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4-H Clothing Project



Sewing Project completed! Five Borden County 4-H members attended a Clothing after six years and went to project sponsored by the Borden County 4-H Club. Pictured L. to R. Kylie Voss, Gaul where he studied in the Molly McMeans, Mallory McMeans, Teryn Soto and Mattie Turner.

cipating in the 2007 4-H Holmes assisted the youth in Clothing Project and Sew learning about basic con-Days held in February and struction and embroidery.

20 and 22, March 1, 6 and 8. Youth met in the Home

The youth made denim patchwork pillows out of The clothing project and recycled blue jeans. They sew days were held February and learned about clothing care and selection, elements of design, fabrics, and basic Economics Department at clothing design. During the Borden County High School were able to embellish the

Five 4-H'ers enjoyed parti- sew days, volunteer Ollie patches with ribbon, buttons and embroidery. pillow was a special creation designed by the 4-H'ers. We would like to extend a special thank you to Borden County ISD for allowing us to use the Home Economics Department and machines, and to Ollie Holmes for her time, resources and expertise shared with the youth.

St. Patrick's Day

Did You Know???

The person who was to become St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland, was born in Wales about AD 385. His given name was Maewyn, and he almost didn't get the job of bishop of Ireland because he lacked the required scholarship.

Far from being a saint, until he was 16, he considered himself a pagan. At that age, he was sold into slavery by a group of Irish marauders that raided his village. During his captivity, he became closer to God.

He escaped from slavery under monastery Germaine, bishop of Auxerre for a period of twelve years. During his training he

became aware that his calling was to convert the pagans to Christianity.

His wishes were to return. to Ireland, to convert the native pagans to Christianity. But his superiors instead appointed St. Palladuis. But two years later, Palladuis transferred to Scotland. Patrick, having adopted that Christian name earlier, was then appointed as second bishop to Ireland.

Patrick quite successful at winning

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Spring Break

March 12th thra 16th Early dismissal

Friday 12:30

School Resumes Mon. March 19t -Watch our for Children Playing-



Lady Coyotes Scrimmage Post

By Coach Avery

The Borden County took 7 Coyote Softball members to Post last Tuesday, March 6th and scrimmage the Lady Lopes JV team. They let us borrow two girls from their varsity squad to fill out our team. We played for about an hour and a half and two innings were never completed. There was a lot of offense by both teams and a lot of points were scored. The Ladies are getting much better at this game and it was practices like this that we needed to get ready for District play which is right around the corner. We also were able to get three pitchers some valuable experience.

Christina Soto batted 1000 by getting on twice via base on balls and she hit a single, scoring twice. She was also the starting pitcher and played some third and first base.

Sara Harding batted 750 by hitting a single and a double in three at bats scoring twice.

She also played first base and pitched.

Dannelle Copeland scored twice as she hit a single and walked once and she played in left field.

Olivia Key scored twice on a double and a walk, she also country to Christianity. played second base.

Sharelle Gass scored once as she reached base on walk. She also played short stop.

Krystal Hobson scored once as she reached base on a single, she played third and

Marla Crenshaw hit into outs in both of her at bats and she was the starting catcher and also pitched for a

Sabrina and Brook were the two post girls that helped round out our team.

Our next softball game is a double header with Ralls on March 20th. We need to be ready to go in district play. There are 4 teams in our district and three will make the playoffs. The district teams are Ralls, New Deal and Seagraves.

St. Patrick's Day

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converts. And this fact upset the Celtic Druids. Patrick was arrested several times, but escaped each time. He traveled throughout Ireland, establishing monasteries across the country. He also set up schools and churches which would aid him in his conversion of the Irish

His mission in Ireland lasted for thirty years. After that time, Patrick retired to County Down. He died on March 17 in AD 461. That day has been commemorated as St. Patrick's Day ever

Irish folklore Much surrounds St. Patrick's Day. Not much of it is actually substantiated.

Some of this lore includes the belief that Patrick raised people from the dead. He also is said to have given a sermon from a hilltop that drove all the snakes form Ireland. Of course, no snakes were ever native to Ireland, and some people think this is a metaphor for the conversion of the pagans. Though originally a Catholic



holy day, St. Patrick's Day has evolved into more a secular holiday.

One traditional icon of the day is the shamrock. And this stems from a more bona fide Irish tale that tells how Patrick used the three-leafed shamrock to explain the Trinity. He used it in his sermons to represent how the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit could all exist as separate elements of the same entity. His followers adopted the custom of wearing a shamrock on his feast day.

The St. Patrick's Day custom came to America in 1737. That was the first year St. Patrick's Day was publicly celebrated in this country, in Boston.

the day with parades, wearing of the green and drinking beer. One reason St. Patrick's Day might have become so poplar is that it takes place just a few days before the first day of spring. One might say it has become the first green of spring.

Ira Michael Morton, Junior

Westbrook

Six-Man All Star Selection: Jacob Froman, Borden Co. Jarrod Fry, Sands

Alternates: Clay Mitchell, Grady Josh Pugh, Grady Garrett Nichols, Sands Ollie Wilburn, Highland Asa Rutherford, Borden Co. Tyler Martin, Highland

School Lunch Menu

March 19th, - 23rd. MONDAY - Breakfast: Toaster Pastry, Fruit Juice, and Milk. Lunch: Peanut butter & Jelly sandwich, Pork & Beans, Salad, Apricots and

TUESDAY - Breakfast: Oatmeal, Toast Fruit Juice, and Milk. Lunch: Beef Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Fresh Broccoli w/Ranch dressing, Jell-o and Milk.

WEDNESDAY - Breakfast: Waffles, Fruit juice and Milk. Lunch: Turkey Pot Pie, Tossed Salad, Fresh Fruit and

THURSDAY - Breakfast: Muffin, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Sausage Wrap, Ranch Style Beans, Potato Salad, Peaches, and Milk.

FRIDAY - Breakfast: Pancake Pup, Fruit Juice, and Milk. Lunch: Sub Sandwich, French Fries, Tossed Salad, Strawberry Shortcake and Milk.-

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2006-'07 All-District 12-A Division II Boys Basketball

Most Valuable Player: Jacob Froman, Senior Borden County

Newcomer of the Year: Rey Juarez, Freshman Ira

Offensive Player of the Year:

Matthew Tatum, Junior Borden County

Co-Defensive Player of the Year: Ollie Wilburn, Senior

Highland Tanner Lee, Senior Ira

All-District:

Corbin Clements, Senior

Tate Burleson, Junior Westbrook

Colton Nobles, Junior Westbrook

Jimmy Grissam, Senior Loraine

Zane Williamson, Senior Borden County

Derek Martinez, Junior Loraine

Asa Rutherford, Senior Borden County Rance Dunn, Sophomore

Jackson Richburg, Junior Highland Tyler Martin, Senior

Highland Gil Shafer, Junior Ira

Honorable Mention All-District:

Quentin Shafer, Junior Borden County Nick Eaton, Senior Hermleigh

Jake Alaniz, Junior Hermleigh Ismal Tavarez, Freshman.



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During the 4-H Sew Days, Ollie Holmes helped Kylie Voss learn that using the rotary cutter and mat was a little more difficult than cutting with scissors-especially through the thick



Mattie Turner learns about the wonders of Heat'n Bond while Kylie Voss and Teryn Soto wait for their turn to use the iron.



embroidered onto her denim patches.



Mollie is still smîling after hours of pulling threads to make the chenille fringe on her pillow!



Teryn Soto showed her talent for sewing during the sew days.



Kylie really enjoyed embellishing each of her denim patches.



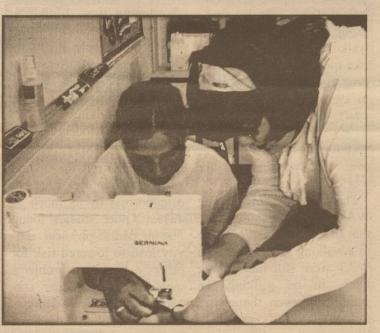
Mallory did a fabulous job designing her pillow patches.



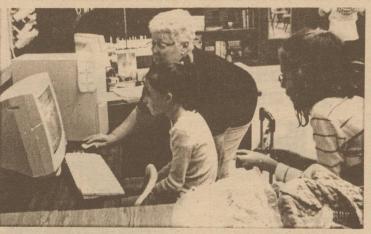
denim patches.



Ollie Holmes advises Mollie McMeans on using the sewing machine now that she has the patches pinned together.



Julie Smith helps Kylie Voss stitch the lace embellishment onto the patch pocket. It was a little tricky with the denim being so thick!



In the 21st Century, sewing even involves using the computer! Teryn Soto is getting a quick lesson from Ollie Holmes in Mattie learned a lot of patience Ollie Holmes helps Mollie and Mallory McMeans set up their setting up the Bernina Artista 180 to have her designs from sewing buttons onto her embroidery design that is transferred to the Bernina Artista 180 from the computer.

Heart & Home ...

By Julie Smith Borden County Extension Agent Family & Consumer Sciences



Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic lever race, color, sex, religion, disability, or national origin. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Court of Texas Cooperating

Walk Across Texas kicks off March 21

program Walk Across Texas Another study with 70,000 (WAT) by now. It was women, determined that created in 1997 by Texas those walking I hour a day Cooperative Extension to or performing moderate provide people with the activity such as housework necessary support to not only reduced their risk of start walking, but also find a developing type 2 diabetes group that can keep them by half. Another study walking even when they feel found that people at risk for like quitting. We began this developing heart disease due program in Borden County to atherosclerosis experiin 1999 and over the past 8 enced a significantly reduced years, those participating risk by walking for six have walked a total of months. Moderately to 15,000 miles! That is a little vigorously active women over half way around the reduced their risk for hip and

WAT: A recent study found 42%. Other studies found that the women participating that moderate physical actiin a walking group similar to vity lead to lowered risk for WAT were still much more other health problems likely to be walking ten including gall bladder suryears later even though no gery, breast cancer, depressfollow-up was provided. sion, and stroke. Additional Women in the walking group benefits include lower blood had less heart disease, pressure, lower "bad" chohospitalizations, surgeries, lesterol (LDL), higher and falls ten years later than "good" cholesterol (HDL),

Many of you recognize the women who did not walk. vertebral fractures due to The benefits of joining osteoporosis by as much as

lower stress levels, and improved immunity. Finally, people with diabetes find they can control their blood sugar much better when they walk regularly. Besides reporting feeling better, last year many participants reported an added benefit of spending more time with their family and friends when they walked together.

Whether you want to walk to improve your health or to spend more time with family and friends, here is your opportunity to get started by participating in Walk Across Texas. Call the Extension office at (806)756-4336 and sign your team up today, or you can register your team of 8 online at

http://walkacrosstexas.tamu.

We will begin logging miles Wednesday, March 21 and wrap up on Tuesday, May 15. We look forward to having a successful WAT program this Spring! For more information, please contact the Extension Office or visit us online at http://borden-tx.tamu.edu.



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Houston Stock Show Results

Borden County 4-H and HLW Chianina Gail FFA had several Shylo Rinehart - 14th place members showing their Limousin animal projects at the Others exhibiting steers were Houston Livestock Show Lacey Roberts. this past week. Swine Goats: projects will be exhibited Exhibiting their goat projects

Results of this stock show Chelsea Minnick. are as follows:

Steers:

Kalli Poole - 2nd place MW LHW Medium Wool Brahman and Reserve Breed Others exhibiting lambs Champion Shelby Roberts - 5th place Miles Valentine, 'Raylea Angus

Chelsea Minnick – 8th place Wallace.

were Lacey Newton and

Lambs:

Miller Valentine – 6th place

were: Merik Valentine, Underwood, and Kate

Shooting Sports News

Gail 4-H Trap Club met on Tarleton, President and Jana March 5, 2007 and discussed Underwood, Secretary. the upcoming activities and schedule.

Those present were Bill Tarleton, Dean, Tracy and Matthew Roberson, Ray Don and Jana Underwood and Julie Smith, County Extension Agent.

The club nominated Bill Underwood.

Practices will be on Monday and Thursday at 6:30 P.M. starting March 26, 2007.

If you are interested in participating in trap and skeet, please contact Julie Smith, Bill Tarleton, Dean Roberson or Ray Don

Upcoming 4-H Projects/Activities

County 4-H Fashion Show

Monday, March 26 at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room

District 4-H Fashion Show

Tuesday, April 10 in Lubbock

4-H Photography Project Visit the Extension Office

for details! Entries for District are DUE to the County Extension Office by Friday, March 23.

4-H Educational Presentation (formerly Method Demonstration) Practice 4-H Record Books

. Throughout the Spring! Visit the Extension Office for more information and assistance in developing your Educational Presentation and/or your record book!!

Spring Break . . .

Watch for Children Playing!







How to Control Weed Seed and Established Weeds at the Same Time!

a pre-emergent to your be applied. lawn to control broadleaf weeds such as henbit, dandelions, milkweed, and pre-emergent, a postclover and grassy-type emergent such as Fertiweeds such as crabgrass, lome WEED FREE ZONE wild rye and poa annua.

If weeds have already sprouted, a post-emergent will need to be applied also to rid the lawn of before watering the these existing weeds.

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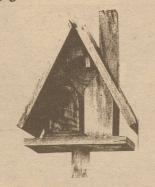
Now is the time to apply post-emergent will need to

After watering in the should be applied to the moist turf grass and allow the product to remain on the foliage for 2 days product in to finish killing The Greenhouse recom- the roots of deep-rooted perennial broadleaf weeds. These products are safe on all turf grasses.

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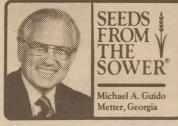
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Birds will sing your praises if you give them a clean place to live this spring. First, remove debris, old nesting materials, and dead insects form nest boxes and birdhouses. These can be breeding grounds for parasites that kill young birds. Also check for items new boxes examine them out for easy cleaning.



that could harm birds, such carefully for flaws. Before as exposed nails, slivers, purchasing, make sure the damaged roofs, and split top or one side of the posts. If you're providing birdhouse is hinged or lifts

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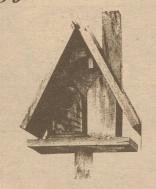
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March 2007

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 O'Donnell JH Track UTPB PowerPoint @ 12:06 TFA State Speech & Debate Meet	2 Softball @ Aspermont 5:00	3 O'Donnell HS Track Little Dribblers BC @ Grady 4-H "Sew Fun" Day 10:00 a.m3:00 p.m. @ Home Economics TFA State Speech & Debate Meet
4	5	6 SPECHEA Tennis Meet Baseball @ Roby (Double Header 1:30 Sands Golf Tourney @ Lamesa CC 9:00 a.m. Boys/Girls Softball @ Post JV 4:30 4-H Clothing Project 3:45-5:30 @ Home Economics	7	8 Grady JH Track 4-H Clothing Project 3:45 – 5:30 @ Home Economics	9 Grady HS Track 1:00 p.m. End of 3-week grading period	10
11	Houston Stock Show 12 UIL State CX Debate Tournament	Houston Stock Show 13 Baseball @ Rotan 4:00 UIL State CX Debate Tournament	Houston Stock Show 14	Houston Stock Show 15	Houston Stock Show 16 Baseball vs. Loraine (Double Header) @ WTC, Snyder 1:00	Houston Stock Show 17 Little Dribblers Dawson @ BC
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18	19	20 Progress Reports Mailed Dawson JH Track Softball @ Ralls (Double Header) 4:30	21 Loop Golf Tourney @ Seminole Gaines Co. 9:00 a.m. Boys/Girls O'Donnell Golf @ Tahoka CC 10:00 a.m. Boys only	22 District 9-A, Zone 1 HS One- Act Play @ BC	23 Jayton HS Track 4-H Photography Project Entries DUE to County Extension Office SPECHEA Tennis Meet	24 Baseball vs. Aspermont (Double Header) @ Moffett Field, Snyder 4:00 Softball vs. New Deal @ WTC 4:00 Little Dribblers Grady @ BC SPECHEA Tennis Meet
25	26 JH District Track @ Highland County 4-H Fashion Show 6:00 p.m. @ Community Room	27 Baseball @ Ira 4:00 Softball @ New Deal 5:00	28 Garden City Golf Tourney @ Stanton CC 9:30 a.m. Boys/Girls	29 District 9-A HS One-Act Play @ Bronte HS (pending qualification) CDE Judging TTU	30 HS District 9-A UIL Academic Meet @ Water Valley HS CDE Judging Canyon	31 Sterling City HS Track SPECHEA Tennis Meet Little Dribblers Klondike @ BC CDE Judging Clarendon

-- Randy's Roundup --

A Weekly Newsletter from Congressman Randy Neugebauer

my most recent trip to Iraq dollars are spent and develop where I made stops in Baghdad, Fallujah, and Ramadi. During my trip, my goal was to determine if the new strategy - the Baghdad Security Plan - is working. As I have done in the past, I will post my "Iraq Journal" on my website where constituents can read about who I met with and what I saw on my trip.

This was my third trip to the region since December of 2003, and each time I go to Iraq I see a country that is better than my previous trip. Our troops' efforts are making a difference. From security in neighborhoods to irrigation systems on farms, Iraq is slowly getting on its feet. To be sure, significant obstacles remain and setbacks will occur along the way, but I believe our troopscan successfully complete their mission.

Supporting a Taxpayer Bill of Rights

While serving in Congress, I have been part of the fiscally responsible Republican Study Committee (RSC), which is a group of members who put a high priority on spending taxpayer dollars wisely. The RSC has often stood up against irresponsible policies that expand government spending and create or continue wasteful federal programs. Each year, more and more taxpayer dollars get poured into these programs in a seemingly unending cycle of budget mad-

We at the RSC believe there is a better way. Therefore, this week the RSC will launch the "Taxpayer Bill of Rights." The goal of this initiative is solutions to current budget challenges. If successful, it protect taxpayers from overfuture Roundups.

2007 Academy Forums

This year's Academy U.S.

I have just returned from to reform how taxpayer Forums will take place on Saturday, March 31. These forums are open to all students, including those will lead to policies that help currently in middle school, who want to learn more spending, over-taxation, and about attending one of budget deficits. More details America's four military seron this initiative will be vice academies. Parents, unveiled in the days and counselors, and teachers are weeks ahead, and I will be also invited. Liaison officers sure to include them in from the Air Force Academy, U.S. Military Aca-Date and Locations Set for demy at West Point, U.S. Naval Academy, and the Merchant Marine

Academy will be present to 152) located at 717 E. answer any questions regarding the academies or the application process. Infor-Officer Training Corps pro-

Cisco Junior College (Room beginning at 2:00 p.m.

Industrial Blvd. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. The Lubbock forum will be held mation will also be available in the Science Education for university-level Reserved Center at the Science Spectrum located at 2579 South Loop 289. Regi-The day's first forum will stration will begin at 1:30 take place in Abilene at p.m. with the presentations

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Sticky Chewy Chocolate Pecan Rolls



(NAPS)-The 43rd Pillsbury Bake-Off® Contest is accepting entries. One hundred home cook will compete for a \$1,000,000 grand prize and more at the contest finals, which take place April 13 to 15, 2008, in Dallas. Entry deadline is April 22, 2007. For more contest details and to enter, go to bakeoff.yahoo.com.

This recipe, made with sweet cream butter and refrigerated crescent dinner rolls, earned Steve Grieger, El Cajon, Calif., a trip to 40th contest and fits the Breakfast & Brunches category.

Sticky Chewy Chocolate Pecan Rolls

¼ cup packed Domino® or C&H® Brown Sugar

- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon 4 cup LAND O LAKES®
- Butter, softened % cup Fisher® Chef's Naturals® Chopped Pecans
- 2 tablespoons Domino* or C&H° granulated sugar 1 can (8 oz.) Pillsbury
- refrigerated crescent dinner rolls

1 tablespoon LAND O LAKES® Butter, melted ½ cup milk chocolate chips

Heat oven to 375°F. In small bowl, combine brown sugar, 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon and softened butter. Spread mixture in bottom and up sides of 8 (2\%x1\%-inch) nonstick muffin cups. Sprinkle each cup with 1 tablespoon pecans.

In another small bowl, combine granulated sugar and remaining ½ teaspoon cinnamon; set aside. Unroll dough. Firmly press perforations to seal. Press to form 12x8-inch rectangle. Brush dough with melted butter. Sprinkle with sugar mixture and chocolate chips.

Starting with one short side, roll up tightly; pinch edge to seal. With serrated knife, cut into 8 (1-inch) slices. Place each slice, cut side down, over pecans in muffin cup.

Bake 15 to 20 minutes or until deep golden brown. Immediately turn rolls upside down onto serving platter. Cool 10 minutes. Serve warm. 8 rolls

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