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## State Debaters Gain Experience Fall Short of Advancing to Cut Rounds

Borden High School cross-ex debaters hope to build on the events from last week's UIL State competition held on the University of Texas campus in Austin.

One senior, two sophomores, and one freshman traveled to Austin for the annual spring break gathering though this time the two teams were not able to make it to the round of sixteen.

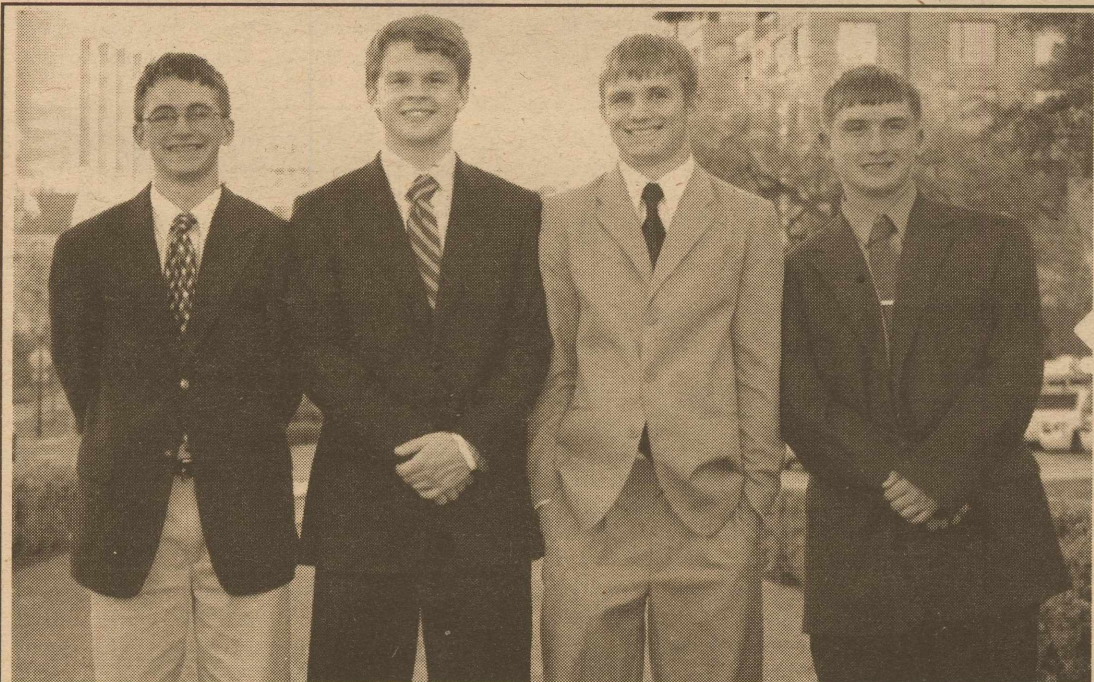
Senior John Hensley and freshman Zach McMeans met defending state champion Fort Davis right out of the chute. They lost the opening debate

but recovered to win Round Two, defeating a team from Overton. Round Three matched Hensley/McMeans with another formidable opponent, Farwell. After losing this round, the BHS district champions easily handled their fourth round opponent San Isidro to finish with a 2-2 record. It took three wins against one loss to advance to the second day of competition.

Sophomores Steven Howard and Brady ByBee went 1-3, losing to Whitharral, Chireno, and Canadian before defeating Chillicothe in their

final debate of the day. Howard and ByBee's draw was also a tough one as two of their four opponents did advance to the octofinal round.

BHS debaters are positioning themselves to make a run at returning to Austin again next March. Students are tentatively planning to attend speech camp this summer in Canyon at West Texas A&M University to start working on next year's topic which will deal with NASA and the United States space program.



Borden County Cross-ex debaters traveled to Austin during last week's break to compete in the UIL State competition. The teams consisted of (left to right) Zach McMeans, John Hensley, Steven Howard and Brady ByBee.



## Dare to Live Without Limits

By Bryan Golden

### Take Chances

The following was written by an 85-year-old woman:

If I had my life to live over, I'd dare to make more mistakes next time. I'd relax; I'd limber up. I would be sillier than I have been this trip. I would take fewer things seriously. I would take more chances.

I would climb more mountains and swim more rivers. I would eat more ice cream and less beans. I would perhaps have more actual troubles, but I'd have fewer imaginary ones.

You see, I'm one of those people who lived sensibly and sanely hour after hour, day after day. Oh, I had my moments, and if I had to do it over again, I'd have more of them. In fact, I'd try to have nothing else.

Just moments, one after the other, instead of living so many years ahead of each day. I've been one of those persons who never goes anywhere without a thermometer, a hot water bottle, a raincoat, and a parachute. If I had it to do over again, I would travel lighter than I have.

If I had my life to live over again, I would start barefoot earlier in the spring and stay that way later in the fall. I would go to more dances; I would ride more merry-go-rounds. I would pick more daisies. - Nadine Stair

People develop a comfort zone where they feel life is safe, secure, and consistent. When a child is growing up, they are not afraid to take chances and try new things. Exploration is the key to their education.

All of mankind's accomplishments have been achieved by individuals who have taken chances to explore that which was not yet known or understood. Throughout history, those people who have accomplished the most are those who have been willing to take the most chances.

Columbus, Louis and Clark, the Wright Brothers, Thomas Edison, Dr. Jonas Salk, and Edmund Hillary are just a few examples of those who have left their comfort zone to learn and achieve.

With age, we develop an aversion to taking chances. We are afraid of losing what we already have. Fear of the unknown and the prospect of failure have a paralyzing effect. Subsequently, people lose sight of the fact that life has unlimited potential. To tap into that potential, you have to continually reach out for it.

When we stop taking chances, we stop growing and

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# Junior High Girls Compete in Blackwell Relays

The Borden County junior high girls track team recently traveled to the first ever Blackwell Relays. The following are the results for the meet.

**100 Meter Dash:** Lexi Cheatham-15.66; Karen Rojero-16.34; Bessie Rhodes-16.56 and Rebecca Taylor-16.66.

**200 Meter Dash:** Lexi Cheatham-35.05; Bessie Rhodes-36.10; Karen Rojero-36.70 and Rebecca Taylor-36.90.

**400 Meter Dash:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Kylee Dean-1:16.42 and 3<sup>rd</sup> place-Eva Banman-1:18.46.

**800 Meter Run:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Tye Basquez-2:39.78; 4<sup>th</sup> place-McKenna Campbell-3:10.00 and 6<sup>th</sup> place-Bailey Robinson.

**1600 Meter Run:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-McKenna Campbell-7:17.00; 2<sup>nd</sup> place-Kyrsten Robeles-7:19; 3<sup>rd</sup> place-Zoie Key-8:05 and 6<sup>th</sup> place-Holly Bradbury-9:25.

**2400 Meter Run:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Clair Shafer-10:47.62; 3<sup>rd</sup> place-Zoie Key-11:48.49; 6<sup>th</sup> place-Channing Miller-15:25.21 and Holly Bradbury-15:27.18.

**100 Meter Hurdles:** Tatum Richey-21.20 and Channing Miller-30.59.

**400 Meter Relay:** 4<sup>th</sup> place-1:02.32-Kyrsten Rebeles, Cheyenne Tucker, Taylor Roberts and Kylee Dean.

**800 Meter Relay:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-2:06.76-Taylor Roberts, Cheyenne Tucker, Tatum Richey and Tye Basquez.

**1600 Meter Relay:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-4:46.94-Tatum Richey, Clair Shafer, Cheyenne Tucker and Tye Basquez.

**Long Jump:** Tatum Richey-13'8"; Claire Shafer-12'5 1/4"; Cheyenne Tucker-12'4 1/4"; Taylor Roberts-11'1" also competing in the long jump were Rebecca Taylor, Zoie Key and Kyrsten Rebeles.

**Triple Jump:** Cheyenne Tucker and Lexi Cheatham.

**Shot Put:** 2<sup>nd</sup> place-Rebecca Taylor-28' and 6<sup>th</sup> place-Holly Bradbury; also competing in the shot put were

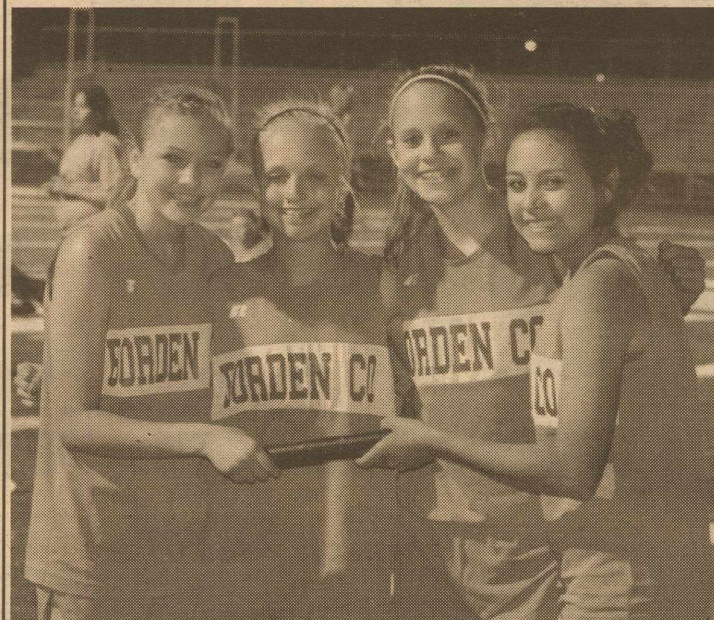
Eva Banman, Bessie Rhodes, Kylee Dean and Channing Miller.

**Discus:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-McKenna Campbell-64'; 2<sup>nd</sup> place-Eva Banman; also competing in the discus were Bessie Rhodes, Holly Bradbury, Kylee Dean and Channing Miller.

**High Jump:** 2<sup>nd</sup> place-Tye Basquez-4'2" and also competing was Tatum Richey.



## 1600 Meter Relay



The girls 1600 meter relay placed first at the recent track meet in Blackwell. Missy Coyotes competing in the relay were (left to right) Tatum Richey, Cheyenne Tucker, Clair Shafer and Tye Basquez.

Thanks for reading the Borden Star

## Lady Coyotes Make All-District, All-Region and All-State Honors



The Borden County Lady Coyotes have had their fair share of Honors recently. Making the All-District list for the Class 1A Division II District 8 are Taylor Richey as MVP; Aubree Lester as Newcomer of the Year and receiving 1<sup>st</sup> team honors were Raegan Belongia and Stefanie Cooley. Richey was named 1st team All-Region and 1<sup>st</sup> team All-State with the Texas Six Man Coaches Association as well as Raegan Belongia and Stefanie Cooley receiving 2<sup>nd</sup> team All-Region. The Texas Association of Basketball Coaches named Richey All-Region and All-State. Pictured are (left to right) Stefanie Cooley, Taylor Richey, Aubree Lester and Raegan Belongia.

## School Lunch Menu

Mar. 28-Apr. 1, 2011

Menu subject to change

**Monday** - Breakfast: Sausage & Biscuit, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Corn dog, Salad, Tater Tots, Fruit Cup and Milk.

**Tuesday** - Breakfast: Poptart, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Cheeseburger Mac, Green Beans, Carrots, Corn Bread, Mixed Fruit and Milk.

**Wednesday** - Breakfast: Breakfast Burrito, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Meat & Gravy, Potatoes, Corn, Bread, Cobbler and Milk.

**Thursday** - Breakfast: Omelet & Toast, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Teriyaki Chicken, Rice Pilaf, English Peas, Pineapple Tidbits, Crackers and Milk.

**Friday** - Breakfast: Biscuit & Ham Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: BBQ on a Bun, Salad, Baked Chips, Apricots and Milk.

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## Tennis Team Competes in Levelland SPCHEA Tournament

By Coach McCook

The Borden County High School tennis teams began the 2011 season in Levelland at a tournament hosted by the South Plains Christian Home Educators Association (SPCHEA). Shea Burkett finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in the girls' (A) singles division: 8-3, 8-5, 3-8, 8-4. Shaylie Boles also competed in the A division: 8-3, 4-8. Lexi Peterson placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in one of the girls' (B) singles brackets: 8-3, 8-0, 2-8. Taylor Gass won consolation in another B bracket: 1-8, 8-4, 8-5.

Maeghan Herridge and Mollie McMeans (6-8, 8-5, 6-8) competed in the girls' (B) doubles division as did Kalyn Massingill and Mallory McMeans (1-8, 8-3, 5-8).

On the boys' side, Luke Burkett participated in the A division: 6-8, 8-4, 4-8. Kurt Shafer took 1<sup>st</sup> in one of the B brackets: 8-4, 8-4, 9-8 (7-3). Collin Telchik won consolation 6-8, 8-4, 8-5. Steven Howard also participated in the same division: 0-8, 5-8.

## Lady Coyotes Take 2nd at Sixman Shootout

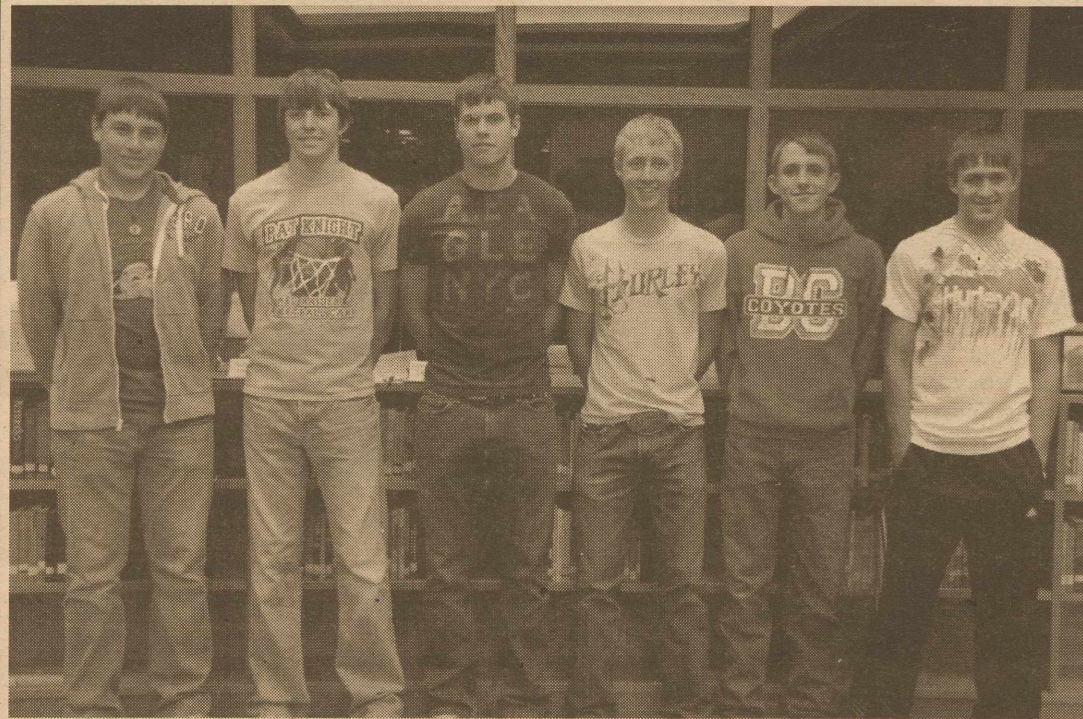


The Borden County girls' and boys' golf teams competed in the Sixman Shootout Golf tournament this past week. The girls' team placed 2<sup>nd</sup> as a team with their individual scores being as follows: Machel Barr-6<sup>th</sup> place-107; Krista Tarleton-7<sup>th</sup> place-110; Seleste Herridge-Tied 8<sup>th</sup> place-114; Teryn Soto-Tied 14<sup>th</sup> place-120 and Kalyn Massingill-22<sup>nd</sup> place-141. The boys' individual scores are as follows: Michael Froman-Tied 18<sup>th</sup> place-99; Matthew Ham-27<sup>th</sup> place-111 and Zach McMeans-Tied 32<sup>nd</sup> place-118.

## Burn Ban

A Burn Ban remains in effect for Borden County until further notice.

## Coyotes Receive All-District Team Honors



Several members of the Borden County boys' basketball team have recently been named to the District 8-A Boys' All-District team. Receiving those honors are (left to right) T.J. Basquez (Honorable Mention), Austin Tyler (2<sup>nd</sup> Team Honors), Quint Shafer (1<sup>st</sup> Team Honors), Chance Taylor (Honorable Mention), Riley Smith (Honorable Mention) and Zach Telchik (1<sup>st</sup> Team Honors). Not pictured are Tanner Richey (1<sup>st</sup> Team Honors) and Collin Telchik (2<sup>nd</sup> Team Honors).

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

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## Poison Prevention Week

*Children Act Fast – So Do Poisons* Did you know that each year, more than 1.2 million children ages 5 and under are unintentionally poisoned? Whether it's medication on your dresser, cleaning supplies under your kitchen sink, cosmetics in your bathroom or carbon monoxide from gas appliances in your home, you can take simple steps to keep your kids safe.

Poison Prevention Week is celebrated from March 20-26, 2011. This year there are two themes: Children Act Fast – So Do Poisons and Poisoning Spans a Lifetime. It's important to remember what young kids see and reach, they usually put in their mouths and as their mobility and capabilities increase, they can reach medicines and household products wherever they're stored.

*Always Keep the Number for the Poison Control Center Handy.* It's important to keep the number for the poison control center handy. By calling 1-800-222-1222 you will reach professionals that offer fast and free confidential help in English and Spanish. Most poisonings are resolved over the phone. The number works from anywhere in the United States, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. However, if your child isn't breathing or has col-

lapsed, call (806)759-5111 in Borden County (or 911 in other areas) immediately.

### Top Poison Prevention Tips

\* Store potentially poisonous household products and medications locked out of your child's sight and reach.


\* Learn the toll-free nationwide poison control center number (1-800-222-1222) or keep it near every phone.

\* Store medications out of child's sight and reach and be safe when administering medicines to your children.

\* Make sure your child does not have access to peeling paint or chewable surfaces painted with lead-based paint.

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*Source: Safekids.org*



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### March/April 2011 4-H Calendar



#### March

28 County Fashion Show at 6:00 p.m. in the District Courtroom in the Courthouse

#### April

7 Photography Project 3:45 to 5:00 in Home Ec Lab

12 4-H Monthly Meeting

(Cool Clovers: 11:30-12:00; JH/HS: 12:35-1:05 in Conference Room at School)

District 4-H Fashion Show in Abernathy

14 Photography Project 3:45 to 5:15 in Home Ec Lab

18 County 4-H Recordbook Workshop at 6:00 p.m. in the Extension Office Meeting Room

# Obituary

## Edna Ellen Holmes 1920 - 2011

Edna Ellen Holmes age 90 of Snyder, Texas, died Thursday, March 17, 2011 at Snyder Healthcare Center in Snyder, Texas after a brief illness.

Services for Mrs. Holmes were held Sunday, March 20 at 2 p.m. at Bell-Cypert-Seals Chapel with Mr. Dale Huff and Mr. Danny Holmes officiating. Interment followed at Dunn Cemetery under the direction of Bell-Cyper-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Holmes was born on Sunday, December 19, 1920 in Sweetwater, Texas to Issac and Rosy (Cooper) Standefer. She was a housewife and a mem-

ber of 37<sup>th</sup> Street Church of Christ. She joined the church in 1939 where she was baptized together with her husband Hilmer.

Survivors include 2 sons: Kent and wife Ollie Holmes of Snyder and Darrell Holmes of Snyder; three grandchildren: Danny Holmes of Alabama; Dawn Holmes of San Antonio, Texas and Christy Vincent of Skiatook, Oklahoma and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by: Her parents and husband, Hilmer; grandson, David Holmes; 2 brothers and 3 sisters.



**Walk Across Texas kicked off in Borden County on Tuesday, March 22, 2011!**  
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*Kalli Poole and Curtis Williams*

# Poole, Williams Plan August 13 Wedding

Dennis and Sheri Poole of Gail are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kalli, to Curtis Williams, son of Rod and Tana Williams of Clovis, New Mexico.

The bride-elect is a 2007 graduate of Borden County High School. She attends Texas Tech University and will receive her Bachelor of Science in Animal Science in May.

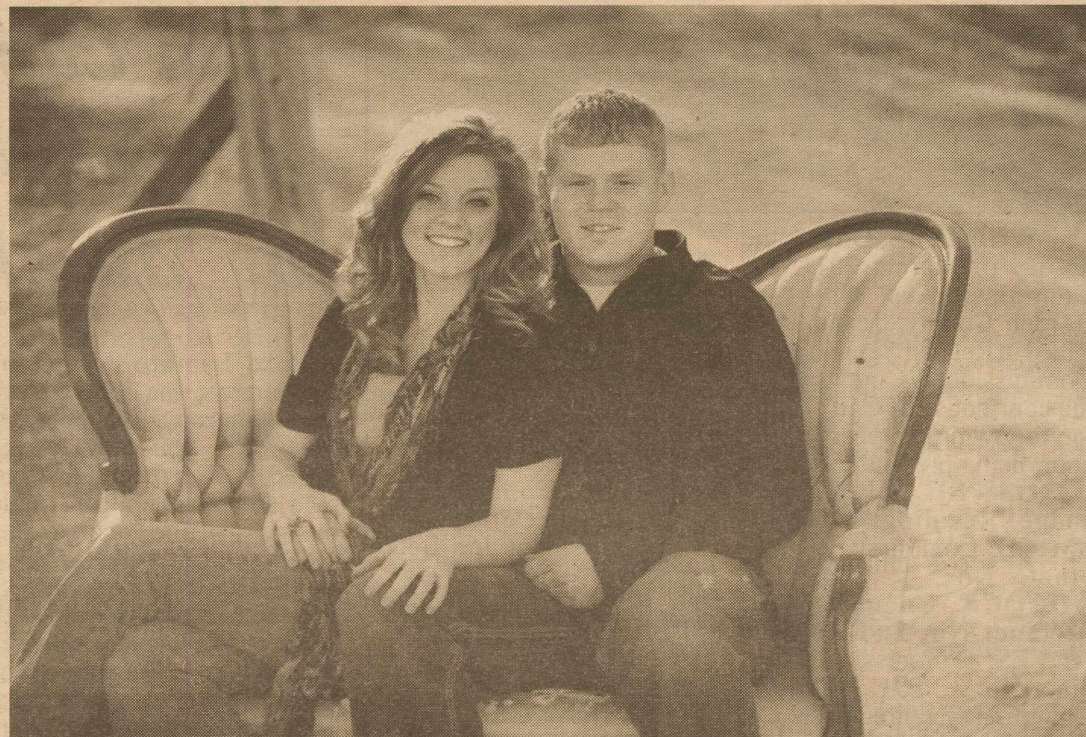
The future bridegroom is a 2006 graduate of Texico High School. He graduated from Texas Tech University with a Bachelor of Science in Animal Science in December of 2010 and is employed by BNSF Railroad.

The couple will wed on August 13 in Lubbock.



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*Lindsey Anne Stamper and Chase Rian Pinkerton*

# Stamper, Pinkerton to Wed April 16 in Lubbock

Lindsey Stamper and Chase Pinkerton, both of Lubbock, would like to announce their engagement. They will be married on April 16 in Lubbock.

Stamper is the daughter of Beth Stamper of Edmond, Oklahoma and Gregg Stamper of Bullard. Her grandparents are Bob and Frances Stamper of Edmond, Oklahoma and Jerry and Jimmie Lou Livingston of Henderson, Nevada.

Lindsey graduated from Borden County High School in 2007. She plans to graduate from Texas Tech University in May 2011 with a Bachelor's degree in Family and Consumer Sciences.

The future bride is a student teacher at Lorenzo High School and also works at 34<sup>th</sup> Street Chiropractic in Lubbock.

Pinkerton is the son of Randy and Carrla Koonce of Stanton and Brian Pinkerton of Klondike. His grandparents are Raymond and Bobbie Carr of Lamesa and Mildred Leatherwood of Lamesa is his great-grandmother.

Chase is a 2008 graduate of Stanton High School. He is an electrician at Lubbock Electric in Lubbock.

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## Commissioners Meeting

**WHEREAS**, On this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2011, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Regular Session in the Commissioners Court room in the courthouse of Gail, Texas, the following members of the court being present, to-wit:

**ROSS SHARP**, County Judge, Residing; **MONTÉ SMITH**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 1; **RANDY ADCOCK**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 2; **ERNEST REYES**, Commissioner Precinct No. 3; **JOE BELEW**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 4; **JOYCE HERRIDGE** County Clerk and Ex-Officio of the Commissioners Court, constituting a quorum, when the following proceedings were had, in accordance with the posted agenda.

Other officers Present: Treasurer Sharlot Stone.

### CALL TO ORDER

Judge Sharp opened the March 8, 2011 Special Session of Borden Co. Commissioners Court at 8:40 a.m.

### MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the Commissioners Court Meetings of February 22, 2011 were read. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve said minutes. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### COUNTY ATTORNEY

Ben Smith, Scurry and Borden County Assistant District Attorney, and Michael S. Munk, Garza County Attorney, visited with the Court seeking appointment of County Attorney for Borden County. No action taken.

### COUNTY OFFICE REPORTS

After examination of the County Offices' Reports, Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve, accept and file submitted Reports in the County Clerk's Office. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report sa submitted and duly accepted and recorded in Minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Reyes. Motion carried.

### SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

Discussion with no action taken.

### TRACTOR FOR PRECINCT NO. 2

Commissioner Belew made a motion for Precinct No. 2 to purchase a tractor. Motion seconded by Commissioner Reyes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Joe Belew left at 11:40 a.m.

### BORDEN COUNTY PERSONNEL POLICY

Work session held. No action taken.

### EVENT CENTER

A discussion was held concerning facility use policy on the Event Center and Rodeo Arena.

### ROAD CONSTRUCTION /MAINTENANCE

An application for Road Construction as needed was received from Marge Toombs in Precinct No. 4. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve application and Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### SOIL CONSERVATION CONSTRUCTION

An application for Soil Conservation Construction of Fireguards was received from Sam Hunnicut and Marge Toombs in Precinct No. 4. Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve the applications. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion carried.

### ACCOUNTS ALLOWED

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

### DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE AGENDA

Appointment of County Attorney and approve County Personnel Policy.

### ADJOURN

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

**THE FOREGOING MINUTES READ AND APPROVED THIS THE 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2011.**

## Poka Lambro's 60th Annual Meeting Set for March 31st

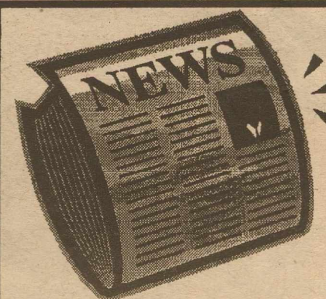
Poka Lambro Telephone Cooperative, Inc. is set to host their 60th Annual Membership Meeting - Thursday, March 31, 2011. The meeting will be held at Poka Lambro's main business office located 11.5 miles north of Tahoka, Texas on US Hwy 87.

Member registration will begin at 11:00 a.m. - followed by lunch at 12:00 noon. The business meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. One important item of business on the agenda will be the election of directors for the Cooperative.

Other meeting highlights will include the reports of of-

ficers and directors and the presentation of Poka Lambro Scholarships. All Poka Lambro Telephone Cooperative members are encouraged to attend the meeting. Members may pick up door prize cards when registering at the meeting. Members must be present to win door prizes.

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Hannah Whitall Smith

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## Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit  
Tumbleweed Smith

### Discovering Palacios

We had been to Palacios before on a brief interview trip when we did a report on the Luther Hotel. Charlie Luther had a picture of his wedding and the ring bearer was LBJ. This time we had time to get acquainted with the town. I did the chamber speech on a Thursday night. We got there a day before to do some interviews. Palacios is one of the most beautiful cities on the Texas coast. It has a population of five thousand people and has the largest fleet of shrimp boats in the state. Companies there make barges and shrimp nets among other things. We stayed at the Main Inn, a place owned by Nick and Kathy Nichols, who arrived in Palacios by sailboat one day and decided to stay there. Nick is one handy man and they bought a Bed and Breakfast and made it into a true home away from home. We considered buying property there until we realized that the Main Inn was just what we needed if we ever decided to bring the family down. Nick is a retired Navy man and plays guitar, mandolin and harmonica. He has written songs that he and Kathy sing. He has also written a book, "SEA STORIES AND FAIRY TALES" and is working on another. Nick has performed at several venues in Palacios, but nowadays plays with some other musicians on the Main Inn's back porch. The Main Inn has also been a place where poets gather and recite their work, often times on the same theme.

Palacios is pronounced PUH-LASH-US. Legend says some sailors were swimming toward shore after a shipwreck and thought they saw three palaces (tres palacios in Spanish)

but when they arrived on land they were gone. A nearby stream is named Tres Palacios. The city is located on a bay. A barrier reef stands between Palacios and the Gulf of Mexico.

I enjoyed listening to the seagulls and the gentle sound of waves reaching the shore and feeling the soft sea breezes that swish through the palm trees. This city by the sea is indeed a paradise of sun and fun. It has a perfect climate. It's a place where you see and hear more birds than anywhere else in the US. The city's seawall has a mile and a half sidewalk on it. It's a perfect place to stroll along and see the sun come up or go down. Small beaches, boat ramps and lighted piers make the area inviting for all sorts of water activities: sail boating, kayaking, windsurfing and fishing.

Palacios was built on legendary cattleman Shanghai Pierce's bull pasture in the early nineteen hundreds and the city grew quick. Ranching and farming developed and churches and schools were established. A large pavilion was built on a dock that extends into the bay. Settlers liked the pace of the city, the dolphins, pelicans and its pristine wilderness. Palacios is called the most relaxing city on the Texas Coast.

It's a place where a French explorer's ship was taken up from the bottom of the bay where it had been for three hundred years. During World War Two, more than fifteen thousand people were stationed at Camp Hulen in Palacios. I met dozens of people, all friendly, talented and ready to volunteer in the city they love.

## Borden County ISD Board Meeting

### Regular Board Meeting February 28, 2011

The Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District of Gail, Texas met in regular session at 7:20 P.M. in the Borden County I.S.D. Board Room. Board members present were John Anderson, Joel Dennis, Joe Harding, Randy Hensley, Carol Lewis, Dennis Poole, and Mike Valentine. Superintendent, Jimmy Thomas was also present. Guests present were James Hicks, Jason Alstead, John Abbott, Santana Gonzales, and Jay Bingham.

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:20 P.M. by John Anderson.

2. There was no community input.

3. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Mike Valentine to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2011, board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

4. A motion was made by Carol Lewis and seconded by Randy Hensley to approve the February 2011, bills. The motion carried unanimously.

5. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Randy Hensley to approve the bid as recommended for construction of the new school building Main Building Package in association with the 2009 Bond Issue. The motion carried unanimously.

Alternates and items that were previously deleted were addressed as follows:

Alternate No. 1- A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Randy Hensley to approve Alternate Number One. The motion carried unanimously.

Alternate No. 2- A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Carol Lewis to approve Alternate Number Two. The motion carried unanimously.

Alternate No. 3- A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Carol Lewis to approve Alternate Number Three. The motion carried unanimously.

Alternate No. 4- A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Joe Harding to approve Alternate Number Four. The motion carried unanimously.

Alternate No. 5- A mo-

tion was made by Randy Hensley and seconded by Joel Dennis to approve Alternate Number Five. The motion carried unanimously.

Alternate No. 6- A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Joel Dennis to approve Alternate Number Six. The motion carried unanimously.

Alternate No. 7- A motion was made by Dennis Poole, and seconded by Randy Hensley to approve Alternate Number Seven. The motion passed six to one with Carol Lewis voting against.

Alternate No. 7A- A motion was made by Randy Hensley and seconded by Dennis Poole to approve Alternate Number Seven-A. The motion carried unanimously.

Alternate No. 8- A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Joe Harding to approve alternate Number Eight- The motion carried unanimously.

Alternate No. 9- A motion was made by Carol Lewis and seconded by Dennis Poole to approve Alternate Number Nine. The motion carried four to three with Mike Valentine, Randy Hensley, Carol Lewis, and Dennis Poole voting in favor. Those voting against were Joel Dennis, Joe Harding, and John Anderson.

Alternate No. 10- A motion was made by Carol Lewis and seconded by Mike Valentine to approve Alternate Number Ten. The motion carried unanimously.

Alternate No. 11- A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Dennis Poole to approve Alternate Number Eleven. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Carol Lewis to add field turf back to the baseball field that was previously deleted from the construction contract at a price of \$308,470. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Randy Hensley to table adding the west parking lot that was previously deleted from the construction contract at a price of \$167,467. The motion carried unanimously.

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

Joel Dennis to set the regular March board meeting for March 28, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. The motion carried unanimously.

7. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Carol Lewis to extend the contract of Mr. Bart McMeans through June 30, 2013. The motion carried unanimously.

8. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Joel Dennis to approve the 2011-2012 school calendar as recommended by Mr. Thomas. The motion carried unanimously.

9. A motion was made by Carol Lewis and seconded by Dennis Poole to take action to approve the textbook adoptions for the 2011-2012 school year. The motion carried unanimously.

10. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Randy Hensley to approve budget amendments for the 2010-2011 Borden County Independent School District Budget as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

11. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Mike Valentine to accept the resignation of Mr. Philip Marshall as of the last day of the 2010-2011 school year due to retirement. The motion carried unanimously.

12. Mr. Thomas gave a year to date financial overview, gave a personnel report, reported that 223 students were enrolled as of February 16, 2011, gave a construction project report, and gave a legislative report. A motion was made by Randy Hensley and seconded by Joe Harding to approve the superintendent's report. The motion carried unanimously.

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

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# Dare to Live...

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learning. The tradeoff for perceived safety is stagnation. Life is not a practice run. If you don't strive for what you want now, when will you? Each new day is a journey into the unknown. People feel secure by not taking chances. However, it's a false sense of security and doesn't guarantee safety. What it does is limit one's potential.

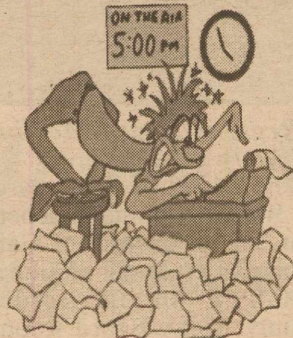
Taking chances is not synonymous with being reckless or impulsive. Taking chances means doing things where the outcome isn't guaranteed. This can be done with intelligence and planning. It entails doing research, assessing the benefits and risks, and then moving out into the unknown.

Babe Ruth wouldn't have set the records he did if he was

afraid of striking out. In addition to setting a record for hits, he also set a record for striking out. Why be jealous of what others accomplish? There is nothing special about them. They are just willing to strike out more than others.

Live in a manner where you don't have to look back and say, "I should have taken more risks." Learn from Nadine and others who have a lifetime of experience behind them. Venture out from your comfort zone. Take chances. Partake from life's infinite potential.

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## Mammography Unit Set to be in Gail on April 4th


The Covenant Mobile Mammography Unit, sponsored by the Arrington Comprehensive Breast Center will be offering mammography screening for the Gail community. The mobile unit will be at the Borden County School parking lot on April 4th. Insurance, Medicare and Medicaid will be accepted. Financial assistance is available for those in need.

Anyone interested in the screening or anyone who would like to make an appointment please contact Kim Thomas, R.N. at 756-4313 ext. 230.


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### Burn Ban

A Burn Ban remains in effect for Borden County until further notice.



# March 2011



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 TAKS—4 <sup>th</sup> Writing; 7 <sup>th</sup> Writing; 9 <sup>th</sup> Reading; 10 <sup>th</sup> ELA; Exit Level ELA	2	3 Sands Mustang JH Relays @ Ackerly  Baseball Tourney @ Sundown, Morton-9:00  TAKS Science – Exit Level Retake	4 Sands Mustang HS Relays @ Ackerly  ACT Registration Deadline for April 9th Test  Baseball Tourney @ Sundown, Albany-12:00	5 Baseball Tourney @ Sundown, Crosbyton-12:00; Sundown- 6:00
6	7 Golf - Loop Invitational	8 *Baseball vs. Ira @ Ira 4:30	9	10 Wildcat JH Relays @ Grady  HS Tennis @ Levelland	11 Wildcat HS Relays @ Grady  <b>PROGRESS REPORTS</b>	12 *Baseball - Open  Blackland Divide HS Relays @ Roscoe
13 Daylight Saving Time	14 UIL CX Debate State Meet	15 CX Debate State Meet	16	17 *Baseball vs. Ralls @ Ralls 4:00	18 Baseball - TBA	19 Piper HS Relays @ Hamlin
<b>Spring Break !!!!</b>						
20	21 Golf – Garden City Shootout  *Baseball vs. Tahoka @ Moffett 4:30	22 OAP Community Performance 6:00 pm	23 Zone OAP @ Klondike-Perform @ 1:00	24 UIL District Meet @ Garden City  Rolling Plains JH Relays @ Jayton	25 HS Tennis @ Levelland  Rolling Plains HS Relays @ Jayton	26 * Baseball vs. Crosbyton @ Crosbyton, 12:00  Roby HS Invitational @ Roby
27	28 *Baseball vs. O'Donnell @ Moffett 4:30  Golf – Sands Invitational	29  District JH Track Meet @ O'Donnell	30 District OAP @ Sands	31 Coyote HS Relays @ Gail  CDE Judging TTU @ Lubbock	*Denotes District Baseball Game March 7 <sup>th</sup> –12 <sup>th</sup> Houston Stock Show (Steers) March 8 <sup>th</sup> –12 <sup>th</sup> Houston Stock Show (Lamb/Goats) March 14 – 18 <sup>th</sup> Houston Stock Show (Barrows)	