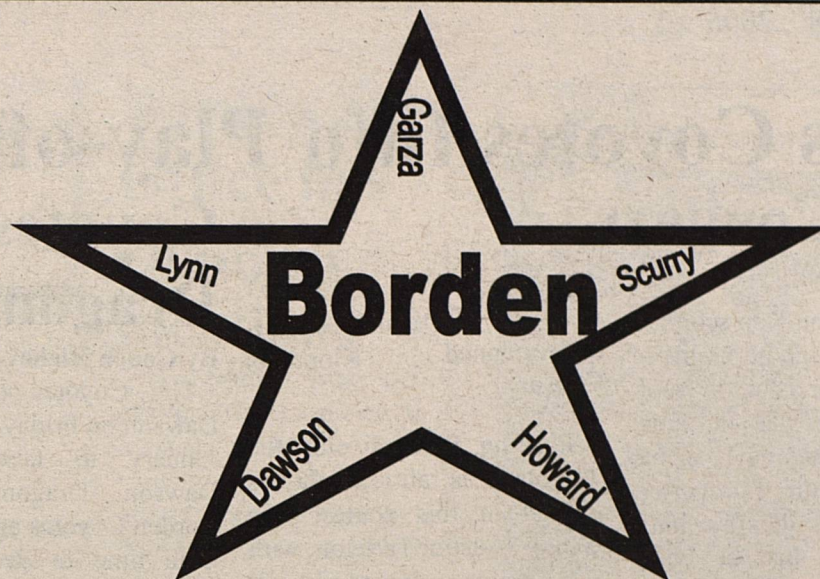


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## 2006 Borden County Jr. Livestock Show



**THURSDAY, JANUARY 19**  
STEER SHOW - 6:00 P.M.



**FRIDAY, JANUARY 20**  
LAMB SHOW - 8:30 A.M.  
GOAT SHOW - AFTER LAMB SHOW  
SWINE SHOW - AFTER GOAT SHOW



**SATURDAY, JANUARY 21**  
7:00 - 9:00 AM  
COMPLIMENTARY RANCH BREAKFAST



AWARDS CEREMONY - 9:00 A.M.  
PREMIUM SALE - 9:30 A.M.



Everyone is invited to attend our 2006 BCJLA Stock Show!!!

## Neugebauer Statement on Texas Emergency Declaration

Congressman Randy Neugebauer released the following statement regarding President Bush declaring a major disaster for the State of Texas, triggering the release of federal funds to help people and communities recover from the impacts of recent wildfires:

"President Bush's emergency declaration for the State of Texas is great news for the people and communities that have experienced the devastating wildfires firsthand. Already, communities have rallied to help neighbors in need. With this additional federal assistance, communities and families will be able to continue to rebuild and get back on their feet.

"There are various types of assistance available, including grants and low-interest loans to individuals, veteran's benefits, tax refunds, unemployment benefits, crisis counseling, and free legal assistance. Residents of Callahan, Cooke, Eastland, Erath, Hood, Montague, Palo Pinto, Tarrant and Wise counties should call 1-800-

621-3362 to register and apply for assistance. Specially trained operators at FEMA will process applications and determine eligibility.

"In addition to the federal assistance offered to individuals affected by the fires, public assistance is also available to state and local governments and some private non-profits. Entities in all 254 counties in Texas are eligible to apply for disaster assistance to fund the repair, restoration, reconstruction, or replacement of a public facility or infrastructure damaged or destroyed by the fires.

"When rough times have fallen upon our state in the past, Texans have always responded with generosity and an eagerness to help. The compassionate response to the fires has proven that this community spirit is alive and well."

This information, including the "1-800" phone number can also be found on Neugebauer's website, [www.randy.house.gov](http://www.randy.house.gov).

## Windbreak Trees can save money

Windbreaks can save you money on your energy bill all year. Recent studies show that windbreaks can save 10-30 percent on heating bills. The shade produced by one tree can have the cooling effect of five air conditioners. Here are a few hints on windbreak design and planting.

Design your layout so that the windbreak is at right angles to the wind. A windbreak should extend at least 100 feet past each end of the area to be protected.

While a windbreak can be a single row, two or more rows

are better. Staggered, multi-row windbreaks allow trees in one row to continue to protect an area if a tree is lost in an adjacent row. Without this overlapping protection, a blank space will act just like a funnel. Spacing between trees needs to be 10-15 feet for evergreens and 20 feet for hardwoods in the same row. Faster growing hardwoods can overtop evergreens and shade them out. The same caution needs to be applied when mixing hardwood species.

Windbreaks should be at least 100 feet from the nearest

buildings so that the windbreak doesn't interfere with the airflow of a chimney. This distance also provides some air circulation between the wind-

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**EARLY  
DISMISSAL  
12:30 - Thurs.  
Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>  
NO SCHOOL  
Fri. Jan. 20<sup>th</sup>**

# Big Week Puts Coyotes Into Play-off Hunt

## Coyotes Cage the Cougars

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Coyotes played host to a depleted Klondike Cougar Basketball team on Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>. The Cougars had only 5 players in this contest, and they were no match to the home town Borden Coyotes. The Coyotes wasted little time in taking control of this game. The five seniors playing as a unit jumped out to an early 18 to 5 lead in the first quarter. The five underclassman then finished the quarter on a 4 to 0 run to close the opening stanza at 22 to 5. This lead would never be challenged, as the coyotes used a huge quarter by senior

Austin Tarleton who scored 8 of his game high 23 points in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter. Junior Jacob Froman also had a huge quarter as he scored 12 of his 22 points in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter. At the end of the first half, the Coyotes had a commanding 52 to 11 lead after scoring a season high of 30 points in the period. The scoring did not slow down much in the second half as the Coyotes added quarters of 19 and 20 against the Cougars 2-3 zone.

When the dust had settled and the teams headed to their respective locker rooms at the conclusion, the Coyotes had their first district victory with

a 91 to 20 final over the undermanned Klondike Cougars.

Leading the way for the Coyotes, as all 10 players scored in this contest was Senior Austin Tarleton with 23 points, Junior Jacob Froman with 22 points, Senior Aaron Pigford with 13 points, Sophomore Matthew Tatum with 10 points, Senior J'Ryan Gicklhorn with 8 points, Sophomore Quentin Shafer with 5 points, Senior Andrew Lamming with 4 points, and juniors Clint Chapman and Asa Rutherford, along with Senior Trey Soto all had 2 points.

## Dragons

By Coach Richey

The Coyotes traveled to Dawson on Friday, the 13<sup>th</sup> of January to take on the Dawson Dragons. The Borden Coyotes again wasted little time in deciding this outcome as they used a big 23 to 8 opening quarter to take control of this contest. The Coyotes used a "huge start by junior Jacob Froman as he scored 11 of his game high 16 points in that opening surge. The Coyotes relentless defensive pressure gave the Dragons fits all night long.

After starting the contest with 23 points, the Coyotes used 3 consistent quarters to maintain and even extend their lead throughout this contest. The Coyotes scored 12 points in each of the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> quarters. In fact, in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter, the Coyotes actually built a 30 point lead before a small run by the

Dragons cut the lead to 20 going into the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. The Coyotes used a very balanced attack, and some very unselfish play to take and keep control of the game from the outset. When the final buzzer sounded, the Coyotes had their first road district victory and a 2 and 1 record in district. The record momentarily puts the Coyotes in second place with a showdown against district leader Garden City on Tuesday.

Scoring for the Coyotes was Jacob Froman 16 points, Austin Tarleton and Matthew Tatum had 12 each, while Aaron Pigford added 9 points. J'Ryan Gicklhorn had 5 points and Trey Soto and Clint Chapman chipped in a basket. Michael Bullinger added a free throw while Andrew Lamming played some very valuable minutes.

# Forsan JV Tournament Results

By Coach Avery

The Borden County JV boys participated in the Forsan JV tournament last Thursday and Saturday losing a game on both days. Thursday's opponent was a very talented and tall Forsan team. This bunch jumped out to a 16 to 4 first quarter lead and never looked back. The final score was Forsan JV 46 Borden Co. JV 13.

Quentin Shafer scored 6 points in the game, two 3 pointers, John Cowart scored 5 points, Clay Harding and

Dore Rodriguez scored one point each. Tyrell Massingill, Jake Cooley, and Symeron Rinehart also played in the game.

Saturday the opponent was the Coahoma Freshman team. In this game the Coyotes led through out most of the game only to get beat by one point 53 to 52. The score at the end of the first period was 12 to 8 Coyotes, and at the half we were up 24 to 16. The Coyotes had a 5 point lead at the end of the third period 40 to 35. Then foul trouble kept

a few starters sidelined in the fourth period and the Bulldogs outscored the Coyotes 18 to 12, ten points came from the free throw line.

Dore Rodriguez led the Coyotes scoring with 19 points, Asa Rutherford had 17 points, Jake Cooley and Symeron Rinehart had 4 points each, Quentin Shafer and John Cowart had 3 points, and Carlos Hernandez had two points. Tyrell Massingill received some valuable minutes contributing to the game.

# Pups Showing Improvement, but come up short in Dawson

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Junior high continues to improve as the season progresses, but a rough 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter damaged the Pups hopes of pulling off the upset in Dawson. The Pups jumped out to an early first quarter lead as they dominated the glass on the defensive end, and used a very patient offense to come

away with some very timely baskets. The Dragons got a steal and a lay-up as the buzzer sounded to cut the lead after one quarter of play to 9 to 7 in favor of the visiting pups. The Pups used a solid 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter to build on their lead. Just before half, as Flynn Chapman hit two free throws to give the Pups their biggest lead of the game with

5 seconds left in the half, the Dragons got another end of quarter lift as a Dragon hit a 15 foot jump shot at the buzzer to make the halftime tally 20 to 16 in favor of the pups.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter as was mentioned earlier was the undoing of the Pups as they were outscored 8 to 2 to give the home town Dragons their

### REMINDER: BURN BAN IN EFFECT!

All of Borden County is under a **BURN BAN**. All trash barrels must have an appropriate covering before burning. Please take *Special Precautions* with any Fire during this time for the Safety of You and Your Neighbors.



first lead of the game. It was actually a lead that they would never give up. The Pups got down by as much as 6 points in the fourth quarter, but showed a lot of heart to fight back and cut the lead to two points in the end as Michael Cooley hit his second 3 of the contest to make the final score 34 to 36 Dawson.

Scoring for the Pups was Flynn with 18 points,

Michael with 8 points including 2 3's, Brendan had 6 points and some fantastic jump stops, and Miles off of a tremendous steal and coast to coast lay-up added 2 points. Also contributing to this contest was Tony Soto, Drew Tyler, Eric Espinoza, Michael Froman, John Hensley, and Skylar Williamson.

The Pups will play host to Garden City next Monday.

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## Let Me Get My Hat!

By Dennis Poole,  
Borden County CEA-Ag,

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## Southern Mesa Agricultural Conference

The Southern Mesa Agricultural Conference will focus on regulations and policies affecting Texas agriculture as well as the BMP's (Best Management Practices) for cotton and peanuts.

This conference will be held on Thursday, January 26th at the Dawson County Annex Building, located at 609 North First Street in Lamesa, Texas, and will begin at 8:00 a.m. The registration fee, which includes a complimentary gift, technical sessions, door prize ticket, lunch, refreshments, educational materials and access to exhibits, is \$20 if paid by January 23, 2006. After January 23, the registration fee will be \$25. Registration forms and fees, payable to "Dawson Ag Fund," should be mailed to the Dawson County Extension office at P.O. Box 1268, Lamesa, Texas 79331.

The program, sponsored by the Texas Cooperative Extension in Dawson, Borden, Scurry, Mitchell, Lynn, and Garza Counties, will feature information on the Overview of Cotton Production and Varieties (Conventional and Transgenic - Dryland and Irrigated), Managing Fertilizer in Dryland and Irrigated Cotton, IPM Scouting Techniques, Sustaining Agriculture through Production Options and Projections, Peanut Production, Weed Management and Strategies in Cotton, Alternative Chemicals used for Cotton Production, and Laws & Regulations Presentation. Top quality speakers from across the State and the South Plains area will make presentations concerning current research production

trials. Producers will have the opportunity to discuss their experiences with experts, specialists and other growers. Also, producers will be able to visit commercial booths throughout the day.

Five Continuing Education Units (CEUs) (2 General, 2 IPM and 1 Laws & Regs) will be provided for private, commercial and non-commercial applicators for attendance at this program.

Speakers include Dr. Randy Boman, Mr. Tommy Doederlein, Dr. Jackie Smith, Dr. Todd Baughman, Dr. Wayne Keeling, and Dr. Robert Lemon all with the Texas Cooperative Extension; and Mrs. Debbie Slocum with the Texas Department of Agriculture.

Producers who wish to pre-register, may fill out the form provided by calling the Dawson County Extension Office at 806/872-3444. Remember, the registration fee is \$20 if paid by January 23, 2006. After January 23, the fee will be \$25.

We will seek to accommodate all persons with disabilities for this event. We request that you call the Dawson County Extension office at 806/872-3444 as soon as possible to advise us of any auxiliary aid or service that you require.

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## Borden Star Office has changed locations

The Borden Star Office has changed locations. It is located inside the Borden County School building across from the library. The phone number is 806/756-4313 ext. 275. Please give us a call or come by if you have any news or need information. Our address has not changed it is PO Box 137, Gail, TX. 79738.

## POLITICAL CALENDAR

### DEMOCRATIC PARTY

#### Borden County Judge

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**Racing Towards a Safer TxDOT:** Six Borden County maintenance section employees were honored for their outstanding safety efforts during the Abilene District's annual Safety Awards Banquet. These employees were recognized for having amassed 59 years of safe driving and 47 years of no work related injuries. Texas Department of Transportation employees receiving awards were from left, back row, Robert Dean, Carrie Hart, Jibber Herridge, section supervisor, Ray Don Underwood and Chris Cooley. Sitting in TxDOT's Safety City car is Andy Hudson. (TxDOT photo by Mary Beth Kilgore)

## Open Lab Night!

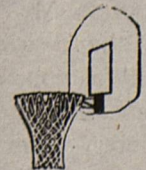
The school computer lab will be available on Thursday, January 26<sup>th</sup> and February 2<sup>nd</sup>. from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Come in and get help with a project, learn a new skill, or surf the web for information with the high-speed connection.

For more information please contact Mrs. Wallace.

## All the Way in District!

Coyotes and  
Lady Coyotes



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# -- Randy's Roundup --

A Weekly Newsletter from Congressman Randy Neugebauer

## Judge Alito Impresses at Senate Hearings

Last week, the Senate began to consider whether or not Judge Samuel Alito, President Bush's nominee to replace Justice Sandra Day O'Connor on the U.S. Supreme Court, is worthy of sitting on the nation's highest court. I think Judge Alito did a great job last week. He had to endure hours and hours of probing questions. In the end, what the American public saw was a smart man who understands the U.S. Constitution and the proper role of the federal courts. I was especially glad to hear that he thinks America's Founding Fathers would be shocked to hear that some judges and justices are basing their reasoning on foreign laws instead of relying on the text in our own Constitution.

News reports indicate that the Democrats on the Judiciary Committee have requested to delay the preliminary vote on Judge Alito's nomination until January 24. Once that vote takes place, the full Senate will consider the nomination. As long as the Democrats don't use any more delay tactics - such as the filibuster - the Senate vote should occur before the end of this month.

## Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit Goes Into Effect

On January 23, I will hold my final Medicare Workshop in the district. This event will take place in Hereford at the Deaf Smith County Library from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Similar to previous workshops I have hosted, Medicare experts will be on hand to help answer questions regarding the new Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit that went into effect on January 1 of this year.

About 24 million seniors have already signed up for this new benefit and pharmacists have already filled 6 million prescriptions under the program, according to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). There have been a few stories in the media reporting that the program has experienced some problems in its early days. HHS has increased toll-free pharmacy support phone lines, increased coordination with state governments, and taken other steps to respond to these early glitches. If beneficiaries are in need of assistance, they should call 1-

## School Lunch Menu

Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup>, 2006

**MONDAY - Breakfast:** French toast sticks, fruit juice and milk. **Lunch:** BBQ sausage, ranch style beans, potato salad, bread, apricots and milk.

**TUESDAY - Breakfast:** Ham & eggs, biscuits, fruit juice and milk; **Lunch:** Pizza, corn, salad, pudding, and milk.

**WED. - Breakfast:** Waffles, fruit juice and milk. **Lunch:** Chicken Quesadillas, Spanish rice, lettuce & tomatoes, fresh fruit, and milk.

**THURSDAY - Breakfast:** Toast, cereal, fruit juice and milk. **Lunch:** Spaghetti w/meat sauce, tossed salad, corn, fruit cobbler and milk.

**FRIDAY - Breakfast:** Omelet, fruit juice and milk. **Lunch:** Steak sandwich, tater tots, salad cups, brownies and milk.

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800-MEDICARE. Although some who are trying to sign up for the benefit may encounter frustrations, I encourage everyone to remain patient and learn as much about this benefit so that a well-informed decision can be made.

## Upcoming Stops in the District

In addition to the Medicare Workshop in Hereford, I will continue to criss-cross the 19<sup>th</sup> District in the coming days. I will eat lunch with the Kiwanis in Plainview on January 19, honor Sundown High School's cross country

# Windbreak Trees

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break and buildings during hot weather.

When planting, provide holes large enough and deep enough to accommodate roots without crowding. Make sure the roots are spread out and not turned upward at the tips. Partially fill the hole, and pack the soil around the lower roots. Water,

place the remainder of the soil in the hole, and water again. This helps get rid of any large air pockets near the roots. Protect the young trees from weed and grass competition by mulching, using a plastic weed barrier, or tillage.

Seedlings need between 8 to 10 gallons of water per week the first year, and at least 10 gallons per week later on, depending on the soil type and the weather.

For further information or to place an order for a windbreak tree, come by 5309 Big Spring Highway or call (325) 573-6317, ext. 102.

state champions and award-winning band on January 20, and participate in the West Texas Rehabilitation Center Telethon in Abilene on January 21.

--Randy

### BORDEN COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2005

Data Control Codes	10 General Fund	Other Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>REVENUES:</b>			
5700 Total Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 5,562,986	\$ 122,868	\$ 5,685,854
5800 State Program Revenues	199,392	34,185	233,577
5900 Federal Program Revenues	35,067	176,036	211,103
5020 Total Revenues	5,797,445	333,089	6,130,534
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>			
Current:			
0011 Instruction	1,296,295	175,202	1,471,497
0012 Instructional Resources & Media Services	29,401	392	29,793
0013 Curriculum & Instructional Staff Development	6,210	464	6,674
0021 Instructional Leadership	-	131,345	131,345
0023 School Leadership	127,594	510	128,104
0031 Guidance, Counseling & Evaluation Services	28,245	8,370	36,615
0033 Health Services	53,308	990	54,298
0034 Student (Pupil) Transportation	175,619	805	176,424
0035 Food Services	187,941	2,282	190,223
0036 Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities	237,889	203	238,092
0041 General Administration	328,850	3,068	331,918
0051 Plant Maintenance and Operations	740,569	5,220	745,789
0052 Security and Monitoring Services	-	3,800	3,800
0053 Data Processing Services	70,042	587	70,629
0061 Community Services	42,318	736	43,054
Capital Outlay:			
0081 Facilities Acquisition and Construction	67,291	-	67,291
Intergovernmental:			
0091 Contracted Instructional Services Between Schools	1,417,189	-	1,417,189
0093 Payments to Fiscal Agent/Member Districts of SSA	41,851	-	41,851
6030 Total Expenditures	4,850,612	333,974	5,184,586
1100 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	946,833	(885)	945,948
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):</b>			
7912 Sale of Real and Personal Property	6,750	-	6,750
7915 Transfers In	-	885	885
8911 Transfers Out (Use)	(885)	-	(885)
7080 Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	5,865	885	6,750
1200 Net Change in Fund Balances	952,698	-	952,698
0100 Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	9,776,308	-	9,776,308
3000 Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$ 10,729,006	\$ -	\$ 10,729,006