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State's Agricultural Agencies Change Names, Renew Missions

COLLEGE STATION – Two state agricultural agencies that have served Texans for a combined 224 years are beginning 2008 with new names and renewed missions.

Texas AgriLife Research is the new name for the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, which annually conducts more than \$150 million in agriculture and life sciences research in such areas as improving food and fiber production, enhancing human and animal health, and conserving water, soils, wildlife and other natural resources.

The Texas AgriLife Extension Service is the new name of Texas Cooperative Extension, which provides Texans in all 254 counties with non-biased, research-based education programs and services in agriculture and natural resources, 4-H and youth development, family and consumer sciences, and community economic development.

"We are making these

changes to better communicate the life-sustaining and life-changing impacts that both AgriLife Research and AgriLife Extension deliver to the people of Texas and beyond," said Dr. Mark Hussey, director of AgriLife Research.

Both agencies remain members of The Texas A&M University System, with the same commitment to their partners, clients and mission.

"But we also want to tell our story to a larger audience and a changing state population, attract new resources and build new partnerships, while strengthening our existing ones," Hussey said.

"In this way, we hope to better serve the people of this great state."

The name changes are part of a re-branding initiative launching this year after two years of study and planning. These efforts were led by former vice chancellor Dr. Elsa Murano, who was named president of Texas A&M University on Jan.

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"The re-branding efforts are centered on one foundational message: 'Agriculture is Life!'" Hussey said. "The central idea is that life itself is the core value that our agencies seek to sustain and enhance.

"People usually don't realize how much we all depend on agriculture and the life sciences. Discoveries and innovations in these fields directly impact the quality of the food we eat, the clothes we wear, the air we breathe, the water we drink, the homes we live in, and, more and more, even the fuels we pump into our vehicles."

"This is more than a name change, or even a new logo design," said Dr. Ed Smith, director of AgriLife Extension. "These new brands will impact not only our marketing materials and signage, but also the way we position and prioritize our programs and work with our federal, state and county

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Coyotes Compete in Caprock Tournament

By Coach Baeza

The Coyote Varsity attended the Caprock Holiday Tournament during the Christmas break and competed well against some stiff competition.

In the first round of the tournament, the Coyotes were matched up against a good Abernathy team that pressured the Coyotes early. Abernathy went on a 25-8 run on the Coyotes during the first quarter with their full court pressure defense. Flynn Chapman was the go to guy for the Coyotes in the first half, as he accounted for eight of the 17 first half points.

However, another big second quarter for Abernathy allowed them to take a comfortable 44-17 lead into half.

The second half found the Coyotes struggling to handle the pressure of Abernathy, as they again went on a big run, which allowed them to cruise to a 79-27 win over the Coyotes.

Scoring for the Coyotes: Flynn Chapman 10, Karl Lammington 7, Michael Cooley 5, Brendan Tarleton 4, and Carlos Hernandez 1. Also contribut-

ing Tyrell Massingill, Tony Soto, and Clay Harding.

The second round found the Coyotes once again matched up with Lubbock Christian. The Coyotes started the game well, as they played solid defense and handled the ball well. Only a few costly mistakes allowed the Eagles to take a 20-13 first quarter lead.

In the second quarter, the Coyotes went cold shooting while the eagles picked up their offense and poured in 25 points taking a 45-19 first half lead.

In the second half the Coyotes started well, they played good defense and did some good things on offense, but were unable to go on any scoring runs. They were only outscored 26-24 in the second half, but the Coyotes had given them to much of a lead in the first half, which led to the final score of 71-43.

Scoring for the Coyotes: Flynn Chapman 11, Brendan Tarleton 11, Karl Lammington 11, Carlos Hernandez 5, Michael Cooley 3, and Tyrell Massingill

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Coyotes Begin District with Tough Loss!

By Coach Baeza

The Borden Coyotes began district play on Jan. 4 as they traveled to Ira to take on a tough Bulldog team.

The Coyotes began the game well as they played good defense and handled the full court pressure of the Ira. Flynn Chapman and Brendan Tarleton were the go to guys in the first as they accounted for eight of the Coyotes first quarter points.

The Coyotes were in good shape going into the second but a quick run by the Bulldogs allowed them to pull away and gave them a good cushion going into half. Carlos Hernandez was the only Coyote to find some offense in the second as he score eight points one of which was a three. With the Bulldogs offensive push they were able to take a 39-18 lead at half time.

The Coyotes began the second half determined to close the gap with some good defense and ball control. The Coyotes slowed the

pace of the game and did some good things offensively as Michael Cooley began to get involved with some steals and fast break points and feeding the ball to Chapman and Tarleton who added six of their own. A late offensive surge by the Bulldogs ended the Coyotes attempts of closing the gap as they barely outscored our guys 11-10.

The Bulldogs in the fourth went on a quick offensive run that effectively put the game out of reach for the Coyotes as the game ended with a score of 66-33.

The Coyotes did an excellent job during the game and showed great improvement. It was defiantly an effort by the Coyotes that we can be proud of.

Scoring for the Coyotes: Brendan Tarleton 10, Carlos Hernandez 8, Flynn Chapman 7, Michael Cooley 6, Karl Lamming 2, and contributing was Tyrell Massingill.

Good Job Coyotes!

Coyote Pups Muzzle Bulldogs

By Coach Baeza

After a long winter break the Coyote Pups were ready for action as they hosted the Ira Bulldogs in their first game back from the holidays.

It did not take long for the Pup to shake off the rust as they began the game with solid defense and great offensive ball movement. Blake Turner had the hot hand for the Pups as he turned in 9 first quarter points with a three pointer as one of them. Tanner Richey added four points of his own with Austin Tyler and Matthew Roberson contributing offensively also. With good defense and solid offense the Pups were able to take an impressive first quarter lead of 18-6.

Chance Taylor got the Pups started right in the second quarter as he hit a three pointer that got the offense going again. Matthew Roberson asserted himself under the basket in the second as he hit four of his ten

points in the second quarter from the paint. Blake added another two points of his own with a fast break that got the Coyotes to half time with a 27-13 lead.

In the third the Pups continued to play solid man defense and only allowed the Bulldogs three points. The Coyotes continued to do well offensively as Richey, Turner, Roberson, and Luke Burkett all found the bottom of the net in the third.

The fourth quarter allowed the Pups to work on different parts of their game as they went from a man to a zone. This

slowed the pace of the game as this was the only quarter that the Pups were outscored by the Bulldogs. The Pups did however continue to attack offensively as Taylor, Richey, Roberson and Steven Howard all score in the fourth.

Scoring for the Pups: Blake Turner 15, Matthew Roberson 10, Tanner Richey 8, Chance Taylor 5, Austin Tyler 3, Luke Burkett 2, and Steven Howard 2. Also contributing were Troy Copeland, Riley Smith and Austin Fields.

Good Job Coyotes!

Caprock Tourney... Lady Coyotes Defeat Cardinals

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2. Also contributing were Tony Soto and Clay Harding.

In the final round of the tournament the Coyotes finally faced a school their size with New Home. The Coyotes began the game well as three starters all found the basket in the first quarter. However, during the first quarter a New Home Leopard had a hot hand and poured in 11 first quarter points which put the Coyotes behind 17-8.

The Coyotes were effective in only allowing him two points in the second quarter, but still did not go on any offensive run of their own, leading them a

half time score of 28-14. In the second half the Coyotes began playing better defense as they only allowed New Home two points in the third quarter while putting in seven of their own.

The Coyotes cut the lead down to nine to start the fourth but a big quarter by the Leopards put the game out of range for the Coyotes as the game ended with a score of 47-31.

Scoring for the Coyotes: Karl Lamming 11, Flynn Chapman 8, Brendan Tarleton 8, Tyrell Massingill 2, and Michael Cooley 2. Also Contributing Carlos Hernandez, Tony Soto, and Clay Harding.

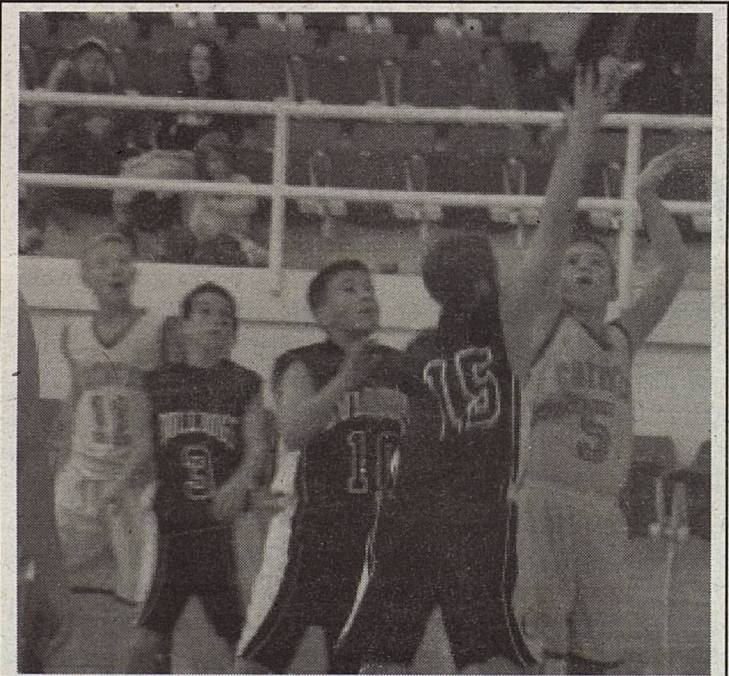
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Lady Coyotes Defeat Cardinals

By Coach Turner

The Borden Lady Coyotes defeated the Hermleigh Cardinals in Gail Tuesday night by the score of 59-36.

Borden County jumped out to an 18-7 lead after one quarter and never looked back. Leading the way for the Lady Coyotes was Taylor Richey with 19, Bailey Anderson with 13, and Olivia Key with 11. D'Nae Johnson finished with 6 points, while Sharelle Gass and Rachel Wilson both had 4. Kate Wallace wrapped up the scoring with a bucket.



Coyote Pup Steven Howard (#5) helps bring on a victory for Borden County by scoring 2 points.

2007-2008 Borden County Basketball Schedule

Date	Day	Opponent	Time	Site	Teams
Nov. 6	Tues.	Meadow	6:00	Gail	gC
Nov. 10	Sat.	Klondike	12:00	Klondike	gC
Nov. 13	Tues.	New Home	4:00	New Home	gGbB
Nov. 16	Fri.	Dawson	4:00	Gail	gGbB
Nov. 19	Mon.	Midland Trinity	6:00	Midland	GB
Nov. 20	Tues.	Grady	4:00	Grady	gGbB
Nov. 27	Tues.	Crosbyton	4:00	Gail	gGbB
Nov. 30	Fri.	Open	4:00		gbBB
Dec. 4	Tues.	Forsan	4:00	Gail	gGbB
Dec. 6-8		Borden County Tourn.		Gail	GB
Dec. 11	Tues.	Sands	4:00	Gail	gGbB
Dec. 13-15		Meadow Tourn.	TBA	Meadow	GB
Dec. 27-29		Caprock Tourn.	TBA	Lubbock	GB
Dec. 31	Mon.	Southland	1:00	Southland	gGbB
*Jan. 4	Fri.	Ira	4:00	Ira	gGbB
*Jan. 8	Tues.	Hermleigh	4:00	Gail	gGbB
Jan 10 & 12	Th. S	Forsan JV Tourn.	TBA	Forsan	gGbB
*Jan. 11	Fri.	Westbrook	4:00	Westbrook	gGbB
*Jan. 15	Tues.	Lorraine	4:00	Lorraine	gGbB
*Jan. 19	Sat.	Highland	6:00	Gail	GB
*Jan. 22	Tues.	Ira	4:00	Gail	gGbB
*Jan. 25	Fri.	Hermleigh	5:00	Hermleigh	gGbB
*Jan. 29	Tues.	Westbrook	4:00	Gail	gGbB
*Feb. 1	Fri.	Lorraine	4:00	Gail	gGbB
*Feb. 5	Tues.	Highland	5:00	Highland	GbB

* Denotes District Games

Girls' Coaches: Bric Turner & Peter Benavidez

Boys' Coaches: Fernando Baeza & Trey Richey

Borden County Tourney:

Post	Forsan	Borden County
Lubbock Christian	New Home	O'Donnell
Guthrie (Girls only)	Crosbyton	Meadow
Anson	Klondike	

Making the Grade!

3rd Six-Weeks Beta Achievement

Senior: Sharelle Gass and Rachel Wilson; **Sophomore:** D'Nae Johnson and Brendan Tarleton; **Freshman:** Bailey Anderson, Kimberly Proulx, Taylor Richey and Krista Tarleton; **Eighth Grade:** Austin Fields, Chance Taylor and Blake Turner; **Seventh Grade:** Shea Burkett, Kayla Pepper, Tanner Richey, Steelie Sanders, Riley Smith, Teryn Soto and Mattie Turner; **Sixth Grade:** Taylor Gass, Mollie McMeans, Matthew Proulx and Sydnie Rebeles.

3rd Six-Weeks Honor Roll

Senior: Hannah McConnell, Shelby Roberts; **Junior:** Jake Cooley; **Sophomore:** Chellsie Pigford, Lacey Roberts, and Raylea Underwood; **Freshman:** John Hensley and Phyneshia Rutherford; **Eighth Grade:** Luke Burkett, Seleste Herridge, and Austin Tyler; **Seventh Grade:** Steven Howard and Matthew Roberson; **Sixth Grade:** Matthew Ham, Kalyn Massingill, Michael McClain and Zach McMeans; **Fifth Grade:** Frank Banman, Tye Basquez, Blaise Freeman, Sean Tucker and Cayden Vaughn; **Fourth Grade:** Joel Andrade, Rhaeden Bland, Kylee Dean, Zoie Key, Channing Miller, Kelby Miller, Colby Pennell, Samuel Raborn, Kyrsten Rebeles, Tatum Richey, Flint Roberts, Taylor Roberts, Caelan Thuett, Merik Valentine and Tate Wheatley; **Third Grade:** Maddie Benavidez, Tanner Freeman, Hayley Gray, Dylan Murphy, Maria Neufeld, Avery Price and Bryce Turner; **Second Grade:** Thadd Basquez, Kable Kleck, Thomas Nix, Nicholas Proulx, Trace Richey, and Morgan Wilson.

Nix, Nicholas Proulx, Trace Richey and Morgan Wilson.

1st Semester Beta Achievement

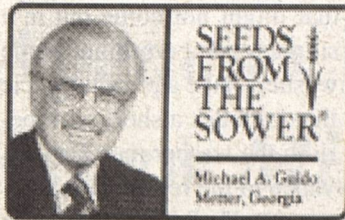
Senior: Sharelle Gass and Rachel Wilson; **Freshman:** Taylor Richey and Krista Tarleton; **Eighth Grade:** Austin Fields; **Seventh:** Shea Burkett, Kayla Pepper, Tanner Richey, Steelie Sanders, Riley Smith and Mattie Turner.

1st Semester Honor Roll

Sophomore: D'Nae Johnson, Lacey Roberts and Raylea Underwood; **Freshman:** Bailey Anderson, John Hensley and Kimberly Proulx; **Eighth Grade:** Blake Turner and Austin Tyler; **Seventh Grade:** Steven Howard, Matthew Roberson, and Teryn Soto; **Sixth:** Taylor Gass, Kalyn Massingill, Mollie McMeans and Zach McMeans; **Fifth Grade:** Frank Banman, Tye Basquez, Blaise Freeman, Sean Tucker, and Cayden Vaughn; **Fourth Grade:** Rhaeden Bland, Kylee Dean, Zoie Key, Channing Miller, Kelby Miller, Colby Pennell, Samuel Raborn, Kyrsten Rebeles, Tatum Richey, Flint Roberts, Taylor Roberts, Caelan Thuett, Merik Valentine and Tate Wheatley; **Third Grade:** Maddie Benavidez, Tanner Freeman, Hayley Gray, Dylan Murphy, Maria Neufeld, Avery Price, and Bryce Turner; **Second Grade:** Thadd Basquez, Kable Kleck, Thomas Nix, Nicholas Proulx, Trace Richey, and Morgan Wilson.

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"Happy New Year!" I said to a friend.

"I see that you're happy," he said. "Why?"

"Because," I said, "I'm precious in the eyes of God, saved by the grace of God, trusting in the word of God, guided by the Spirit of God, guarded by the angels of God, walking in the light of God, busy in the work of God, joyful in the love of God, held by the hands of God, and secure in the power of God. Why not make Him your God?"

God is equal to every situation. He's ever present, never failing, and all sufficient!

Lady Coyotes Travel to Westbrook

By Coach Turner

The Lady Coyotes traveled to Westbrook Friday night and came home with a big 65-40 victory.

The game was tight early and Borden County took a 24-20 lead into the locker room at the half. The Lady Coyotes used their press to jump all over the Wildcats in the third quarter and led 48-32 going into the fourth.

Taylor Richey had a monster game as she scored 31 points and pulled down 18 rebounds. Olivia Key continued her sharp shooting with 17, and Baylee Benavidez hit 3 three pointers and finished with 10. Sharelle Gass had 3 points while both D'Nae Johnson and Rachel Wilson had 2 each.

Highland comes to town on Saturday, January 19th for what should be a battle of unbeaten teams. Everyone come out and support the Coyotes. Game time is 6:00pm.

Missy Coyotes Gain Victory Against Ira

By Coach Turner

The Borden Missy Coyotes got 2008 started off right with a 40-17 thumping of the Ira Bulldogs. Borden County took a 19-12 lead into halftime, but really got rolling in the second half. A 21-5 run took away any chance the Bulldogs had to stay in the game.

Leading the way for the Missy Coyotes was Mattie Turner with 12 points and Stefanie Cooley with 9. Kayla

Pepper scored 6 and both Kylie Voss and Lexi Peterson scored 4. Kaylyn Dean and Shea Burkett scored 2 points and Teryn Soto wrapped it up with a free throw.

The Missy Coyotes improve to 5-4 on the year, but more importantly 4-1 in district 12. The Missy Coyotes will be in Hermleigh to take on the Cardinals on January 14th.



Missy Coyote, Lexi Peterson (#3) pushes through the Bulldog defense. Missy Coyotes come out on top 40-17.

2007-2008 Borden Junior High Basketball Schedule

Date	Day	Opponent	Téams	Site	Time
Nov. 15	Thur	Ira	G,B	There	6:00
Nov. 17	Sat	Sands Tourney	G,B	Ackerly	TBA
Nov. 19	Mon	Hermleigh	G,B	Here	6:00
Nov. 26	Mon	Westbrook	G,B	There	6:00
Dec. 1	Sat	Borden Co. Tourn.	G,B	Gail	TBA
Dec. 3	Mon	Loraine	G,B	There	6:00
Dec. 10	Mon	Highland	G,B	Here	6:00
Jan. 7	Mon	Ira	G,B	Here	6:00
Jan. 14	Mon.	Hermleigh	G,B	There	6:00
Jan. 21	Mon.	Westbrook	G,B	Here	6:00
Jan. 28	Mon.	Loraine	G,B	Here	6:00
Feb. 4	Mon.	Highland	G,B	There	6:00

G-Junior High Girls
B-Junior High Boys
Superintendent: Jimmy Thomas
Principal: Bart McMeans
Girls' Coaches-Bric Turner & Peter Benavidez
Boys' Coaches- Fernando Baeza & Trey Richey

Borden Tournament Teams
BC Sands
Dawson Hermleigh

Heart & Home . . .

By Julie Smith
Borden County Extension Agent
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Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability, or national origin. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioner's Court of Texas Cooperating.

Removing Stains From Washable Items

Garments can become unwearable long before they wear out if spots and stains are not treated properly and promptly. Many stains will come out in the wash, especially if good laundering techniques are used. Some stains, however, are more complex than others and require special treatment. Treat them as soon as possible. When items remain in a hamper for days, stains become much more difficult to remove. Some stains may even be impossible to remove.

SOME GENERAL RULES

1. Try to find out what the stain is, since some can be set by the wrong treatment. When in doubt, rinse or soak in cold water before laundering or applying a stain remover.

2. Check colorfastness of item. If unsure whether a treatment will harm the fabric or color, apply the recommended stain remover to a hidden part or a sample of the fabric, such as a clipping from the seam allowance. Rinse out and let dry. If the color or fabric is not damaged, proceed with the treatment.

3. When using any bleach, treat the entire item. This will prevent uneven color change, should any occur.

4. When removing stains such as lipstick, candle wax or tar, place the stain face down on paper towels and treat from the underside to avoid driving the stain through the fabric.

5. Always launder washable items after treating to remove residues of both the stain and

the stain remover.

HOW TO REMOVE STAINS

Basically, the following three procedures can be used to deal with stains prior to laundering. The choice depends primarily on the kind and extent of staining.

Soaking - Whether done in a basin, laundry sink or washer, soaking can effectively loosen heavy soils. A product containing enzymes can be helpful in removing protein-based stains. A laundry presoak, detergent and/or an appropriate laundry additive should be mixed in water or added before the clothes. When there's a quantity of items to treat, the washer is handiest. Use either an automatic soak cycle or manually set the controls as needed.

Sorting before soaking is important to prevent dye transfer from one item to another or to keep a white or light item from picking up color that has bled into the water. Soak whites separately from colors. Soak colors that bleed separately or with fabrics of like color. Follow label directions for the presoak, detergent or other additive as to soaking time and temperature. Generally, they call for a 30-minute or longer period in warm or cool water. Spin or wring solution out of the garment before beginning the wash cycle. Elasticized garments should be soaked separately and for just a short period of time. Yellowing can occur with prolonged soaking.

Prewashing - Taking less time than soaking, a presoak provides an agitated washing of loads with heavy or greasy soil

that might not come out in a single regular washing. Some washers have a presoak cycle that includes a short soak period; the washer may also advance to the regular wash automatically. Refer to appliance instructions for either an automatic cycle or for setting controls manually to agitate and then spin. A presoak product, detergent and/or other laundry additive should be used in a presoak. Follow with a regular wash using detergent according to label directions.

Pretreating - This involves treating and sometimes completely removing individual spots and stains prior to laundering. Some of the most common methods are:

* Using a presoak soil and stain remover

* Applying and rubbing in

1. A liquid detergent - or -

2. A paste of water and powder detergent - or -

3. A laundry additive - or -

4. Bar soap

PRODUCTS FOR REMOVING STAINS

There are a number of laundry products and aids which can be used in stain treatment and removal. The most commonly used products and the stains that they are most effective on are listed below.

Detergents

Form: powders, liquids

Uses: effective in removing most soils

Powders: especially effective on clay and ground-in dirt

Liquids: especially effective on food, greasy and oily stains

Soaps

Form: powders, bars

Uses: When used with washing soda, soap is effective in removing crayon. Bars are especially effective in removing fabric softener, perspiration and tobacco stains

Detergent Boosters

Form: powders, liquids

Uses: especially effective in hard water

Bleaches

Form: sodium hypochlorite,

oxygen, color removers

Uses:

Bleaches: All bleaches aid in stain removal and help whiten and brighten fabrics. Sodium hypochlorite bleach is a laundry disinfectant.

Color Removers: reduce or completely remove colored dyes from garments. Effective in removing rust stains or dye stains which have transferred onto white garments

Enzyme Presoak Products

Form: powders

Uses: especially effective in removing protein stains such as egg, blood, grass, baby formula, dairy products, chocolate and body fluids

Prewash Soil and Stain Removers

Form: aerosols, pump sprays, gels, sticks, liquids

Uses: especially effective on polyester fibers and on oil-based stains such as body soils, cosmetics, cooking oils, animal fats and motor oils

For Safety's Sake:

* Read instructions on all products and keep them out of children's reach during use and storage. Keep products in their original labeled containers.

Thoroughly wash any utensils used.

* **DO NOT COMBINE STAIN REMOVAL PRODUCTS**, especially ammonia and sodium hypochlorite bleach; some chemical mixtures may release irritating gases.

* Never use a highly flammable solvent such as gasoline because vapors can explode.

* Solvents such as cleaning fluid, denatured alcohol or turpentine should be used only in a well-ventilated room, away from open flame and pilot lights. They should never be inhaled. Clothes treated with solvents should be rinsed before washing.

For more information about laundry basics, visit the Soap and Detergent Association web site at <http://www.cleaning101.com> or contact the Texas AgriLife Extension Service-Borden County Office at (806)756-4336.

Source: *The Soap and Detergent Association Facts About Laundry*



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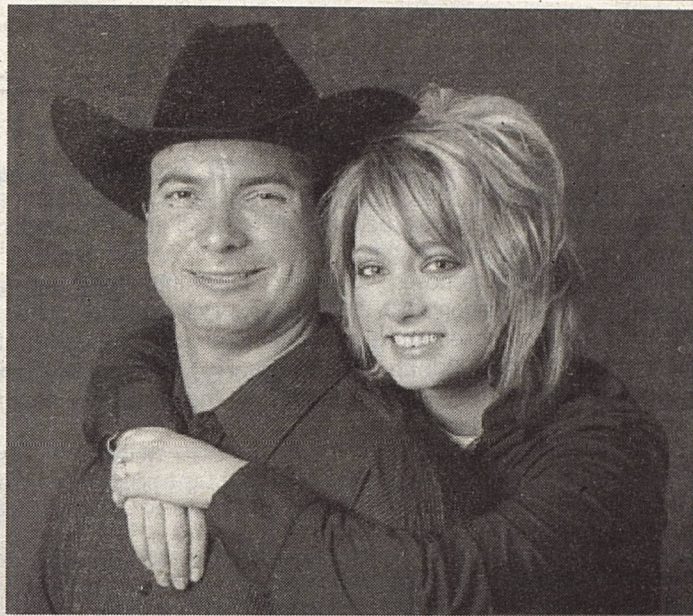
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Engagement



Jerimiah Erwin and Shayla Gass

Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Gass of Gail, Texas wish to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Shayla Gass, to Jerimiah Erwin, son of Eddie and Judy Erwin of Winnsborrow, Louisiana.

The bride-elect is a 2004 graduate of Borden County High School and is employed at Pancache Salon and Day Spa in Lubbock, Texas.

The prospective groom is a 1998 graduate of Fort Necessity High School and is employed by Ergon Maintenance Services in Vicksburg, Mississippi.

A March 1st wedding is planned. The couple will reside in Lubbock.

Thank You

A sincere thank you to all those who helped fight the grass fire at the Dorward Ranch, Saturday, January 12th. A special thanks to James Howard and the Coleman ranch, Ralph Miller, the O'Donnell and Gail Volunteer Fire Departments and to County and State Employees.

Clinta Blackard Williams
Frank Menix
Sharion Menix Windom



2008 Borden County Jr. Livestock Show



Thursday, January 17
Steer Show - 6:00 p.m.



Friday, January 18
Lamb Show - 8:30 a.m.
Goat Show - after Lamb Show
Swine Show - after Goat Show

Saturday, January 19
7:00 - 9:00 a.m.
Complimentary Chuchwagon Breakfast

Awards Ceremony - 9:00 a.m.
Premium Sale - 9:30 a.m.



Agencies Change Names, Renew Missions

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partners to serve the state of Texas. It is vitally important to tell our story and that people connect our agencies to the tremendous impacts they have on the state."

One of the drivers of the re-branding initiative was a market study that showed that the work of the research and extension agencies was not widely known across the state of Texas.

"We hope to help people better understand the vital role that agriculture and life sciences still play in improving the prosperity of their lives," said Smith. "We believe that if they come to know us better, they will see

that connection more clearly, even within a state population that is now 85 percent urbanized."

AgriLife Research, established in 1887, employs a team of 425 scientists on the campus of Texas A&M University and at 13 centers across the state. Research has made many innovative advances over the years, including development of the Texas 1015 onion and the TAM Mild Jalapeno pepper, which revolutionized the U.S. salsa industry.

Current major research includes the efficient use and conservation of water re-

sources, the development of fruits and vegetables with higher levels of disease-fighting compounds, and the adaptation of crops and other agricultural products for making biofuels.

AgriLife Extension, established in 1915, provides Texans with continuing education programs and services. More than 900 professional educators team with some 90,000 volunteers to serve families, youth, communities and businesses throughout the state. Some 600,000 children annually participate in Extension's 4-H and youth development programs.

How to Avoid an Economic Recession

By Borden Star financial columnist, Susie J.

Always on the lookout for an entrepreneurial undertaking, Susie J. (imaginary county citizen) could be on to the next new fad. This time next year, the local A-Frame on Highway 180 could very well put Gail America on the map. Get ready for the Grand Champion Swine Spa and Salon.

Stranger things have made money: worm farming, pet rocks, Cabbage Patch dolls, torn and faded jeans. At least this idea is practical.

One: your hogs can visit pre-show. This will save you the trouble of washing and grooming. Susie J.'s will even have chocolate-flavored snares to make the snout retrieval easier and more enjoyable for the pig.

Hoping to start a new trend in the stock show arena, Susie J. will also offer her own line of nail polish just for swine. The pedicure will be free if showmen bring Susie J. a six-pack of Diet Dr. Pepper and a Snickers.

With country music on surround sound, the pigs will relax in a soothing atmosphere that

will put them at ease before their debut in front of family, friends, and meat packers.

Speaking of meat packers, now would be the time to mention the second reason this arrangement can succeed.

After spending months with their pigs, many youngsters do not want to give up their show animals, many of whom are like family. Susie J. has the perfect answer—one that will maintain her clientele and prevent trauma that occurs when kids have to say good-bye at "the truck".

Keep the pigs!

Once a week, bring in your swine for a luxurious bubble bath, facial, grooming and pedicure. Repeat customers will enjoy special perks, such as mud baths, which as we all know, are very good for one's complexion. The cost? Well, the swiner things in life are not free but do expect reasonable fees.

Your swine is happy. The kids are happy. And, mom is happy because at least it's a

clean pig that is roaming the house. She's used to her husband anyway.

And the benefits to Borden County? Sales tax from out-of-county clients will generate enough revenue to enlarge Bertie's dining room (if she agrees to strike bacon and sausage from the breakfast menu).

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Coyote JV Crush the Cardinals for First Win of Season

By Coach Baeza

The Borden County JV jumped out to an early 10 to 0 lead in the first quarter against the visiting Hermleigh Cardinals and never looked back as they were able to garner their first win of the season after starting out with five straight loses.

The Coyotes were led by Tony Soto's game high 12 points, followed by Miles Valentines 7 points, John Hensley added a career high 6 points while David Rodriguez contributed 5 points and Clay Harding and Drew Tyler rounded out the scoring with 2 a piece. Also contributing to the Coyotes first win were Cory Teel and Michael Froman helping the Coyotes with a 34 to 16 victory.

The Coyotes followed that

victory with another victory on Thursday as they outlasted a very scrappy Sterling City Eagle team in the opening round of the Forsan JV tournament.

Scoring for the Coyotes in this 41 to 35 victory was Miles Valentine with a career high 14 points followed by Tony Soto's career high 13 points. David and Clay added 4 points each while Drew Tyler, John Hensley and Michael Froman all tallied 2 points apiece. Cory Teel also contributed to this victory.

On Saturday, the Coyotes were not so fortunate, as their solid hustle and effort continued, but the points were hard to come by as the Coyotes were outscored 40 to 9 by tourney host and champion Forsan.

Miles had 3 points while Tony, Clay and Cory all score 2 points.

In the 3rd place game, the Coyotes again found the rims very unkind and were defeated by the Garden City Bearcats 38 to 19. Tony scored 12 points, Miles had 5 points and John Hensley finished the scoring with 2 points. Also playing in this tournament was David, Clay, Cory and Michael.

Lady Coyotes Travel to Westbrook

By Coach Turner

The Lady Coyotes traveled to Westbrook Friday night and came home with a big 65-40 victory.

The game was tight early and Borden County took a 24-20 lead into the locker room at the half. The Lady Coyotes used their press to jump all over the Wildcats in the third quarter and led 48-32 going into the fourth.

Taylor Richey had a monster game as she scored 31 points and pulled down 18 rebounds. Olivia Key continued her sharp shooting with 17, and Baylee Benavidez hit 3 three pointers and finished with 10. Sharelle Gass had 3 points while both D'Nae Johnson and Rachel Wilson had 2 each.

Highland comes to town on Saturday, January 19th for what should be a battle of unbeaten teams. Everyone come out and support the Coyotes. Game time is 6:00pm.

Player of the Week



Lady Coyote, Taylor Richey, receives Player of the Week. Taylor is a freshman and the daughter of Trey and Hayley Richey.

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Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit
Tumbleweed Smith

Interviewing Jon Voight. Again

When the movie *Midnight Cowboy* was being filmed in Big Spring I did a daily radio program on the shooting. I interviewed the lead character, Jon Voight, several times. I was impressed with his friendliness and his willingness to cooperate with members of the media who interviewed him. He was extremely nice to everybody.

He played the part of Joe Buck, a small town guy who decided to seek his fortune in New York City. I hung around the various shooting locations during the two weeks the film crew was in town and did interviews with the director, John Schlesinger and others involved with the movie.

At the time I was a correspondent for NBC Radio's Monitor, a weekend series that covered interesting things that were going on around the country.

When *Midnight Cowboy* won the Oscar for best picture in 1969, I called the director of Monitor, Gordon Fraser and told him I had all these interviews with people who worked on the film. He said, "Send them up." So the following weekend after the Oscars were announced, Monitor carried several of the interviews.

About six months later I decided to start a daily statewide radio program. My very first program featured an interview with Jon Voight. It has been interesting to see his career just zoom. He's done some 70 movies and won a best actor Oscar for the movie *Coming Home*. I was talking to my wife the other day and told her the 10,000th broadcast of my radio

program was coming up. She said, "You ought to do something special for that program." I decided to see if I could do another interview with Jon Voight and air it on February 7, the date of my 10,000th program.

Through several emails and telephone calls I was able to get hold of Jon Voight and do another interview with him. All his fame and accolades have not changed him a bit. He was as friendly and cordial when I interviewed him the other day, as he was when I interviewed him nearly 40 years ago.

Would you believe he actually thanked me for helping launch his career. His exact words were: "Tumbleweed, you and I are brothers. We both started way back when I was in Big Spring with *Midnight Cowboy* and you came along and interviewed all of us and you did such an amazing job for us and I really think you were a part of the launching of my career. It was such a pleasure to know you and to be back in touch with you and congratulate you on your 10,000th broadcast of THE SOUND OF TEXAS. You've made a lot of people happy, me among them. God bless you."

Folks, I can't express how much those words mean to me. Jon Voight is spending a lot of time these days going to VA hospitals and visiting members of the military who were wounded in the war. He told me he knew that his role of Joe Buck would be a life-changing experience for him. He had done some stage work off-Broadway and a couple of independent films, but this was his first big movie.

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January 21-25, 2008

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TUESDAY - Breakfast: French Tost Sticks, Fruit Juice, and Milk. Lunch: Lasagna, Carrots Tossed Salad, Pineapple, Garlic Toast and Milk.

WEDNESDAY - Breakfast: Pancake Pup, Fruit Juice, Milk. Lunch: Chicken Spaghetti, Green Beans, Tossed Salad, Garlic Biscuit, Pudding and Milk.

THURSDAY - Breakfast: Muffin, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Beef Soup, Grilled Cheese, Broccoli w/ranch, Jello and Milk.

FRIDAY - Breakfast: Cereal & Toast, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: BBQ Sandwich, Beans, French Fries, Surprise Cookie and Milk.

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Taylor Roberts (right) portraying the character "Yum-Yum" threatens "Gabiella the Gnome" Channing Miller (left) in fourth grades' Christmas play. Sixteen students solved problems for Santa with "The Reindeer Solution".

Fame, Fortune, and Glory...



"I won Fame, Fortune, and Glory...Studies Weekly published my story." is displayed on the t-shirts of Taylor Roberts (left) and Tatum Richey (right). They were the winners for Week 1 in the Texas Social Studies newsletter.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas will accept sealed bids until 9:00 a.m., January 22, 2008 for the purchase of one self-propelled road broom to be used in Borden County Road & Bridge. For more information, contact Precinct 1 Commissioner Monte Smith, phone 806/439-6379; Precinct 2 Commissioner Randy Adcock, phone 806/756-4378; Precinct 3 commissioner Ernest Reyes, phone 432/965-3212; or Precinct 4 Commissioner Joe Belew, phone 325/573-7718, or call the County Judge's office at 806/756-4391. The commissioners' Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT
BORDEN COUNTY, TEXAS
Van L. York
Borden County Judge

**Mandatory Public Notification Language
Notice of Drinking Water ARSENIC Violation**
August 2006

The Texas Commission On Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the Borden County Water System that the drinking water being supplied to customers had exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for ARSENIC. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has established the MCL ARSENIC at .01 mg/L, and has determined that it is a health concern at levels above the MCL. Analysis of drinking water in your community for ARSENIC indicates a level of .026 mg/L in 2006

This is not an emergency. However, some people who drink water containing ARSENIC in excess of the MCL over many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system and may have increased risk of getting cancer.

You do not need to use an alternative water supply. However, if you have health concerns, you may want to talk to your doctor to get more information about how this may affect you.

Borden County Water System is installing equipment to lower the level of ARSENIC to below the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) standards.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

For further information contact the County Judge's Office, Borden County Courthouse, 117 E. Wasson, Gail, Texas 79738, phone 806/756-4391.

Van L. York, County Judge
Public Water System ID#0170010
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Gail, Texas 79738

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Violation**
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This is not an emergency. However, some people who drink water containing FLOURIDE in excess of the MCL over many years could get bone disease, including pain and tenderness of the bones. Fluoride in drinking water at half the MCL or more may cause mottling of children's teeth, usually in children less than nine years old. Mottling, also known as dental fluorosis, may include brown staining and/or pitting of the teeth, and occurs only in developing teeth before they erupt from the gums.

You do not need to use an alternative water supply. However, if you have health concerns, you may want to talk to your doctor to get more information about how this may affect you.

We are working to correct the problem by investigating the possibility of connecting to another system.

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BORDEN COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2007

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES:			
Total Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 8,952,234	\$ 122,495	\$ 9,074,729
State Program Revenues	657,508	28,054	685,562
Federal Program Revenues	34,092	146,529	180,621
Total Revenues	9,643,834	297,078	9,940,912
EXPENDITURES:			
Current:			
Instruction	1,389,884	166,244	1,556,128
Instructional Resources and Media Services	27,667	-	27,667
Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development	4,119	202	4,321
Instructional Leadership	-	121,371	121,371
School Leadership	137,775	-	137,775
Guidance, Counseling and Evaluation Services	11,341	3,508	14,849
Health Services	56,163	546	56,709
Student (Pupil) Transportation	252,248	-	252,248
Food Services	188,365	-	188,365
Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities	261,595	1,986	263,581
General Administration	343,364	2,070	345,434
Facilities Maintenance and Operations	1,081,732	372	1,082,104
Security and Monitoring Services	12,206	779	12,985
Data Processing Services	80,137	-	80,137
Community Services	106,350	-	106,350
Capital Outlay:			
Facilities Acquisition and Construction	347,055	-	347,055
Intergovernmental:			
Contracted Instructional Services Between Schools	4,847,972	-	4,847,972
Payments to Fiscal Agent/Member Districts of SSA	40,882	-	40,882
Total Expenditures	9,188,855	297,078	9,485,933
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	454,979	-	454,979
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):			
Sale of Real and Personal Property	257	-	257
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	257	-	257
Net Change in Fund Balances	455,236	-	455,236
Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	11,267,907	-	11,267,907
Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$ 11,723,143	\$ -	\$ 11,723,143

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.