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# **DOUBLE – FEATURE: Hensley brings home State** Champion; **Pinkerton returns with Bronze** Medal

Pinkerton, appearing in his second state meet, won his preliminary round Friday to advance to Saturday's final. His speech over won him the third place bronze medal. Of the three judges, one judge ranked him best speaker in the round.

However, the two remaining judges on the panel voted Pinkerton #4 and #5, which dropped his cumulative position to third place.

Pinkerton, son of Sharlot and Jess Stone and Russ and Beverly Pinkerton, was a double contestant as the junior also competed in journalism's headline writing contest.

On the way to Austin, the students stopped in Waco to interview Baylor women's basketball coach Kim Mulkey-Robertson.

Coach Mulkey visited with the BHS students, answering task of being a wife, mother, and coach in the Big 12.

While Pinkerton asked questions, Hensley took notes to simulate what she would have to do in Friday's feature writing contest.



STATE CHAPMION: Kyle Pinkerton, Bronze Medalist in Persuasive Speaking, pictured with Micah Hensley in the LBJ Auditorium where the awards ceremonies took place.

before the Borden County group headed for Austin.

State trips to Austin will continue this week for Hensley.

The senior, daughter of Randy and Donnelle Hensley,

Mulkey then joined the will run Friday night in Mike questions with regard to the students for lunch in Waco Myers Stadium at the State UIL Track and Field Meet.

> Class A running events begin at 6 p.m. on the University of Texas campus.

# **Permian Basin to** continue eradication

Cotton growers in the Permian Basin have become the program for the last four the latest to affirm their years, and I'll continue to do commitment to boll weevil that, both for my zone and for eradication, voting to the state," he said. continue the effort by a 6 to 1 margin.

"We are certainly pleased with the outcome of the and praised the zone's grower vote," said Eddie Herm, a advisory committee for its Howard County farmer who was elected to the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Board of Directors.

of Midland in the position. Brown declined to run for reelection to concentrate on have shown some tremenbusiness interest.

"I see it as a positive thing to get that high a percentage of growers to ratify the program," Herm said.

Producers in each eradication zone must decide every four years whether to continue their program all the zones created before 2000 have voted on whether to retain their eradication pro- nonprofit, grower-initiated grams.

Herm, a Texas Tech dedicated to eliminating the graduate with 30 years cotton boll weevil form the farming experience, said he is state in the most costlooking forward to serving on effective and environmentally the foundation board.

**NO SCHOOL** 

FRIDAY, MAY 9<sup>TH</sup>.

"I've been an advocate for

Herm expressed his appreciation for those who voted to support the program cotton efforts promoting the election and guiding the program.

"I really want to commend Foundation the Permian Basin growers for their commitment and Herm succeeds Jim Brown perseverance," said Lindy Patton, the foundation's executive director. "They and personal dous leadership to make this program so successful despite the horrendous drought. The grower steering committee and board representative Jim brown have done a great

job and should be view their vote as a strong confirmation of that fact."

The Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation is a and funded organization responsible manner possible.

# **Application's for Memorial Scholarships now being** accepted **Brandon Adcock Memorial Scholarship**

Applications are currently being accepted for the:

**Brandon Adcock Memorial** Scholarship. Applicants wishing to be considered must submit a formal letter of application prior to May 23, 2003. Letters of application must be sent to the following address:

> **Brandon** Adcock Memorial Scholarship Committee PO Box 95 Gail, Texas 79738

scholarship is that the

individual selected will be an

outstanding young person

The primary criteria used to determine the recipient of this

that is a positive representative of the Borden County School Community as evidence by their respective moral character, serviceminded attitude, dedication and scholastic achievement.

Recipients must be a candidate for graduation or be a former graduate of Borden County High School.

Candidates must attend a state-accredited/Southern Association accredited college, university, or postsecondary institution to be eligible for consideration. The Select Committee will have sole authority to determine the candidate's

eligibility status related to the post-secondary institution to be attended.

Financial need, will not necessarily be a criterion for consideration; however, financial need may be considered by the Select Committee.

Members of the Brandon Adcock Family will have No input into the selection process. Complete selection authority has been delegated to the Selection Committee, and the Committee has the authority to waive all rules, regulations and formalities in order to select the candidates that the committee feels is most deserving.

# **Jr. High Tennis Teams Earn Zone Team Runner-up Spot**

Borden Jr. High claimed second place overall May 1 in the zone district tournament.

Coach Kevin James took two boys' and two girls' teams for doubles action along with four individuals who competed in singles play.

Highlight for BJH was Clint Chapman's championship win in boys' singles.

Other results are as follows:

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Rachel Wilson, 3rd singles, Becky Dobyns, 4th singles; **Christina Soto/Lindsey** Stamper, 2<sup>nd</sup> place doubles; Kate Wallace/Sharelle Gass, 4<sup>th</sup> place doubles; Rowdy Clary, 5<sup>th</sup> place singles; Miller Valentine/Quentin Shafer, 3<sup>rd</sup> place doubles; Symeron Rinehart/John Cowart, 4th place doubles

# **Borden County Little League Team Opens** Season with 8-3 Win

Baseball season involved in the county's twice a week. second-year Little League program.

The Cubs defeated the Rangers, 8-3, Monday night

Lamming had plenty of Benavidez, Kristasha Michael Froman, John Hensley, Aaron James, Olivia Key, Shiloh Rinehart, Tanner Richey, Taylor Richey, Tony Soto, Bethany Stamper, Brendan Tarleton, and Skyler Williamson.

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is The Cubs' evening games underway for area players are played in O'Donnell

## School Menu Week Of: May 12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>.

MONDAY: Pizza, corn, salad, fruit & milk. Breakfast: Muffin, fruit juice & milk.

**TUESDAY:** Chicken fried steak, potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, fruit & milk. Breakfast: Waffles, fruit juice & milk.

## WEDNESDAY:

Spaghetti, carrots, salad, garlic toast, pudding & milk. **Breakfast:** Sausage, biscuit, fruit juice & milk

**THURSDAY:** Chicken nuggets, green peas, potatoes, hot rolls, fruit & milk. Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit juice, & milk. FRIDAY: Cheeseburger,

French fries, salad cup, cake & milk Breakfast: Pancake pup, fruit juice, & milk. [This will be the last menu published in the Borden Star for this school year]

## J. Pat Porter Memorial Scholarship

Applications are currently being accepted for the:

J. Pat Porter Memorial Scholarship. Applicants wishing to be considered must submit a formal letter of application prior to May 23, 2003. Letters of application must be sent to the following address:

> J. Pat Porter Memorial Scholarship Committee PO Box 95 Gail, Texas 79738

The primary criteria used to determine the recipient of this scholarship is that the individual selected will be an outstanding young person that is a positive representative of the Borden County School community as evidence by his/her high moral character, service minded attitude, dedication and determination to succeed along with maintaining passing grades.

Potential recipients must be a member in good standing of the current Borden County High School graduating class

or must be a previous appropriate. The selection graduate of Borden County High School.

Candidates must attend a state-accredited/Southern Association accredited college, university, or postsecondary institution to be attended.

Financial need, will not necessarily be a criterion for consideration; however, financial need maybe considered by the Select Committee.

Members of the Porter Family will have No input into the selection process. Complete selection authority has been delegated to the Selection Committee, and the Committee has the authority to waive all rules, regulations for formalities in order to select the candidates that the committee feels is most



process is a subjective task that will be left to the behind Karl Lamming's solid discretion of the J. Pat Porter pitching performance. Scholarship Selection Committee feels is a dignification of the positive help from teammates, which attributes that were exhibited include Bailey Anderson, by the late J. Pat Porter.



A Mom is a person who makes things okay, who fixes things, locates things, puts things away. . . "Mom will take care if it." "Mom will stay calm." What would we do if we didn't have Mom?" Happy Mother's Day Moore-Rains Insurance **France Rains Stephens** O'Donnell, Texas

# **DOUBLE – FEATURE:**

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The state wall just added some company.

Just off the northwest corner of the school cafeteria are pictures of state champions since 1991.

Micah Hensley saw to it last week that her photo will now be counted among the



And the Winner is: Senior Micah Hensley is smiles fter the all announcement that she has won the State Class A Feature Writing Contest

best.

With a first place win in Friday's feature writing contest, Hensley became the first journalism state champion since Julie Harris won a gold medal in 1990 in editorial writing.

Since beginning her UIL journalism career as a sophomore, Hensley has won more than gold medals in invitationals, district, regional, and now state competitions.

In her contest, Hensley was required to conduct an interview along with the other participants.

Texas Education Commissioner Alanis was the person whom the UIL chose for the interview.

Micah's winning paper is printed in a boxed italicized section of this week's paper and will be reprinted in next year's state champions' issue of the journalism handbook.

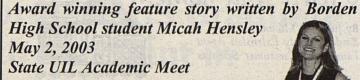
Hensley, along with junior Kyle Pinkerton, competed in the State UIL Academic Contest on the University of Texas campus May 2 and 3, and both came home winners.



**Proud Mom and Dad:** pictured Micah with and parents Randy Donnelle Hensley.(both BHS graduates)



**Bronze Medal winner:** Junior, Kyle Pinkerton pictured with Mr. Darrin Ard.



#### "Invaluable."

This is the one word that Dr. Felipe Alanis uses to describe the mentors he has encountered in his journey from working as a teacher and bus driver to becoming the first Hispanic Texas Commissioner of Education.

Dr. Alanis modestly climbs the ladder of success as he attributes much to his parents, describing them as migrants following the American way.

"I am fortunate to have a family that provided me with a sense of support and inspiration," he said. "They work hard, pray, and give their children the opportunity that they did not have."

Being one of six children, Dr. Alanis worked his share during his high school years at the family store in San Juan, Texas. There he learned that a customer is much like a student.

"Both are different people with different perspectives, value systems, and expectations, and one can broaden their horizons by learning from that," he said.

As Dr. Alanis trekked from high school to a master's degree to finally earning his educational administration doctorate, he realized several teachers were great influences. He labels Joe Ballew as a "masterful teacher" and says Yolanda Light could make even a "tattooed, tobacco-chewing" teen act right in class. "I left knowing that I was worth the time and effort dedicated

to me," he said. "I thank them." While Dr. Alanis acknowledges being mentored, he has also played the roll as a mentor. He remembers encountering student

Adam Carr later in life, where he was thanked for his help and informed that Carr was now an engineer. "Whew! One man from a generation that came here with

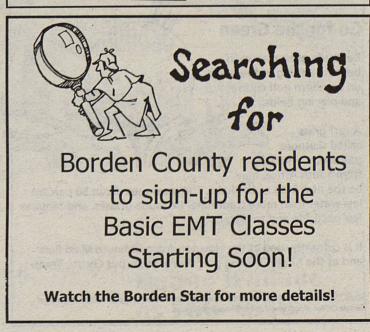
nothing on his back became a productive citizen, putting something back in to the community," he said, smiling in remembrance of the situation.

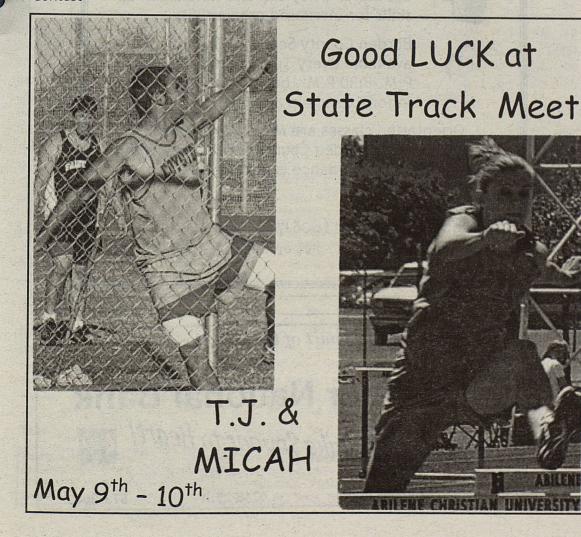
This is what motivates Dr. Alanis now as he makes major educational policy decisions in the developing of the state's testing and accountability system. But he still remains active as a mentor.

"What one gets out of life is what one puts in," he said, advising students and teachers alike.

Dr. Alanis also encourages aspiring teachers to pursue their dream, regardless if the profession is challenging from an economic and status standpoint.

"If you have the fire in the belly to give service to students," he said, "the result is invaluable."





Award winning feature story written by Borden

Austin, Texas

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# Heart and home ...

By Julie D. Mumme Borden County Extension Agent Family and Consumer Sciences



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 Courts of Texas Cooperating.

## Walk Across Texas **Huge Success**

Twenty-eight Borden County residents participated in the Walk Across Texas program during March, April and May. Together, these individuals walked 1011.3 miles over the seven week period. What an accomplishment!

The Walk Across Texas program was designed to encourage people to start and maintain a physical fitness program. Typically once people begin something and build on it over a period of time, it becomes a habit. We are very pleased that we everyone that participated in the 2003 Walk Across Texas

The mileage breakdown for each of the three teams is: miles! A special thanks to Toddling Teachers = 423.3miles; County Cruisers = 339 miles; and the Walkie Talkies program! We want to = 249 miles.

walked over one thousand

especially thank Sharlot Stone

## **JOB FAIR NOTICE** Saturday, May 17th, 2003 1:00 p.m. **Gail Community Building**

At the request of the Borden County Commissioner's Court a job fair will be conducted by Randy Sowell of Cielo Wind Power for the Brazos Wind Ranch. Resumes will be accepted for operations and maintenance positions including wind turbine technicians and administrative assistance. Local contractors interested in the construction process are also invited to attend. Public information about wind power and specific information about the Brazos Wind project will be provided.



## Go for the Green

Bermuda grass may soon become a thing of the past on Southern golf courses and playing fields.

A turf grass called seashore

paspalum, originally from South Africa, may

be the new king of the links. The grass uses about 50 percent less water than more traditional Bermuda grasses, and requires less pesticide and fertilizer.

It is currently used at the Houston Astros' Minute Maid Park and at the Kings Crossing golf course in Corpus Christi, Texas.

SOURCES: Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn (www.window.state.tx.us) and the University of Georgia College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences.

for maintaining the records and to the team captains, Sheri Poole, Jane Jones, and Shawna

team mileage each week! Each thank you for participating.

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## Walk Across Texas Mileage through 5-04-03

Team	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week S	Week 6	Week 7	Total
County Cruisers	48.5	44.8	49	48.7	49	46.3	286.3	339
Toddling Teachers	26.5	44.5	60	95.8	72	86	384.8	423.3
The Walkie Talkies	12.5	28	40	37	40	43	200.5	249

# Computer Classes Available through Borden County Community Network

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Work at your own pace on any or all of the Microsoft Applications! Receive a Certificate of Completion.

After the orientation class, course work can be done from any Internet connection. Simply log on and get going.



These courses are excellent for new and old users. They can also help brush up skills for increased productivity.



Borden County School Lab will be available every Tuesday night, 6:00 P.M.-8:30 P.M., beginning June 3. Come in for extra help and practice.

Orientation classes are May 26 and May 27 at 6:00 P.M. at Borden County School Lab. Only one night's attendance is necessary.

Sign Up: Call (806)756-4313 or (806)756-4336 Email kwallace@esci7.net or borden-tx@tamu.edu

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# **The Cactus Capitol of Texas**

Dudley Harrison Sanderson has served as county judge of Terrell County and represented his region in the Texas legislature. He is a character who loves to talk.

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> He says his community has been fortunate to receive some technology grants. "We've got public access computers in the courthouse, library, museum, adult education center and community center. We've got 85year-old ladies sending email. I heard one of them say the other day she was going to get a digital camera so she could exchange pictures with her grand-kids. We're really into computers. I don't know that it's a great thing to teach little old ladies how to play solitaire on a computer, but it beats sitting and doing nothing."

> He says it's amazing how much of the outside world the computer has brought to Sanderson. "We don't get Texas TV down here. If you want to watch the ten o'clock news you have to wait until eleven and get what's going on in Denver, Colorado.

Some other grants have provided paving for some areas of town that have never had paving before. He's most excited about the community's new sewer system. "Terrell County has been with Sanderson."" here all these years and never has had any type of sewer nature trails. "We've got system. It's always been on- some beautiful mountains site sewage disposal. Now here, all on private property. nearly everybody's hooked The county has bought into our sewer system. We've Javelina Hill and there's a

of it going ant it's finally happening."

> To make a living Dudley sells rock and has a ranch near Dryden that has a place where people floating down the Rio Grande can take out their canoes or rafts. He's most proud of the wild and scenic river designation for that 90-mile stretch of the Rio Grande. "It's a beautiful trip. Most people put in their canoes or rafts at Lajitas and take out at my place. It's about a weeklong trip and sometimes you don't see another human being. There are some rapids and the canyon walls are a thousand feet high."

designated the Cactus Capitol of Texas. We've got the excess of 210 miles an hour. strawberry capitol, the bluebonnet capitol, so we wanted to be the cactus capitol. I worked with the chamber of commerce and the economic development folks here and we convinced the legislature to pass a resolution making us the cactus capitol. The governor's proclamation hangs in the courthouse. We have a cactus pachanga, a party, to celebrate the fact that we're the cactus capitol of Texas. Several businesses and homes have attractive cactus gardens. Our slogan is 'stick

Sanderson is creating some been seven years trying to get commitment to buy Hominy

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# **Dr. Curry, Former BHS Graduate** receives Tech Excellent in **Teaching Award**

Dr: Zane Curry of Tahoka and formerly of Borden County received the Texas Tech University President's Excellence in Teaching Award for 2003. Interim President Donald Haragan and Chancellor David Smith presented Curry with an honorarium and a Texas Tech medallion during the Faculty Honors Convocation Tuesday, April 8th.

Hill. People love to climb up and look off. We'll landscape the trails with different types of cactus."

The Big Bend open Road Race is a big event in Sanderson. It's the only open road race in Texas. It takes place the last Saturday in April. Drivers race from Fort Stockton to Sanderson, then He helped get Sanderson back to Fort Stockton, sometimes reaching speeds in

> Sanderson is the smallest town in the US with an Amtrak train strop. Efforts are underway to update the depot. Things are happening in Sanderson.

The award is presented to faculty members who have made outstanding contributions to teaching by demons- performance. trating concern for students and academic excellence Curry's instructional efforts through the implementation in the interior design of instructional strategies that program, undergraduate and em-power students.

of teaching and not only regional and national resiencourages students to learn, dential and non-residential but ignites the imagination as interior design events," said a well," said one of his students. Another student said: "challenging, motivat- at Texas Tech for 16 years ing, inspiring. These are all and in that time, has taught words that I would use to most of the undergraduate describe Dr. Curry. A courses in the Interior Design professor that recognizes the curriculum. According to a talents in his students."

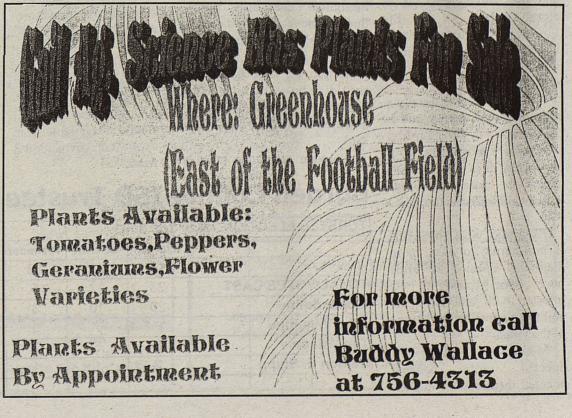
Design Program, Dr. Curry taining the FIDER accredihas revised courses and tation of the program. developed new courses in order to meet the needs of Danna Turner Curry. They design and to meet the Borden County High School. Accreditation (FIDER). He Plains Community in Borden restructuring studio courses have 3 children and 2 innovative teaching approa- High School.

ches, which serve to excite and motivate students to strive to higher levels of

"As a direct result of Dr. graduate students have suc-"Dr. Curry exhibits a style cessfully competed in local, Tech spokesman.

Dr. Curry has been teaching fellow faculty member, Dr. Curry invests much of his As director of the Interior time and energy in main-

Dr. Curry is married to students majoring in interior are both 1968 graduate of guidelines of the Foundation He is the son-in-law of Dan for Interior Design Education and Ouidia Turner of the has been instrumental in County. Zane and Danna to include computer-aided grandchildren. They live in design and is noted for Tahoka where Danna teaches



# **West Nile Virus Activity Could Pick Up Soon in Texas**

anticipating another, and earlier, round of West Nile virus for this state.

West Nile encephalitis activity has already picked up in Louisiana with the virus reportedly being found in birds throughout the state and in the mosquito population around Baton Rouge, said Dr. Jim Olson, entomologist with the Texas Agricultural **Experiment Station**.

"With that being an indication, we could be in for another year of West Nile virus activity," in Texas, Olson said.

earliest records of a mosquito-borne virus (becoming active) in the South." Normally, activity begins in late May or June, he said.

In 2002, the first year West Nile was reported in Texas, • Protection of self, using approximately 202 laboratory-positive human cases and 13 deaths in the state were attributed to the vir4us, according to the Centers for Control Disease and Prevention.

According to the CDC, West Nile virus is commonly found in Africa, West Asia and the Middle East. It is closely related to the St. Louis encephalitis virus, and it can infect humans, birds, mosquitoes, horses and some other mammals.

West Nile fever is usually a mild disease in people and is characterized by flu-like symptoms - it typically lasts only a few days and does not appear to cause any longterm health effects, the CDC said.

Olson said West Nile virus is bird-borne; to date, more than 110 species of birds have been found to be infected with and have the ability to serve as the source of the virus.

"Mosquitos feeding on infected birds become infected themselves and then

A Texas mosquito expert is pass that on to other birds," he said. "Or if, by chance, if they feed on horses and humans, they could infect those."

> State health officials are still encouraging horse and mule owners to vaccinate their animals. If the animals were vaccinated last year, a booster is recommended, Olson said. "Consult your veterinarian

and get them vaccinated now," he said. "There is a delay time from when the vaccination starts and when the horses will build a high enough immunity to be "This is probably one of the considered protected. That delay time can be up to six weeks.

For people to avoid mosquitos and the possibility of disease, the entomologist recommended the three P's.

protective clothing and a repellent of choice and avoiding being outside during the times of day when mosquitos are active.

Olson suggested wearing clothing that is loose-fitting. health "With tight-fitting clothing, determine those two factors. mosquitos can drill right through the fabric," he said.

said.

• Prevent mosquito breed-vbid/westnile/

ing around the house by removing all sources of standing water, dumping artificial containers and removing those containers.

Prevent mosquitos from getting into homes with the proper screening and sealing frames doors and windows. Olson said he suspected most human infections of West Nile and other encephalitis viruses are caused by bites either in the home or places close by, such as yards and patios.

Citronella candles offer some protection outside if they are used in areas with little wind movement, but Olson urged people to practice safety when burning those.

Insect-killing devices, such as the "bud zappers" should be placed at a distance about 50 feet - from the area you're trying to protect. "They do tend to attract more mosquitos than they kill," he said.

Community-wide spraying can be effective if done properly, he said.

"Any spraying that is done needs to be based on need, as indicated by the presence of mosquitos and, even more so, the presence of the virus in that area," Olson explained.

Proper surveillance by authorities can

"Indiscriminate spraying of mosquitos that is not out of a Long sleeved and long-sense of need is not legged clothing provides recommended. There has to protection for skin. Clothing be an actual need. Otherwise, should be light-colored other measures are sufbecause mosquitos are ficient," he said. Further attracted to darker hues, he information is available from hhtp://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/d



## **Project Graduation Donations Needed!**

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Parents and friends of the 2003 Senior Class of Borden County High School is asking for donations for Project Graduation.

Project Graduation is a Drug and Alcohol FREE celebration for graduation night.

Your gift would be greatly appreciated by the students and parents. Thank you for your help with this very worthwhile endeavor. Sincerely,

> Class of 2003 and Parents \*\*\*\*\* Donations may be sent to: **Borden County High School "Project Graduation** PO Box 95 – Gail, Texas 79738



Jackie Esworthy was killed by a drunk driver one week after her high school graduation.

What should you do to stop a friend from driving drunk? Whatever you have to. Friends don't let friends drive drunk.

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# **Borden County ISD Trustee Election Results**

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Mike Valentine	11	7	3	8	4	10	4	55	102
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## FROM PLAINS COTTON GROMERS, INC.

## **PCG Makes Washington** Rounds Friday, May 2, 2003 By Shawn Wade

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A contingent of Texas cotton and corn producers the made rounds in Washington, DC earlier this week talking about the importance of keeping Farm Bill provisions intact and urging no changes in current payment limitation rules.

Corn Producers Association of Texas, Texas Cotton Producers, Plains cotton Growers, and the National cotton Council participated in the trip.

Comprising the PCG President Rickey Vice Bearden of Plains and Production, Emergency and Executive Vice President Steve Verett.

In addition to the scheduled group meetings to reinforce the importance of protecting Farm Bill provisions, members of the groups also discussed a number of other important issues including trade.

The cotton contingent took the opportunity express the industries extreme disappointment with the provisions of the recently completed Vietnam Textile Trade Agreement.

Topping the list of other objectives for the PCG group were consultations with the Risk Management Agency regarding the 8-day deferred appraisal period for nonemerged crops. Several possible remedies to the issue have been discussed and work continues to find a workable solution.

PCG met with Ann Jorgensen Director-External Affairs for USDA RMA, and Alan Ott, Confidential Assistant to RMA Administrator Ross J. Davidson, about the ongoing issue of deferred appraisals for on-emerged seed.

Several alternative solutions have been discussed to solve the situation created by the mandatory deferral period.

The crux of the problem is that producers who plant by the final planting date in their county are forced to wait a minimum of 23 days before the crop can be released to other uses.

For cotton imposing the full 23-day deferral period as Producers representing the implemented places the producer at risk of missing an opportunity to plant and produce a viable replacement crop.

In addition to the meetings with RMA officials Verett and the PCG offices also met contingent were President with USDA Assistant Deputy mark Williams of Farwell, Undersecretary John Johnson and Diane Sharp, Director,

Compliance Division of the USDA Farm Service Agency. Issues discussed included disaster program implementation issues, specifically the development of unharvested production factors and the implementation of the 95 percent benefit cap.

Top priorities for PGC in coming weeks on disaster includes working with Texas FSA State committee during development of unharvested factor that will be used in disaster payment calculation.

## **Cottonseed Assistance** Sign-up Underway Friday, May 2, 2003

By Shawn Wade

Offically, the application period for the program runs from May 2 through May 23, 2003. Completed forms must be submitted to FSA headquarters by May 23,

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## Subscription List

Below is a list of subscriptions that expired in December, January, and February and will expire in March. Please look on the list to see if your name is listed, if so please send \$12.00 payment to the: Borden Star Box 137 - Gail, TX 79738 This list will be published weekly. Thank you for your help and

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## PRE-KINDERGARTEN NOTIFICATION FOR 2003-2004 SCHOOL YEAR

Borden County School will offer the pre-kindergarten program during the 2003-2004 school year. The program will be for eligible students who are four years of age on or before September 1, 2003. Students can qualify for the program by meeting at least one of the following requirements:

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

3. Be homeless

If you know of a child who qualifies for the program, notify Mr. Chet Dye, Principal, Borden County Schools, P.O. Box 95, Gail. TX 79738, or call 806/756-4313 to request a registration form. Complete and return the form by May 31, 2003.

#### DISCLAIMER

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

#### **ESL PROGRAM NOTIFICATION**

Borden County Elementary School will offer an ESL program for LEP (Limited English Proficient) student during the summer of 2003. The program will be scheduled for a minimum of 120 hours and will conclude prior to August 1, 2003. The program is designed for students who will enter Kindergarten or First Grade in the fall of 2003-2004. Parents of eligible children will be responsible for transportation.

If you know of a child who qualifies for the program, notify Mr. Chet Dye, Principal, Borden County Schools, P.O. Box 95, Gail, TX 79738, or call 806/756-4313 to request a registration form. Complete and return the form by May 31, 2002. **DISCLAIMER:** 

Borden County elementary School will offer this program only if ten (10) or more students qualify.

#### LA NOTIFICACION DE PRE-KINDERGARTEN PARA EL ANO ESCOLAR 2003-2004

La Escuela de Borden ofrecerá el programa del pre-kindergarten durante el año escolar 2003-2004. El programa estará para los estudiantes elegibles que tienen cuatro años en o antes de 1 de septiembre, 2003. Los estudiantes pueden calificar por el programa resolviendo por lo menos uno de los requisitos siguientes:

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

3. Sea destituido

Si usted conoce de un niño que califique por el programa, notifica a Chet Dye, director, Borden County Schools, P.O. Box 95, Gail, TX 79738, o llame 806/756-4313 para solicitar una forma de registro. Complete y regresa la forma antes del 31 de mayo, 2003

## LA DENEGACION

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

## **ESL PROGRAM NOTIFICACION**

La Escuela de Borden ofrecerá un programa de ESL para los estudiantes del LEP (Experto Ingles Limitado) durante el verano de 2003. El programa estara programado por un minimo de 120 horas y concluira'antes del 1 de agosto, 2003. El programa esta disenado para los estudiantes que entraran kindergarten o el primer grado en el otono de 2003-2004. Los padres de niños elegibles seran responsables del transporte.

Si usted conoce de un niño que califique por el programa, notifica a Chet Dye, director, Borden County Schools, P.O. Box 95, Gail, TX 79738, a llame 806/756-4313 para solicitar una forma de registro. Complete y regresa la forma antes del 31 de mayo, 2003

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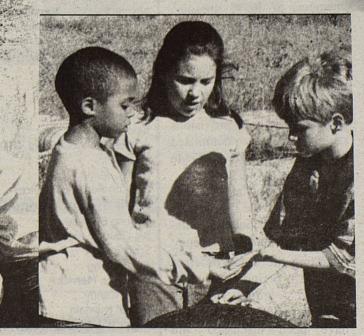
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