

# THE BORDEN STAR

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Serving the Counties of Borden, Dawson, Garza, Howard, Lynn & Scurry



## Let Me Get My Hat!

By Dennis Poole,  
Borden County CEA-Ag.

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 Commissioners Court of Texas Cooperating.

## Borden – Scurry Farm and Ranch Tour

The Borden – Scurry Farm and Ranch Tour will be held Wednesday, August 22, 2001 beginning with registration at 8:30 a.m. at the Fluvanna Community Center. Tour Stops include drip irrigation cotton variety trial, minimum tilled plot, IPT plant treatment on mesquite and catclaw, and also a talk about Risk Management presented by Mr. Chad Hobbs, Extension Program Specialist – Risk Management.

Mr. J.F. Cadenhead, Assistant Professor and extension Range and Brush Control Specialist and Dr. Billy Warrick, Associate Professor and Extension Agronomist will also be in attendance to assist with tour stops in cotton and range management practices.

For more information, please call the Borden County Extension Service at (806)756-4336.

## Multi-County Wheat Production and Stock Cattle Seminar

On Thursday, August 23 at 9:00 a.m. at the Fluvanna Community Center, a wheat production and stocker cattle seminar will be held. Dr. Ted McCollum, BeefCattle Specialist-Amarillo, Dr. Calvin Trostle, Agronomist-Lubbock, and Kent Mills, Nutritionist-Snyder, will be on hand to share information with us on production of wheat pasture for grazing, stocker cattle receiving, grazing cattle and marketing.

registration, coffee and donuts, at 9:00 a.m. and the seminar will begin at 9:30 a.m. If possible, please contact your county Extension office and RSVP by Monday, August 20. It is not mandatory to RSVP for attendance but it would assist us greatly in planning for the meal. Lunch will be sponsored by Ezell-Key grain Co., Inc. The meeting will conclude by 12 noon with lunch being served then. Hope to see you there!

We will begin with

## Renewals of Registered Brands

Every ten years Texas livestock producers are required by law to renew their brands and earmarks if they intend to continue using them. This is in accordance with Article 144.044 of the Agriculture Code. There is a six-month period (August 30, 2001 through February 28, 2002) in which to register these brands and marks and the location on the animals which are currently being

used. All brands that have not been renewed will become "void" on March 1, 2002 and available for the general public.

The recording fee will be \$11.00 per brand per location.

The Clerks Office will begin the process of renewals of brands on Thursday, August 30, 2001 and will continue through February 28, 2002.

## 2001-2002 School Year to begin on August 20<sup>th</sup>

The 2001 – 2002 school year begins on Monday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, at Borden County ISD. The school day will begin at 8:05 a.m. and will end at 3:33 p.m.

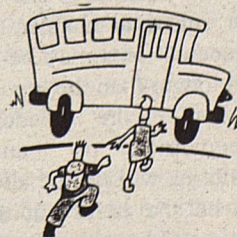
All high school students who have questions about their credits or schedule will need to register on August 13<sup>th</sup> between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. Mr. Dye will be available on this day to discuss your needs.

High school students with established schedules and junior high students can register August 13<sup>th</sup> through 17<sup>th</sup>, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Elementary students who are new to Borden County are also encouraged to register on the dates indicated above. All other elementary

students will be registered on the first day of school, Monday, August 20<sup>th</sup>.

**School Starts Monday, August 20<sup>th</sup>**



**Drive Safely  
Watch for our Children**

## For whom the school bell tolls

Before the first bell rings, both parents and children need to gear up for the start of the school year.

"Sometimes those first days of school can be a big adjustment for a child," said Dr. Lou Ann Mock, an assistant professor of psychiatry and behavioral sciences at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

The following techniques will help prepare a child for the first day of school:

- ✓ Get up early on the first day, so no one will feel rushed.
- ✓ Make sure to eat a good breakfast.
- ✓ Get everything ready for school the night before.
- ✓ Let the children pick out their own clothes for the first day.

Make sure children get plenty of sleep. Missed sleep causes most of the day's experiences to be stored inefficiently in the brain, making it harder to remember lectures, and interactions with teachers. In addition, it is important for children to begin settling into a good homework routine the first day of school.

## Borden Co. ISD Student Dress Code for 2001-2002

Borden County School's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following:

Borden County students shall be dressed and groomed in a manner that is clean and neat and that will not be a health and safety hazard to themselves or others. Clothing and grooming that in the principals' judgement may reasonably be expected to cause disruption of or interference with normal school operation is prohibited.

The Borden County School prohibits pictures, emblems, or writing on clothing that:

- 1) Is lewd, offensive vulgar, or contains obscene language
- 2) Advertises or depicts tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs, or any other substance prohibited by the school,
- 3) Refers to satanic, cult or prison wear or gang activities.

The following guidelines will be used to determine appropriate dress:

- 1) Dresses, skirts, split skirts and shorts should not be shorter than two inches above the knee. A student will lose the privilege of wearing shorts for the school year upon a third offense. Parents will be notified when the second offense occurs. Shorts must be tailored (hemmed with no frayed edges). No spandex biker shorts or wind shorts are allowed (loose legged, athletic running shorts) and shorts shall not be too tight.
- 2) Wearing of oversized or baggy pants and/or jeans is prohibited at school or any school sponsored activity on or off campus. No "saggin, baggin, or draggin". Pants must be an appropriate length and not drag the floor. Boys pants will be worn at the waist and properly fit the waistline.

No excessively wide legged pants will be allowed. No trench coats, dusters, jail attire or paramilitary/camouflage will be allowed. No chains will be allowed on school property or at school sponsored functions

- 3) Shirts and blouses must be buttoned appropriately with midriff and back covered at all times. (Tops must be long enough that skin does not show when arms are lifted). Clothing shall be designed, constructed and worn in a manner that is not suggestive or indecent, and that shall promote proper decorum. The opening on any type of shirt shall not exceed the equivalent of the first button below the collar of a dress shirt. Tank tops and "see-through chiffon blouses" will not be allowed unless they are worn with a crew neck type T-shirt underneath it or a shirt worn over them during all school hours and activities. Tailored shirt shirttails must be tucked in unless you have a crew T-shirt underneath the shirt. (All tailored shirts will be buttoned and tucked in at the pants or skirt when representing Borden County in any extracurricular activities).
- 4) Footwear shall be a part of regular attire. House shoes are not acceptable footwear. No metal cleats or plates on the soles of shoes shall be worn in the building.
- 5) Hair shall be clean and well groomed at all times while attending school, and school sponsored activities. It will be styled in a manner that will keep it out of the student's eyes and not obstruct one's vision. No unnatural or bizarre hair colors or haircuts will be permitted. Eyebrows must not be notched or shaved in an unnatural manner. Male students' hair may be worn no longer than the top of the collar. In addition; geometric or unusual patterns will not be allowed to be shaved or cut in the hair, and boys may not wear ponytails, rat-tails, or braids. Coaches/sponsors may prohibit players and

participants from certain hairstyles and color variations in the hair. Students are to be clean-shaven at all times. Mustaches and beards are not allowed. Sideburns shall not be worn lower than the bottom of the ear lobe and not wider than one inch at the base.

- 6) Boys will not wear piercing jewelry. Girls may not wear exposed piercing jewelry other than earrings. NO tongue piercing will be allowed by boys or girls.
- 7) Sunglasses may not be worn in the building during school hours or events inside the building unless prescribed by a doctor.
- 8) All types of headwear are prohibited, (Hats, caps, bandannas, or hoods) inside the building by boys or girls unless approved by the school administration. The school administration, coach, or sponsor may determine that headwear is inappropriate at certain times and/or places.
- 9) Any clothing or grooming not listed above that is determined by the school administration to pose a disruption, interference, or safety concern to the normal school operation or Borden County School Community will be prohibited and addressed as appropriate.

A student who violates the dress code shall be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school. If not corrected, the student shall be assigned to in school suspension either for the remainder of the day or until a parent or designee brings an acceptable change of clothing to the school. Repeat offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action. The principal, in cooperation with the sponsor, coach, or other person in charge of an extracurricular activity, may regulate the dress and grooming of students who participate in the activity (for example: cheerleader uniforms may vary from normal requirement according to principal/sponsor approval). Students who violate these standards may be removed or excluded from the activity for a period determined by the school administration or

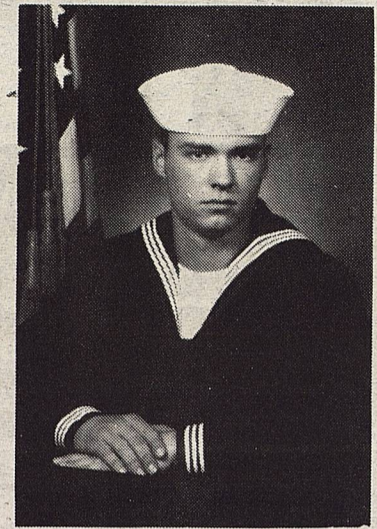
## Hardman completes Basic Training: Sets sights on career and education with the Navy

E-2 Seaman Joseph Hardman, a 2000 graduate of Borden High School, will continue his naval career in Illinois after completing his nine-week basic training.

Hardman, son of Debra and Randy Hardman of Gail, graduated July 28 from the Great Lakes Naval Training Center.

He now will continue with the Navy, remaining for one year in Illinois and specializing in advanced electronics and computers. At night, Hardman will attend university classes, working on a bachelor's degree.

Hardman's address is as follows:



Joseph Hardman, 7219 BEQ 634  
320 A. Dewey Avenue  
Great Lakes, IL  
60088-5400

## Back to School Supply List

**Kindergarten:** Elmer's School Glue (NOT paste), 2 glue sticks, 2 boxes of 16 crayons, scissors (Fiskars for kids), supply box (cigar box size), 4-#2 pencils, gym shoes, towel for nap time, large box of Wet Wipes.

**First grade:** 2 boxes of 16 primary color Crayons, 4 or 5-#2 pencils, supply box, scissors, hard rubber eraser, 2 medium sized Elmer's School Glue, 1-1 subject wide rule spiral notebook, gym shoes, large box of Wet Wipes.

**Second grade:** 12-#2 pencils, crayons, Elmer's School Glue, red grading pencil, wide rule notebook paper, scissors, eraser, gym shoes, ruler, large box of Wet Wipes.

**Third grade:** loose-leaf notebook, wide rule notebook paper, wide rule spiral, 14-#2 pencils, 4-red pens or 4-red pencils, 12 inch ruler (metric &

sponsor and may be subject to other disciplinary action.

Violations of the Borden County Dress Code may be handled through the Student Code of Conduct.

standard), 2 art gum erasers, small bottle of glue, crayons, 2 folders, gym shoes, 4 boxes Kleenex, 2 large boxes of Wet Wipes.

**Fourth grade:** 1 box Kleenex, crayons, map colors, 4-#2 pencils, 2 red grading pens, 8 folders with 2 wholes and inside pockets (no brads), wide rule notebook paper (not college rule), metric and standard ruler, 2 large boxes of inexpensive baby wipes, loose leaf notebook with 3 holes.

**Fifth grade:** notebook, wide rule notebook paper, dividers with pockets, ruler with metric & standard, scissors, 6-#2 pencils (NO mechanic), 4 red pens, 2 large glue sticks, map colors (24 or 48 pkg), markers (thin point & broad point), 2 black sharpies, 4 different colored wide rule spirals, 4 colored folders with pockets (to match spirals), large box Wet Wipes.

**Sixth grade:** notebook, wide rule notebook paper (2 pkg.), scissors, 2 red pens, eraser, 12-#2 pencils (NO mechanical), 3 black pens, pencil box, map colors 7 dividers with pockets.

## Heart and home...

By Julie D. Mumme  
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Family and Consumer Sciences



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## 20 Reasons for Active Fathering

Fathers play a critical role in the development of their children, however, many fathers are uncertain about the responsibilities and privileges associated with this role. Children need fathers who love and care for them on a consistent basis. The latest research indicates that fathers who are actively involved in raising their children can make a positive and lasting difference in their lives. Listed are 20 reasons why your child needs you to be an active father

- ❖ Lets your child know that you love him/her.
- ❖ Provides your child with greater financial resources.
- ❖ Provides your child with a positive male role model.
- ❖ Enhances your child's self-esteem.
- ❖ Enhances your child's intellectual development
- ❖ Provides your child with guidance and discipline.

- ❖ Gives your child someone to play with.
- ❖ Provides your child with someone to talk to when he/she has questions.
- ❖ Increases your child's chances for academic success.
- ❖ Provides your child with an alternative perspective on life.
- ❖ Lowers your child's chances for early sexual

- activity.
- ❖ Lowers your child's chances for school failure.
- ❖ Lowers your child's chances for youth suicide.
- ❖ Lowers your child's chances for juvenile delinquency.
- ❖ Lowers your child's chances for adult criminality.
- ❖ Provides your child with a sense of physical and emotional security.
- ❖ Facilitates your child's moral development.
- ❖ Promotes healthy gender identity in your child.
- ❖ Helps your child learn important life skills.

*Fathers, your children need you!*

## Thank You!

*I would like to thank everyone for the phone calls, cards and food that I received after my second knee surgery. I feel very fortunate to live in a community with such caring friends.*



*Thank you Again,  
Pam & Joe Cooley*

**Thank You!** *I would like to thank the workers, and everyone who send refreshments for the children to enjoy during our Vacation Bible School last week. It was a real success and the children really enjoyed it. Thank you so much.*

*Cindy Herridge, VBS Director*

## Shoes for Orphan Souls

*The children collected money and new shoes to be sent to children at Buckner's Children's Home during their VBS. If you would like to donate money or new shoes for this project, collection will continue until September 1<sup>st</sup>. Sizes from birth to 18-years of age are needed. Contact Bro. Randy at 806-756-4363 or bring them by the church anytime. Your help will be greatly appreciated.*

## Have a Great Summer!



**Moore-Rains Insurance**  
Frances Rains Stephens  
O'Donnell, Texas  
806/428-3335

## COME JOIN THE FUN! Borden County 4-H Clothing Camp



Monday, August 13

Tuesday, August 14

Wednesday, August 15

from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. every day

in the Community Building

For more information, contact the  
Extension office at (806)756-4336

## 2001 BORDEN COUNTY COYOTES VARSITH FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Aug 24, (scrimmage)	Dawson	Here	6:00 p.m.
Aug 30, (scrimmage)	Jayton	There	6:00 p.m.
Sept. 7	Trent	Here	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Ropes	There	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	Sands	There	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	Wellman	Here	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	Whitharral	Here	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	Loraine	There	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	Ira	Here	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	Hermleigh	There	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	Westbrook	Here	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	Highland	There	7:30 p.m.

Head Coach: Bobby Avery

Assistant Coaches: Trey Richey & Mike Floyd

## BORDEN COUNTY ISD BID REQUEST

The Superintendent's Office, on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District will receive bids on the district's property insurance coverage and vehicle insurance coverage for the 2001-2002 school year.

Proposals shall be addressed to Jimmy Thomas; Borden County Independent School District; Box 95; Gail, Texas 79738, and shall be delivered in a sealed envelope marked "Property and Vehicle Insurance Bid". Proposals will be received up to but no later than 12:00 noon on Friday, August 17, 2001. Bids will be opened and read as they are received. Proposals will be tabulated, researched, and selected by the Board of Trustees or its designee as appropriate. Bids received after the specified date will not be considered.

The Borden County ISD Board of Trustees or its designee reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposed bids, to waive any and all technicalities, and to accept the proposal that will best serve the needs of the District.

Questions regarding bid specifications and additional information shall be directed to Jimmy Thomas by writing the above address; by e-mail to [jthomas@esc17.net](mailto:jthomas@esc17.net); or by calling 806/756-4313. Transmissions by fax may be sent to 806/756-4310.


## Branon Funeral Home

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## Texas Stories

*A showcase of the Texas Spirit*

**Tumbleweed Smith**  
*Part owner of Texas*



### Caldwell has more than a Czech Museum

I love the delicious fruit and meat-filled pastries of Czech people. They make every day a party. I traveled to Snook to report on an outstanding high school basketball team. I went to Somerville to report on the most unique mascot in Texas, the Yegua. And I interviewed some interesting characters in Caldwell, the county seat of Burleson county.

Being from dry west Texas, it's always fascinating to visit a county with three-fourth of its boundaries marked by water: the Brazos and Yegua rivers.

It's great to be in the land

of kolache and schnitzel and klobasa. Of rolling hills. Picturesque horse farms and beautiful wildflowers.

Caldwell is located right in the middle of 85 percent of the population of Texas. That's one reason why 40 thousand people attend the city's Kolache Festival, the major Czech festival in Texas. Two state highways, 21 and 36, bring people to town from all over.

There's deep appreciation of nature in Burleson county. Lake Somerville offers recreation and the country side is home to deer, fox and waterfowl. Post oak and live oak trees decorate the

landscape. Burleson county is a living history of ethnic migration. Of Tonkawas and Caddoes, Mexicans and Anglos, Germans, Czechs and Italians. All blended together to make Texans.

Caldwell is located on the El Camino Real, the great thoroughfare of early Texas. The highway for traders, smugglers, adventurers, settlers and armies.

Fort Tenoxtitlan was established to discourage Anglo settlement in the area. But when pioneers encountered the fort, they considered it just another inconvenience, a minor distraction. They used their resourcefulness to make

friends with the soldiers. Finally the fort was abandoned and the frontier became civilized.

That vision and courage and determination exemplified in previous generations carries through to the residents who live there now. Caldwell was born out of the great Czech migration. Families from the oppression in Europe landed in the port of Galveston.

Filled with hope and sensing their new freedom, farmers and tradesmen began looking for fertile farm land. They followed the rivers and streams inland, looking for that special place.

In the Brazos valley they found a combination of

reddish brown soil and dark prairie loam. They planted seeds and produced abundant crops.

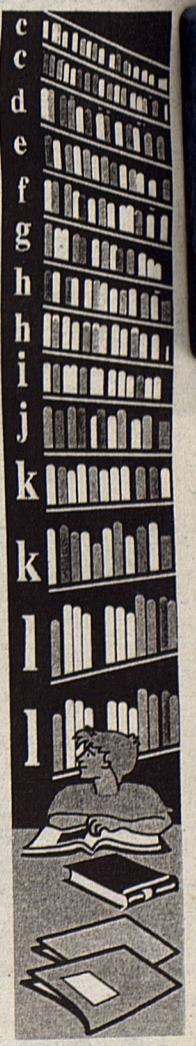
### Parents Club Meeting

The first Parents Club meeting for the school year will be held on Monday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, in the Conference Room beginning at 8:15 a.m.

The upcoming Parents Club activities will be discussed. Make plans to attend this meeting and help get an early start on the activities.

## 2001-2002 Borden County ISD School Calendar

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### For All Your Garden and Landscape Needs

- Trees
- Shrubs
- Herbs
- Vegetable Plants
- fall tomatoes
- House Plants
- Yard Art
- Fertilizer
- Soil Conditioners

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Adcock



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ARRIVING WEEKLY**

**NEW HOURS**  
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Saturday 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
Sunday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

**Gerry's Greenhouse**  
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177 Student Days + 3 Workdays + 7 Staff Development Days = 187

<p><b>Key</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><span style="display: inline-block; width: 10px; height: 10px; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%;"></span> School Days</li> <li><span style="display: inline-block; width: 10px; height: 10px; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; background-color: #e0e0e0;"></span> Weather Days</li> <li><span style="display: inline-block; width: 10px; height: 10px; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; background-color: #e0e0e0; margin-left: 5px;"></span> Holidays</li> <li><span style="display: inline-block; width: 10px; height: 10px; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; background-color: #e0e0e0; margin-left: 5px;"></span> Workdays</li> <li><span style="display: inline-block; width: 10px; height: 10px; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; background-color: #e0e0e0; margin-left: 5px;"></span> Staff Development</li> </ul>	<p><b>Holidays</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sept. 3 Labor Day</li> <li>Oct. 8 Columbus Day</li> <li>Nov. 21, 22, 23 Thanksgiving</li> <li>Dec. 20-31 Christmas</li> <li>Jan. 1, 2 New Year</li> <li>Jan. 11 Borden Co. Stock Show</li> <li>Feb. 22 &amp; 25 Houston Stock Show</li> <li>Mar. 11-15 Spring Break</li> <li>April 1 Easter</li> <li>April 26 Regional Track</li> <li>May 10 State Track</li> </ul>	<p><b>Teacher Workdays</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>June 7 Mind Map/Treasure Hunt</li> <li>Aug. 15 Character Counts</li> <li>Aug. 16 Nancy Robinson Masters</li> <li>Aug. 17 Workday</li> <li>Dec. 19 Workday</li> <li>June 1 Workday</li> </ul> <p><b>Bad Weather Days</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>April 26</li> <li>May 13</li> </ul>
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