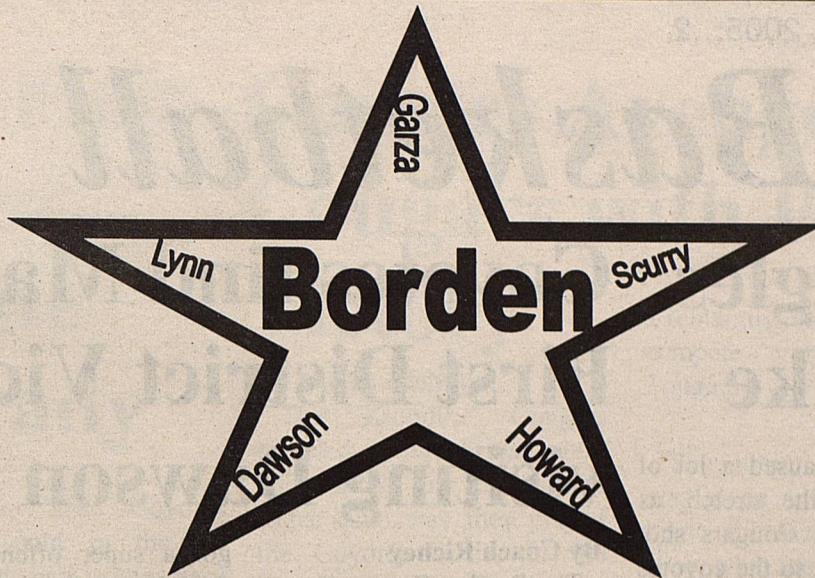


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## National Hereford show will honor Arlan and Avis Youngblood Family

By Thad Miracle

Lamesa Press-Reporter

Arlan and Avis Youngblood of Lamesa will be the show honorees for this year's National Hereford Show, which will be held in conjunction with the annual Southwest Exposition and Livestock Show in Fort Worth.

The Arlan and Avis Youngblood National Hereford Show got underway at 9 a.m., Monday, in the W.R. Watt Arena.

Officials of the Texas Hereford Association and Southwest Exposition and Livestock Show meet together each spring to select the following year's honoree. The criteria used in selecting the show's honoree is that a firm or individual has been a long-time supporter of both the Texas Hereford Association and the Hereford industry in Texas.

"The Youngbloods certainly fit this criteria," a spokesperson for the Texas Hereford Association stated.

"The association names the show after someone different every year," Arlan Youngblood said this past week, "and it is quite an honor to be selected."

The Youngbloods are area ranchers that have been involved in raising Herefords since 1937 at their ranch headquarters located just off the Caprock along U.S. Hwy.

180 east of Lamesa.

"The Youngblood Ranch has been a family operation from the beginning in 1937 and continues as one today. Arlan and Avis Youngblood have been together for most of the 66 years the ranch has raised Herefords on the Caprock," says an article in the January issue of the Texas Hereford magazine.

“... it is quite an honor to be selected.

— Arlan Youngblood, on being show honoree

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F.A. (Alton) Youngblood, Arlan's dad, purchased 21 head of 10-year-old breeding cows and a herd bull back in 1937 to begin the registered herd of the Youngblood Ranch. A second herd bull was purchased in 1941 after the herd had grown to 35 head.

Since that time, the Youngblood Ranch has seen many good times and the herd on the ranch had grown to over 250 cows by the late 1970s.

The Youngbloods celebrated another milestone this past branding week as they branded their 10,000<sup>th</sup> calf on the ranch.

One of the main reasons for their success over the years has been an excellent eye for stock. Youngblood has purchased several excellent bulls over the years. Anxiety Domino 23, purchased for \$400 from the W.J. Dodson herd of Albany, bred well enough that his sons were used in a line breeding program for several years.

They also purchased TP Real Domino 3<sup>rd</sup> in 1958, who proved to be a good cross on HH Real Onward and HH Real Silver cows. The resulting herd produced one bull that became a R.O.M. sire and his offspring were shown very successfully.

The Youngblood Ranch also purchased WE L1 Domino 624, which many in the Hereford industry consider the best son ever produced by the HH Advance A428 bull. WE L1 Domino 624 was purchased in 1980 at the Texas Select Sale in Fort Worth for \$28,600.

The Youngbloods have used Expected Progeny Difference (EPD) to make recent herd bull decisions. The ranch also has been using performance testing since the American Hereford Association started its Technical Program Review (TPR).

The Youngbloods have a

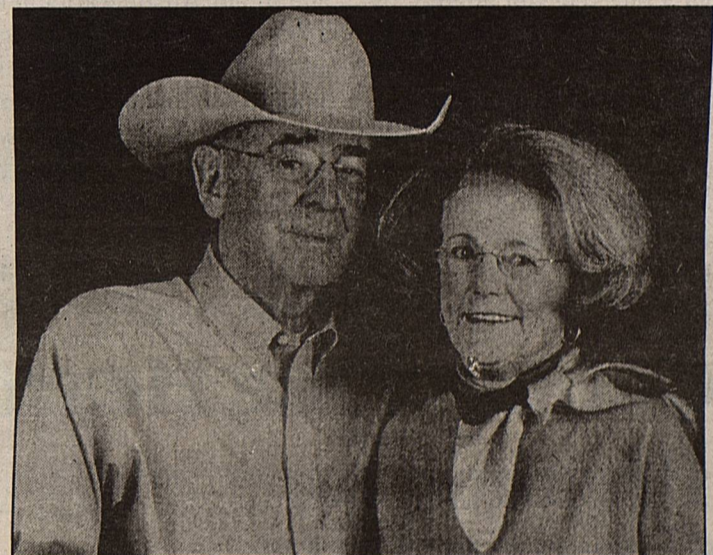


Photo courtesy Texas Hereford Association  
Arlan and Avis Youngblood

son, Kent, his wife Teresa, daughters, Kati and Ky and a daughter, Kelli, her husband Tom Merrit. They also have two grand-children, Kati and Ky Merrit who both attended school at Borden County ISD.



Borden County EMS Officers: (L to R.) Buddy Wallace, Carrie Hart, Kent Holmes, Philip Bird, Philena Farmer (seated), Kenneth Bennett, Chuck Kimmel and Mike Valentine

## EMS News

Borden County EMS had their annual meeting to elect officers and directors for 2005. The EMS members elected to these offices were: President – Philena Farmer; Vice Pres. – Chuck Kimmel;

Secretary/Treasurer – Carrie Hart; Reporter – Kent Holmes; Directors: Mike Valentine, Buddy Wallace, Kenny Bennett, and Philip Bird.

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# Coyote Basketball

## Continue struggles Against Klondike

**By Coach Richey**  
The Borden County Coyotes continued their struggles in the new year, as they fell to 0-2 in district play as they lost their second straight district road game to the Klondike Cougars. The Coyotes received a career high 25 points by Junior Center, J Ryan Gicklhorn, but a blocked 3-pt attempt by senior Ben Griffin with 5 seconds remaining ended any come back hopes that the visiting Borden County Coyotes had in this contest. This was a very difficult loss for the Coyotes as they opened up a quick 8-0 lead and it all looked great, but

foul trouble caused a lot of issues down the stretch, as the hometown Cougars shot 36 free throws to the coyotes 13.  
Also scoring for the Coyotes in this heartbreaking lose was Ben Griffin with 12 points, senior Adam Carter added 10 points, while senior John Wilson contributed 5 points and junior Austin Tarleton had 2 points. Also contributing in this contest was Garrett Thomas, Garrett Chapman, and Aaron Pigford. Below is the score by quarters in this contest.

Coyotes: 9, 15, 11, 19 - 54  
Cougars: 14, 18, 10, 17 - 59

## Coyotes Lose Heart Breaker to Garden City

**By Coach Richey**  
The Borden County Coyotes gave one of their best efforts of the season, only to see a solid effort come up a basket short as they fell to the district leading Garden City Bearcats 45 to 43. The Coyotes gave up 17 early points to the home team Bearcats, but buckled down during the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> quarters as they held the bearcats to only 14 points in those two quarters combined. After falling behind in that 1<sup>st</sup> quarter barrage by the home team, the Coyotes outscored the Bearcats 11 to 6 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter and actually took their first lead of the contest on a short jump shot by junior Austin Tarleton as the buzzer sounded ending the 1<sup>st</sup> half with the Coyotes on top 24 to 22. As has been the case all season long, the

Coyotes had one rough quarter as they found themselves struggling again from the field while also seeing 3 potential baskets disallowed in the quarter for walking violations. In the game, the Coyotes had 5 baskets waved off because of this violation. But in spite of all of this, the Coyotes regained the lead midway through the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. But after a missed opportunity to go up by 3 points, the Bearcats hit a hot moment, while the Coyotes committed 4 straight turnovers to allow the Bearcats to quickly build a 7 point lead with only a few seconds to go in the contest. The Coyotes used quick 7 to 2 run during this stretch capped by a Ben Griffin 3-pt shot with 3.3 seconds to go to cut the lead to 45 to 43. After a tremendous defensive play by Austin Tarleton and

## Coyotes find Magic Touch in First District Victory over visiting Dawson Dragons

**By Coach Richey**  
The Borden County Coyotes played host to the Dawson Dragons in the first home game, but probably more importantly Austin tallied 12 points in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter as the Coyotes with stood a tremendous comeback effort allowed them to build a 9 to 2 lead after one period. This was a lead that saw the Coyotes build to as much as a 16 point lead. The Coyotes

got a super offensive effort from junior Austin Tarleton as he scored 22 points in the first home game, but probably more importantly Austin tallied 12 points in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter as the Coyotes with stood a tremendous comeback effort allowed them to build a 9 to 2 lead after one period. This was a lead that saw the Coyotes build to as much as a 16 point lead. The Coyotes on 12 of 15 free throws in the 4<sup>th</sup> to seal the 1<sup>st</sup> district victory. Griffin finished the contest with 16 points, while Adam added 9 points. J Ryan Gicklhorn added 6 points and senior Garrett Chapman scored 5 points. Also contributing were Garrett Thomas, John Wilson and Aaron Pigford. Below is the score by quarters.

Coyotes: 9, 18, 7, 24 - 58  
Dragons: 2, 23, 24, 27 - 45

## Coyotes Put Together Very Solid Victory Over the Sands Mustangs

**By Coach Richey**  
The Borden County Coyotes withstood a very hot shooting Sands Mustang team to take charge of this contest in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter. The Mustangs lead the home town Coyotes 17 to 16 after one period of play, but the

Coyotes did not let that early surge bother them. In fact, the Coyotes put together one of their most consistent 4 quarters of the season as they scored in double figures all 4 quarters. The Coyotes built a 32 to 29 lead at the half, but used a 14 to 2 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter to take complete control of this contest by leading 46 to 31 after 3 periods of play. One of the big keys to the 2<sup>nd</sup> half surge was a change from man defense to a zone, and the guys communication and blocking out as they constantly communicated to know where the better scorers were and to block out and control the boards in the second half. Scoring for the Coyotes as they upped their season record to 13 wins and 12 loses and a 2 and 3 record

in district were Ben Griffin with 14 points, J'Ryan Gicklhorn with 13 points, Adam Carter added 12 points, Aaron Pigford 9 points, Austin Tarleton 6 points, and Garrett Chapman 4 points. The Coyotes had to face all types of defenses in this contest from a zone, man, box and 1, triangle and 2, full court man, 2-2-1 press, and yet the coyotes played one of their best games and committed the fewest turnovers they've committed all season long. Also contributing to this success and the victory were Garrett Thomas and John Wilson. Below is the scores by quarters:

Coyotes: 16, 15, 14, 12 - 58  
Mustangs: 17, 12, 2, 7 - 38

Garrett Thomas, the two collided and were unable to get off a real good shot as time expired and so too the hopes of a very dramatic comeback victory. Scoring for the Coyotes was junior Ausin Tarleton with 11 points, junior Ben Griffin with 10 points, junior J'Ryan Gicklhorn added 10 points, senior Adam Carter poured in 8 points and senior Garrett Chapman contributed 4 points. Also playing was Garrett Thomas, John Wilson, and Aaron Pigford. Below are the score by quarters for this contest.  
Coyotes: 13, 11, 6, 12 - 43  
Bearcats: 17, 5 9, 14 - 45

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## Coyotes Lose First Home Game to Defending State Champion Grady

By Coach Richey

In what might be described as a very disappointing lose, this was actually a very gratifying effort by the Borden County Coyotes. Playing against the Defending district and State Champions, the Coyotes matched the Grady Wildcats on every play in the first half. The Coyotes lead 8 to 6 in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter, but saw that lead disappear as the Coyotes trying to settle for the last shot of the quarter committed one of several costly turnovers in the game and got to witness an amazing running jump shot for a 3-pt basket by a wildcat player to give the visitors a 9 to 8 lead after one period. But, the home town Coyotes did not allow that good fortune for the visitors dampen their spirits as the Coyotes withstood some hot shooting by the visitors to tie the score at 23 to 23 heading in to the locker room at halftime. But, as has been the case all season long, a down quarter would doom the Coyotes. The visitors found a lot of success by going in to their 6'4" freshman post as he scored 20 of his game high 24 points in the second half.

## Coyote JV Defeat Sands Mustang JV

By Coach Avery

Six Borden JV basketball players traveled to Klondike January 25<sup>th</sup> and defeated the Sands Mustang JV by a whopping score of 62 to 25. The Coyotes led at the half 34 to 14 and never looked back in the contest. Mathew Tatum dominated the inside game and scored 24 points

Meanwhile, the Coyotes grew ice cold in the 3<sup>rd</sup> period and had some very questionable calls go the wrong way as the visitors built a 10 point lead going into the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. The coyotes made one last surge at the defending state champions, but foul trouble and their inside play was just too much for the home team to overcome, and a very disheartening 55 to 46 lose. With the lose, the Coyotes find themselves all but out of the district play-off race. They are not mathematically eliminated, but it would take a lot of help and 4 straight victories to make this dream come true.

Scoring for the Coyotes in this difficult contest were senior Ben Griffin with 16 points, junior Austin Tarleton 15 points, senior Adam Carter 10 points, junior J'Ryan Gicklhorn 3 points, and Garrett Chapman 2 points. Also contributing were Garrett Thomas, John Wilson and Aaron Pigford.

Below are the score by quarters for this contest.

Coyotes: 8, 15, 4, 19 - 46  
Wildcats: 9, 14, 14, 18 - 55

for the Coyotes including shooting 6 of 9 attempts from the free throw line. Asa Rutherford and Quentin Shafer got hot out on the perimeter by shooting the Stangs out of their zone defense. Rutherford hit four three-pointers and scored a total of 16 points. Shafer hit

## Coyotes Avenge Lose to Cougars with Big District Victory

By Coach Richey

The Klondike Cougars traveled to Gail Friday night and started this contest the exact same way they played the Coyotes earlier in the district season, by hitting several early 3-pt baskets. The Cougars hit 3 to be exact, which propelled them to an early 15 to 13 lead. But, with some solid defense, the Cougars next three late in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter would be how long it took them to score 15 more points in this contest.

In the meantime, the Coyotes used 10 of Austin Tarletons game high 21 points, along with points from six other Coyotes to build a 22 to 17 halftime lead after outscoring the visitors 9 to 2 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter. The Coyotes played without senior John Wilson in this contest, but brought 5 junior varsity players to go with the

7 remaining varsity players to compete with the visiting Cougars.

The junior varsity group was given an opportunity to begin the second quarter to show what they could do, and this group of juniors Caden Nowlain, Andrew Lamming, sopho-mores Clint Chapman, and Jacob Froman and freshman Chase Pinkerton played extremely well. In fact, in two short stints in this contest, one of which was joined by junior Garrett Thomas, these six young men actually tied the Cougars 2 to 2. This group played some outstanding defense which produced some very solid scoring opportunities, but nerves may have played a part in forcing some of these opportunities to come up just short. But, never-the-less, what a great experience this was for them.

As the contest continued, the Coyotes got two big

three's from senior Ben Griffin, Board domination by senior Garrett Chapman, J Ryan Gicklhorn and Aaron Pigford, solid point guard play by senior Adam Carter and some timely steals by junior Garrett Thomas to go with 11 more points by Austin. All of this added up to a very solid district victory, and glimmer of hope for the play-offs as the Coyotes improved to 14 and 13 on the seasons and a 3 and 4 record in district play.

Scoring for the Coyotes was, Austin with 21 points, Ben with 8 points, J Ryan with 5 points, Adam and Garrett Chapman with 3 points and Chase Pinkerton, Caden Nowlain and Aaron Pigford with 2 each. Also contributing were Garrett Thomas, Jacob Froman and Andrew Lamming. Below are the score by quarters for this contest.

Coyotes: 13, 9, 6, 18 - 46  
Cougars: 15, 2, 5, 11 - 33

## Coyote JV Split Squad Defeat Garden City JV

By Coach Richey

A split squad team of the Borden County Junior varsity team known as the older bunch, traveled to Garden City to take on a very good Garden City Bearcat team, in fact, these Bearcats were leading the district before this contest. But, when the dust had settled, the Coyotes used a very solid defensive effort and some very balanced

scoring to outlast the home team Bearcats.

The Borden County Coyotes got off to a good start, and actually never trailed in this contest after opening the game with a 13 to 12 1<sup>st</sup> quarter.

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter, both teams had a difficult time finding the range, but the Coyotes did manage hitting 6 of 7 free throws to build a 21 to 12 lead at the half.

The Bearcats made a big push in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter after outscoring the Coyotes 15 to 7 to cut the Coyote lead to one point. But, in the end, the Coyotes used the

balanced scoring, as 5 different Coyotes combined for a 16 point 4<sup>th</sup> quarter to seal the victory and a first place spot for the Coyotes in the district race.

Scoring for the Coyotes was Chase Pinkerton with 12 points, 10 points each from Andrew Lamming and Caden Nowlain, 6 points for Trey Soto, and 5 points for Jacob Froman. Clint Chapman added a free throw while Symeron Rinehart played some exceptional defense in this contest. Below are the score by quarters in this contest.

Coyotes: 13, 8, 7, 16 - 44  
Bearcats: 12, 0, 15, 9 - 36

two three-pointers and scored a total of 11 points. Rowdy Clary had 8 points including shooting 4 for 4 at the charity stripe. Miller Valentine scored 2 points, and Symeron Rinehart hit a free throw.



# JV Coyotes Win Marathon Game Against Grady

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Coyotes Junior varsity "older bunch" avenged an earlier lose to the Grady Wildcats by outlasting the visitors by winning this contest in not one, but two overtimes. This contest was close from the very beginning, as the two teams were tied at the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> half, and then after a huge Chase Pinkerton free throw with 7 seconds remaining tied the contest at 35, the two teams would need extra time to decide this contest.

Then, in the 1<sup>st</sup> overtime, it looked as if the Coyotes would win this one, but a 3-pt shot tied the game and forced a second overtime period.

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> overtime, the

Coyotes got some huge free throws from Chase and Jacob Froman to help seal the deal and produce a dramatic victory for the home town Coyotes. Chase Pinkerton had a career night for the Coyotes who played extremely well in this contest, as he scored 27 points to lead all scorers.

Also scoring for the Coyotes was Jacob Froman and Caden Nowlain with 9 points each.

Caden Nowlain may have scored one of the biggest baskets of the contest in the 2<sup>nd</sup> overtime, as the Wildcats hit a shot to take a 1-pt lead only to see Caden come right down the floor and answer the Wildcat basket with a short jumper of his own, to

give the Coyotes a lead they would not give up. Andrew Lamming rounded out the scoring with 2 points. The Coyotes used a unbelievable half court trapping defense to slow down this very good offensive team and enabled the home team to win a very good game against a solid junior varsity team.

Also contributing and playing great defense were Clint Chapman and Trey Soto. The Coyotes improved on the season to 18 wins and 9 loses, which by the way includes 5 loses to varsity teams and a 7 and 1 district record. Below are the score by quarters for this contest.

Coyotes: 9, 10, 6, 10 – 35/43/47  
Cougars: 6, 13, 8, 8 – 35/43/45

# Coyote Pups Defeat Dawson Dragons

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Jr. High got season high scoring from two seventh graders, Flynn Chapman with 16 points and classmate Michael Cooley with 12 points to lead the rest of their teammates to a solid victory over the Dawson Dragons.

The Pups lead from beginning to end in this contest. The Pups played consistent basketball all four quarters while applying a very aggressive pressure packed defense to constantly harass the visitors from Dawson.

The 36 to 27 victory evened the season record on the season for the Pups at 6 wins and 6 loses. Also scoring for the Pups was Carlos Hernandez with a season high 6 points and a point each from Brendan Tarleton and Clay Harding. Also contributing to the victory was Drew Tyler, Tyrell Massingill, Karl Lamming, Jake Cooley and Cory Teel. Below are the score by quarters in this contest.

Coyotes: 10, 8, 9, 9 – 36  
Dragons: 7, 8, 6, 6 – 27

# Pups Trip Not What They Wanted

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Pups can look at their first trip to Garden City and find real quickly what was the undoing for them in a 27 to 19 lose. The Pups actually outscored the home team Bearcats in the final 3 quarters in spite of missing a ton of shots at point blank range. The positive is how many good shots the Pups got in this contest, but the negative is the number of short range shots that found the iron instead of the net.

In the final three quarters, the Pups outscored the home

team 19 to 18, but as was mentioned, the early going was not good as the Pups were outscored 9 to 0 in the opening quarter.

On this tough shooting night, the Pups got scoring from only two players. These two were classmates Michael Cooley with 10 points and Flynn Chapman with 9 points. Also contributing for the Pups were Drew Tyler, Brendan Tarleton, Tyrell Massingill, Clay Harding, Jake Cooley, Cory Teel and Carlos Hernandez.

The Pups are now 6 and 7 on the season with one game remaining at home against undefeated Sands. Below are the score by quarters for this contest.

Pups: 0, 7, 7, 5 – 19  
Kittens: 9, 6, 9, 3 – 27

# Lady Coyotes Lost to #13 Klondike

By Coach Turner

The Borden Lady Coyotes dropped a 57-37 decision to the 13<sup>th</sup> ranked Klondike Lady Cougars in Gail Friday night. The Lady Coyotes trailed 19-7 at the end of the first quarter and it proved to be too big of a hole to climb out of. Klondike held a 27-13 lead at the half. The Coyotes and Cougars battled evenly in the 3<sup>rd</sup> with both teams scoring 10 points. Klondike withstood a Coyote rally in the fourth to outscore BC by 6 in the final quarter. LaShae Johnson led the Lady

Coyotes with 9 points. She was followed by Thelma Balague and Lindsey Stamper with 7. Emily Mayes scored 5 while Cassidy Rinehart finished with 4. Kalli Poole hit a three pointer and Whitney Anderson finished the scoring with a couple of free throws.

JV Game

The Lady Coyote JV dropped a 32-25 contest to Klondike Friday night. The game was played well by both teams but the Lady Coyotes didn't convert at the free throw line as much as they needed to. Cassidy Ogden led the BC scoring with 7 points. Sharelle Gass had 5 points, while Shelby Roberts finished with 4.

Heather Brooks had 3 points while Sarah Harding, Kate Wallace, and Danelle Copeland wrapped the scoring up with 2 each. Next action for the Lady Coyotes will be Thursday night in Welch as they take on the Lady Dragons. The Lady Kats of Garden City will be in town Friday night. Games begin at 4pm both nights.

# Missy Coyotes End Season With Loss

By Coach Turner

The Missy Coyotes ended the 2004-05 season with a loss to the district champion Sands Mustangs. The game was very competitive from the opening tip as Sands took a 5-4 edge into the second quarter. The Missy Coyotes had trouble finding the basket and trailed 14-7 at the half.

The third quarter saw the Coyotes outscore Sand by a count of 9-8 to trail 22-16 going into the final stanza. The Missy Coyotes cut the lead to 23-22 with under a minute to go but couldn't quite catch the Mustangs and lost by the final of 27-22. The Missy Coyotes finished the season with a record of 4-

10 but the matchups with Sands tells the story of this teams improvement. Playing three times the Missy Coyotes lost by 28, 8, and by 5 in the final game. Congrats to the Missy Coyotes for their effort this season. Baylee Benavidez led the scoring with 8 points and was followed by Olivia Key with 7. D'Nae Johnson had 6 points and Chellsie Pigford rounded out the scoring with a free throw.

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*From the Counselor:  
By Mary Airhart*

**REMINDER:**

**TAKS testing coming up.**

Parents are encouraged to check dental and medical appointments to insure that these do not conflict with the dates set by the State of Texas for testing. Most of the testing will be completed during the morning, but, sometimes, students may need part of the afternoon to do an efficient job. We realize that medical emergencies may arise, and we do not encourage students to come for testing when they are sick, but please do what you can now to keep your children's time free during the testing period. Also, encourage your student to do his/her very best and to be rested and mentally alert for these important tests. As always, we appreciate your help and cooperation on behalf of our students.

**2005 Testing Schedule:**

**February Tests Schedule:**

Tuesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>  
SDAA & TAKS Writing  
4<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>  
TAKS Reading 9<sup>th</sup>  
TAKS English Language  
10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>  
TAKS Reading 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>  
Thursday, February 24<sup>th</sup>  
Makeup day -  
10<sup>th</sup> ELA only

**March Testing Schedule:**

Tuesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>  
ESL Students; RPTE

**April Tests Schedule:**

Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>  
TAKS Math 5<sup>th</sup> only  
Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup>  
TAKS field test -  
8<sup>th</sup> Science  
Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>  
TAKS Math: Grades.  
3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>  
SDAA Math Gras. 3<sup>rd</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>  
Wednesday, April 20<sup>th</sup>  
TAKS Grs: 4<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> &  
8<sup>th</sup> Reading  
Math 11<sup>th</sup>, SDAA  
Grades 3-8 Reading  
Thurs, April 21<sup>st</sup>  
TAKS 9<sup>th</sup> Math;  
Science Grs. 5<sup>th</sup>,  
Social Studies  
Grades 8<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>  
Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>  
TAKS Science  
Grades 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>

\*\*Makeup testing will be scheduled as permitted.

# Ex-Student Reunion Meeting to be held

## Borden County EMS News

There will be a meeting of the All-School Reunion group on Thursday, February 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

All ex-students, teachers, present teachers and ex-students parents are encourage to attend this meeting to help with the planning of the All-School Reunion to be held on August 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. 2005.

Committee's need to be organized and volunteers are needed to help send out information to exes.

Also, if anyone knows addresses of any ex-students or teachers, please get in touch with Judy Kingston or Joel Dennis so they will be sure to get on the mailing list.

If you are a parent of an ex-student of BHS, and not sure your child is on the list, please contact us to see if we have your child's address.

All help is needed to get this event planned so everyone can enjoy visiting and seeing ol' friends.

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Borden County welcomed ten new Emergency Care Attendants (ECA's) to the origination. Borden County EMS will be able to serve the community with these new members.

Borden County EMS will sponsor and teach a EMT-Basic class beginning Monday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. Some of Borden County's new ECS's will be attending this class, which will be taught by Philena Farmer.

This class will be open to the public also. Anyone interested in serving with Borden EMS will be able to attend these classes without any cost to them. This will be

the last class taught before the new guidelines are put in place. These new guidelines will be much more difficult. The class will be taught Monday and Wednesday evening in the Borden County ISD Building. This course will require 140 hours in the class room as well as clinicals. These clinical hours are to be worked in the hospital emergency rooms and in the ambulance services in adjoining counties as well as in the Borden County ambulances. The class will run from February 14<sup>th</sup> through June 20<sup>th</sup>. The students completing this course will be National Registered EMT's.

## School Menu

**Week Of: February 14<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup>, 2005**

**MONDAY:** A "Pizza" My Heart, Cupid' Kisses (Corn), Sweet Smiles (Oranges), Chocolate Valentine (Brownies) Love Potion (Milk). **Breakfast:** Hot Pockets, Fruit Juice & Milk.

**TUESDAY:** Chicken Fried Steak, Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Fruit & Milk **Breakfast:** Breakfast Pizza, Fruit Juice, & Milk.

**WEDNESDAY:** Chicken Nuggets, Green Peas, Potatoes, Rolls, Fruit & Milk. **Breakfast:** Biscuits w/gravy, Fruit Juice & Milk

**THURSDAY:** Cheeseburger, French fries, Salad cup, Cookies & Milk. **Breakfast:** Breakfast Burrito, Fruit Juice, & Milk.

**FRIDAY: NO School - HOLIDAY**

# Scholarships Available from Poka Lambro

Poka Lambro Telephone Cooperative, Inc. is now accepting applications for three \$2,500 scholarships to be awarded in March of this year. Entry deadline is March 4, 2005.

The son or daughter of any member of Poka Lambro Telephone Cooperative, Inc. graduating from an area high school is eligible to apply. Scholarship recipients are selected based on academic achievement, involvement in

extra-curricular activities and financial need.

Applications have been sent to area high schools and may also be obtained by contacting Poka Lambro or visiting Poka Lambro's web site at [www.poka.com](http://www.poka.com). Scholarship presentations will be made at Poka Lambro's Annual Membership Meeting in March. For additional information, please contact Amy Preston at 1-800-422-2387

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## Courthouse News

**WHEREAS**, On this the 10<sup>th</sup> day of January 2005, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Regular Session in the Commissioners Courtroom at the Courthouse in Gail, Texas, the following members of the Court being present, to-wit:

**VAN L. YORK**, County Judge, Presiding; **MONTE SMITH**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 1; **RANDY ADCOCK**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 2; **ERNEST REYES**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3; **JOE BELEW**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 4; **JOYCE HERRIDGE**, County Clerk and Ex-officio of the Commissioners Court

constituting a quorum, when the following proceedings were had, in accordance with the posted agenda.

### MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the Commissioner Court meeting of December 20, 2004, were read. Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve said minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Reyes. Motion carried unanimously.

### GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE

The following names were drawn in open court from the list of all person who served on a Grand Jury in 2002.

1. Sherry Kay Gass; 2. Clay Dean Cowart; 3. Joe W. Cooley, 4. Douglas Blagrave; 5. Brenda Joyce Bodine; 6. Juan Carlos Morando

Alternate drawn: 1. Kenneth Wayne Williams; 2. Pat J. Porter.

Commissioner Reyes made a motion to approve the 2005 Grievance Committee as drawn. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

### BONDS FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS AND DEPUTIES

Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve the

bonds for Terms starting 2005 for elected officials and deputies. Bonds issued for elected officials in the names of Billy J. Gannaway, Monte Smith and Ernest Reyes. Bonds issued for deputies in the name of Benny Allison and Jill Freeman. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

### SALARY AND WAGES FOR YEAR 2005

Commissioner Belew made a motion to set the salaries and wages for year 2005 as budgeted in the 2005 budget and as previously advertised. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

### ROAD PAVING

Rich Oller of Oller Engineering, Lubbock, Texas met with the Court concerning the road construction and repairs of the 2005 Paying Program for Borden County.

### ACCOUNTS ALLOWED

The current accounts were examined. Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve and pay said accounts. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion.

### DISCUSSION ITEMS FOR FURTHER AGENDA

Oller demonstration. Oller contract for paving County Roads.

### ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Adcock to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and was proved unanimously.

**WHEREAS**, On this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2005, at 8:00 o'clock A.M. the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas convened in Special Session in the courthouse of Gail, Texas, the following members of the court being present, to-wit:

**VAN L. YORK**, County Judge, Presiding; **RANDY ADCOCK**, Commissioner,

Precinct No. 2; **ERNEST REYES**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3; **JOE BELEW**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 4.

Monte Smith, Commissioner, Precinct No. 1 and Joyce Herridge, Clerk of the Court, absent, constituting a quorum, when the following

proceedings were held to wit: **BORDEN COUNTY ROADS**

Rich Oller of Oller Engineering, Lubbock, Texas met with the Court. The Court members and Mr. Oller toured and assessed the conditions of various Borden

County roads. No action was taken.

Commissioner Randy Adcock left at 9:00 a.m.

### ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Belew and seconded by Commissioner Reyes to adjourn.

The Area Agency on Aging and Texas Cooperative Extension-Borden County, present:

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"We offer great benefits, good pay, job security, and an opportunity to play an important role in the criminal justice system," said TDCJ employment manager Ken Johnson.

"Our four-day-on and four-day-off work schedule here is ideal for individuals who would like to benefits of a full-time income . . . and still have time for other interests, education plans or family needs," said Jan Thornton, TDCJ recruiting administrator. "Age or gender is no barrier for these positions.

"In addition to the full time positions available we also have a number of openings for part time staff," Thornton said. "Full medical and dental benefits are available to TDCJ's part time Correctional Officers."

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—Sir Walter Raleigh

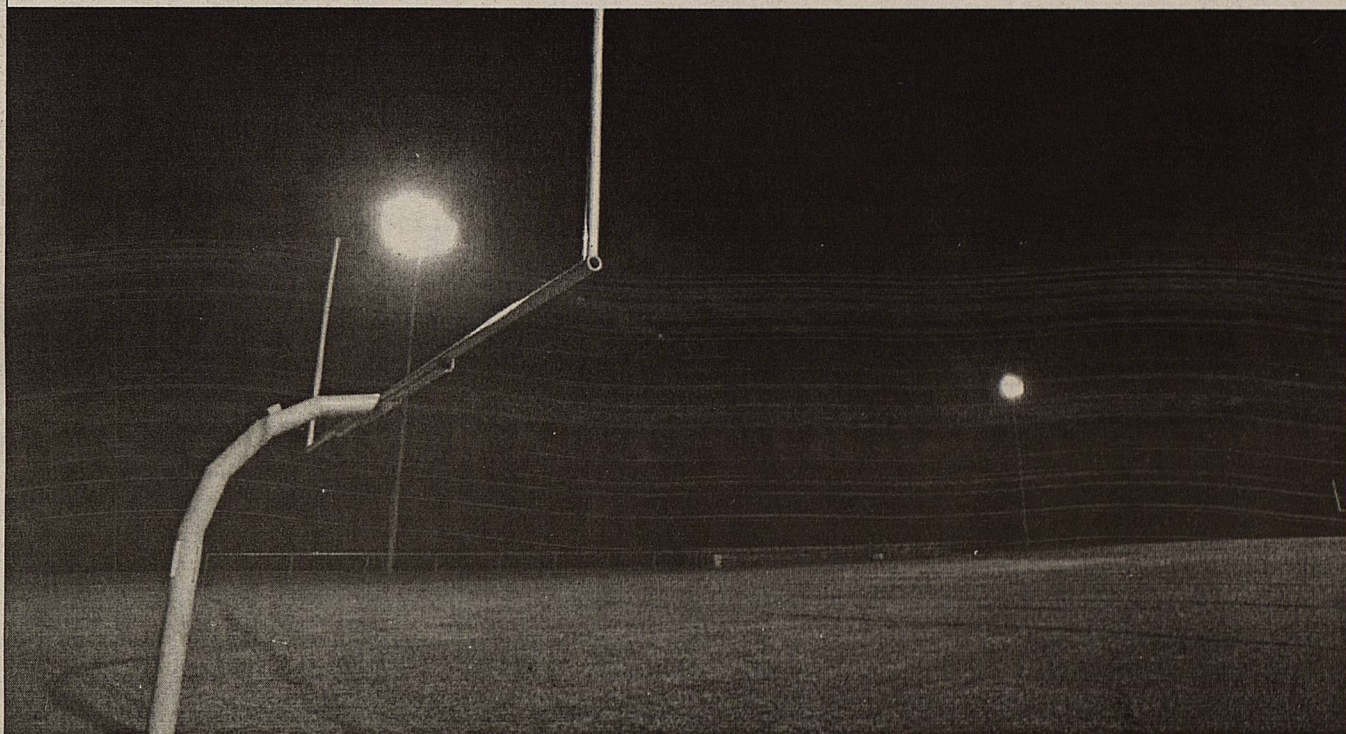
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\$1,716 per month and progresses at intervals to \$2,589 after 96 months of service within the Correctional Officer classification. A retirement program option is available as early as age 50 (with 20 years service).

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# An Agenda for a Better America

By U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison

As great a nation as America is, there are always areas we need to address to manage changes in our economy and society. To that end, I recently joined my Senate colleagues to announce a "top ten" legislative agenda for the 109<sup>th</sup> Congress to set clear goals for the next two years to try to make our country a better place.

First, we are going to beef up our national security and support our military families. I am committed to expanding our resources to respond to bioterrorism and to acquire better technology to help the Department of Homeland Security detect, prevent, and apprehend terrorists. The families of those soldiers making the ultimate sacrifice for freedom deserve our eternal gratitude. So we will work to increase the military death benefit to \$100,000.

Our top domestic priority is to preserve and strengthen Social Security for future retirees. According to the 2004 Report of the Social Security Board of Trustees, beginning in 2018, the program's benefit payments will exceed the amount of payroll taxes being collected. The time to act is now, because every year we delay makes the cure that much more painful. I support President Bush's plan to offer younger Americans voluntary, personal accounts and we will consider other proposals to ensure this venerable program is there for generations to come.

Also high on our list is legislation to make our tax code fairer, more efficient, and much simpler. Over the past decade the length of the federal tax code has increased by 48 percent, requiring the average American to spend 23 percent more time filing the forms. We must do better. Adopting a less complex tax system will achieve greater tax fairness

and be a significant boon to our economy.

Promoting strong families is another priority. When we passed family tax relief in 2001, including a greater child tax credit and relief from the marriage penalty, we did so under the constraints of a 10-year limit. Those tax cuts were among the most effective ever passed and generated significant economic growth. Working families really saw the difference in their disposable income. So we want to make this permanent. People need to know that in 2011, they're not going to have to pay \$1,500 more, on average, because the marriage penalty is back. As a Texan, I will also work to keep the sales tax deductible from federal income taxes.

No list of legislative goals would be complete without a comprehensive energy bill. To boost our national and economic security, we must increase domestic energy production as well as our energy efficiency. A good start would be to enhance incentives for alternative energy such as wind, solar, and clean-burning coal.

We also want to sustain the job creation momentum we started with passage of tax

relief in each of the past four years. Congress should make these tax cuts permanent to reduce the tax burden on individuals and small businesses and free up investment to create new employment opportunities for all Americans.

Our fellow countrymen also need to be fully prepared to compete in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. Learning is a life-long process. From pre-school Head Start programs to improvements in primary and secondary education, we want to encourage accountability and results. Addressing the cost of higher education and providing incentives for Americans to enter the teaching profession are key aspects of our agenda as well.

An additional item on our list is to rein in out-of-control class action lawsuits, which prop up costs for consumers and harm the economy. This legislation would establish federal jurisdiction where the amount in controversy exceeds \$5 million and any member of the plaintiff class is a citizen of a different state than the defendant.

We must address problems in our health care system. This includes measures to make vaccines more readily accessible, improve public

health preparedness, and increase the availability of affordable health care coverage through association health plans and expanded health savings accounts.

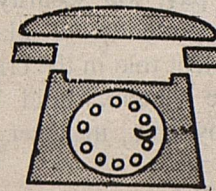
We want to promote families and protect children. The Child Custody Protection Act would strengthen state parental notification laws by making it a federal offense to

transport a minor across state lines to circumvent these statutes.

We have a lot to do in the 109<sup>th</sup> Congress. Together, we can get the job done, which is why my number one priority is always listening to my Texas constituents and representing their views in Washington.

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