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Borden County ISD K-12 Achieves Exemplary Status Ranking

The Borden County Independent School District recently received notification from the Texas Education Agency that the school obtained the highest ranking possible by the state's rating system. Students in grades K-12 received an exemplary status rating according to the criteria set by the state; outstanding test scores, attendance, and a nonexistent dropout rate were the primary factors contributing to the rating. The parents and Borden County School Community play an integral part in the success of the students and faculty of the school district, and we congratulate them for this noteworthy accomplishment.

The children of The Borden County School were rewarded with a special day of celebration on Tuesday, October 23, 2001, for this outstanding accomplishment. The day began with all students receiving a short orientation of the upcoming activities. This session took place in the auditorium and began with Mr. Thomas, the school superintendent, driving to the front of the auditorium on a shining white motorized commode. Students of various ages and grades were placed with faculty members in-groups of families. Family names ranged from the "Uncle Cracker" family to the "Dixie

Chick" family. These families then were treated to donuts in the school cafeteria. The first thing students had observed upon arriving to school on Tuesday morning were several huge inflatable obstacle courses and play areas. Motorized commodes like the one demonstrated in the opening assembly by Mr. Thomas were also a major attraction for the students. A total of eleven inflatable play areas and activities were located on the school campus. The biggest complaint of the day was heard from adults wanting to play on the various inflatable activities.

Students enjoyed the extreme inflatable games until a noon meal of pizza

was delivered from the Pizza Inn of Snyder. Borden County ISD Students and employees consumed approximately sixty-five pizzas during the noon hour.

Immediately following the noon meal, the students went to the auditorium to hear a live concert performed by the Thrift Store Cowboys; former students Clint Miller and Colt Miller performed as members of this group.

After the concert, students were given a choice to watch one of five movies, play volleyball, or go outside and play more extreme inflatable games. It was amazing how few students chose to view movies; the majority chose to

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Eighth Annual Lighting of the Star

Plans are being made for the Eighth Annual Lighting of the Star on Gail Mountain which will take place on Friday, November 23rd. at 7:00 p.m. and will continue to shine until January 1st,

2002. Once again, the Museum in the Courtyard will be open at 5:00 p.m. for reminiscing, visitation and refreshments. There will be Christmas music and caroling for your enjoyment.

**FLU SHOTS will be given on
Friday, Nov. 16th at 1:00 p.m.
in the School Nurse's Office.**

Third Year in a Row for Senior Stipe Stipe, Rinehart Break Top Ten; Qualify for State Cross-Country Meet

By Sue Jane Mayes

Never count out the importance of experience, particularly when it comes to running two or three mile races.

Senior T.C. Stipe, son of Gary and Connie Stipe, not only drew on his knowledge of the course at Arlington's Vandergriff Park but shared that with first-time regional participant, Cassidy Rinehart, daughter of Amy and Jym Rinehart.

"Talking to T.C. was the key," said Rinehart after finishing 8th in a field of over 100 runners. "He told me where to kick, and that made the difference," she said.

Stipe, who completed his three-mile run in 17:45.70, won the silver medal on this course last year, came in 6th this year after an ankle injury set his schedule back.

"It helped (the experience). I just knew this year how to run the course. I knew where to kick," he said.

That no doubt aided Stipe, who had suffered an ankle sprain in the September 28 game against Sands.



The injury cost him four weeks of scheduled, routine running that normally would have placed at his peak for regional and state.

Still, Stipe isn't complaining. The easy-going senior is grateful for the earned chance to return to Round Rock this weekend.

Last year Stipe finished 8th at the state cross-country meet.

In contrast, it will be Rinehart's first go round at a state-level competition, but the freshman's moxy will serve her well.

The energetic competitor ran her two-mile race in 12:49.10.

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Ira, Westbrook to Represent District

Little Things Make The Big Difference As Coyotes 'Turn Over' Chance At Playoff Spot

By Sue Jane Mayes

It all started off so well. Penalty on the opponent, deep in own territory, good defense with heavy rush and pass broken up, forcing a punt.

Then came the second minute of play, in the opening period, and it began.

Borden High School's Coyotes turned the ball over on the first play of their first possession, and the stigma just continued throughout the evening against the Westbrook Wildcats as the visitors took a 27-22 district win.

The loss eliminates the Coyotes from post-season play for 2001.

Immediately after that first turnover, Westbrook's offense goes 30 yards on the first play of the drive for its first six points.

Jacob Zant, senior, rushed on the PAT attempt and forced an unsuccessful effort.

A holding penalty on the Coyotes negated a great kickoff return by Raul Rodriguez, forcing the Coyotes back to their own 10-yard line.

Junior T.J. Sharp, returning to the backfield after an injury suffered in the Ira game, rushed for 17 yards on three carries in this drive, giving the Coyotes a much-needed first down.

He then went to the air and found Talin Pepper for 14 yards.

Zant took his turn at quarterback, hitting Pepper again on the next play for an 11-yard gain and another first down.

Under heavy rush, Zant fumbled the ball, which was recovered by Westbrook on the Coyotes' 30 yard line.

He redeemed himself on the Wildcats' drive as he recovered a fumble, giving the ball back to BHS.

This turnover gave the Coyotes a good chance to get on the scoreboard, but they did not do it easily.

The drive included three fumbles, all recovered by

alert Coyote players.

With :22 left in the first quarter, Sharp scored up the middle untouched from three yards out.

His PAT kick was good to give the Coyotes an 8-6 lead at the end of the first period.

Again, things were looking good for BHS as they held Westbrook on their first possession of the second quarter.

Cody Nowlain's tackle broke up a pass play, and sophomore Dusty Gwinn made some key tackles in the defensive end position.

Freshman Derek Rodriguez's sack on a pass play forced Westbrook to punt, and it was only a five-yard effort.

The Coyotes set up on the Wildcats' 33-yard line, primed to add more points to the board.

Zant's toss to Pepper covered nine yards, and after Sharp's rushes and a penalty on Westbrook, the Coyotes found themselves with a first down on Westbrook's 15-yard line.

But the Wildcats found the next break as they intercepted a pass and returned it to the six-yard line.

The Coyote defense came through, though, and sacked the Wildcat quarterback for a five-yard loss. After a Westbrook fumble, which they recovered, the Wildcats were forced to punt again.

With 5:58 in the second quarter, BHS once again had great field position on the WHS 32-yard line.

Sophomore Dan Griffin rushed for seven yards, but the Coyotes lost a down and yardage on the next play as Zant ran past the line of scrimmage on a pass play.

Facing 4th and 18 on their own 35-yard line, the Coyotes went for the first down but failed in the attempt.

Westbrook came back with a 47-yard pass play on their drive, but offsetting

penalties nullified the play.

With 2:04 remaining before half-time, the Rodriguez defensive tandem went to work again as Raul and Derek both combined on a heavy pass rush.

Derek also got a sack on this drive while Sharp deflected a pass.

Westbrook attempted a field goal but fell short in an attempt to tack on the four additional points.

Guarding a two-point lead with less than a minute to play in the half, the Coyotes once again allowed the visitors back into the game.

On a fake punt attempt, Zant threw lateral behind the line of scrimmage. The live ball was recovered by the Wildcats who took advantage of the gift.

With only :20 remaining, the Wildcats capitalized on the Coyote miscue and scored on a four-yard pass from quarterback Adam Roemisch to Matlock. A successful PAT kick made it a 14-8 Westbrook lead at halftime.

Considering the five first-half turnovers, the Coyotes were thankful to trail by only six.

BHS received the kickoff to begin the second half. Starting on their own 20, the Coyote drive fizzled as Westbrook recorded a sack, caused a fumble which the Coyotes did recover, and forced a punt.

BHS's defense put together a solid wall on Westbrook's first possession in the second half.

Sharp tackled Westbrook runners twice and sacked a quarterback while Raul Rodriguez jumped over his blocker to tackle a runner.

Sharp's sack came on a 4th and 7 on the Coyotes' 36-yard line and gave the ball back to the Coyote offense.

Zamora Rushes for 225 Yards, 4 TD's Jr. High Football Closes Out Season with win over Westbrook

By Sue Jane Mayes

With a relentless ground game, the Borden Jr. High Coyote Pups claimed a 44-27 win over the Westbrook Wildcats November 1.

Zamora and Garrett Thomas combined for 296 yards rushing to lead the way for BJH.

On Westbrook's first possession, the Wildcats found some success running up the middle, but the Pups eventually held, taking over on their own 31-yard line.

Zamora lost a yard on his first rush, but he obviously used the loss to motivate him on the next one.

Breaking off the line, Zamora rushed 49 yards for the Coyote Pups' first score with 2:39 remaining in the opening period.

Westbrook's turnover on the the following possession—which resulted in a fumble recovery by Zamora—led to the Coyote Pups' next score just sixteen seconds later.

Zamora, an 8th Grader, ran around end for a 31-yard touchdown. Zamora then found Thomas in the endzone for the PAT conversion pass

point.

With 2:13 left in the first quarter, BJH led 13-0.

The Coyote Pup defense was still hungry. On Westbrook's third play from scrimmage on their next possession, Thomas and Zamora stripped the ball from the Westbrook runner.

Justin Buchanan fell on the ball on the Westbrook 31-yard line.

Zamora took the pitch from quarterback Aaron Pigford and went the 31 yards for the score.

The Wildcats came back strong in the final minute of the first period.

They rushed for one first down and three for two other first downs to find themselves on the Coyotes' 12-yard line as time expired in the period.

As play resumed, the Coyote Pups went into their goal-line defense mode and forced yet another Wildcat fumble inside the 10-yard line.

This time Zamora recovered the fumble and ran 75 yards for a BJH touchdown.

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7th Graders Football Players See Action at Westbrook

by Sue Jane Mayes

The 7th Grade version of the Coyote jr. high team matched up against other 7th graders November 1 in Westbrook.

Each team ran 15 offensive plays.

When the Pups had possession, they made two first downs.

Symeron Rinehart (two carries for 1 yard), Clint Chapman (two rushes for 22 yards), Dori Rodriguez (1 rush for 17 yards), and Zane Williamson (1 rush for 1 yard) saw action in

the backfield.

Rowdy Clary centered the ball for the Coyote Pups. Rodriguez, Taylor Peterson, and Jake Payne worked on the line.

When on defense, the Coyote Pups supplied a great rush to hold Westbrook to only one first down.

Rinehart recovered a fumble on the Wildcats' first possession and played solid defense throughout the series as he almost intercepted a pass.

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State Cross-Country Meet

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Also running in the regional meet was junior Dalene Kempf, a veteran cross-country performer and one who had run the course previously.

Kempf ran a 14:18.60 Saturday at Vandergriff Park.

"Running without my sister this year (twin Bobbie, who had off-season knee surgery) made it more difficult because I had to set my own pace," said Kempf.

Stipe and Rinehart will leave Friday for Round Rock where they will compete Saturday morning (see box for site and times).

Coach Bobby Avery and Coach Mike Floyd are this year's cross-country coaches and will accom-pany the two.



Girls Cross Country Individual Runner: Cassidy Rinehart and Dalene Kempf. (Photo by LaNita Avery)



Boys Cross-Country Team: (L. to R.) T.C. Stipe, Jacob Zant, Adam Carter, Cody Nowlain, Shane Tarleton and Talin Pepper. (Photo by LaNita Avery)

2001 State Cross-Country Meet
Old Settlers' Park
Round Rock, Texas
 (I-35 north of Austin)
 Cassidy - 11:40 a.m.
 T.C. - 12 noon



"Happy 16th Birthday"
 Kyle

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Exemplary Status Ranking

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pursue additional inflatable games.

Students ended their exemplary celebration day by having a snack and something to drink prior to the conclusion of the day. The students seemed to have a wonderful time doing something that is completely out of the normal routine of school; this day of celebration was well-deserved by the participants.

A heartwarming observation was made by a representative of the Extreme Inflatable Games Incorporated. This representative pointed out that he had done events of this nature all over the United States and was extremely skeptical about whether or not our celebration would be a success when he observed the fact that students in kindergarten and the elementary grades were grouped with students in junior high and high school. He was confident a mistake was being made when this particular grouping was done, and he commented later in the day that he could not believe what he had observed. He said he had never seen anything like this before. He said that it was the neatest thing he had ever seen, and that it was overwhelming to see how the younger and older students responded to one another in their respective groups. Ninety percent of business engagements by this company are hosted by churches across the United States. It needs to be emphasized that there simply are not many places around like our "one and only" Borden County; this would not be possible if it were not for the strong tradition, sense of pride, high moral standards and academic excellence that you the Borden County Community have.

In conclusion, you might find it interesting to review an article in the November 2001 edition of the Texas

Monthly magazine article entitled "How Does Your Kid's School Stack Up?" This is an extremely thorough independent review of more than 5,000 Texas public schools and is deemed the most accurate and comprehensive ranking of Texas schools ever produced. The highest-ranking schools are rated with five stars, and the lowest ranking schools are given one star. The article is complicated and extremely lengthy; nevertheless, it is intriguing if you would like to take the time to review all of the information provided. We are proud to report all listings for the Borden County School are in the FIVE STAR CATEGORY. This is another commendable honor. Keep up the good work, and we sincerely appreciate your outstanding support for the boys and girls of the Borden County School?

Jimmy Thomas

7th grade football

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Williamson made some open field tackles to stop drives while Payne, Peterson, and Clary combined on one play which resulted in lost yardage for the Wildcats.

On one defensive play, Williamson recovered a fumble created by Rinehart's penetration to the backfield of the Wildcats.

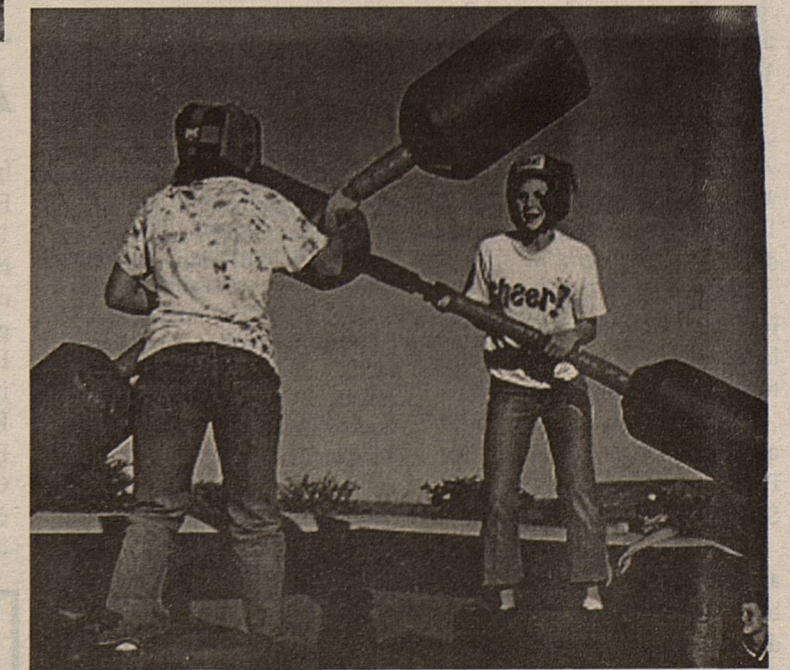
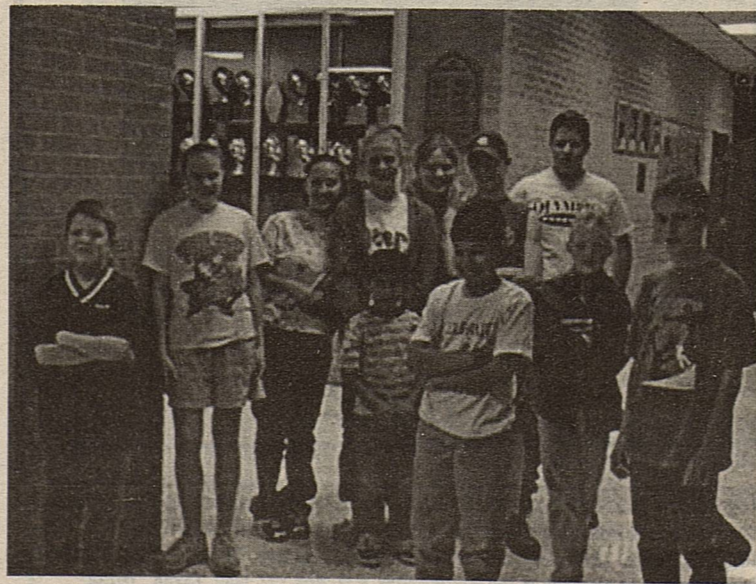
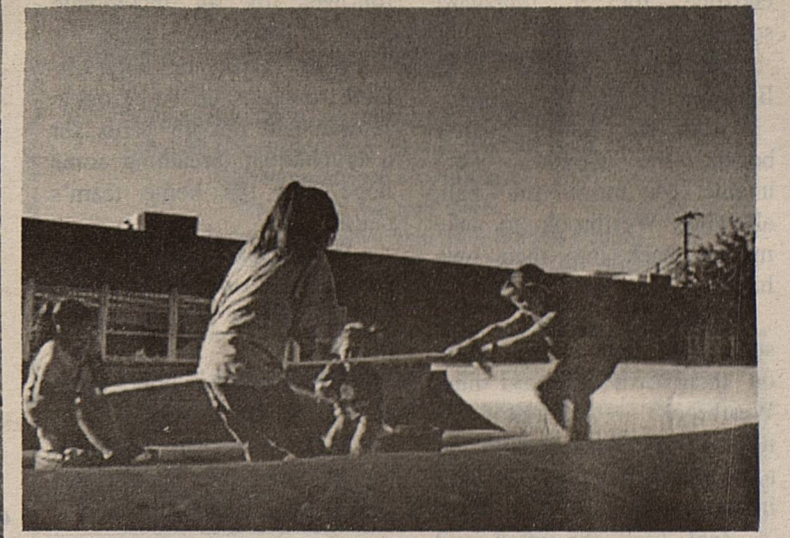
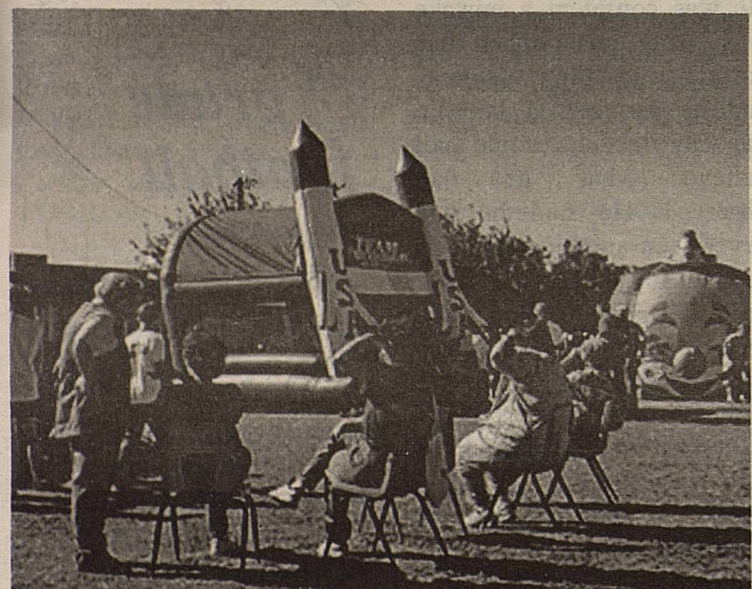
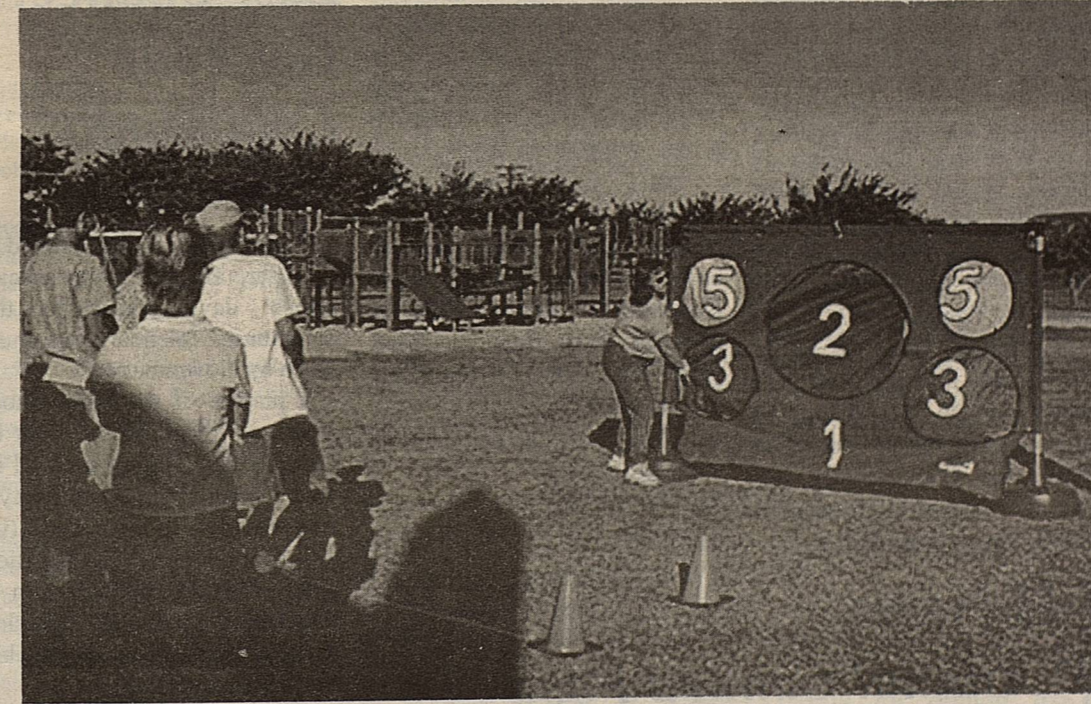
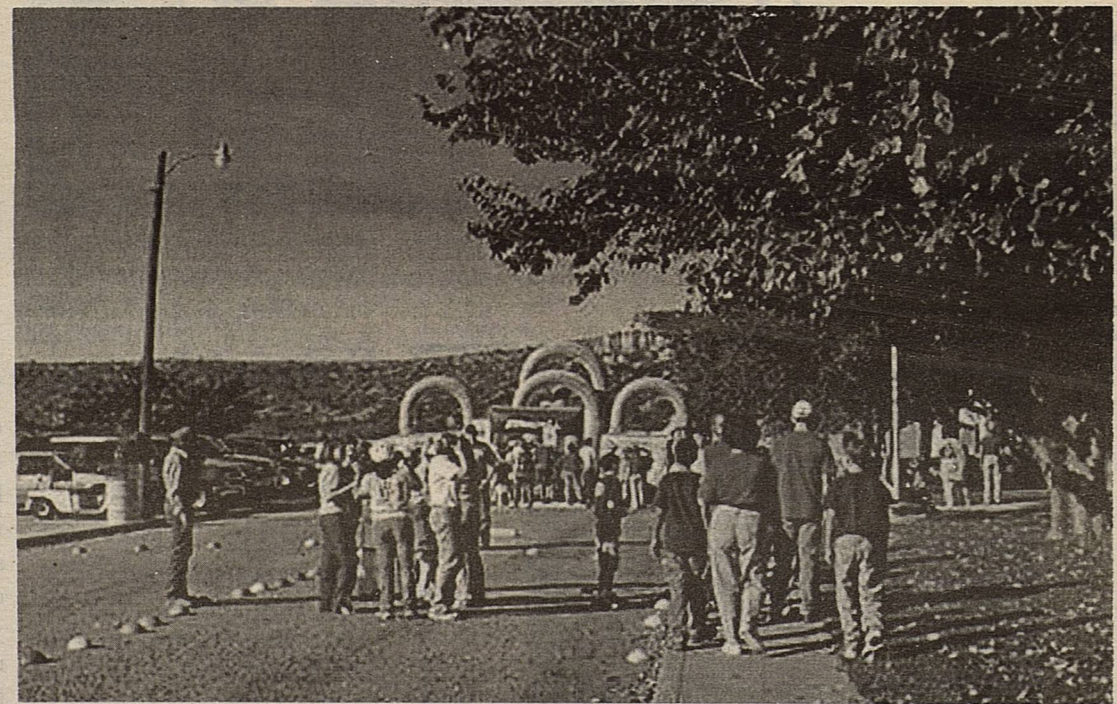
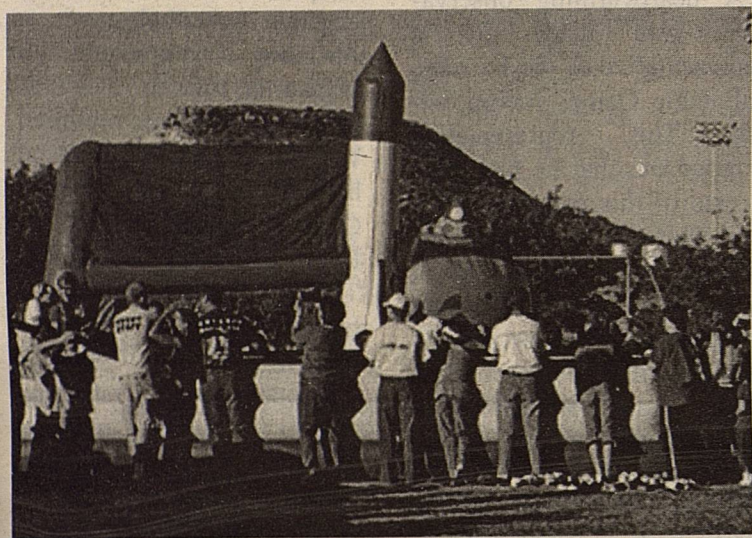
Peterson's rush on another series resulted in Clary and Payne's joint effort on a sack.

On Westbrook's final possession, Rodriguez and Peterson sacked the Westbrook runner.

Throughout the season, 7th Grader John Cowart, though injured, has served as manager along with Reynaldo Hernandez.

BHS Exemplary

FUN DAY



Photos by Louis Mehaffy

Coyotes 'turn over' chance at playoff spot

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The offense, however, continued to struggle as it bobbled another handoff but recovered it. Two consecutive losses on running plays set up a passing situation.

Westbrook intercepted the pass and took over with 5:15 remaining in the third quarter.

Westbrook rushed for two first downs to take the ball deep inside Coyote territory as time was running out in the quarter.

Pepper provided a heavy rush to force an incomplete pass while Raul Rodriguez sacked a Westbrook runner for a loss.

At 3rd and goal, Sharp stood up the runner to set up a 4th and four yards needed for the touchdown.

With :51 left in the quarter, Roemisch got loose and found Matlock in the endzone for a four-yard scoring strike.

Matlock passed to Burleson for the PAT point.

As the fourth quarter began, the Coyotes were unable to move the ball, allowing Westbrook to take matters back into their own hands.

Leading on the scoreboard and sitting pretty on their own 30 yard line, Westbrook suffered a turnover as Zant stepped in to intercept a pass with 8:42 in the game.

Zant took the pitch and ran 27 yards for a first down, down to the Wildcat 17-yard line.

Three plays later, the Coyotes were facing 3rd and 9 from the eleven-yard line when Sharp hit Griffin for a 10-yard gain and a first down.

Sharp took the ball in for the Coyotes two plays later on a one-yard touchdown carry.

Brionne Jackson, junior quarterback and holder for PAT kick attempts, held as Sharp's kick was successful.

Trailing 21-16, BHS had a golden opportunity get back in the next Westbrook drive which would prove decisive.

The kickoff return for

the Wildcats only put them on their own 8-yard line.

A penalty moved them back to their own four.

With fourth and inches with 5:11 left in the game, Westbrook was able to overcome the intense rush of the Rodriguez brothers and convert for a first down.

A similar scenario played out on the next two drives.

The Coyotes defense had Westbrook down to 4th and long but were unable to contain. Westbrook not only got the needed first downs (after being 4th and 8 and 4th and 30), but went on to use up the clock and score with only 1:45 showing on the clock.

In the final minutes of play, Zant returned the Wildcat kickoff to the 27-yard line.

A holding call on the next play wiped out Sharp's 12-yard gain which was followed by an incomplete pass.

With 1:07 ticking off, Zant picked up a Coyote fumble and ran 45 yards for a touchdown, breathing some hope into the home team's cause.

Westbrook was able to recover the on-side kick and ran the clock out to secure the win.

The Coyotes now stand at 4-5 on the season.

BHS travels to Highland for a 7:30 game against last year's state runner-up team.

STATISTICS

Defense—tackles

R. Rodriguez (3 solos, 9 assists, 1 sack, 3 hurries); **D. Rodriguez** (2 solos, 2 assists, 3 hurries); **A. Lozano** (2 assists); **D. Gwinn** (2 solos, 1 sack, 6 assists); **T. Pepper** (2 solos, 5 assists, 2 hurries); **T.J. Sharp** (5 solos, 6 assists, 2 sacks, 1 hurry, 1 broken-up pass); **C. Nowlain** (2 solos, 6 assists, 1 sack); **J. Zant** (4 solos, 4 assists, 3 passes broken up, 1 fumble recovery for TD, 2 interceptions).

Offense

Rushing: Griffin (5-21 yards); **Sharp** (16-49 yards, 2 TD's); **Zant** (6-66 yards, 1 TD); **Passing: Zant** (6-11-2 int. for 50 yards); **Sharp** (3-3 for 26 yards); **Receptions: Griffin** (1-10); **Pepper** (5-47 yards); **Sharp** (2-17 yards); **Zant** (1-2 yards)

Jr. High Football closes out season

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The Coyote Pups held a comfortable 25-0 lead at this point, but Westbrook took advantage of a good kickoff return, a personal foul penalty.

The Wildcats marched down the field and scored on a 29-yard pass play with 4:01 showing in the second quarter.

Zamora intercepted the PAT conversion pass.

Westbrook's attempt at an onside kick was stopped when Buchanan fell on the ball on the Coyotes' 33-yard line.

On the first play from scrimmage, Thomas went up the middle and down the left sideline for a 47-yard touchdown run to put the Coyote Pup lead at 29-0 after Zamora runs in the PAT conversion point.

On Westbrook's ensuing drive, Coyote defenders Caden Nowlain and Austin Tarleton kept up a solid pass rush which led to several incomplete passes for WJH.

With less than a minute to play in the half, however, the Wildcats manage to get down to the Coyote 14-yard line after a touchdown-saving tackle by Zamora.

Lamming made a heads-up tackle on the Wildcat rusher on the 5-yard line as time ran out, preventing Westbrook from scoring and gaining some momentum before the intermission.

Third quarter play was highlighted by some good defense by Derek Gwinn, Lamming, and Tarleton, who caused another fumble by stripping the ball from the Westbrook deep back.

The Wildcats did recover, but not before Nowlain had him down for a loss on the play.

Zamora scored again for the Coyotes with 2:51 left in the third period as he went 52 yards for the score.

The Coyote Pups headed into the final period of play with a 38-6 lead.

Westbrook scored three times in the fourth quarter, but the Coyote Pups held off the comeback attempt.

Trey Soto fell on the onside kick attempts by the Wildcats. Pigford then went to the air on with a beautiful pass that was dropped.

Thomas responded with a touchdown run, this one a 28-yarder aided by a great block downfield by Lamming in the Wildcat secondary.

WJH scored twice with less than a minute to play. Despite some great defense by Gwinn, Tarleton, and Nowlain, the Wildcats punched it in from the four-yard line with :54 remaining in the game.

The final score of the evening came when a Westbrook defender recovered a fumble and took it 31-yards

for a score.

This game brought the Coyote Pup season to a close, finishing with a 2-4-1 record, the tie coming in the Highland game in October.

STATISTICS

Rushing: Zamora, 8-225-4 TD's; **Thomas**, 3-71-2 TD's
Passing: Pigford, 0-1
First Downs: 8
Penalties: 4-45 yards
Fumble Recoveries: Buchanan, 1; **Zamora** 1; **Soto**, 2 onside-kick recoveries
Tackles: Thomas (10 assists, 6 solos, 1 hurry); **Clint Chapman** (4 assists); **Nowlain** (4 assists, 2 hurries); **Tarleton** (1 assist, 2 hurries); **Lamming** (4 assists, 3 solos); **Dori Rodriguez** (2 assists); **Zamora** (8 assists, 4 solos, 1 hurry); **Gwinn** (6 assists, 4 solos); **Buchanan** (2 assists, 2 solos); **Soto** (1 assist)

Last Chance! Get Your Community Calendar

If you have not purchased a calendar, are had your special family days added to the community calendar, you must do so by November 16th.

A picture of the high school students will be on the front of the calendar. Simply send all of your family members birthdays, anniversaries, in memory of (up to 10 listings), information along with \$10.00 and turn it into Jana Underwood or Hayley Richey. (Make checks payable to the Parents' Club).

There will be personal or business ads around the photograph. These are available for \$15. Show your support for the Coyotes. (Up to six lines)
Example:

Go Coyotes
The John Doe Family

Business name
Address
Phone number
GO BIG BLUE!

Deadline is November 16th. To order your calendar or to add your family information or ad to the calendar. For more information call 756-4417 or 756-4412. Your support is greatly appreciated!!

4-H News 3rd Annual Canned Food Drive

Borden County 4-H will be holding the 3rd Annual Canned Food Drive Monday, November 12th through Thursday, November 15th. The items collected will be packaged in gift boxes for families within Borden County and remaining items will be donated to the Permian Basin Food Bank in Big Spring. Students at Borden County School are asked to collect the canned goods in their classrooms. The classes that

collect the most canned goods will receive a Coke Party. Any member of the community that does not have children in school, but would like to donate canned goods may bring them by the Extension office during the days of the food drive. We ask that you please not donate dented or rusted cans. For more information, please contact the Texas Cooperative Extension-Borden County office at 806 756-4336.

Parents Club Meeting
Monday, Nov. 12th - 6:30 p.m.
Gail Community Room

Battle of the Minds

Borden Elementary and Jr. High Students Gear up for District U.I.L. Meet

Numerous students from Borden County Elementary and Junior High are studying, cramming, and making otherwise last-minute preparations this week.

All this hard work is being done as these students seek to retain their champion status in the District 9-A, West Zone, U.I.L. Academic Meet to be held next week at the Grady I.S.D. in Lenorah.

Students from kindergarten through eighth grade will compete on Tuesday and Thursday, November 13 and 15, in a variety of academic contests against students from Dawson, Grady, Klondike, and Sands elementaries and junior highs.

Students representing Borden County by grade level and event are as follows:

Kindergarten

Oral Reading: Maeghan Herridge, Luke Crawford, Kalyn Massingill, & Tristen Benavidez (alt.);

First Grade

Oral Reading: Celina Guerrero, Riley Smith, Jordan Day, & Tanner Richey (alt.);

Second Grade

Oral Reading: Austin Tyler, Chance Taylor, Bethany Stamper, & Austin Fields (alt.);
Storytelling: Cade Williamson-Webber, Chance Taylor, Austin Fields, & Bethany Stamper (alt.);
Creative Writing: Bethany Stamper, Austin Tyler, Karina Zamora, & Chance Taylor (alt.);

Third Grade

Oral Reading: Taylor Richey, John Hensley, Bailey Anderson, & Miles Valentine (alt.);
Storytelling: Miles Valentine, Bailey Anderson, Taylor Richey, & Krista Tarleton (alt.);

Spelling: Bailey Anderson, Miles Valentine, & Taylor Richey;
Ready Writing: Miles Valentine, John Hensley, Bailey Anderson, & Taylor Richey (alt.);

Fourth Grade

Oral Reading: Lacey Roberts, D'Nae Johnson, Rachael Payne, & Chelsea Stephens (alt.);
Spelling: Chelsie Pigford, Brandon Tarleton, Rachael Payne, & Shylo Rinehart (alt.);
Ready Writing: D'Nae Johnson, Rachael Payne, Lacey Roberts, & Brandon Tarleton (alt.);
Number Sense: Raylea Underwood, Lacey Roberts, Chelsea Stephens, & Flynn Chapman (alt.);
Art Memory: Lacey Roberts, Olivia Key, D'Nae Johnson, & Raylea Underwood (alt.);

Fifth Grade

Oral Reading: Clay Harding, Krystal Hobson, & Baylee Benavidez;
Ready Writing: Carlos Hernandez, Baylee Benavidez, & Tyrell Massingill;
Spelling: Baylee Benavidez;
Number Sense: Carlos Hernandez, Krystal Hobson, Clay Harding, & Baylee Benavidez (alt.);
Art Memory: Carlos Hernandez, Krystal Hobson, & Tyrell Massingill;
Dictionary Skills: Carlos Hernandez, Baylee Benavidez, Krystal Hobson, & Clay Harding (alt.);
Listening Skills: Krystal Hobson, Carlos Hernandez, Baylee Benavidez, & Clay Harding (alt.);

Maps, Graphs, & Charts: Carlos Hernandez, Clay Harding, Tyrell Massingill, & Baylee Benavidez (alt.);

Sixth Grade

Oral Reading: Sharelle Gass, Chelsie Grantham, Kate Wallace, & Rachel Wilson (alt.);
Ready Writing: Rachel Wilson, Carlie Williamson, Sharelle Gass, & Shelby Roberts (alt.);
Number Sense: Sharelle Gass, Shelby Roberts, Miller Valentine, & Rachel Wilson (alt.);
Calculator Applications: Pascual Espinoza, Sharelle Gass, Shelby Roberts, & Rachel Wilson (alt.);
Dictionary Skills: Rachel Wilson, Kate Wallace, Shelby Roberts, & Sydney Shipp (alt.);
Listening Skills: Kate Wallace, Rachel Wilson, Timothy Crenshaw, & Carlie Williamson (alt.);
Mathematics: Rachel Wilson, Shelby Roberts, Sharelle Gass, & Miller Valentine (alt.);
Maps, Graphs, & Charts: Pascual Espinoza, Rachel Wilson, Shelby Roberts, & Sharelle Gass (alt.);

Seventh Grade

Calculator Applications: Christina Soto, Lacey Newton, Clint Chapman, & Lindsey Stamper (alt.);
Dictionary Skills: Becky Dobyms, Christina Soto, Ana Arellanos, & Taylor Peterson (alt.);
Editorial Writing: Reynaldo Hernandez, Christina Soto, Lindsey Stamper, & Clint Chapman (alt.);
Impromptu Speaking: Ana Arellanos, Becky Dobyms, Reynaldo Hernandez, & Lindsey Stamper (alt.);
Listening Skills: Becky Dobyms, Clint Chapman, Ana Arellanos, & Taylor Peterson (alt.);
Maps, Graphs, & Charts: Rowdy

Clary, Christina Soto, Lindsey Stamper, & Kalli Poole (alt.);
Mathematics: Christina Soto, Rowdy Clary, John Cowart, & Ana Arellanos (alt.);
Modern Oratory: Ana Arellanos, Rowdy Clary, Jake Payne, & Reynaldo Hernandez (alt.);
Number Sense: Ana Arellanos, Rowdy Clary, Christina Soto, & John Cowart (alt.);
Oral Reading: Becky Dobyms, Kalli Poole, Christina Soto, & Lindsey Stamper (alt.);
Ready Writing: Becky Dobyms, Lindsey Stamper, Christina Soto, & Ana Arellanos (alt.);
Science: Becky Dobyms, Rowdy Clary, Jake Payne, & Ana Arellanos (alt.);
Spelling: John Cowart, Becky Dobyms, Christina Soto, & Lindsey Stamper (alt.);
Eighth Grade
Calculator Applications: J. Ryan Gicklhorn, Cassidy Ogden, Whitney Anderson, & Trey Soto (alt.);
Dictionary Skills: Trey Soto, Whitney Anderson, & Megan Brooks;
Editorial Writing: Andrew Lamming, Austin Tarleton, &

Cassidy Ogden;
Impromptu Speaking: Whitney Anderson, Andrew Lamming, Cassidy Ogden, & J. Ryan Gicklhorn (alt.);
Listening Skills: Andrew Lamming; Aaron Pigford, Trey Soto, & Garrett Thomas (alt.);
Maps, Graphs, & Charts: Andrew Lamming, J. Ryan Gicklhorn, Aaron Pigford, & Trey Soto (alt.);
Mathematics: Whitney Anderson, Megan Brooks, Trey Soto, & J. Ryan Gicklhorn (alt.);
Modern Oratory: Whitney Anderson, Andrew Lamming, & Trey Soto;
Number Sense: Whitney Anderson, Trey Soto, J. Ryan Gicklhorn, & Cassidy Ogden (alt.);
Oral Reading: Cassidy Ogden, Trey Soto, & Garrett Thomas;
Ready Writing: Trey Soto, Whitney Anderson, Cassidy Ogden, & Austin Tarleton (alt.);
Science: J. Ryan Gicklhorn, Trey Soto, Andrew Lamming, Chris Zamora (alt.) & Justin Buchanan (alt.);
Spelling: Whitney Anderson; Megan Brooks, Cassidy Ogden, & Trey Soto (alt.).

What: 4-H Meeting
When: Monday, November 12 from 3:45 to 5:00 p.m.
Where: Show Barn



The program will be on Citizenship and Patriotism.
We will also be enrolling for the new 4-H year.

Refreshments will be provided!

We hope to see you there!

Please call Texas Cooperative Extension-Borden County office for more information about 4-H at (806)756-4336.

BIG Thank You!

Once again the Fall Festival has come and gone and once again it was a BIG SUCCESS.

I would like to take this time to say "Thank You" to all of the people that worked to make the festival such a success.

Special thanks to County hands for getting the Showbarn ready for us.

(A listing of donators to the Festival will be in next week's Borden Star)

Jana Underwood
BC Parents Club

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Precinct 1 will receive bids until 10:00 a.m, November 26, 2001 for the purchase of a new motorgrader. For more information, contact Doug Isaacs, 806/759-9119 or call the County Judge's Office 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
County Judge, Borden County

All the WAY!

Congratulations Cross-Country STATE Qualifiers

Moore-Rains Insurance
Frances Rains Stephens
701 8th St.
O'Donnell, Texas
806/428-3335

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for highway improvement contracts will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS

District: Abilene

Contract 0005-05-093 for SEAL COAT in HOWARD COUNTY, etc. will be opened on December 05, 2001 at 1:00 p.m. at the State Office

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Pre-qualified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or District Offices listed below. Bidders must submit pre-qualification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Pre-qualification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

NPO: 4996

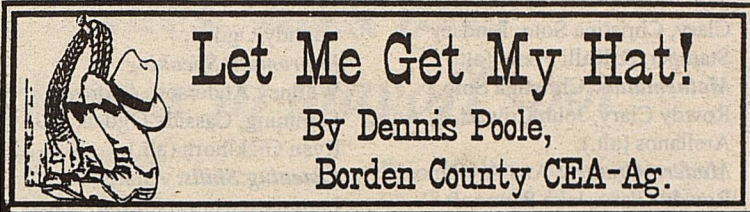
State Office

Construction Division
200 E. Riverside Dr.
Austin, TX 78704
Phone: 512-416-2540

District Office

Abilene District
District Engineer
4250 N. Clack
Abilene, TX 79601
Phone: 915-676-6800

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.



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.

Rural Water Well Screening Available

Part 5 of 5

Over the past several weeks we have submitted news articles on water sampling to include nitrates, salts, and bacteria. If you would be interested in participating in the screening, the following procedures is how we will prepare for the screening.

9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Monday, November 12th and Tuesday, November 13th, at the Borden County Extension Office, residents will register for water screening, be given instructions for collecting water samples secure two water sample bags for each well, and pay a \$3.00 fee for each well sample.

You will need to collect the water sample on the morning of Wednesday, Nov. 14th. Someone will be stationed at each location to receive the water samples. Gail and area residents will deliver the water sample (two per well) to the Borden County Extension Office between 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. on that day (Wed. Nov. 14th). Plains Community residents will deliver the water sample two per well) to the Plains Community Center from 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. Fluvanna Community residents will deliver the water samples (two per well) to the main street at Fluvanna Café from 10:15 - 10:45 a.m. Lake Thomas residents will deliver the water samples to voting house on north side of the Lake Thomas from 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

All samples will then be transported to Snyder and be tested at the Big Country RC&D mobile water lab.

On Thursday, November 15th at 5:30 p.m. at the Scurry County Extension Service building located at 2605 Avenue M in Snyder. Jimmy Apel of the Big Country Resource Conservation and Development Area will distribute sample results and explain your water

sample date.

If you are unable to attend the Thursday meeting, we will send your water sample results via mail to you. If at all possible, try to attend the meeting so that if there are questions about your sample, you will be able to ask an experienced water analysis person. Most importantly, we hope you will participate in this water qualify opportunity by sampling your water source. Remember water is a vital nutrient. People can survive for weeks without food, but only about four days without water. Water is the only substance necessary to all life forms. Many organisms can live without air, but none can live without water. Only oxygen is more important to human life.

Water regulates body temperature and is necessary for the chemical reactions within the body. Water lubricates the area around joints and acts as a shock absorber, particularly

Major Stock Show Entry Meeting

A meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 13, 2001 in the Borden County Extension Office to enter major stock shows. We will begin taking entries at 1:00 p.m. and end by 5:30 p.m. Please have a family representative present to enter your animal projects on this day.

All FFA entries will need to be made through Mr. Wallace. Be sure to not enter the same animal through FFA and 4-H.

Please contact the Extension Office at 806/756-4336 if you need to enter major stock shows but cannot attend this meeting on November 13th.

inside the eyes and spinal cord. Water carries nutrients and oxygen to all parts of the body through the blood and lymph. The body's demand for water usually can be taken care of by always allowing free access to plenty of clean, fresh water.

Did you know that water accounts for about 98 percent of the embryo, about 75 percent of infants, and about 50-60 percent of the body weight of adults. Help ensure that your water supply is clean and fresh - - - take a sample!

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 for a 164" Type III Ambulance.

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 "AMBULANCE BID". Proposals will be received up to but no later than 12:00 noon on Friday, November 16, 2001. Bids will be opened and read as they are received. Proposal will be tabulated researched and presented to the board of trustees for their consideration at the next scheduled meeting. Bids received after the specified date will not be considered.

The Borden County ISD Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposed bids, to waive any and all technicalities, and to accept the proposals 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@est17.net; or by calling 806/756-4313. (Fax 806/756-4310).

By Order of the Board of Trustees
Borden County Independent School District
Joe Harding, Secretary

Lighting of the Star

Donations have been received to the Lighting of the Star on Gail Mountain. The following is a list of donations.

The "Star" on Gail Mountain will be sponsored on the following nights:

- Nov. 23rd In Honor Of:
Delmo & Martha Pierce
by the Citizens of Borden Co.
- Nov. 24th In Memory Of:
Mr. & Mrs. L.S. Munger
by Marjorie Munger Middleton
- Dec. 5th In Memory Of:
Binie & Nell White
by Binie & Edna White
- Dec. 10th In Memory Of:
Beno & Donna Hendricks
by Bo & Jacque Hendricks
- Dec. 11th In Memory Of:
Victims & Families of 9-11
by Lights for Gail Committee
- Dec. 24th In Memory Of:
Doris Bennett
by Mr. & Mrs. Delmo Pierce
- Dec. 25th In Memory Of:
Chip Thompson
by Lights for Gail Committee
- Dec. 30th In Memory Of:
*Our Parents,
Mary & Jerry Clatyon*
by Brookie & Bill Anderson
by Mr. & Mrs. Rich Anderson
- Dec. 31st In Honor Of:
Mildred Sevey

by Bo & Jacque Hendricks

Light bulbs for the "Star" on Gail Mountain are being sponsored by the following:

IN MEMORY OF:
Buddy Sharp, Preston Sharp & Ella Sharp
by Todd, Barbara & Hailey White
J. Pat Porter & Skeet Porter
by Mr. & Mrs. Bob Dyess
Garland Doyle & Clay Clayton
by Eva Doyle
Cleo Couture, Floyd & Edna Buchanan
by Terri Buchanan

IN HONOR OF:
Lela Porter
by Mr. & Mrs. Bob Dyess
Gene & Willa Blalock

DONATIONS FOR THE STAR:
Mr. & Mrs. Don Jones
Michelle K. Brock



LIGHTS FOR GAIL

P.O. Box 312
Gail, Texas 79738

DONATION BY _____
(Your Name)

To have your name in the program we must have your list by Friday, November 16, 2001.

Nights available will be from November 24 through December 31, 2001.

Bulbs @ \$5.00 per person per bulb per night	Nights @ \$25.00 per person or couple per night	Date
_____ x \$5.00	_____ @ \$25.00	_____
_____ x \$5.00	_____ @ \$25.00	_____
_____ x \$5.00	_____ @ \$25.00	_____
_____ x \$5.00	_____ @ \$25.00	_____
_____ x \$5.00	_____ @ \$25.00	_____
Total Bulbs \$ _____	Total Nights \$ _____	

To be fair to all please limit each bulb or night to one of the following examples:
John Smith
Mr. & Mrs. John Smith
John Smith Family
If you want to list John, Jane, Joe & Julie Smith
Please list them on separate lines.

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Your donation is greatly appreciated.
(A receipt will be sent when requested)

Please note below if you wish to have the name listed above "In Honor of..."
"In Memory of..."
For example if you listed Joe Jones for a night, note here that it is in memory of, or any special notation you wish.