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BHS Qualifies 28 Individuals, Six Teams to UIL Regionals *To be held at Angelo State University*

Riding the new blood of a strong freshmen class along with some returning veterans in the literary arena, Borden High School dominated last week's District 12-A Literary meet. BHS hosted the one-day meet for writing events, objective testing events, along with speech and debate.

Also factored in to the final team totals were points earned earlier from One-Act play and CX debate. Though an official event, Congress is still not tabulated towards team totals.

Students have two weeks now to prepare for their chance for the Holy Grail of UIL Academics, the State Meet scheduled for May 23-25 on the University of Texas Campus.

Out of the ten team events that advance to regionals, the Coyotes will be sending six first place finishes: **Accounting, Calculator Applications, Current Issues and Events, Computer Science, Number Sense, and Social Studies.** All four team members of these events will advance to regional.

BHS also won the overall **Team Journalism** title as well as the overall **Speech and Debate** category.

Listed below will be the individual results as well as team members for each event.

ACCOUNTING TEAM:

Harley Merrill, 1st place; M.J. VanderBank, 2nd Place; Preslea Hall, 3rd Place; Braylee Walker, 4th Place;

CALCULATOR APPLICATIONS:

Tatum Richey, 1st place; Preslea Hall, 2nd place; Harley Merrill, 3rd place; Ashlyn Tucker, 4th place;

CURRENT ISSUES AND EVENTS:

Karly Etheredge, 2nd place; Madi Cole, 3rd place; Hayley Gray, 5th Place; Zoie Key, team member;

COMPUTER SCIENCE:

Ben Justice, 1st place; Riley Lewis, 2nd place; Jeremy Souder, 3rd place; Kami Key, 4th place;

EDITORIAL WRITING:

Paige Holbrooks, 3rd place; Myka Blissard and Kami Key (participants);

FEATURE WRITING:

Maddie Benavidez, 2nd place; Katie Gray, 3rd place; Carley Bell, 4th place;

HEADLINE WRITING:

Madi Cole, 1st place; Katie Gray, 5th place; Emma Key (participant);

INFORMATIVE SPEAKING:

Madi Cole, 1st place; Braxton Coor, 2nd place; Angelina Wilson (participant);

LINCOLN DOUGLAS DEBATE:

Nathan Souder, 1st place; Josh Murphy, 2nd place; Paige Holbrooks, 3rd place;

LITERARY CRITICISM:

Reina Hernandez (participant); Paige Holbrooks (participant) and

Kami Key (participant);

MATHEMATICS: Harley Merrill, 2nd place; Carley Bell (participant);

M.J. VanderBank (participant), and

Easton Edwards (participant);

NUMBER SENSE:

Ashlyn Tucker, 1st place; Harley Merrill, 2nd Place; Savannah Herridge, 3rd place; Trent Collins, 4th place;

NEWS WRITING:

Maddie Benavidez, 1st place; Carley Bell, 3rd place; Katie Gray, 4th Place;

PERSUASIVE SPEAKING:

Savannah Herridge, 1st place; Trent Collins, 3rd place;

POETRY INTERPRETATION:

Lexi Cheatham, 1st place; Tori Huckaby, 4th place;

PROSE INTERPRETATION:

Angelina Wilson, 2nd place; Avery Price, 4th Place;

READY WRITING:

Carley Bell, 1st place; Katie Gray and M.J. VanderBank (participants);

SCIENCE:

Sam Raborn, 3rd place; Nathan Souder, 4th Place; Blane Culver and Braxton Barnes (participants);

SOCIAL STUDIES:

Trent Collins, 1st Place; Hayley Gray, 2nd Place; Dylan Murphy, 5th Place; Thomas Nix (participant);

SPELLING:

Tatum Richey, 4th Place; Riley Lewis and Lukas Grantham (participants).

Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit
Tumbleweed Smith

Sisters on The Fly Waltz Across Texas

Occasionally Susie Davis sees a rattlesnake at her place in Mulberry Canyon near Sweetwater. Those snakes don't last very long.

"My preferred method is a hoe or a shovel. I seem to do a little residual damage with a shotgun," she says. "When I'm out walking I don't carry a weapon with me. I'm pretty good with a rock."

Susie is a member of SISTERS ON THE FLY, a group of fun-loving women who have small travel trailers and take them all over the country. The trailers have painted scenes on them and create a sensation when a line of them motors down the highway. They look like moving billboards. The insides of the trailers are decorated to suit the owner's taste.

"My camper is a 1956 Shasta. It's about 15 feet long and very road worthy. I can tow her with my SUV. I had never pulled a trailer in my life until I became a sister. It's all about empowerment. I can get in my little trailer and go wherever I please. Most of the sisters have a theme for their camper. My little camper is SISTER MOON. I love the moon. I've always been fascinated by the moon and I'm a dedicated moon watcher. All the décor inside SISTER

MOON is kinda themed toward the moon. I have signs up with messages like 'Live by the sun, love by the moon.' Our motto is: we have more fun than anyone. SISTERS ON THE FLY is just like Girl Scouts except with martinis."

This month the sisters will be traveling along the Bankhead Highway, the first southern route across the US. It runs through Texas.

"2016 is the one hundredth anniversary of the beginning of the Bankhead Highway. The sisters are planning a caravan to travel the entire length of the state and are calling it The Waltz Across Texas. It will begin in El Paso the first weekend in April and will travel eastward, going to the Davis Mountains, Alpine, Colorado City, Sweetwater, Abilene, then will take a detour to the Fort Worth Stockyards and will end up in East Texas on April 24th for the big finale. They'll pick up people as they go and we have sisters coming from all over the United States to participate in this. They're expecting 150 travel trailers by the time it's all over. It should be some spectacle."

Susie joined the sisters three years ago and says it has been

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Borden County Softball Making Historic Progress

By Coach Benavidez

The Borden County Softball squad has been taking some huge steps this season. These young ladies have stepped up to the plate (pun intended) and made sure that the softball world takes notice.

After an initial stint in the world of high school softball in 2005-2007 where the Lady Coyotes started out in an Out-law schedule, which simply means that they were UIL recognized, but since the startup year came in between redistricting years, they were simply not put into a district until the following year. And what a district they received! The last year that the Lady Coyotes were in a district, they were put into a district with much larger schools with the likes of Seagraves, New Deal and Ralls. The girls fought but in two years were unable to come out with a single victory. Soon the support for softball waned and was cancelled after the 2006-07 season. Bats, gloves, nets, and uniforms were stored away for almost 10 years.

Flash forward to 2015. New faces breed new enthusiasm and support. News spread fast that Borden County would field a girls' softball team. After digging out the old uniforms and bats that were outdated, it was clear that this would indeed be an endeavor that would have to be taken on as a "from the ground up" venture. Equipment, uniforms, and other gear that didn't even exist the first go around was purchased. It was made clear that the program would not be a step-child sport. It would be taken as seriously as any other sport here at tradition-rich Borden County. One of the biggest changes or advances this time around would be that we would have our own field - here on the campus of our school. It must be mentioned that in the beginning the girls that decided to come out for softball during the 2005-2007 season, had to practice on the football practice field with throw down bases and a portable backstop. "Home" games would be played in

Snyder at Cates Field. While Cates Field was a well-kept field it just was not home. Few fans that were not parents would show up, but now, the girls had a field to call their own. Enthusiasm began to spread. Initial meetings were called to get a "feel" of how many young ladies would be interested in playing. There were at least 3 such meetings called. The first meeting yielded a number of 15 with some "maybe's". The second meeting increased the number to 18 with some still "maybe's" teetering on the fence. The last meeting called garnered the true number of 24 young women who wanted to test the softball waters.

These 24 ladies are as mentioned in order of seniority and number; 1 Cheyenne Tucker, Senior - LF; 2 Kylee Dean, Senior - RF; 18 Karly Etheredge, Senior - RF; 34 Lexi Cheatham, Senior - P; RF; 4 Avery Price, Junior - 2nd; 10 Haley Gray, Junior - 2nd; 21 Savannah Herridge, Junior - 3rd; 30 Madison Benavidez, Junior - 1st; 40 Jamya Gray, Junior - RF; 5 Ashlyn Tucker, Sophomore - 2nd; 11 Braylee Walker, Sophomore - RF; 12 Preslea Hall, Sophomore - SS; 24 Harley Merrill, Sophomore - P; 55 Brooklyn Cheatham, Sophomore - C, 3rd; 88 Angelina Wilson, Sophomore - RF; 00 Madi Cole, Freshman - CF; 3 Kaile Hernandez, Freshman - RF; 6 Haylee Wilborn, Freshman - 3rd; 7 Brooke Swaffar, Freshman - LF 1st; 9 Kami Key, Freshman - C, SS; 15 Katie Gray, Freshman - 3rd, P; 22 Rayme Jones, Freshman - CF, C, SS; 33 Reina Hernandez, Freshman - LF and 43 Kenley Dean, Freshman - RF.

With the roster set, the Borden Lady Coyotes were ready to begin the season. This had to be done after a successful season that saw the Lady Coyote basketball team reach the playoffs. We practiced two weeks before our first game. The first game of the season was an exciting one. The Lady Coyotes faced off against the Rotan Lady Hammers. The Lady Hammers have been

playing for several seasons. The game went back and forth with some strong pitching from Harley Merrill. She struck out several batters and the defense backed her up well. This would not be the first win of the season, however, as the Rotan Lady Hammers squeaked out a victory by a score of 7-8.

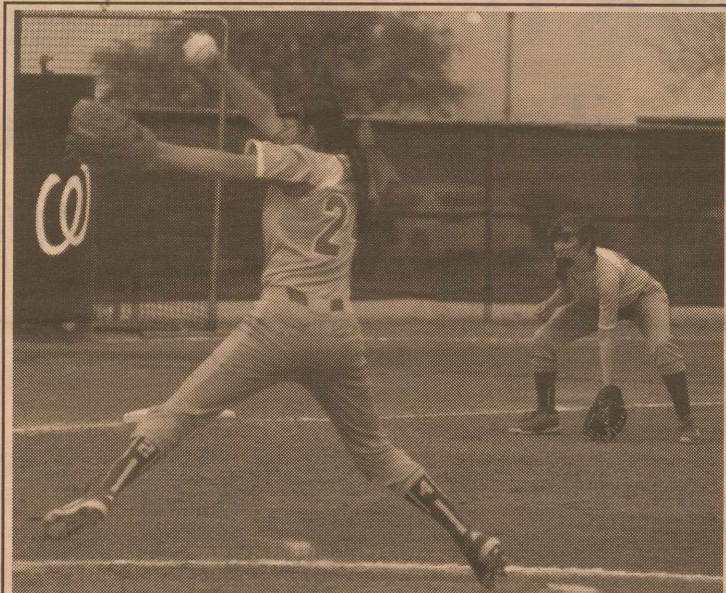
The Lady Coyotes went back to the drawing board and never hung their heads. They had scratched and sniffed that first "W" and there would be no looking back. All 24 girls practiced and fought hard to get better. The next game would be a tough one indeed. The perennial powerhouse Sundown Lady Roughettes were headed to Gail. Despite the best efforts of all the girls the Lady Roughettes walked out of town with a 15-6 win. Yet again the Lady Coyotes carried no ill effects from this game as they stayed within reach of the seasoned Lady Roughettes until the 5th inning by a score of 2-3. These young ladies were believing more and more in themselves. The outfield made some plays as well as our infield. The Lady Coyotes were starting to put bat to ball as well.

The next game for the Lady Coyotes would come against another large 2A school in Tahoka. The Lady Bulldogs are not but 2 years removed from making a deep run in the softball playoffs. This game was played on the Monday of Spring Break on a very windy dusty West Texas day. The weather did not deter the Lady Coyotes. They found their bats in a big way. Pitcher Harley Merrill threw everything she had at these girls and sat several of them down. The Lady Bulldog team was very good at hitting the ball as well. Several lead changes occurred throughout the duration of the game. Rayme Jones came up with two huge catches in deep centerfield that she had to adjust for in the wind. ShortStop, Preslea Hall made several great

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Lady Coyote, Ashlyn Tucker, runs over home plate to score for the Ladies in the match against the Ira Lady Bulldogs.



Pitcher for the Lady Coyotes, Harley Merrill winds it up and throws a strike against Ira. The Ladies came away with a 6-3 win over the Lady Bulldogs. Also pictured is 3rd basemen, Katie Gray.



Lady Coyote catcher, Brooklyn Cheatham gets the third out against the Lady Bulldogs.

Coyotes Get Big Win Against Rotan

By Coach Edwards

The Borden Coyotes used a barrage of hits to overcome a deficit and defeat the Rotan Yellowhammers in district play, 22-7.

Rotan jumped out on the Coyotes scoring three runs in the bottom half of the second inning. Borden got going in the third inning thanks to a leadoff single by Braxton Barnes. Ryan Willborn reached base on a hit by pitch. Trace Richey loaded the bases with a one out single. Korbin Martinez hit into a fielder's choice plating Barnes. Willborn later scored on a passed ball closing the Yellowhammer lead to 3-2.

Borden's bats caught fire in the fourth inning. Singles by Kale Yarbro, Jayton Lewis, Willborn, and a double by Richey helped the Coyotes score four runs and take a 7-2 lead. Rotan answered with a couple of runs in the bottom half of the fourth, but trailed 7-5.

Borden scratched a couple more runs in the fifth, but really put the game out of reach in the sixth inning. Singles by Richey and Martinez, and walk by Braxton Coor loaded the bases. Yarbro came through with two run single scoring Richey and Martinez. Steven

Carrillo's sacrifice fly plated Coor and Yarbro scored on a single by Barnes. Both Barnes and Lewis scored on a double by Willborn which later scored on a passed ball giving the Coyotes 16-5 lead. Rotan scored two runs in the bottom half of the sixth but trailed 16-7.

The Coyotes added six more runs in the seventh to secure the victory.

Trace Richey's five hit day and Kale Yarbro's four hit day led the way for Borden. Ryan Willborn and Braxton Barnes added three hits. Korbin Martinez and Jayton Lewis each had a couple of singles. Hunter Jones and Braxton Coor both finished with a hit.

Kale Yarbro collected his first victory of the season pitching three innings. Yarbro gave up five hits, struck out six, and walked two batters. Steven Carrillo, in his debut, struck out all three batters he faced. Jones pitched three innings striking out seven batters, walking four, and gave up three hits.

Borden's game versus the Forsan Buffaloes was postponed due to rain.

The Coyotes are 6-0-1 on the season and 3-0 in district.

Fort Concho Field Trip



The baseball committee for the upcoming Borden County Heritage Day's vintage game, scheduled for June 10, made a field trip to Fort Concho this week. The committee visited with the Fort's baseball historian (games used to be played by the soldiers stationed there in the 1800's). Mr. Cory Robinson then took the students to the area where those soldiers would have played and had them catch, hit and throw using balls, bats and gloves from that era. Anyone interested in playing in the vitage game can contact Sue Jane Sullivan, 806/282-2270. Pictured is (left to right) Trey Edwards, Justin Willborn, Sue Jane Sullivan, Haddie Flanigan and Brooklyn Gray.

UIL Social Studies Team



Members of the advancing UIL Social Studies team are (back l to r) Thomas Nix, Dylan Murphy, (front) Trent Collins and Hayley Gray.

School Lunch Menu

April 18 - 22, 2016

Menu subject to change

Monday - Breakfast: Breakfast Empanada, Fruit Juice, Fruit, and Milk.
Lunch: Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Green Beans, Roll, Strawberry Cup and Milk.

Tuesday - Breakfast: Blueberry Muffin & Yogurt, Fruit Juice and Milk.
Lunch: Meat & Cheese Tostadas w/Salsa, Spanish Rice, Salad, Refried Beans, Applesauce and Milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast: Pancake Wrap, Fruit Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Pizza, Salad, Vegetable Medley, Apple Slices and Milk.

Thursday-Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, Fruit Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Frito Pie, Baby Carrots w/Ranch, Mexicali Corn, Salsa, Orange Smiles, Cookie and Milk.

Friday-Breakfast: PBJ, Fruit Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Hamburger, Zesty Cucumbers, Sweet Potato Fries, Sliced Peaches and Milk.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

UIL Current Issues & Events Team

Team



The UIL Current Issues and Events team made up of (l to r) Zoie Key, Karly Etheredge, Madi Cole and Hayley Gray advance to the Regional competition.


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4 Ways to Eat Your Way to Lower Cholesterol

Many people can reduce cholesterol levels simply by changing what they eat. For example, if you are a fan of cheeseburgers, eating less meat (and leaner cuts) and more vegetables, fruits, and whole grains can lower your total cholesterol by 25% or more. Cutting back on saturated fat (found in meat and dairy products) and trans fat (partially hydrogenated oils) can reduce cholesterol by 5% to 10%.

Here are four steps for using your diet to lower your cholesterol.

Stick with unsaturated fats and avoid saturated and trans fats. Most vegetable fats (oils) are made up of unsaturated fats that are healthy for your heart. Foods that contain healthy fats include oily fish, nuts, seeds, and some vegetables. At the same time, limit your intake of foods high in saturated fat, which is found in many meat and dairy products, and stay away from trans fats. These include any foods made with "partially hydrogenated vegetable oils."

Get more soluble fiber. Eat more soluble fiber, such as that found in oatmeal and fruits. This type of fiber can lower blood cholesterol levels when eaten as part of a healthy-fat diet.

Include plant sterols and stanols in your diet. These naturally occurring plant com-

pounds are similar in structure to cholesterol. When you eat them, they help limit the amount of cholesterol your body can absorb. Plant sterols and stanols are found in an increasing number of food products such as spreads, juices, and yogurts.

Find a diet that works for you. When a friend or relative tells you how much his or her cholesterol level dropped after trying a particular diet, you may be tempted to try it yourself. If you do, and after a few months you discover that you're not getting the same benefits, you may need to chalk it up to genetic and physiological differences. There is no one-size-fits-all diet for cholesterol control. You may need to try several approaches to find one that works for you.


Although diet can be a simple and powerful way to improve cholesterol levels, it plays a bigger role for some people than for others. Don't be discouraged if you have followed a diet but not reached your goal blood level. Keep it up. Even if you do end up needing medication to keep your cholesterol in check, you likely will need less than if you didn't make any dietary changes.

Source: Harvard Health Publications - Harvard Medical School Healthbeat <http://www.health.harvard.edu/>



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Michael A. Guido, D.D.
Metter, Georgia

One day a gentleman who was in deep distress came to see me. He thought that it was his good works that would get him into heaven. After explaining God's plan of salvation to him, he asked, "Do you mean that I can actually be saved by faith through grace alone?"

"Yes," I answered. "When you board an airplane, what do the people at the gate ask for?" "My boarding pass," he answered.

"Correct," I replied. "Your boarding pass proves that you have met the conditions to board the aircraft."

Our "boarding pass" for heaven is our faith in Jesus Christ. The Bible plainly states that "By grace you have been saved through faith, not of your works, it is a gift from God lest anyone should boast."

Placing our faith in God's Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, as our Savior assures us of our "boarding pass" into eternity with Him. Do you have yours ready?

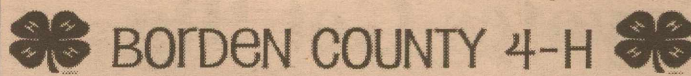
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Thought for the Day

We all want our children to be smart. Unfortunately, people have largely forgotten that there is a huge difference between intelligence and wisdom.

Intelligence is a measurement of things you know. Wisdom is your ability to discern right from wrong and make moral choices. A wise person will follow God. An intelligent person may or may not.

-Sonya Haskins



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2016 Borden County 4-H Photography Winners

We had a wonderful assortment and amazing selection of photos submitted for the county contest! Below is the list of those that were chosen as first place and will advance to District next week.

JUNIOR

Animals - Wildlife: Tres Spencer; Animals - Domestic: Jenna Holbrooks; Catch-All: Haven Hill; Storyboard: Laney Stansell; Elements of Design: Haven Hill; Dominant Color: Laney Stansell; Night Photography: Jenna Holbrooks; Details and Macro: Laney Stansell; Plant/Flora: Laney Stansell; Nature and Landscape: Haven Hill; People: Laney Stansell and Digital Darkroom: Haven Hill

INTERMEDIATE

Storyboard: Maggie Miller; Catch-All: Kennedy Tucker; Elements of Design: Kennedy Tucker; People: Ryann Phillips; Nature and Landscape: Ryann Phillips; Animals - Wildlife: Kennedy Tucker; Animals - Domestic: Maggie Miller; Plant/Flora: Kennedy Tucker; Night Photography: Ryann Phillips; Digital Darkroom: Maggie Miller; Food: Maggie Miller; Details and Macro: Kennedy Tucker; Dominant Color: Maggie Miller and Marine/Aquatic: Ryann Phillips

Livestock & Wool Judging

If you have not already signed up (at the 4-H meeting) for either or both judging event, please let Cody know if you are interested. The next practice for both will be **THIS** Thursday, April 14 after school until 5:00 in the Ag Building at school.

State Fair, Heifer, Steer and Horse Validation

"State Fair Goat and Lamb – deadline is April 15th \$10 per Tag at the time of ordering.

"Steer Validation Tag Order – Deadline April 15th \$10 per Tag at the time of ordering.

"Heifer Validation UIN Order – Deadline April 15th \$ 10 per Heifer at Validation

"State fair Swine tag Order – Deadline April 25th \$ 10 per Tag at the time of ordering.

"Horse validation - on 4-H Connect – April 1-30th \$ 10 per Horse

If you would like to Text Cody your orders and then please bring by or mail a check made out to (Borden 4-H) no later than 10 days after your order is placed.

Record Book Workshop

Record Book Workshop – 4/18 @ 6 p.m.

We will have a Recordbook Workshop on Monday, April 18 at 6:00 p.m. in the Event Center for those that would like to learn more. If you would like information or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact Julie. An email with details about Recordbooks was sent in mid-March.

Educational Presentations and Share the Fun

Youth interested in participating in the public speaking or sharing their talents with other 4-H'ers are encouraged to participate in this contest which will be held Monday, May 16 in Levelland at South Plains College. County deadline to enter is May 1st. If you would like more information, please check out: <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/roundup/> or contact Julie.

BHS Senior, Souder Named Terry Foundation Scholarship Recipient

Borden County ISD is proud to announce that Senior Nathan Souder is now a Terry Foundation Scholar. Candidates for the Terry Foundation Scholarship are nominated by 13 affiliated Texas universities; Nathan will be attending the University of Texas in the fall of 2016.

The following information is from the Terry Foundation website at <http://www.terryfoundation.org/Public/new-site-2016/about-us/about-the-founders>.

History of the Terry Foundation

The Terry Scholarship Program was born of Howard and Nancy Terry's desire to help young people help themselves. Knowing that universities are more than buildings and classrooms, **Howard Terry had repeatedly declined to allow the universities to honor his previous contributions by placing his name on campus structures: "Mortar and bricks will eventually be torn down," he reasoned. The Terrys believed, in the long term, that a university – like the state it represents – is only as good as the educated citizens it produces. Thus was born a desire to invest in the students who would attend the public colleges and universities in Texas.**

The Terrys' desire to help young people was influenced greatly by Howard Terry's own college experience: he had attended the University of Texas on an athletic scholarship, becoming captain of the football team and graduating in 1938. His family origins in Cameron, Texas were modest and it was only through the generosity of others that his college educa-

tion had been made possible. Mr. Terry never forgot the helping hand that he had received in attending college and was determined to extend that same help to a new generation of students.

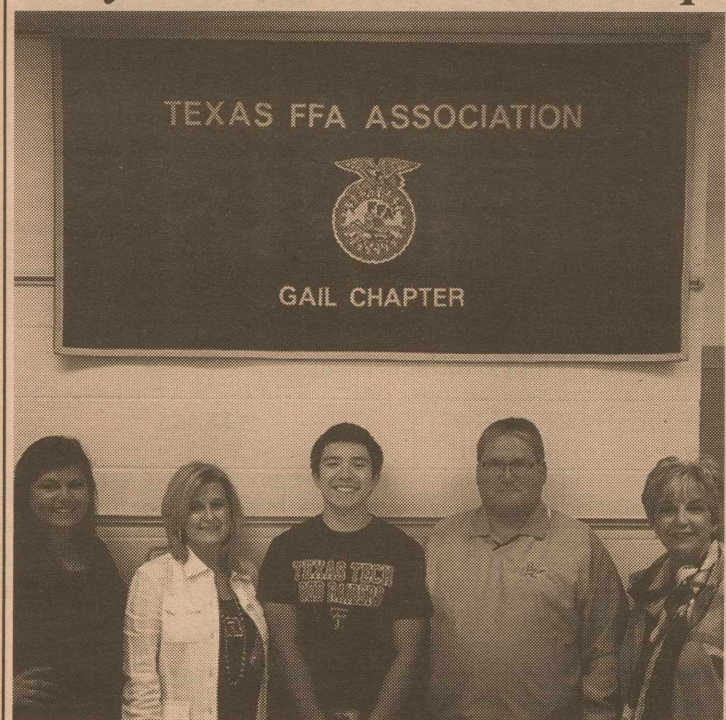
After seeking counsel from sources that included former UT coach Darrell Royal (an original Foundation Board Member) and Houston attorney Rhett Campbell (Board Member since inception and now Board Chair), the Terrys determined that their most lasting contribution would be through a perpetual endowment that would provide college scholarships for students who had demonstrated the capacity to become outstanding future leaders and who needed financial assistance to achieve their goals in higher education. From this simple concept, the Terry Foundation was created in 1986 to be the source of a perpetual scholarship program. The first scholarship recipients, known since then as "Terry Scholars," were selected at interviews held in the spring of 1987.

During the first seventeen years of the Foundation's history, Scholars attended only the University of Texas at Austin or Texas A&M University. In the fall of 2004, the Foundation Scholarship Program expanded for the first time, when Terry Scholars were named at the University of Houston and at Texas State University-San Marcos. Two years later, additional growth provided scholarships in the fall of 2006 at the University of Texas at Dallas and the University of Texas at San Antonio. In 2010, the program was expanded to include the University of North Texas and in 2011, Texas Tech University. In 2013, Texas Woman's University was added to the family of Terry universities, followed by Texas A&M at Galveston and Sam Houston State University in 2014 and

University of Texas at El Paso and University of Texas at Arlington in 2015.

The Terry Foundation has become larger than the Terrys ever imagined, fulfilling in the process their dreams of making a difference in the lives of students across the state. Despite his extraordinary success in ventures that made the Terry Foundation possible, Howard Terry observed that "the Terry Foundation is the most important thing I've done in my life, because it's enabled me to help more people than I would have ever been able to help otherwise."

Terry Foundation Scholarship



Borden County senior, Nathan Souder (center) was awarded the Terry Foundation Scholarship and will be attending the University of Texas in the fall. Souder is pictured with (left to right) Ag instructor, Kaylee Farquhar; counselor, Tracye Spencer; Principle, Bart McMeans and UIL instructor, Sue Jane Sullivan.



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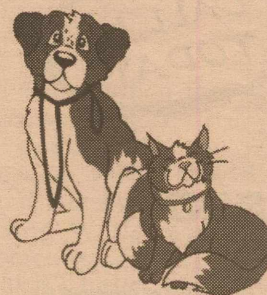
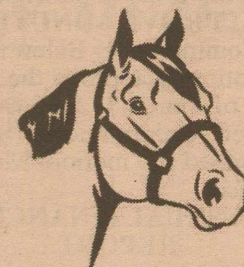
Pet Health Clinic

Thursday, April 28 from 4:00-5:30 p.m.

Borden County Event Center, Gail

Vaccinations and wormer for dogs, cats and horses

Prices and additional information will be published next week.



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Commissioners Court

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BORDEN

WHEREAS, on this the 22nd day of March, 2016, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Special Session in the Commissioners Courtroom at the Courthouse in Gail, Texas the following members of the Court being present to-wit: ROSS D. SHARP, COUNTY JUDGE, PRESIDING; MONTE SMITH, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1; RANDY ADCOCK, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2; ERNEST REYES, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3; JOE BELEW, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 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 Assessor/Collector; and Shawna Gass, County Treasurer

CALL TO ORDER

Judge Sharp called the March 22, 2016, special session of the Commissioners Court to order at 8:32 A.M.

APPROVE MINUTES

Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve the minutes of March 8, 2016 as presented. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve annual financial report as presented by the County Treasurer. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PROHIBITING OUTDOOR BURNING

No Action

UTILITY CABLE/ PIPELINE CROSSINGS

No Applications

PRIVATE ROAD CONSTRUCTION/ MAINTENANCE

Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve the application from Ross Sharp for 1 time only. Commissioner

Smith seconded the motion.

Voting For: Commissioner Smith, Adcock, Reyes and Belew

Voting Against: None

Abstained: Judge Sharp
SOIL CONSERVATION WORK

No Applications
COMMUNITY INPUT

None
FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

CURRENT ACCOUNTS

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

ADJOURN

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



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17TH ANNUAL MEETING
THURSDAY APRIL 28, 2016 AT STAMFORD HIGH SCHOOL

6:00 p.m. Member registration

BBQ meal catered by Rough Creek Catering

Entertainment by Jamison Priest, a contemporary folk band based in Abilene and often seen at festivals, coffeehouses, pubs, and other places. Jamison Priest performs acoustic original music as well as music from the '50s, '60s and '70s performed in their own folk style.

7:00 p.m. Business meeting

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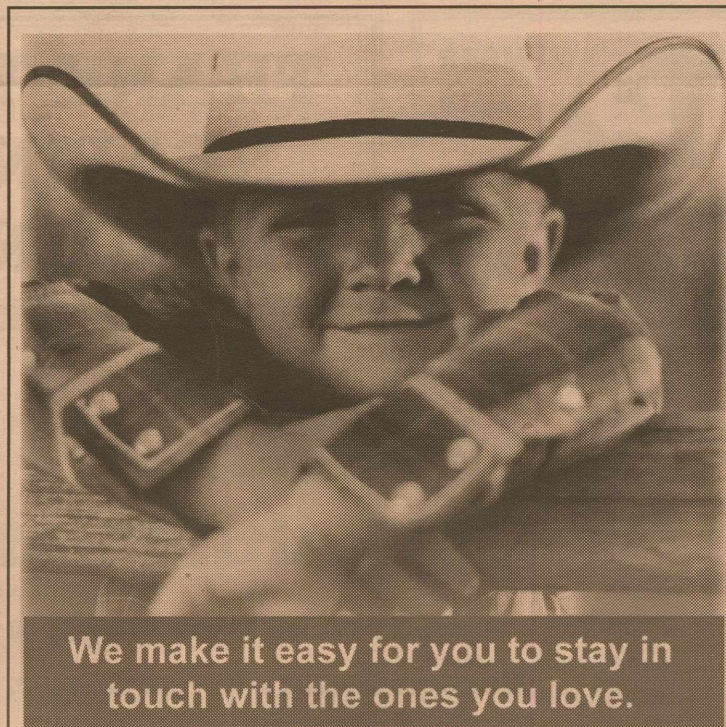
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Lady Coyotes Softball Proving Themselves...

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stops and fired to 1st baseman Maddie Benavidez to get the advantage. After some huge runs in the 7th inning that brought the score to 23 to 18 in favor of the Lady Coyotes, the BC team just needed three outs. The Lady Coyotes battled adversity as SS Preslea Hall had to overcome some injuries to get those last three outs. Even giving up three runs in the bottom of the seventh, the Lady Coyotes made a great play on a hot grounder fielded by Ashlyn Tucker and thrown to Maddie Benavidez to make the final out. This gave the Lady Coyotes their first ever win in softball with a score of 23-21!!! The Lady Coyotes had thrown the monkey off their backs!!!

The Lady Coyotes celebrated their first win of program history in high fashion with a celebratory dinner at Pedroza's in Lamesa. The win will be forever remembered as the first win in Borden County history. However in the game of softball, wins must be earned then quickly forgotten just like a loss would. The very next day the Lady Coyotes were to meet up with defending district champion Forsan. Forsan came in with size, power and decent speed. Harley Merrill pitched an outstanding game against Tahoka and earned some much needed rest the next day against Forsan. SR Lexi Cheatham and FR Katie Gray split some valuable time at pitcher before Harley came back in to close the game. Despite the best efforts of the team, the Lady Buffalos walked away with an 18-2 win. The task of battling tooth and nail for the victory at Tahoka combined with the very quick turnaround time was just too much for the Lady Coyotes. There were some very bright spots in the game for BC despite what the score indicated.

The Lady Coyotes had the advantage due to cancelations and bye games of having a full week of practice to prepare for the next game which was the

Lady Eagles from Seagraves. Seagraves is another 2A school that was in our district during the first go-around at softball in 2006-07. The Lady Eagles came over on a beautiful Saturday afternoon for what would be their complete dismantling. The Lady Coyotes took advantage of their full week of practice and half week of rest and recuperation and came out firing on all cylinders. Merrill pitched the entire game. She retired batter after batter and secured the win for the Lady Coyotes by a score of 18-5. This game was called in the top of the 5th inning on the run rule. It must be mentioned that the infield with FR Katie Gray at 3rd, SO Presley Hall at SS, 2nd baseman SO Ashlyn Tucker, JR Maddie Benavidez at 1st, and SO Brooklyn Cheatham at C accounted for some very impressive defense to make this outcome possible.

The magic did not end there for the Lady Coyotes. The next Tuesday, BC travelled to Snyder to take on the Ira Lady Bulldogs at their WTC home field. Ira came in to this contest feeling mighty strong and confident. The Lady Coyotes had no problem putting an end to this very fleeting emotion for the Lady Bulldogs. Ira jumped out to a 1-0 lead in the third but, the Lady Coyotes answered right back in the 4th

to take a 2-1 lead and never looked back. Once again, the Lady Coyotes put the bats back to work and each Lady Coyote in the lineup was able to either get on base or score a run. At the end in the seventh, the Lady Coyotes took a 6-1 lead to close out the top of the inning. In the bottom of the inning, Harley and Company stood strong despite giving up two runs to win the game by a score of 6-3. The outfield came up big in this one to seal the victory as well. The outfield consisting of SR Cheyenne Tucker in LF, FR Rayme Jones in CF, SR Karly Etheredge and SR Kylee Dean both in RF stepped up in a big way.

The Lady Coyotes are currently sitting in the third spot for this district behind Forsan and Sundown. There will be 4 teams making the playoffs out of each district. Third spot right now is so huge for this young team. In the beginning they were not thought about as even making a playoff run and now heading into the final half of the season, here we are in the driver's seat. I cannot even begin to express my gratitude and pride for these girls. They work hard. They play even harder. They compete and now winning isn't a nice surprise but a common goal and expected amongst themselves. Good job, Lady Coyotes.

Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit
Tumbleweed Smith

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some of the best years of her life. Sometimes she plays her ukulele to entertain her friends.

"A lot of the sisters are interested in cooking over a fire using Dutch ovens and cast iron skillets. We don't go hungry, that's for sure."

Susie will be helping host

the sisters when they get to Sweetwater on April 16.

"They'll tour the WASP Museum where they'll hear about sisters who learned to fly during World War Two as Women Air Service Pilots. I think it'll be very inspirational, since the sisters love adventure."

UIL Journalism Team



The Borden County UIL Journalism team advancing on to the regional meet consists of (back l to r) Katie Gray, Maddie Benavidez, Paige Holbrooks, (front) Madi Cole and Carley Bell.



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Sponsors Needed for Borden County Heritage Day to be Held June 11

By Lisa Mahler

Borden County Heritage Day is June 11. There is still time to become a sponsor for the event. Deadline for sponsorships is Friday, May 13.

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### 2016 Borden County Baseball Schedule

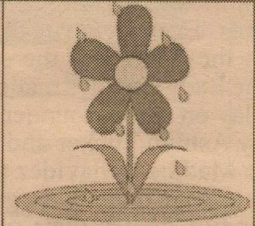
| Date             | Opponent              | Time  | Site  |
|------------------|-----------------------|-------|-------|
| March 3&5(Th/Sa) | Borden Tournament     | TBA   | Gail  |
| March 8(Tues)    | Big Spring Fr/JV (DH) | 5:00  | There |
| March 17(Thur)   | ACHS(DH)              | 11:00 | Home  |
| March 21(Mon)    | Big Spring Fr         | 5:00  | Home  |
| March 25(Fri)    | open                  |       |       |
| March 29(Tues)   | *Hermleigh            | 5:00  | Home  |
| April 2(Sat)     | *Ira                  | 5:00  | There |
| April 6(Wed)     | *Rotan                | 5:00  | There |
| April 9(Sat)     | *Forsan               | 12:00 | Home  |
| April 12(Tues)   | Trent                 | 5:00  | Home  |
| April 16(Sat)    | *Hermleigh            | 5:00  | There |
| April 19(Tues)   | *Ira                  | 5:00  | Home  |
| April 22(Fri)    | *Rotan                | 5:00  | Home  |
| April 26(Tues)   | *Forsan               | 5:00  | There |

\*Denotes District Games

Revised Feb 9<sup>th</sup>



# April 2016



| Sunday | Monday                                                                                                                  | Tuesday                                                                                                 | Wednesday                              | Thursday                                                                        | Friday                                                                                 | Saturday                                                                                                                      |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|        |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                         |                                        |                                                                                 | 1<br>Bi-District OAP @ BC                                                              | 2<br>District Tennis @ BC<br><br>Baseball @ Ira-5:00                                                                          |
|        |                                                                                                                         | *All games subject to change                                                                            |                                        |                                                                                 | FFA Contest @<br>WTAMU                                                                 | FFA Contest @<br>Clarendon/Valley                                                                                             |
| 3      | 4<br>Early Release-12:00<br><br>HS District UIL @ BC<br><br>District Tennis @ BC<br><br>Cheer Applications<br>Available | 5<br>HS District Golf @<br>Sweetwater<br><br>Softball @ Sundown-<br>5:00                                | 6<br>Baseball @ Rotan-5:00             | 7<br>JH District Track @<br>Highland<br><br>FFA Judging Contest @<br>Sweetwater | 8<br>HS Track @ O'Donnell<br><br>FFA Judging Contest<br>@ ASU                          | 9<br>Baseball vs. Forsan 12:00<br><br>Softball vs. Tahoka-11:00<br><br>Area OAP @ Midland<br><br>FFA Judging Contest @<br>TTU |
| 10     | 11<br>HS Regional Golf @<br>San Angelo                                                                                  | 12<br>Baseball vs. Trent-5:00<br><br>HS Regional Golf @ San<br>Angelo<br><br>Softball @ Forsan-5:00     | 13<br>Teacher Appreciation<br>Luncheon | 14<br>District/Area Track @<br>Hermleigh                                        | 15<br><b>End of 5<sup>th</sup> Six Weeks</b><br><br>District/Area Track @<br>Hermleigh | 16<br>Softball vs. Ira-11:00<br><br>Baseball @ Hermleigh-<br>5:00<br><br>FFA Area Contest @<br>TTU                            |
|        |                                                                                                                         | Scholastic Book Fair                                                                                    |                                        |                                                                                 |                                                                                        |                                                                                                                               |
| 17     | 18<br><b>Beginning of 6<sup>th</sup><br/>Six Weeks</b><br><br>Cheer Applications<br>Due                                 | 19<br>Regional Tennis @ San<br>Angelo<br><br>Baseball vs. Ira-5:00<br><br>Softball @ Seagraves-<br>5:00 | 20<br>Regional Tennis @ San<br>Angelo  | 21<br>Regional Qualifiers Meet<br>@ BC                                          | 22<br>HS Regional Academic<br>UIL @ San Angelo<br><br>Baseball vs. Rotan-5:00          | 23<br>HS Regional Academic<br>UIL @ San Angelo<br><br>State FFA Cotton Judging<br>Contest @ TTU                               |
| 24     | 25                                                                                                                      | 26<br>Baseball @ Forsan-<br>5:00                                                                        | 27<br>Cheer Tryouts                    | 28                                                                              | 29<br>Regional Track @ ASU                                                             | 30<br>Regional Track @<br>ASU                                                                                                 |