Meeting

### Regular Board Meeting Minutes - September 21, 2015

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, Todd Holbrooks, Randy Hensley, Carol Lewis, and Dennis Poole. Billy Collins, Superintendent, and Bart McMeans, Principal, and Adam Walker representing Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins, and Mott were also present.

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by John Anderson.

2. There was no community input.

3. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Randy Hensley to approve a TEA Audit Appeal Contract with Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins, & Mott. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Adam Walker of Perdue, Fielder, Collins, & Mott gave a Delinquent Tax Collections Report. No action was taken.

5. A motion was made by Carol Lewis and seconded by Todd Holbrooks to approve the minutes of the August 31, 2015 board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

6. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Joel Dennis to approve the September 2015 bills. The motion carried unanimously.

7. A motion was made by Randy Hensley and seconded by Todd Holbrooks to set the next regular board meeting for October 19, 2015, at 7:00 P.M. The motion carried unani-

mously.

8. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Carol Lewis to approve the Borden County Extension Agents as adjunct staff members for the 2015-2016 school year. The motion carried unanimously.

9. BCISD Investment Policies were reviewed by trustees. No action was taken.

10. A motion was made by Randy Hensley and seconded by Mike Valentine to purchase one 72 passenger bus through TASB BuyBoard. The motion carried unanimously. A second motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Todd Holbrooks to sell 4 buses, as specified in attached documents, at public auction (Lubbock Auto Auction). The motion carried unanimously.

11. Mr. Collins gave a year to date financial report and reported that 245 students were enrolled as of September 21, 2015. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Joel Dennis to approve the superintendent's report. The motion carried unanimously.

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



### PUBLIC NOTICE-FINANCIAL INTEGRITY RATING SYSTEM OF TEXAS

#### BORDEN COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

PUBLIC MEETING 7:00 P.M.; OCTOBER 19, 2015

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 7:00 P.M. on Monday, October 19, 2015.

The 2015 School First Ratings were based upon an analysis of staff and student budgetary data reported for the 2013-2014 school year.

## Commissioners Court

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF BORDEN  
WHEREAS, on this the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2015, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Special Session in the Commissioner's Courtroom at the Courthouse in Gail, Texas the following members of the Court being present to-wit:

ROSS D. SHARP, PRESIDING JUDGE; MONTE SMITH, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1; RANDY ADCOCK,

COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2; ERNEST REYES, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3; JOE BELEW, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4; JANA UNDERWOOD,

COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT constituting a quorum, when the following business and other proceedings were had in accordance with the posted agenda:

Other Officers present - Marlo Holbrooks, County Attorney; Benny Allison, Sheriff and Tax Collector; Shawna Gass, County Treasurer

Others present: Cole and Kandi Herring

**CALL TO ORDER**  
Judge Sharp called the special session of the Commissioners' Court to order at 8:40 A.M.

**COMMUNITY INPUT**  
None

**APPROVE MINUTES**  
Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve the minutes of September 8, 2015 and September 15, 2015. Commissioner Belew seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR DEPUTY BOND**  
Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve the bond for Stephanie Cooley, hired as Deputy Tax Assessor/Collector. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**COUNTY/DISTRICT CLERK RECORDS ARCHIVE PLAN**  
Commissioner Smith made a motion to adopt the County/District Clerk Records Archive Plan for FY 2016. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**PROPOSED BUDGET**  
Commissioner Smith made a motion to adopt the proposed budget for FY 2016. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**ORDER ADOPTING TAX RATE FOR FY 2016**  
Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve the order to adopt the proposed Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2016. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**PROPERTY TAX**  
Commissioner Adcock made a motion that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a rate of \$0.55597, which is effectively a 38% decrease in the tax rate. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**PROPERTY TAX DISCOUNTS**

Commissioner Belew made a motion to set discounts for early payment of 2015 property taxes at the rate of 3% for October payment; 2% for November payment; and 1% for December payment. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**UTILITY CABLE CROSSINGS**  
No Applications  
**PRIVATE ROAD CONSTRUCTION/**

**MAINTENANCE**  
No Applications  
**SOIL CONSERVATION WORK**

Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve the following application:

**JD TRIMPA FARMS LLC PCT 4**

Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**SURPLUS PROPERTY**

At 9:00 A.M. bids received for surplus property were opened. Commissioner Belew made a motion to accept all bids. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**BORDEN COUNTY CEMETERY**

Commissioners met with the Board of Trustees of the Gail Cemetery Association, concerning the cemetery.

Members of the association that met with the court were: Kenneth Bennett, Royale D. Lewis, Kent Holmes, Carrie Hart and Barbara Farmer. Also, present Shirley Bennett.

**ANNUAL ROAD REPORTS**

Commissioner Smith made a motion to accept reports as submitted from the commissioners. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None  
**CURRENT ACCOUNTS**  
Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve the current accounts. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN**

Commissioner Adcock made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. All agreed unanimously. THE FOREGOING MINUTES READ AND APPROVED THIS THE 13<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER, 2015

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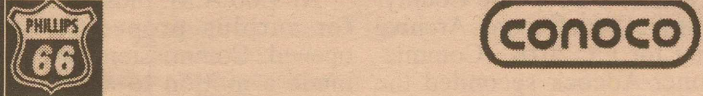
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at 9:30 a.m.

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## Legal Notice

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of DORIS LORENE STEDMAN, Deceased, were issued on September 8, 2015, in Cause No. 409, pending in the County court of Broden County, Texas, to: Ramona Frances Barrera.


All persons having claims against the Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the

undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Ramona Frances Barrera  
Independent Executrix of the Estate of DORIS LORENE STEADMAN

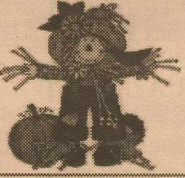
c/o Ben R. Smith  
1806 25<sup>th</sup> Street, Ste. 302  
Snyder, Texas 79549  
DATED the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2015

Ben R. Smith  
Attorney for Ramona Frances Barrera  
State Bar No.: 00794649




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# OCTOBER 2015



\*Denotes District Game

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Coyote JH & JV vs. New Home & Ropes, Here 5:30/7:00	2 End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Six Weeks  Coyotes vs. Ropes-There, 7:30	3
4	5 HOLIDAY	6 Beginning of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Six Weeks	7	8 Coyote JH/JV vs. Water Valley-There, 5:30/7:00	9 HOMECOMING Pep Rally-5:00 Senior Supper-following Pep Rally Coyotes vs. Water Valley, 7:30	10 Speech Tournament @ Muleshoe
11	12	13 Just For Juniors-Coyote Room, 7:00	14 PSAT Test 10 <sup>th</sup> -11 <sup>th</sup> graders	15 Coyote JH & JV vs. Amherst, There 5:30/7:00	16	17 Speech Tournament @ Midland Lee
Senior Scholastic Book Fair October 12-16						
18	19 District CC @ Sweetwater	20 Coyote JH vs. Grady-There, 5:30	21	22 *Coyote JV & V vs. Grady, Here 5:30/7:30	23 Progress Reports	24 Speech Tournament @ Odessa
25	26	27	28 School Wide Assembly, Motivational Speaker-Melvin Adams	29 Coyote JH & JV vs. Klondike, There 5:30/7:00	30 Picture Day *Coyotes vs. Klondike-Here, 7:30  Speech Tournament @ Big Spring	31 Speech Tournament @  Speech Tournament @ Big Spring