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State Qualifiers! Pictured above is the Gail FFA Livestock Judging team at the Texas Tech State Qualifying contest. Team members are (left to right) Jacie Eveland, Lacey Roberts, Raylea Underwood and Shelby Roberts.

Gail FFA Judging Team Bound for State Competition

By Buddy Wallace

The Gail FFA Livestock CDE Judging Team has secured their place in the State Judging Competition. The team earned this right as they placed in the top cut this past weekend at the Area CDE

Judging Event at Texas Tech University.

The Livestock Team consisting of Shelby Roberts, Lacey Roberts, Raylea Underwood, and Jacie Eveland placed 4th high overall out of

76 teams, 2nd high in Area II out of 38 teams, and 1st in District. Lacey Roberts also placed 13th high individual out of 298 participants. Also at-

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Quadruple Qualification Four BHS Students Advance to UIL State Meet; Squad Named Regional Runners-Up

The UIL Academic Team from Borden County High School grabbed the overall Regional Runners-Up title at this past weekend's Region II-A UIL Academic Meet and will advance four individuals to the UIL Academic State Meet on May 2-3, 2008.

Leading the way for BHS at the meet was the regional champion Speech & Debate Team, which advanced three individuals on to state.

Two other teams, the Spelling & Vocabulary Team and the Current Issues & Events Team, claimed runners-up titles of their own and narrowly missed advancing to the State Meet as a team.

Seniors Kate Wallace and Rachel Wilson each claimed regional championships in Extemporaneous Persuasive Speaking and Extemporaneous Informative Speaking respectively.

Wallace is seeking her third

consecutive state championship in the event, while Wilson hopes to better her fifth place finish in her event from last year's State Meet.

Joining Wallace and Wilson at state will be junior Katherine Froman and freshman John Hensley.

Froman placed second in Spelling & Vocabulary, finishing just behind the defending state champion in the event. This will be her second year to advance to State.

Hensley will join Wallace in Extemporaneous Persuasive Speaking after finishing in third place at the regional meet.

The Spelling and Vocabulary Team, comprised of Froman, sophomores Michael Porter & Brendan Tarleton, and freshman Taylor Richey missed breaking to the State Meet by a mere three points out of 300.

The Current Issues and

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BC Boys Capture 1st at Coyote Relays While Girls Finish 4th!

By Coach Baeza

Borden County recently hosted the Coyote Relays with BC boys taking 1st and the girls team grabbing 4th place. The following are the results for the Coyote Relays.

Girls:
400 Meter Relay: 4th-56.15-D'Nae Johnson, Taylor Richey, Krystal Hobson and Olivia Key.

800 Meter Run: 6th-2:58.92-Lacey Roberts.

100 Meter Dash: D'Nae Johnson-14.52; Krystal Hobson-14.69 and Marla Crenshaw-14.42.

100 Meter Hurdles: 1st-Taylor Richey-17.94.

800 Meter Relay: 2nd-2:00.90-D'Nae Johnson, Taylor Richey, Marla Crenshaw and Olivia Key.

400 Meter Dash: Krista Tarleton-74.08.

200 Meter Dash: Phyneshia Rutherford-31.03; Kerianne Howard-37.79 and Hailey McDaniel-31.81.

1600 Meter Relay: 3rd-5:09.09-Krista Tarleton, Lacey Roberts, Phyneshia Rutherford and Marla Crenshaw.

Discus: 4th-Taylor Richey-91'9".

Triple Jump: 4th-Taylor Richey-29'5" and Phyneshia Rutherford-28'2".

High Jump: 5th-Krista Tarleton-4'4" and Lacey Roberts-4'2".

Long Jump: Marla Crenshaw-13'2" and Phyneshia Rutherford-13'4".

Boys:
3200 Meter Run: 2nd-Tyrell Massingill-12:33.78 and 3rd-Michael Froman-13:09.89.

400 Meter Relay: 1st-46.50-Michael Cooley, Michael Bullinger, John Hensley and Logan Howard.

800 Meter Run: 1st-Jake Cooley-2:05.28.

110 Hurdles: 1st-Tanner Richey-18.43 and 2nd-Austin Tyler-22.07.

100 Meter Dash: 1st-John Hensley-12.09; Quentin Shafer-12.99 and Miles Valentine-13.24.

800 Meter Relay: 1st-1:38.56-Michael Cooley, Michael Bullinger, John Hensley and Logan Howard.

400 Meter Dash: 5th-Tony Soto-57.29 and David Rodriguez-59.95.

300 Meter Hurdles: 3rd-Karl Lamming-49.58.

200 Meter Dash: 6th-Quentin Shafer-26.34 and Joseph McConnell-26.99.

1600 Meter Run: 4th-Miller Valentine-5:27.71; 5th-Tyrell Massingill-5:37.59; 6th-Michael Froman-6:14.64 and Brendan Tarleton-6:45.32.

1600 Meter Relay: 2nd-3:47.16-Michael Cooley, Tony

Soto, Logan Howard and Jake Cooley.

Shot Put: 6th-Cory Teel-34'5.75 and Clay Harding-no mark.

Discus: 2nd-Cory Teel-124'7.75; Tony Soto-no mark and Brendan Tarleton-no mark.

Long Jump: 3rd-Michael Cooley-18'11"; 6th-Karl Lamming-16'4.25" and John Hensley-15'3.5".

Triple Jump: 4th-Karl Lamming-37'2"; John Hensley-31'11" and Brendan Tarleton-31'2".

High Jump: 2nd-Michael Cooley-6'2"; Brendan Tarleton-5'2"; David Rodriguez-5'2" and Miles Valentine-NH.

Pole Vault: 1st-Michael Bullinger-12'6" and Logan Howard-NH.

Thank you to the volunteers for your hard work that made this year's track meet a success!

Coyote Relays



Borden County track member, Tony Soto, hands the baton off in the 1600 Meter Relay during the Coyote Relay. The team placed 2nd.

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Borden County Tracksters Travel To Water Valley for District Meet

Borden County boys and girls track teams recently traveled to Water Valley for District 9-A track. Results are as follows:

Girls:
3200 Meter Run: 5th-Lacey Roberts-16:24.14.

400 Meter Relay: 5th-56.17-D'Nae Johnson, Taylor Richey, Krystal Hobson and Olivia Key.

100 Meter Hurdles: 1st-Taylor Richey-17.29.

100 Meter Dash: 2nd-Haylee McDaniel-14.82; Kerianne Howard-17.46; D'Nae Johnson and Krystal Hobson.

800 Meter Relay: 2:01.75-D'Nae Johnson, Taylor Richey, Marla Crenshaw and Olivia Key.

400 Meter Dash: Krista Tarleton-72.55.

200 Meter Dash: 3rd-Phyneshia Rutherford JV-31.55; 4th-Haylee McDaniel-31.87; Krystal Hobson and Olivia Key.

Discus: 3rd-Taylor Richey-91'06".

Long Jump: Marla Crenshaw-13'10.25.

Triple Jump: 3rd-Taylor Richey-31'02" and 1st-JV-Phyneshia Rutherford-25'07.50.

High Jump: Krista Tarleton-

4'8".
Pole Vault: D'Nae Johnson-6'6".

Boys:
3200 Meter Run: 6th-Tyrell Massingill-11:49.49; 9th-David Rodriguez-12:23.69 and 1st-JV-Michael Froman-13:03.82.

400 Meter Relay: 6th-47.24-Michael Cooley, John Hensley, Flynn Chapman and Logan Howard.

800 Meter Run: 2nd-Jake Cooley-2:07.86 and Brendan Tarleton-2:38.46.

110 Meter Hurdles: 6th-Karl Lamming-19.44.

100 Meter Dash: 2nd-John Hensley-12.04; Quentin Shafer-12.91; 2nd-JV-Michael Bullinger-11.92; 4th-JV-Joseph McConnell-12.46 and 5th-Miles Valentine-12.75.

800 Meter Relay: 2nd-1:38.35-Michael Cooley, John Hensley, Flynn Chapman and Jake Cooley.

800 Meter Relay JV: 2nd-1:47.26-Miles Valentine, Joseph McConnell, Clay Harding and Michael Bullinger.

300 Meter Hurdles: Karl Lamming-46.9.

200 Meter Dash: 1st-Michael Bullinger-24.41; 5th-Joseph McConnell-26.87 and Quentin Shafer.

1600 Meter Run: 4th-Miller Valentine-5:11.39; Tyrell Massingill-5:28.00; David Rodriguez-5:29.00; 4th-JV-Michael Froman-6:19.49 and 6th-JV-Brendan Tarleton-6:20.25.

1600 Meter Relay: 4th-3:49.95-Michael Cooley (57.68), Karl Lamming (59.75), Tony Soto (57.69) and Jake Cooley (54.44).

Shot: Cory Teel-30'7.25 and 5th-JV-Joseph McConnell-31'8".

Discus: Cory Teel-91'7"; 3rd-JV-Clay Harding-91'04" and Brendan Tarleton-77'11".

Long Jump: 3rd-Michael Cooley-19'11.25".

Triple Jump: 2nd-Karl Lamming-39'04.75 and 3rd-JV-Brendan Tarleton-34'03.75".

High Jump: 2nd-6'2"; David Rodriguez-5'6"; 3rd-JV-Brendan Tarleton-5'2" and 4th-JV-Miles Valentine-5'2".

Pole Vault: Miller Valentine-9'0" and 1st-JV-Michael Bullinger-9'6".



Borden County girls hurdler, Taylor Richey (right), places 1st at the Coyote Relays. She also placed 5th at Area competition in Bronte last week.

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Gail FFA State Bound...

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tending the competition was Livestock alternate Kimberly Proulx.

The Livestock Team will represent Gail FFA and Area II at the State Livestock Judging Contest at Texas A&M on Saturday, April 26th.

The Gail FFA Horse Team consisting of members Chelsea Minnick, Clay Harding, Shylo Rinehart, and Annie Stribling also competed at the State Qualifying competition. The team fell short of qualifying for state and ended a very productive judging season.

Mr. Wallace stated that he was very proud of all of the team's hard work and time dedicated to a successful judging year.

Congratulations to the Gail FFA Judging Teams and good Luck to all state qualifiers!

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Borden County Booster Club

Meeting
Wednesday, April 23rd
5:30 p.m.

Community Center

- **Plan for Teacher Appreciation event
- **Committee Report Fund Allocations
- **Finalize Scholarship Application process

The purpose of the Booster Club is to support, promote and encourage the students of Borden County School in all school-related endeavors.

Membership is open to any parent/guardian or community member interested in the promotion and support of the Booster Club and BCS students.



Pictured above are the UIL Regional Qualifiers who competed at Texas Tech this past weekend, April 11-12. They are (top row left to right) Eric Espinoza, Karl Lamming, Brendan Tarleton, (middle row left to right) Rachel Wilson, Chasiti Rutherford, Chellsie Pigford, Michael Porter, (bottom row left to right) Jake Cooley, Katherine Froman, Sharelle Gass, Kate Wallace, John Hensley, Carlos Hernandez, D'Nae Johnson, Hannah McConnell, Krista Tarleton and Taylor Richey.

BHS UIL Students Advance to State...

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Events Team finished second overall with a 4th place finish by Hensley and a fifth place finish by Wilson. Joining them on the team were sophomores Eric Espinoza and Karl Lamming.

Lamming also barely missed advancing to state in Extemporaneous Informative Speaking, finishing fourth in the event at the meet. He is the alternate to state.

Also placing for BHS at the regional meet was Carlos Hernandez, who placed fifth in Social Studies. He led the Social Studies Team to an overall fifth place finish.

Froman also placed sixth in Ready Writing, bringing the BHS point total to 104 points.

District 9-A foe Garden City High School was named the Regional Champion with 226 points.

Borden County Golf

By Coach Baeza

The following are results from District rounds at Maxwell and the Big Spring Country Club on March 31st and April 7, 2008.

Girls:

Krista Tarleton: 111 (Maxwell) and 115 (BSCC) for a total of 226.

Baylee Benavidez: 114 (Maxwell) and 132 (BSCC) for a total of 246.

Chellsie Pigford: 132 (Maxwell) and 130 (BSCC) for a total of 262.

Boys:

Karl Lamming: 97 (Maxwell) and 89 (BSCC) for a total of 186.

Gail FFA Greenhouse Plants for Sale

By Buddy Wallace

The Gail FFA chapter now has plants available for spring planting!

These plants are available in the greenhouse, which is located north of the Ag. Building on the Borden County Campus.

Quality plants are a result of hard work by the Borden County Ag. Science Horticulture class.

Anyone wishing to purchase starter plants can contact Buddy Wallace at 806-756-4313 (School) or 806-756-4478 (Home).

Customers can also place orders with students of the Horticulture Class.

Students are:
Jacie Eveland, Tyrell Massingill, Clay Harding,

Carlos Hernandez, Jake Cooley, Corey Teel, Bailey Benavidez

All plants are suitable size for ground planting. The Gail FFA chapter welcomes everyone to come view the plants and tour their greenhouse!

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School Lunch Menu

April 21 - 25, 2008

Monday - Breakfast:

Breakfast: Toaster Pastry, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich, Pork & Beans, Salad, Apricots and Milk.

Tuesday - Breakfast:

Waffles, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken Stir Fry, Crackers, Fresh Fruit and Milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast:

Muffin, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Sausage Wrap, Ranch Style Beans, Potato Salad, Peaches and Milk.

Thursday - Breakfast: Pan-

cake Pup, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Rib on a bun, French Fries, Tossed Salad, Strawberry Shortcake and Milk.

Friday - NO SCHOOL!

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Heart and Home ...

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



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Sleep Tight...Sleep Right:
Tips For getting A Good Night's Sleep

Getting a good night's sleep is important. According to information published by the National Sleep Foundation, which has designated April as Sleep Awareness Month and April 16 as Sleep Awareness Day, getting less than seven hours of sleep a night for seven consecutive nights can significantly impair alertness and motor performance. And a growing body of medical evidence links inadequate sleep with anger, anxiety, sadness, and daytime memory loss. University of Pennsylvania researchers found that when study subjects were allowed to sleep only 4.5 hours a night for one week, they reported feeling more stressed, angry, sad, and mentally exhausted, with overall scores for mood and vigor declining steadily during the test period.

Noise levels (too high or too low), a room that is too warm or too cold and/or has too much light, and a noisy or restless bed partner are a few of the environmental factors that can influence the length and quality of our sleep. Another factor is the sleeping surface itself:

A mattress and pillows with the proper body support are es-

sential to a good sleeping environment.

"It's also important, particularly for those who suffer from allergies and asthma, that the sleeping surface be clean and dust-free," says Nancy Bock, Vice President of Education at The Soap and Detergent Association. Sheets should be changed at least weekly. Other bed linens, including mattress pads, blankets and comforters, should be washed at least four times a year. And don't overlook the pillows! They, too, should be washed frequently. Check the pillow's label for care instructions. If the label is missing, try these general instructions.

- Wash the pillow on the gentle cycle, and then run it through the rinse cycle two or three times to remove all traces of detergent.

- After rinsing, run it through the washer's spin dry cycle at least twice to remove as much moisture as possible.

- Machine dry. Make sure the pillow is dry all the way through; several cycles may be required.

Source: *Soap and Detergent Association Cleaning Matters Newsletter March/April 2008*

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**Thought for
the Day**

*Middle age is when
you choose your
cereal for the fiber,
not the toy*

Source: *St. Louis Inspirational
Christian Connection.*



Walk Across Texas kicked off on March 31! This year we have three teams with 19 participants in Walk Across Texas. Mileage reports will be published after week 4 (April 30) and 8 (May 21). The teams consist of:

- Flat Footed Floozies**
Shawna Gass, captain
Amy Rinehart
Darby Key
Cindy Herridge
Sherry Gass
Sheri Poole
Arica Proulx
- Joy Walkers**
Tammy Simmons, captain
Kerri Benavidez
Sharon Baeza
Becky Nix
Tarey Tarleton
Charla Soto
Hayley Richey
- County Cruisers**
Sharlot Stone, captain
Jacquie Whalen
Julie Smith
Becky Beaver
Terry Smith

Thank You

Thanks to all the fire departments and police departments from Lamesa, Borden County and surrounding areas, the local individuals and the Forestry Service that helped with the range fire that went across our land on Monday, March 31. The quick and professional work saved most of our ranch and fences. The great work, special equipment and unselfish hours were great to be a part of. We know that all things work together for good, therefore we know we are blessed.

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- Monday, April 7
- Monday, April 14
- Monday, April 21
- Monday, April 28
- Monday, May 5



from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at
Trailblazers Senior Center
(205 E. 10th Street) in Post.

NOTE: Classes in Gail will be held in July.

To find out how you can do well and be well with diabetes, contact the Texas AgriLife Extension Service-Borden County office at (806)756-4336.

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Borden County 4-H News


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Livestock Judging

Any 4-H'er interested in Livestock Judging, please call Cody G. Hill at the Borden County Extension Office. Practices will begin soon!


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Agriculture News
 by Cody G. Hill
 Borden County Extension Agent -
 Agriculture

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4-H Shooting Sports Meeting

The 4-H Shooting Sports is a great way for youth to be involved in 4-H. It teaches 4-H'ers not only how to become better marksman, but it teaches them safety, responsibility, trustworthiness, patience, honesty, and yes, how to have fun!!!

There will be a planning meeting on Thursday, April 17, 2008, from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. at the Borden County Extension Office. All 4-Her's and parents who are planning to participate in the Shooting Sports project are encouraged to attend.

4-H Horse Project Meeting

The 4-H Horse Project is a great educational tool for youth to learn more about horses in areas of health care, horsemanship, grooming techniques, speed events, roping, and so much more.

There will be a Borden County 4-H Horse Project meeting on Thursday, April 24 from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. at the Borden County Extension Office. Any 4-Her's and parents who are interested in participating are encouraged to attend this meeting.

4-H & FFA Steer Validation

All across the State of Texas steer prospects are being selected by 4-H and FFA members for the 2008-2009 show season. During the month of June, these steers will be validated. Validation is a process in which the steers are tagged, tattooed, nose printed and hair samples are collected to show ownership and provide information in case a steer was lost or stolen. If you are planning on exhibiting steers during the 2009 Borden County Jr. Livestock Show or any of the major stock shows, you need to contact Borden County Extension Agent Cody G. Hill to order your tags. We must order these tags by April 18, 2008.

For more information on these project areas, contact Borden County Extension Agent Cody G. Hill at (806) 756-4336.

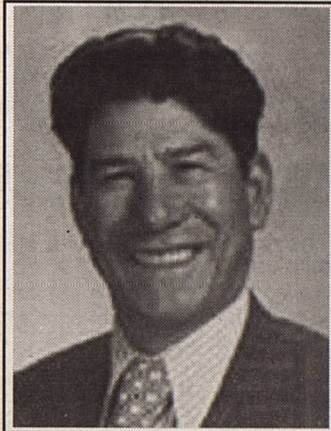
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Obituaries

Rafael Luevanos

1920 - 2008



Rafael Luevanos, 87, of Big Spring died on Friday, April 11, 2008, in a Fort Worth hospital.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 15, 2008, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Joe Torres officiating. Interment followed at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

The family received friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

He was born September 5, 1920, in San Jose, Mexico and married Marciala Tovar October 15, 1950 in Mercedes. She preceded him in death December 11, 2002.

Mr. Luevanos had lived in Big Spring since 1956 and had been a mechanic for Chemical Express.

Survivors include three sons, Juan Solis and wife, Angelita and Rafael Luevanos, all of Big Spring and Noe Luevanos of Los Angeles, California; two daughters and sons-in-laws, Mary and Steve Weeks of Fort Worth and Ruth and Tomas Soto of Big Spring; 19 grandchildren; 41 great grandchildren; 23 great great grandchildren; and one nephew. Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Doris Rudd

1916 - 2008

Services for Doris Evelyn (Taylor) Rudd, 91, of Gail, TX were held at 4 p.m. Sunday at the Bell-Cypert-Seale Chapel. Interment followed at the Gail Cemetery, under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

She died at 12:17 a.m. on Thursday, April 10, 2008 at Lakeview Christain Home in Carlsbad, NM.

She was born on Tuesday, May 9, 1916, in Gail, TX. She served as the Borden County Clerk for 24 years. She was a member of the Gail Church of Christ.

She is survived by one

daughter, Donna (Rudd) Turner of Lake Arthur, NM; one son, Taylor Rudd of Lubbock, TX; one sister, Darlene Keeter of Hico, TX; 4 grandchildren, Latane Foster of Illinois; Bronc Turner of Fort Worth, TX; Tonja Stamper of Locust Grove, OK and Jetta Brown, Seminole, TX; 8 great grandchildren, Payton Brown of Corpus Christi, TX; Cutter Stamper of Locust Grove, OK; Samantha Baker, Locust Grove, OK; Lanie and Feather Turner of Fort Worth, TX; Bo and Tanny Foster of Angelo, Indiana and Michael Foster of Angelo, Indiana; one great great grandson, Riley Brown of Corpus Christi, TX; one niece, Evlyn Gollehon and two nephews, Loyd and Boyd Holley.

She was preceded in death by a grandson, Dwayne Rudd and a daughter in law, Pat Rudd.

Pre-School Day

Pre-School day will be Thursday, April 24th. If your child will be 5 years on or before September 1, 2008, he/she is invited to visit the kindergarten class on this day. Please send a copy of your child's birth certificate, social security card, and immunization record.

This year, there will not be an early dismissal for the rest of the school in Pre-School Day. Pre-School students will attend school from 8:05 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. The school will provide lunch. If your child would like to ride the bus, please contact the bus driver in your area.

However, you will need to make arrangements to pick up your pre-school child at 12:30.

If you have any questions, please contact the school at 806-756-4313.



Thank You

Thank you to everyone who helped us in our time of need during the illness of our loved one, the EMS, the Plains Community, the Nail Cemetery Association, the prayers, cards and kindness will always remain in our hearts.

The family of Frank Curvey

This Week's Birthdays

21st - Zoie Kep
 Jodi Phillips
 22nd - Dalton Thuet

Commissioners Meeting

WHEREAS, On this the 21st day of March, 2008, 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: **Van L. York**, County Judge; **MONTE SMITH**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 1; **RANDY ADCOCK**, Commissioner Precinct No. 2; **ERNEST REYES**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3; **JOE BELEW**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 4; **JOYCE HERIDGE**, County Clerk and Ex-Officio of the Commissioners Court constituting a quorum, when the following proceedings were had, in accordance with the posted agenda.

MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the Commissioners Court meetings of March 11, 2008 were read. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve said minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Reyes. Motion carried.

RABIES CONTROL AUTHORITY

Commissioner Adcock made a motion to appoint R.D. Taylor as Borden County Rabies Control Authority.

Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

SOIL CONSERVATION CONSTRUCTION

Applications for Soil Conservation construction of Fireguards were received from Don A. Jones in Precinct No. 4, and Dan Stone in Precinct No. 2. Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve the applications at the rate of \$35.00 per hour for a motor grader and \$65.00 per hour for a dozer. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Adcock. Motion carried.

ACCOUNTS ALLOWED

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

DISCUSSION ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

No new items were presented.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Reyes to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Adcock and approved unanimously.

THE FOREGOING MINUTES READ AND APPROVED THIS THE 8th day of April, 2008.

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STATE OF TEXAS)(

LEGAL NOTICE

The Commissioners' Court of Borden County will receive bids on the following until 9:00 a.m., May 13, 2008.

- 1.. Fuel for 2008
 - a. unleaded
 - b. diesel
2. Propane for Courthouse, and Precinct #2 Barns

For specifications and information on the above, contact the office of the County Judge, Borden County Courthouse, 806/756-4391.

Bids should be submitted to the Office of the County Judge, P.O. Box 156, Borden County Courthouse, Gail, Texas 79738.

The right is reserved by the Borden County Commissioners' Court to accept or reject any and all bids.

BY ORDER OF THE BORDEN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

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LEGAL NOTICE

Borden County Commissioners' Court will receive bids until 9:30 a.m., May 13, 2008 for the purchase of a new truck for use in the Borden County, Precinct 1. Bids will be opened and considered in the Borden County Commissioners' Courtroom in the County Courthouse. Specifications may be obtained at the office of the County Judge, 806/756-4391 or Commissioner, Monte Smith, 432/556-6503.

Borden County Commissioners' Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waiver all formalities.

BY ORDER OF THE BORDEN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Van L. Youk
County Judge
Borden County

STATE OF TEXAS)(

COUNTY OF BORDEN)(

LEGAL NOTICE

Borden County Commissioners' Court will receive bids until 9:30 a.m., May 13, 2008 for the purchase of a new tractor for use in the Borden County, Precinct 4. Bids will be opened and considered in the Borden County Commissioners' Courtroom in the County Courthouse. Specifications may be obtained at the office of the County Judge, 806/756-4391 or Commissioner, Joe Belew, 325/573-7718.

Borden County Commissioners' Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waiver all formalities.

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Menard Is A City of Practical Jokers

I had the distinct pleasure of speaking to Menard's annual chamber of commerce banquet the other night. It was something I had wanted to do for a long time because I wanted to tell the residents of Menard how much material I have found there and how much enjoyment I've had visiting the city. I've met some fascinating people in Menard.

So many of them mentioned practical jokes that have been pulled in the city. Someone at the banquet told me a book has been written about some of the better ones. I did a story one time on Menard's Big Broadcast. Some enterprising folks thought they would rig up some wires and tell everybody that a live show from Menard was going to be broadcast on the radio statewide. On the day of the supposed broadcast, a large crowd gathered in the park. A flatbed trailer truck served as the stage and there was entertainment. The broadcast never went past the park. During that event someone in the crowd was told that he had won the Irish Sweepstakes. He was severely disappointed to learn it was a joke.

One Menard resident put a live bobcat in a suitcase and put it beside Highway 83. Another one told me about a man who had too much to drink one night and some of his friends put him in a casket in the funeral home.

Menard is a place on the San Saba River. The bridge that crosses the river is surrounded by dozens of huge pecan trees that are so inviting you want to stop and have a picnic or just sit in the cool shade.

Menard County is a land of prairie and hills, of creeks and old canals. The dark soils are alkaline and grow live oak, juniper and mesquite, which provide the perfect playground for deer, turkey, javelina, squirrel, fox, raccoon, coyotes and bobcats.

The Apaches loved the area around Menard. So did the Comanches. A few pioneer cattlemen arrived in the 1840's

and found the place worth fighting for. Soon there was a store, a blacksmith shop and a saloon. New settlers arrived by oxcart and stagecoach. Early schools were held under shade trees or in one-room buildings, which also served as churches. After the civil war, Menard became a trading post and an overnight stop for cattle drives. The San Saba River flooded in 1899 and did lots of damage, but the resourceful people rebuilt the city within a year, even better than it was before. When the railroad arrived in 1911, the city experienced a boom.

Visitors have discovered Menard. They hunt and fish and tour historic missions and forts nearby. In addition to tourism, income is generated by cattle, sheep and goats, pecans, wheat and alfalfa. A legend of buried silver has brought many treasure hunters to Menard. It is a unique place, with an interesting history and confident people who love where they live and have an advanced sense of humor. The city was named for the founder of Galveston Michael Menard. THE VALUE OF A GOOD NAVIGATOR

Borden County ISD Board Meeting March 31, 2008

The Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District of Gail, Texas met in regular session at 7:30 P.M. in the Borden County I.S.D. Board Room. Board members present were Joel Dennis, Joe Harding, Carol Lewis, and Mike Valentine. John Anderson, Randy Hensley, and Dennis Poole were absent. Superintendent, Jimmy Thomas was also present.

1. The meeting was called to order by Joe Harding.
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 February 18, 2008, meeting. The motion carried unanimously.
4. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Joel Dennis to approve the March 2008 bills. The motion carried unanimously.
5. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Carol Lewis to not take action on the contract of Bric Turner until a later meeting. The motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Joel Dennis to renew the contracts of all other professional personnel for the 2008-2009

school year. The motion carried unanimously.

6. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Joel Dennis to approve a band trip for May 8-10, 2008 to allow the students in the band to travel to Six Flags in Arlington. The motion carried unanimously.

7. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Joel Dennis to approve the textbook adoptions for the 2008-2009 school year. The motion carried unanimously.

8. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Carol Lewis to add, revise, or delete local policies as recommended by TASB Policy Services and according to the instruction sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 82. The motion carried unanimously.

9. An interlocal agreement between Borden County and the Borden County I.S.D. was discussed. No action was taken.

10. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Carol Lewis to take action to approve an agreement with Poka Lambro for broadcast messaging. The motion carried unanimously.

11. A motion was made by

Joel Dennis and seconded by Mike Valentine to set the meeting time and date for 7:00 P.M. on April 22, 2008. The motion carried unanimously.

12. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Joel Dennis to amend the 2007-2008 Borden County I.S.D. Budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.

13. A motion was made by Carol Lewis and seconded by Mike Valentine to approve the recommendations of the

Bi-County Special Education Cooperative directors pertaining to the contracts of the Bi-County Cooperative professional employees for the 2008-2009 school year. The motion carried unanimously.

14. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Joel Dennis to advertise and sell the following vehicles at public auction or to the highest bidder: (1985 Chevrolet 1/2 Ton Pickup - vin# 1GCDC14H2FJ103373) (1988 Chevrolet 1/2 Ton Pickup vin# 1GCDC14K8JZ105778) (1967 Ford 2 Ton Septic Pump Truck vin# F50AKB42432) (1995 Chevrolet 1/2 Ton Pickup vin# 1GCEC14H7SZ256816) (1996 Chevrolet Lumina Car vin# 2G1WL52M2V9122671) (1999 Chevrolet Lumina Car vin# 2G1WL52M3X9194787) (1994 GMC 16 passenger bus vin#1GDHG31Y5RF533875) The motion carried unanimously.

15. Mr. Thomas gave a year to date financial report, a per-

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Regional Qualifiers!



Regional Qualifiers! Borden County track members headed to regionals are (left to right) David Rodriguez, Taylor Richey, Flynn Chapman, Michael Cooley, Karl Lamming, John Hensley, Jake Cooley, Tony Soto and Miller Valentine.

District 9-A & 10-A Area Track Meet

By Coach Baeza

The Borden County area qualifiers traveled to Bronte on Tuesday April 8th to compete for a trip to regional. The top four in each event would qualify for regional and many of our kids ran their personal best at this meet. Every athlete did an excellent job of competing as we are very excited about our achievements. Here are the results as follows:

Boys:
800 Meter Run: 2nd-2:05.17.
800 Meter Relay: 3rd-1:36.05-Michael Cooley, John Hensley, Flynn Chapman and Jake Cooley.

1600 Meter Run: 5th-5:09.75-Miller Valentine.

1600 Meter Relay: 4th-3:39.86-John Hensley, Michael Cooley, Tony Soto and Jake Cooley.

Triple Jump: 4th-39'10.75"-Karl Lamming.

High Jump: 2nd-6'0"-Michael Cooley.

Girls:
100 Meter Hurdles: 5th-17.20-Taylor Richey.

Discus: 2nd-101'02.75-Taylor Richey.

Triple Jump: 5th-31'3"-Taylor Richey.

Good job Coyotes!

Borden County ISD Board Meeting March 31, 2008

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sonnel report, and reported that 169 students were enrolled as of March 28, 2008. It was reported that the renovation of the women's restroom in the high school teacher's lounge was taking place and that the facility study to be conducted by the Texas Association of School Administrators was scheduled in the near future. The student failure reports and honor roll reports were reported for the fourth six-week grading period. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Carol Lewis to approve the superintendent's report. The motion carried unanimously.

16. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Carol Lewis to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Special Board Meeting
April 14, 2008

The Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District of Gail, Texas met in special session at 7:00 P.M. in the Borden County I.S.D. Board Room. Board members present were John

Anderson, Joel Dennis, Joe Harding, Randy Hensley, and Mike Valentine. Carol Lewis and Dennis Poole were absent. Superintendent, Jimmy Thomas was also present.

1. The meeting was called to order 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 cooperative purchase with the Borden County EMS and Borden County to purchase two heart defibrillators for the Borden County EMS. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Mr. Thomas reported that Bric Turner had submitted his resignation due to accepting a job with another district as of May 6, 2008, and that he had accepted this resignation as appropriate. It was also reported that the firm conducting the facility study had inspected the Borden County School Plant and were in the process of compiling the report. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Joe Harding to approve the superintendent's report. The motion carried unanimously.

5. A motion was made by Randy Hensley and seconded by Joel Dennis to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.



This is a time in our great heritage of Texas agriculture when we can step back and recognize agriculture teachers' impact - their service and the history they create by training tomorrow's leaders...today.

My agriculture teacher made a tremendous difference in my life; in fact, my teacher was the impetus for me to first run for public office. Having the honor to serve as a city councilman, a state representative, a state senator and now as the commissioner of agriculture, I am grateful for the time he invested in me - and I appreciate the hard work of agriculture teachers around the Lone Star State to develop our bright future.

Teachers hold one of the greatest responsibilities in our society, and the knowledge and nurturing they give through agricultural education makes all the difference in the world.

Agricultural education gives kids a passion; it instills not only knowledge, but values; it takes them from the classroom to the field and gives them the practical applications for academics; it makes them a part of something bigger than themselves - a tradition they can believe in!

That's why it is up to all of us to preserve this history and prepare for the future, while maintaining a strong Texas agriculture. One of the best ways we can do this is to invest in future generations - preparing students to follow through with their educations and lead successful careers for Texas' greater success tomorrow.

LA NOTIFICACION DE PRE-KINDERGARTEN PARA EL AÑO ESCOLAR 2008-2009

La Escuela de Borden ofrecerá el programa del pre-kindergarten durante el año escolar 2008-2009. El programa será para los estudiantes elegibles que tienen cuatro años en o antes de 1 de septiembre, 2008. Los estudiantes pueden calificar por el programa resolviendo por lo menos uno de los requisitos siguientes:

1. Sea económicamente perjudicado
2. Este limitado experto ingles (LEP)
3. Sea destituido

Si usted conoce de un niño que califique por el programa, notifica a Bart McMeans, director, Borden County School, P.O. Box 95, Gail, TX 79738, o llame (806) 756-4313 para solicitar una forma de registro. Complete y regresa la forma antes del 31 de mayo, 2008.

LA DENEGACIÓN

La Escuela de Borden ofrecerá este programa solamente si quince (15) o más estudiantes califican.

ESL PROGRAMA NOTIFICACION

La Escuela de Borden ofrecerá un programa de ESL para los estudiantes del LEP (Experto Inglés Limitado) durante el verano de 2008. El programa será programado por un mínimo de 120 horas y concluirá antes del 1 de agosto, 2008. El programa esta diseñado para los estudiantes que entraran kindergarten o el primer grado en el otoño de 2008-2009. Los padres de niños elegibles serán responsables del transporte.

Si usted conoce de un niño que califique por el programa, notifica a Bart McMeans, director, Borden County School, P.O. Box 95, Gail, TX 79738, o llame (806) 756-4313 para solicitar una forma de registro. Complete y regresa la forma antes del 31 de mayo, 2008.

LA DENEGACIÓN

La Escuela de Borden ofrecerá este programa solamente si diez (10) o más estudiantes califican.

PRE-KINDERGARTEN NOTIFICATION FOR THE 2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR

Borden County School will offer the pre-kindergarten program during the 2008-2009 school year. The program will be for eligible students who are four years of age on or before September 1, 2008. Students can qualify for the program by meeting at least one of the following requirements:

1. Be economically disadvantaged
2. Be Limited English Proficient (LEP)
3. Be homeless

If you know of a child who qualifies for the program, notify Mr. Bart McMeans, Principal, Borden County School, P.O. Box 95, Gail, TX 79738, or call (806) 756-4313 to request a registration form. Complete and return the form by May 31, 2008.

DISCLAIMER

Borden County Elementary School will offer this program only if fifteen (15) or more students qualify.

ESL PROGRAM NOTIFICATION

Borden County Elementary School will offer an ESL program for LEP (Limited English Proficient) students during the summer of 2008. The program will be scheduled for a minimum of 120 hours and will conclude prior to August 1, 2008. The program is designed for students who will enter Kindergarten or First Grade in the fall of 2008-2009. Parents of eligible children will be responsible for transportation.

If you know of a child who qualifies for the program, notify Mr. Bart McMeans, Principal, Borden County School, P.O. Box 95, Gail, TX 79738, or call (806) 756-4313 to request a registration form. Complete and return the form by May 31, 2008.

DISCLAIMER

Borden County Elementary School will offer this program only if ten or more students qualify.

PET HEALTH CLINIC

Tuesday, April 29, 2008
Dr. Bo Brock - Brock Vet Clinic
Lamesa, Texas

Borden County Show Barn 4:00 - 5:30 pm

Plains Community - Prec. #1 Barn 6:00 - 6:30 pm

Offering:

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