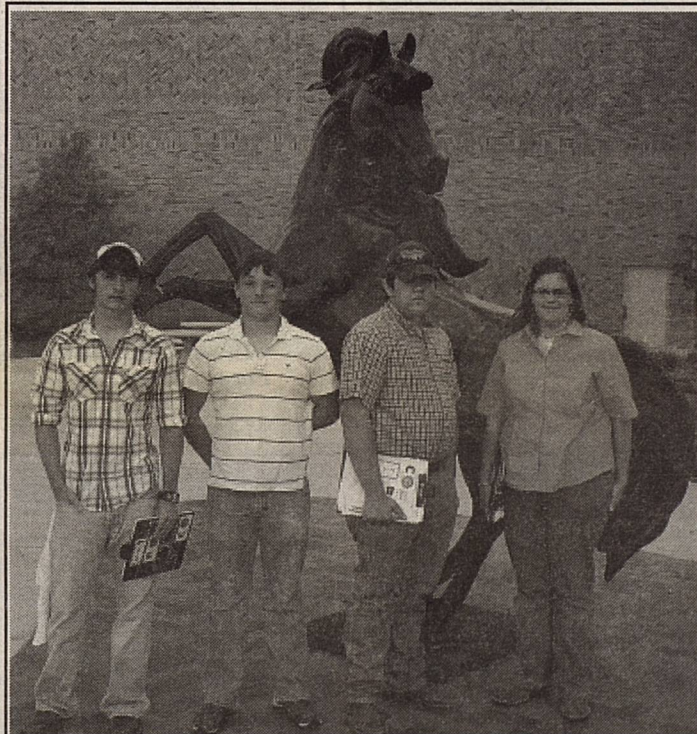


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Pictured are the Gail FFA Wool Judging team. Members are (left to right) Jake Cooley, Skyley Williamson, Jacie Eveland and Cory Teel

Gail FFA Wool Team Competes at State

Four members of the Gail FFA Chapter participated in the State Wool CDE Judging event this past Saturday. The contest, which was held at Texas Tech University, played host to 45 teams from all parts of Texas.

The Gail team did not place in top ten, but they represented their Chapter in style and should be commended for their efforts.

Team members were Cory Teel, Skyley Williamson, Jake Cooley, and Jacie Eveland.

Remember.....

There will be no school Friday, April 25th.
School will resume on Monday, April 28th.

3 Down, 10 To Go In Farm Bill Conference; Congress Approves 7-day Funding Extension

By Shawn Wade
Congress has approved a one week extension of the 2002 Farm Bill to maintain continuity in key nutrition and non-commodity support programs as they work to overcome the last few obstacles standing in the way of completing a new farm bill.

President Bush is expected to sign the extension, which extends funding authority for certain programs through April 25, based on a statement issued by the White House early Friday. White House agreement on the extension comes despite the fact that USDA officials clearly stated Thursday that they would advise the President not to sign an extension unless Congress could show "significant" progress on the new farm bill.

Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Tom Harkin, who is also heading up the farm bill Conference Committee, had countered the USDA assessment of no progress by noting that significant advances had been made on both financial and legislative aspects of the bill.

With only three of the thirteen total farm bill titles closed by conferees as of Thursday afternoon and, as yet, no final agreement on the financing

package, it is unclear what the President will ultimately do.

Within the conference the major issue holding up completion of the bill continues to be budget "pay-fors" needed to fund the new non-commodity title program additions.

The search for acceptable budget offsets has resulted in numerous meetings between House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Charlie Rangel and Senate Finance Committee Chairman Max Baucus that have yet to result in an announcement that a deal has been struck. While it appears these negotiations remain locked in a virtual stalemate, Senator Baucus and Senator Harkin have both indicated that progress is being made and a deal will be worked out.

The goal that Rep. Rangel and Senator Baucus are trying to reach is some \$10 billion in new money to support key farm bill investments and, whether or not to find offsets for all or part of an additional \$2.5 billion in controversial agriculture tax breaks proposed by the Senate. All together that means as much an additional \$12.5 billion in funding would be needed to fund everything that is cur-

rently considered to "in-play" by one side or the other.

So far House leaders have resisted the Senate tax provisions, but have stopped short of breaking off all discussion of the issue. The bipartisan effort by Senate leaders has kept the issue alive as they push hard to maintain the provisions

Heading up the Senate arguments for including the provisions is that they say that many of the tax changes have been either needed or promised for some time and the farm bill appears to be an appropriate vehicle for them to be addressed.

Second, and perhaps most important to Senate leaders, is the belief that many of the changes will in fact attract additional support for the farm bill in the Senate.

They contend this could be the difference between just getting the bill passed and or passing it by a veto-proof margin. House leaders have argued just the opposite saying that adding all of the tax provisions to the farm bill could actually cost the bill some support and make it more difficult to overcome a possible Bush veto.

Regardless of any late breaking news that might emerge before midnight April 18 a final farm bill agreement will not

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Softball Season Comes To A Close

By Sue Jane Mayes

Despite a strong first two innings, the Lady Coyotes dropped their final game of the season to New Deal, 20-2. With the win, New Deal advances to the playoffs as the runner-up team to Ralls, who finished with a perfect slate in district play.

Freshman Taylor Richey's double in the first inning started off BC action. She advanced to second on Sharelle Gass's fielder's choice and then stole third. Bailey Anderson drove in Taylor with her RBI single, giving the Coyotes a 1-0 early lead.

In the bottom half of the first, the Lady Coyotes held the Lady Lions to just two runs, both of those scoring on errors. The three outs recorded were a result of Sharelle's grounder scoop and throw to Taylor at first, Krystal Hobson throwing home to catcher D'Nae Johnson to pick off a runner going home, and Bailey's pop fly catch.

The offense continued to for BHS as P.J. Rutherford walked and then stole second. She advanced to third on Lacey Robert's grounder. Krista Tarleton hit a hot liner up the middle, but the New Deal shortstop made a great play to throw Krista out. However, P.J. alertly ran home for the Coyote score, making it a 2-2 game.

Pitcher Olivia Key once again continued her consistent work as she struck out two New Deal players in the bottom of the second. Fielding and throwing errors, however, cost BHS four runs in the second inning. Taylor recorded the third out by catching a fly ball. New Deal led after two, 6-2.

Taylor picked up her second hit of the game with a single in the top of the third. She and Bailey, who beat out a grounder for an infield hit, were both stranded on base as the Lady Coyotes were unable to bring the two around. Krystal had a sharp line drive that looked like it would do the job, but once again the New Deal defense made the play.

Olivia and Krystal

teamed up to pick off a New Deal runner who tried to stretch a double into a triple to begin the bottom of the third inning. The out gave the Lady Coyotes some temporary momentum, but New Deal took advantage once again of errors, scoring three times in the inning. Other recorded outs by Olivia and Bailey sat down the Lady Lions who held a 9-2 lead.

The fourth inning saw five BHS batters come to the plate. After two outs were recorded, Marla Crenshaw kept hope alive with a walk. Sharelle's single put two runners on base, but a ground force out ended the rally.

New Deal would score 11 times in the bottom of the fourth. Chasiti Rutherford and Shylo Rinehart entered the game to play outfield and did a good job of picking up the hits and going to their cut-off person to hold runners to singles. The Lady Lions just hit the ball, kept it in play, and scored earned runs off base hits. Two walks also scored runners. Taylor recorded one out with a pop fly catch and assisted on another as she took Krystal's throw from third. Sharelle and Krystal teamed up for the third out in the inning, with Sharelle throwing to Krystal who tagged the lead runner.

The Lady Coyotes's final at-bat went three up and three down as two strikeouts were recorded and one ground out.

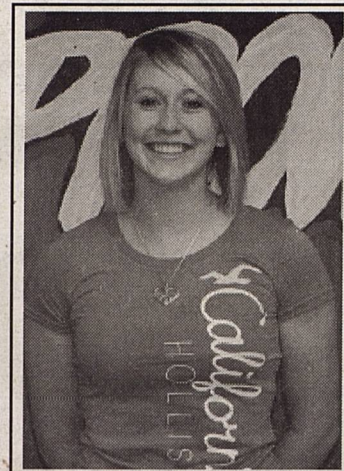
Borden County Softball



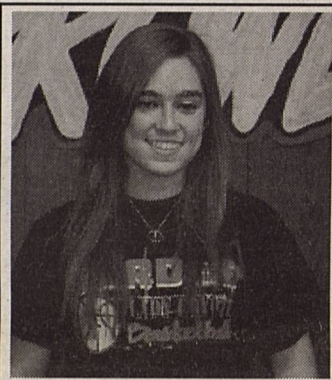
Sharelle Gass, Sr.
Shortstop



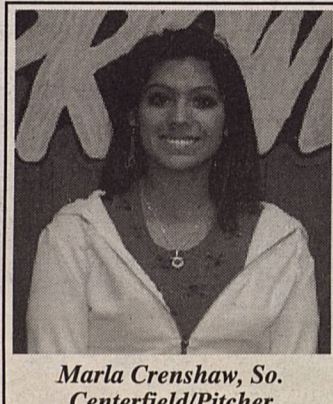
Krystal Hobson, Jr.
3rd Base



Olivia Key, So.
Pitcher/1st Base



D'Nae Johnson, So.
Catcher/Shortstop



Marla Crenshaw, So.
Centerfield/Pitcher



Lacey Roberts, So.
2nd Base



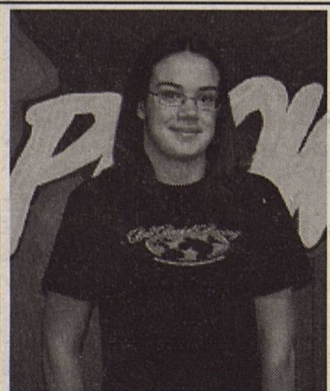
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Rightfield



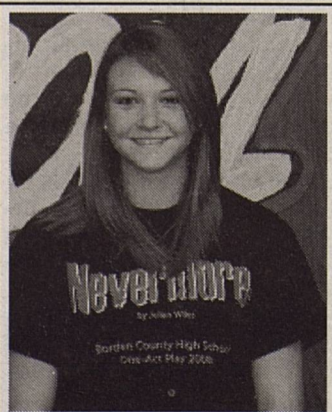
Shylo Rinehart, So.
Leftfield



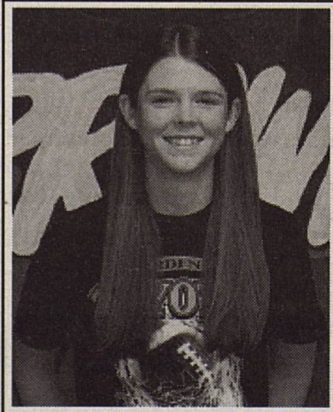
Taylor Richey, Fr.
1st Base/Pitcher



Annie Stribling, So.
Manager



Phyneshie Rutherford, Fr.
2nd Base



Bailey Anderson, Fr.
2nd Base/Shortstop



Krista Tarleton, Fr.
Centerfield

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Saturday Split May Lead to Historical Event for Borden County Baseball

By Coach Richey

After Beating the Hermleigh Cardinals on the 12th of April the Coyotes improved to 7 and 3 on the district baseball season and looked poised to make history as they would only need a split to all but sew up the first playoff appearance in school history.

The Coyotes behind a big day from Michael Cooley beat the Cardinals 17 to 6 as Quentin Shafer garnered his 9th victory of the season and the Coyotes had a school record 25 hits in the process. The Coyotes now would need only a split with the Aspermont Hornets to possibly make a dream that started 3 years ago become a reality.

Flynn Chapman took the hill for the first game of this double header and things did not start well for the sophomore right hander as the Hornets touched him up for 5 first inning runs and then followed that with 3 more in the top of the 2nd to take an early 8 to 1 lead.

The goal now became finish the game and make the Hornet pitcher pitch all 7 innings so that he could not pitch much in the 2nd game. That is what Flynn did as he limited the Hornets to only 3 runs the final 4 innings and 2 of those were unearned and Miles Valentine helped close the first game as he got 2 big outs to finish a threat that the Hornets had in the 7th.

The Coyotes were led by Miles at the plate as he was 3 of 4 with a double and 2 runs scored. Quentin Shafer also was 3 of 4 with 2 runs and an RBI, Karl Lamming was 1 of 3, Flynn was 1 of 4 with an RBI, Michael Cooley continued his hot streak as he was 2 of 3 with a run and an RBI, and Clay Harding was 1 of 4.

The Coyotes however found themselves on the short end of a 12 to 5 final and now it was up to senior right hander

Quentin Shafer to try to salvage a split and make history.

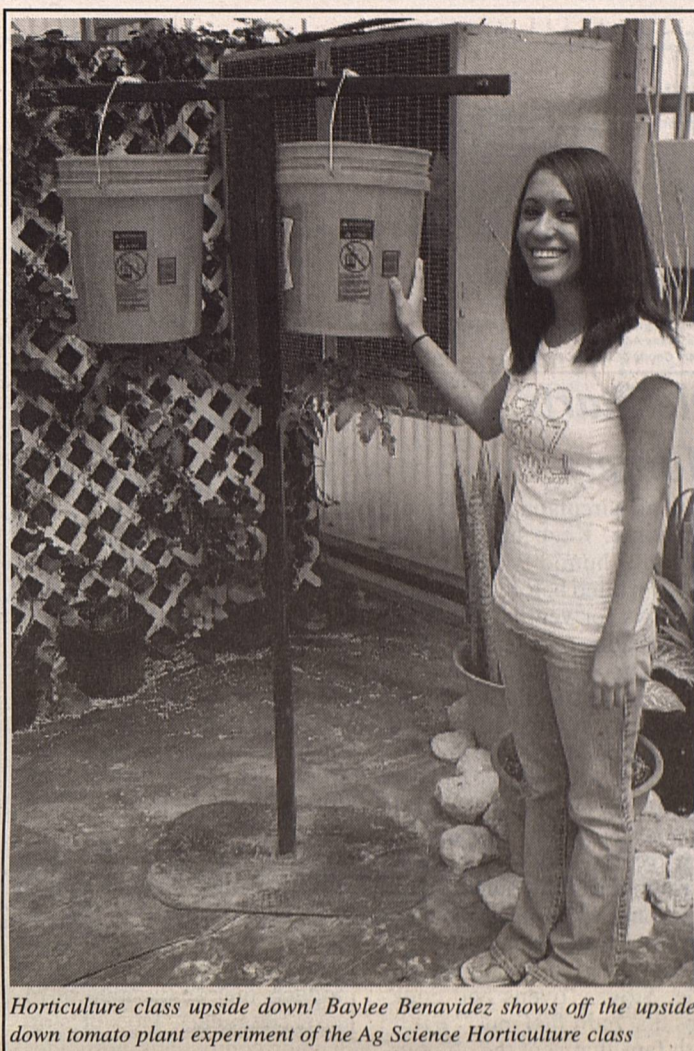
In the 2nd game, the Coyotes again found themselves behind early as the Hornets scored 2 unearned runs in the first inning to take a quick 2 to 0 lead, but the Coyotes battled back with 3 runs in the 2nd inning to gain their first lead of the day. The tough Hornets scored 3 of their own in the bottom of the 3rd to regain the lead but the scrappy Coyotes bounced back with 2 runs in the top of the 4th to tie the game.

In the top of the 5th inning the Coyotes exploded for 5 runs and looked poised to score more but looked poised to take complete control of the game as they built a 10 to 5 lead heading into the bottom of the 6th.

Quentin became the recipient of some tough luck as a few misplayed balls resulted in the Hornets scoring 3 runs to cut the lead to 10 to 8 and first game starter Flynn Chapman had to relieve Quentin to get out of the inning. The Coyotes could not score in their half and now it was down to 3 outs from making history.

Things started well in the 7th as the Coyotes got the first out, but a walk and then a deflected ball off of Flynn's glove resulted in a base hit. Then a misplayed slow roller loaded the bases with the Hornets best hitters up. The next hitter hit a bomb to center field that Michael Cooley tracked down and made a game saving catch but it resulted in a sacrifice fly and a 10 to 9 score with one of the best hitters in the district up. The Coyotes chose to walk him and load the bases with 2 outs and on a 1 and 1 pitch the Hornet batter popped up and Miller Valentine made a great catch with a very difficult wind to preserve the 10 to 9 victory and a possible slice of history.

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Horticulture class upside down! Baylee Benavidez shows off the upside down tomato plant experiment of the Ag Science Horticulture class

Gail FFA Greenhouse Plants for Sale

By Buddy Wallace

The Gail FFA chapter now has plants available for spring planting!

These plants are available in the greenhouse, which is located north of the Ag. Building on the Borden County campus.

Quality plants are a result of hard work by the Borden County Ag. Science Horticulture class.

Anyone wishing to purchase starter plants can contact Buddy Wallace at 806-756-4313 (School) or 806-756-4478 (Home).

Customers can also place orders with students of the Horticulture Class.

Students are:

Jacie Eveland, Tyrell Massingill, Clay Harding,

Carlos Hernandez, Jake Cooley, Corey Teel, Bailey Benavidez

All plants are suitable size for ground planting. The Gail FFA chapter welcomes everyone to come view the plants and tour their greenhouse!

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2. Various

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School Lunch Menu

April 28 - May 2, 2008

Monday - Breakfast: Pancakes, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Pigs in a blanket, Chips, Pinto Beans, Pineapple/Mandarin Orange Salad and Milk.

Tuesday - Breakfast: Biscuit & Gravy, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken Strips, Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Roll, Jell-o /Whipped topping and Milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast: Cinnamon Toast, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Mexican Casserole, Refried Beans, Salad, Spanish Rice, Orange Quarters and Milk.

Thursday - Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Grill Cheese, Chips, Tossed Salad, Sliced Apple /Peanut Butter, Cookie and Milk.

Friday - Breakfast: Muffin, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Hamburger, Letuce, Tomato & Pickles, French Fries, Cake w/ Frosting and Milk.

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Thought for the Day

If one waits to love only until he is certain of receiving equal love in return, he may wait forever.

Source: St. Louis Inspirational Christian Connection.

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Heart and Home ...

by Julie Smith
Borden County Extension Agent-Family and Consumer Sciences



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Healthful Lifestyle Starts With Clean Home

As with nutrition and lifestyle choices, the environment inside a home can affect a family's health. Many homes are full of hidden health dangers. Tracking down and correcting those dangers can be the difference between feeling well and not.

There are seven steps to maintaining a healthy home

Step 1: Control moisture. Water and excessive humidity support the growth of mold, insects, rodents and dust mites. Keeping a home dry helps control mold and pests, and discourages dust mites. The ways to do this include: keeping indoor humidity between 40 percent and 60 percent; using exhaust fans or a window to vent cooking or showering steam outdoors; venting clothes dryers to the outside; and increasing air flow in closets and behind furniture. In addition to the relative humidity, three important sources of moisture that require control are rainwater, groundwater and plumbing. Repair leaking roofs, doors or windows. Repair plumbing leaks in a timely manner. And make sure rainwater and lawn irrigation water flow away from the home's foundation.

Step 2: Keep it clean. A clean house is a healthier house. Controlling dust in the home is one way to start. Dust provides food for molds, insects, rodents and dust mites, and in older homes may also contain lead, which can harm children. Washable throw rugs at each outside entry can help eliminate dust and pollen that is tracked into the home on shoes. These rugs should be washed weekly. Clutter can catch dust and be difficult to clean, so eliminating clutter is also advised. Store your belongings in an enclosed area such as a chest, plastic box or even a cardboard box rather than in piles or stacks.

Step 3: Keep it ventilated. Ventilation provides a way to remove pollutants and to control humidity. Use exhaust fans to

keep air circulating throughout the home. Keep outside temperature, humidity and pollen levels in mind before using open windows for ventilation. When using heating or cooling systems that bring outside air into the house, make sure the equipment is properly filtered in order to keep the pollutants down.

Step 4: Keep it free of combustion by-products. Carbon monoxide, sulfur oxides, nitrogen oxides and soot have no place in a healthy home. Appliances and equipment – such as furnaces, water heaters and fireplaces – need to vent to the outside. Stoves, ovens and cooktops that burn fuel must be used with fans that vent the combustion by-products to the outside. Never use the kitchen stove or oven to heat your home because they release sulfur oxides and nitrogen oxides. Never warm up a car in an attached garage because of the carbon monoxide it

releases. Carbon monoxide is a colorless, odorless gas that can be deadly. Do, however, install a carbon monoxide alarm that will alert residents of dangerous levels of the gas, she said. If the alarm goes off, leave the house immediately, call 911 from a phone away from the house and "don't go back home until all problems have been fixed."

Step 5: Keep it pest free. Because insects and rodents can bring in disease and allergic reactions – not to mention the use of pesticides and other chemicals used to get rid of them – minimizing pests' presence in the home by lessening their reasons to come in. Keep food and water covered or stored; seal entry points where pests could get into the house; keep the windows screened; and use the least-toxic pesticides available. Make sure any pesticides that you have left over are either destroyed, shared with someone else or stored safely away from young children.

Step 6: Keep it free of chemicals. Although no environment will be completely free of chemicals, their impact can be lessened. Choose household products that don't smell or release chemicals. Do not store cleaning compounds, pesticides, oil- or alkyd-based paints and solvents inside the home, but do follow label instructions on disposing of them. Many municipalities operate household chemical disposal programs.

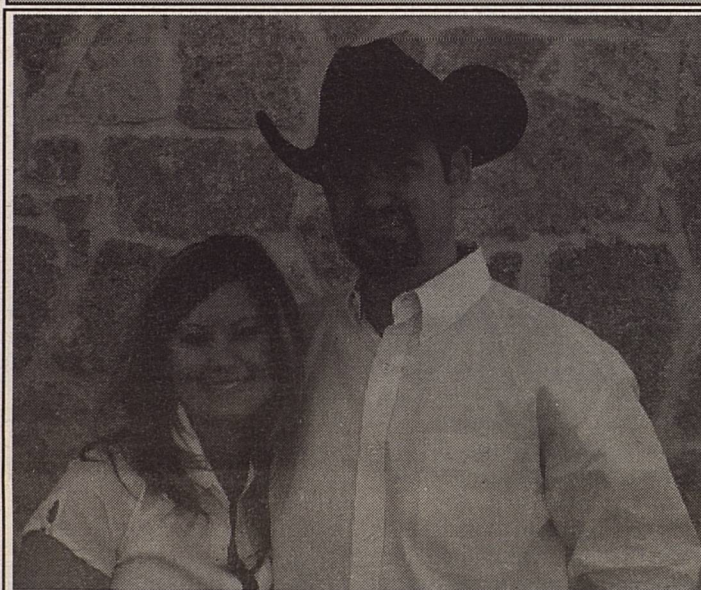
Step 7: Keep it comfortable.

In addition to the discomfort of a home that is too hot or too cold, keeping the thermostat set too high or too low can drive up energy bills. High humidity levels inside the home – 60 percent or more – can be moderated by the use of a dehumidifier or air conditioner, she said. If the home is below 20 percent humidity, you can increase the humidity through normal household activities like cooking, showering or laundry. A dehumidifier is not typically recommended because people tend to

over-humidify. You can monitor inside humidity levels with a hygrometer.

Try these seven steps and see if your family starts feeling the difference. It is up to you to make sure your home is a healthy home. For more information on this and other family and living topics, contact the Texas AgriLife Extension Service-Borden County Office at (806)756-4336 or visit Extension's Family and Consumer Sciences Web site at <http://fcs.tamu.edu/>.

Engagement Announced



Landry - Nowlain

Jibber and Cindy Herridge are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their son, Cody Nowlain to Emily Landry of Grapevine, Texas. The couple plan to wed on May 31, 2008, at Caprock Winery in Lubbock.

Cody is a 2002 graduate of Borden County. Emily is a 2002 graduate of Martin High School in Arlington and a 2007 graduate of Texas Tech University. The couple plan to reside in Grapevine.

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Borden County 4-H News




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4-H Meetings Date Has Changed to Tuesday, May 6th! Junui High and High School 4-H Meeting

The Borden County Junior High and High School 4-H will meet on Tuesday, May 6 from 12:20 to 1:05 p.m. Any youth 6th through 12th grade are invited to attend. We will have a guest speaker, elect officers for 2008-09 and this will be the last meeting for the school year. For more information contact the Extension office at (806)756-4336 or borden-tx@tamu.edu.

Cool Clovers 4-H Meeting

The Cool Clovers 4-H Club will meet on Tuesday, May 6 from 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. Refreshments will be provided. Any youth ages 9 (or currently enrolled in 3rd grade) through 5th grade are invited to attend. We will have a guest speaker, elect officers for 2008-09 and this will be the last meeting for the school year. For more information contact the Extension office at (806)756-4336 or borden-tx@tamu.edu.

Thank Heaven for Wonderful people like you

Dear Friends: We can't tell you how surprised we were to receive such an awesome gift in the mail. Your donations are helping to lessen the financial burden of medical expenses, equipment costs, and necessary home renovations. We are overwhelmed by your generosity and are fortunate to have so much support. We thank you for all the phone calls, e-mails, prayers, and donations, and are hoping to come to Gail soon to thank you in person. We are blessed.

*Love, John Paul, Deidre, Logan, & Breelay Harris
P.S. Most of you already know, but if not... we have set up a website*

<http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/johnpaulharris> to keep updated on things going on with us.



Agriculture News
by Cody G. Hill
Borden County Extension Agent -
Agriculture

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4-H & FFA Steer Validation

All across the State of Texas steer prospects are being selected by 4-H and FFA members for the 2008-2009 show season. During the month of June, these steers will be validated. Validation is a process in which the steers are tagged, tattooed, nose printed and hair samples are collected to show ownership and provide information in case a steer was lost or stolen. If you are planning on exhibiting steers during the 2009 Borden County Jr. Livestock Show or any of the major stock shows, you need to contact Borden County Extension Agent Cody G. Hill to order your tags. We must order these tags by April 18, 2008.

For more information on these project areas, contact Borden County Extension Agent Cody G. Hill at (806) 756-4336.

South Plains Livestock Judging Contest

Eight members of the Borden County 4-H Club recently participated at the South Plains Livestock Judging Contest held in Levelland on Friday, April 11. They placed 10th High Team Overall! These 4-H members competed against 45 teams from across the South Plains and West Texas Area. Those members on the team were Tanner Freeman, Matthew Ham, Hunter Jones, Flint Roberts, Lacey Roberts, Shelby Roberts, Sean Tucker, and Raylea Underwood. Congratulations!!

4-H Judging Team



4-H Livestock Judging members pictured above are (top row left to right) Lacey Roberts, Shelby Roberts, Raylea Underwood, (bottom row left to right) Flint Roberts, Sean Tucker, Matthew Ham, Tanner Freeman and Hunter Jones.

To the citizens of Borden County!

Thanks to everyone that helped fight the big grass fire we had on the 31st of March.

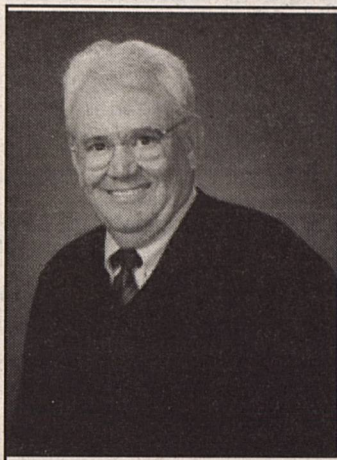
I have lived in Borden County over 50 years and find it to be the best in the state.

Thank you people again!

Joe M. Canon

Canon Ranch

Obituary



Wayne Cooley

1943 - 2008

Funeral services for A. Wayne Cooley, 64, of Delta, Colorado were held Thursday, April 17, 2008 at Taylor Funeral Service Chapel in Delta.

Mr. Cooley passed away at his home on April 12, 2008 after a valiant battle with melanoma cancer. Wayne was born on August 16, 1943, in Stamford, Texas, to Weldon and Stella Cooley. Wayne was the eldest of their five sons.

Wayne grew up on a cotton farm in West Texas. He was a graduate of Borden County High School, West Texas State University, and received an M.S. Degree from Texas Tech University. Wayne was an agronomist who specialized in weed control.

After graduate school Wayne worked for Rhodia Inc. as a research and development rep in the Pacific Northwest. Wayne's leadership abilities were quickly acknowledged and he moved to New Jersey as the Director of Field Research. Wayne was later assigned to an exchange position in France with Rhone Poulenc. When Wayne returned to New Jersey he took a position in Marketing and later returned to the Pacific Northwest in sales for Rhone Poulenc.

Wayne and his first wife Lorna had a son, Craig, born in 1974. Wayne married Lynne Bixler in 1979 and had two sons, Ben in 1980 and David in 1982.

Wayne and Lynne lived near Rainier, Oregon for twelve years. They started a seedling tree business, Cooley

Creek Tree Nursery and after Wayne retired from Rhone Poulenc they owned and operated Columbia River Chemical, Inc. until 1991, when they moved to Colorado. In 1992, Wayne accepted a position with Colorado State University Extension as an agronomist in Logan County.

The family moved to the Uncompahgre Valley in 1995 as Wayne continued with CSU Extension as the area agronomist. Wayne became Director of the Tri-River Area Extension program in 2000.

Wayne is survived by his wife, Lynne Bixler of Delta, CO; sons: Craig of Buffalo, New York, Ben of Sterling, CO and David of Grand Junction, CO. He is also survived by his father, Weldon Cooley of Snyder, Texas. Wayne's four brothers also survive him: Joe and wife, Pam of Gail, Texas, Tommy of Gail, Texas, Ted and wife, Dana of Snyder, Texas and Gene of Amarillo, Texas. Wayne was preceded in death by his mother, Stella Cooley.

A visitation for family and friends was held on Thursday from 1 to 2 p.m.. A private family burial service took place later at Riverside Cemetery in Hotchkiss, Colorado.

Memorial contributions may be made in Wayne's memory to the State 4-H Foundation, Attn: Gary Small, 131 Aylesworth Hall N.W. Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO 80523-4050.

Funeral services were under the direction of Taylor Funeral Service & Crematory.

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Pre-School Day

Pre-School day will be Thursday, April 24th. If your child will be 5 years on or before September 1, 2008, he/she is invited to visit the kindergarten class on this day. Please send a copy of your child's birth certificate, social security card, and immunization record.

This year, there will not be an early dismissal for the rest of the school in Pre-School Day. Pre-School students will attend school from 8:05 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. The school will provide lunch. If your child would like to ride the bus, please contact the bus driver in your area.

However, you will need to make arrangements to pick up your pre-school child at 12:30.

If you have any questions, please contact the school at 806-756-4313.



USDA Authorizes Emergency Use of CRP Acres for 100 Texas Counties

(Post, TX) - April 15, 2008
- In response to producers who lost forage acres or fencing as a result of recent wildfires, USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) today has extended the authorization of emergency use of Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acres in 100 Texas counties. *Eligible producers must request and receive FSA approval for emergency use of CRP acres by close of business May 9, 2008.*

Emergency use of land enrolled in CRP has been authorized for Andrews, Archer, Bailey, Brooks, Callahan, Coke, Comanche, Crane, Crockett, Dimmitt, Duval,

Edwards, Glasscock, Hidalgo, Howard, Jim Hogg, Kent, King, Knox, Kenedy, Kinney, LaSalle, Martin, Midland, Parker, Pecos, Real, Scurry, Starr, Sterling, Terrell, Val Verde, Willacy, Winkler, and Young Counties as well as 65 adjoining counties which includes Borden and Garza.

Livestock may be temporarily moved to land enrolled in CRP for no more than 60 days, as approved by the county office, on a case-by-case basis. No payment reduction applies to the authorized exception and no funds are other wise authorized for wa-

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Farm Bill Conference...

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be finished this week, hence the request by Congress for the one-week extension to allow the Conference Committee additional time to complete its work and reach a final agreement.

According to House Agriculture Committee Chairman Collin Peterson, April 25 extension would not be the last

one Congress will ask for. Peterson notes that once the conference committee completes its work an additional extension of one-two weeks would still be needed to give Congressional staff time to draw up final legislative text, get the farm bill passed through both the House and Senate, and get a final bill to the President.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., #15 SMITH ROAD, MIDLAND, TEXAS 79705, is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the **Spraberry** formation, **Jo-Mill Unit** Lease, Well Numbers **1441W, 3441, 2522H, 4422, 2644, 7215, 7232 and 7234**. The proposed injection well is located 15 miles SW of Gail in the **Jo-Mill (Spraberry)** Field, in **Borden County**. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from **7000-7600 ft.** For well #2522H—this is a horizontal wellbore and the interval will be 7000-7300'TVD

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Request for a public hearing from persons who can show that they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within 15 days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711-2967 - (512)463-6792.

COUNTY OF BORDEN)(
STATE OF TEXAS)(

LEGAL NOTICE

The Commissioners' Court of Borden County will receive bids on the following until 9:00 a.m., May 13, 2008.

- 1.. Fuel for 2008
 - a. unleaded
 - b. diesel
2. Propane for Courthouse, and Precinct #2 Barns

For specifications and information on the above, contact the office of the County Judge, Borden County Courthouse, 806/756-4391.

Bids should be submitted to the Office of the County Judge, P.O. Box 156, Borden County Courthouse, Gail, Texas 79738.

The right is reserved by the Borden County Commissioners' Court to accept or reject any and all bids.

BY ORDER OF THE BORDEN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Van L. York
County Judge
Borden County

Submit bids to: County Judge's Office
P.O. Box 156
Gail, Texas 79738

STATE OF TEXAS)(
COUNTY OF BORDEN)(

LEGAL NOTICE

Borden County Commissioners' Court will receive bids until 9:30 a.m., May 13, 2008 for the purchase of a new truck for use in the Borden County, Precinct 1. Bids will be opened and considered in the Borden County Commissioners' Courtroom in the County Courthouse. Specifications may be obtained at the office of the County Judge, 806/756-4391 or Commissioner, Monte Smith, 432/556-6503.

Borden County Commissioners' Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waiver all formalities.

BY ORDER OF THE BORDEN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Van L. Youk
County Judge
Borden County

STATE OF TEXAS)(
COUNTY OF BORDEN)(

LEGAL NOTICE

Borden County Commissioners' Court will receive bids until 9:30 a.m., May 13, 2008 for the purchase of a new tractor for use in the Borden County, Precinct 4. Bids will be opened and considered in the Borden County Commissioners' Courtroom in the County Courthouse. Specifications may be obtained at the office of the County Judge, 806/756-4391 or Commissioner, Joe Belew, 325/573-7718.

Borden County Commissioners' Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waiver all formalities.

BY ORDER OF THE BORDEN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Van L. York
County Judge
Borden County

Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit
Tumbleweed Smith

The Value of A Good Navigator

The first time we went to England on a driving trip, the parking lot at the rental car place near the airport was difficult to maneuver. It was the first time I had driven a car with the steering wheel on the right side, so that made the situation even tougher. I was more than a little apprehensive. My wife Susan calmed me down when she said, "Go left," like she lived there. I went left and got inline with traffic that seemed to be on the wrong side of the highway. Drivers of motorcycles and cars let me know with horns and dirty looks when I accidentally got into the passing lane. And I was going slower than most of the traffic. Susan guided me to our hotel and I was glad to get there. When I went to move the car after checking in, I climbed in on the left side and was momentarily shocked to find the steering wheel missing.

Susan does have an uncanny sense of direction. She has never in her life been lost. We were in Madrid, Spain one time taking a cab to a well-known restaurant. For some reason the cab driver took some wrong turns and ended up in a neighborhood with small streets. He was lost. Susan told him how to get to the restaurant even though she had never been to Madrid before. She not only has her directions down on highways or streets. She has them in stores, hotels, airports, castles and cathedrals. It is amazing how much time we save because of her excellent sense of direction. On cruises, it takes her about three minutes to get her bearings and find her way around the ship. With her ability to navigate we get to see and do more.

Once when we arrived at our hotel in Amsterdam we were looking over some literature and read about a carillon concert that was going to start in about twenty minutes. She got out the map, looked at it for about 60 seconds and said, "We can walk there." So we did. Get there on time.

When we had a family reunion in Las Vegas early this

year, she was able to get all of us to restaurants, stage presentations, light shows and other attractions with plenty of time to spare. Trips to and from the hotel were no problem for her at all, even though we used different types of transportation. Susan can read a subway or train schedule regardless of what language it's in. We not only save time; we also save money. She takes the time to read rates and time charts and make comparisons. If a bus and taxi from the airport to the hotel cost the same, we take a taxi.

She doesn't think any of this is anything special and it may not be to some people, but it sure is to me. When it's just me traveling by myself, I get along fine if I really concentrate on directions. If I'm not careful, I head east when I want to go west. When Susan is with me, I depend on her. We visit our son in Dallas often. She has come to know Dallas like she knows the back of her hand. When we visit our other son who recently moved to Oakland, California she gets around that city like a native. I'm lucky to have her as a traveling companion.



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Saturday Baseball...

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The Coyotes will be in if the Hornets lose 2 games in their remaining 4 and they play the #2 team in the state Hamlin in a double header.

The winning pitcher for the Coyotes was Quentin Shafer with a school record 10th victory for the winningest pitcher in school history. Flynn Chapman got the save for the Coyotes.

At the plate it was Miles going 1 of 5 with a run, Quentin was 4 of 4 with 2 runs and 3 RBI's, Karl was 1 of 2 with 2 runs, Flynn was 1 of 3 with a double 1 run and 3 RBI's, Miller was 1 of 4, Michael was 2 of 4 with 1 run and 1 RBI and a triple, Clay was 0 of 2 with 2 walks and a run, Tony Soto was 1 of 4 with a run, and Tyrell was 1 of 4 with a run.

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The first class series will be held:

Monday, April 7

Monday, April 14

Monday, April 21

Monday, April 28

Monday, May 5

from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at

Trailblazers Senior Center

(205 E. 10th Street) in Post.

NOTE: Classes in Gail will be held in July.

Classroom program of Texas AgrILIFE Extension Service is open to all people with type 2 diabetes. For an application, contact the Texas AgrILIFE Extension Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners/Councils of Texas Counties.

USDA....

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ter, feed, or other cost.

Authority is limited to live-stock producers who lost pasture or fences, due to wildfire. To take advantage of the emergency provisions, eligible producers may cross county boundaries from one approved emergency use county to another approved emergency use county.

The use of the CRP acreage is authorized for grazing only. CRP participants who wish to provide land to eligible producers must request approval to graze eligible acreage; obtain a modified conservation plan from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) to include grazing requirements.

For more information and eligibility requirements on USDA disaster assistance, contact the Garza-Borden County FSA at 806-495-2801.



M&M's Receive Award

M&M Kids (Mission Minded Kids) was chosen as the "Volunteer of the Year" by the residents of the Golden Plains Nursing Home in Post. The kids attended an informal banquet where they were recognized and presented a framed certificate and bags of candy. The group visits the nursing home the second

Wednesday of each month during the school year. They sing, visit, and play Bingo with the residents. Many of the kids have formed lasting relationships with some of the residents. The groups is always excited about the trip to Post, and the residents always eagerly await the arrival of the church bus.

Got News?

Mail it to:
P.O. Box 137
Gail, TX 79738
806/756-4313
ext. 275
email:
kdean@bcisd.net

Gail FFA Sponsors Clothes/Shoe Drive

The Gail FFA Chapter is once again sponsoring it's annual "Give the shirt off your back" clothing and shoe collection drive.

The public is welcome to participate!

Categories: Jr. High / High School Age Items

Items should be clean, folded and placed in a box or trash bag. (Shoes separate) Items can be brought by the Ag. Building or picked up by an FFA student right from your vehicle.

Final delivery date: Monday, April 28th.

All items to be delivered by Gail FFA to a needy area organization.

Gail FFA and Lone Wolf District ask you to help "Give the shirt off your back" or... out of your closet.... for a worthy cause.

PET HEALTH CLINIC

Tuesday, April 29, 2008
Dr. Bo Brock - Brock Vet Clinic
Lamesa, Texas

Borden County Show Barn 4:00 - 5:30 pm

Plains Community - Prec. #1 Barn 6:00 - 6:30 pm

Offering:

Rabies Vaccination
Parvo
Distemper/Parvo
Feline Distemper
Feline Leukemia
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LA NOTIFICACION DE PRE-KINDERGARTEN PARA EL AÑO ESCOLAR 2008-2009

La Escuela de Borden ofrecerá el programa del pre-kindergarten durante el año escolar 2008-2009. El programa será para los estudiantes elegibles que tienen cuatro años en o antes de 1 de septiembre, 2008. Los estudiantes pueden calificar por el programa resolviendo por lo menos uno de los requisitos siguientes:

1. Sea económicamente perjudicado
2. Este limitado experto inglés (LEP)
3. Sea destituido

Si usted conoce de un niño que califique por el programa, notifica a Bart McMeans, director, Borden County School, 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, 2008.

LA DENEGACIÓN

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

ESL PROGRAMA NOTIFICACION

La Escuela de Borden ofrecerá un programa de ESL para los estudiantes del LEP (Experto Inglés Limitado) durante el verano de 2008. El programa será programado por un mínimo de 120 horas y concluirá antes del 1 de agosto, 2008. El programa está diseñado para los estudiantes que entraran kindergarten o el primer grado en el otoño de 2008-2009. Los padres de niños elegibles serán responsables del transporte.

Si usted conoce de un niño que califique por el programa, notifica a Bart McMeans, director, Borden County School, 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, 2008.

LA DENEGACIÓN

La Escuela de Borden ofrecerá este programa solamente si diez (10) o más estudiantes califican.

PRE-KINDERGARTEN NOTIFICATION FOR THE 2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR

Borden County School will offer the pre-kindergarten program during the 2008-2009 school year. The program will be for eligible students who are four years of age on or before September 1, 2008. 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. Bart McMeans, Principal, Borden County School, 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, 2008.

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) students during the summer of 2008. The program will be scheduled for a minimum of 120 hours and will conclude prior to August 1, 2008. The program is designed for students who will enter Kindergarten or First Grade in the fall of 2008-2009. Parents of eligible children will be responsible for transportation.

If you know of a child who qualifies for the program, notify Mr. Bart McMeans, Principal, Borden County School, 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, 2008.

DISCLAIMER

Borden County Elementary School will offer this program only if ten or more students qualify.

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

26TH - VIVIAN HERNANDEZ
27TH - SHAWNA GASS
HADDEN HOLCOMB