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Gass No Stranger to Top After Running in State Twice, Now All-State Basketball Player

Courtesy of Lamesa Press Reporter
By Dwight Hines

By already getting the chance to run in both the UIL state track and then cross country championships all within the same calendar year, Borden County's Taylor Gass reached the pinnacle when it comes to the best those sports had to offer.

Now, she also has been recognized as one of the best in

still another game. Gass has been named to the Texas Six-Man Coaches Association's Class 1A All-State Girls Basketball Team.

"I'm a little surprised. There are a lot of good girls out there who are playing in this region, let alone the state," Gass said. "I'm extremely happy about being recognized like that—as

one of the top in the state.

"It also proves to me just how far our skills levels have come from our freshmen year to now. It's all very exciting."

Gass has started for Borden County's Coach Mike Skelton each of the past three seasons at Gail.

"She's pretty much meant everything to us out here," Skelton said.

"No. 1, she's been a great team leader. She's the one who we always counted on when things aren't going right on our team to help right the ship."

Borden County's newest all-stater is grateful first to God and then to the coaching as well as support she has received along the way.

"We're grateful to God for giving us the ability that he has, as well as our coaches who've pushed us every day," Gass said. "It's also helped having the support I have from all of our family and friends. It's all definitely been a blessing.

"I wouldn't be where I am today without all that."

Gass's numbers pretty much speak for themselves. She averaged an uncanny

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Dare to Live Without Limits

By Bryan Golden

There Are No Shortcuts

When someone is successful, they are more visible than when they were struggling along their path to attain their goals. Few people draw much attention while they are confronting challenges and overcoming numerous obstacles.

When a person has reached the top of the mountain and is standing on the summit, they are much more visible than when they were climbing up the side. We all desire success, however we define it.

However, very few of us relish the time and effort required to bring our dreams to reality. Our fantasy is to be instantly successful, living happily ever after, forever. Therefore, the possibility of any type of shortcut has a certain innate appeal.

The reality is that shortcuts typically don't produce the desired results. In fact, shortcuts invariably extend the journey towards success and may even derail it. Rewards come to those who are willing to expend the required energy.

Reaching your goals is like climbing a ladder. The only way to get to the top is to climb one rung at a time. A ladder with missing rungs is unsafe. In order to reach a summit, a mountain climber starts at the bottom and takes as many steps

as needed to arrive at the peak.

On your journey to success, there are certain steps you must go through. Any shortcut will attract what you don't want. Before becoming reality, a goal requires a specific mix of components.

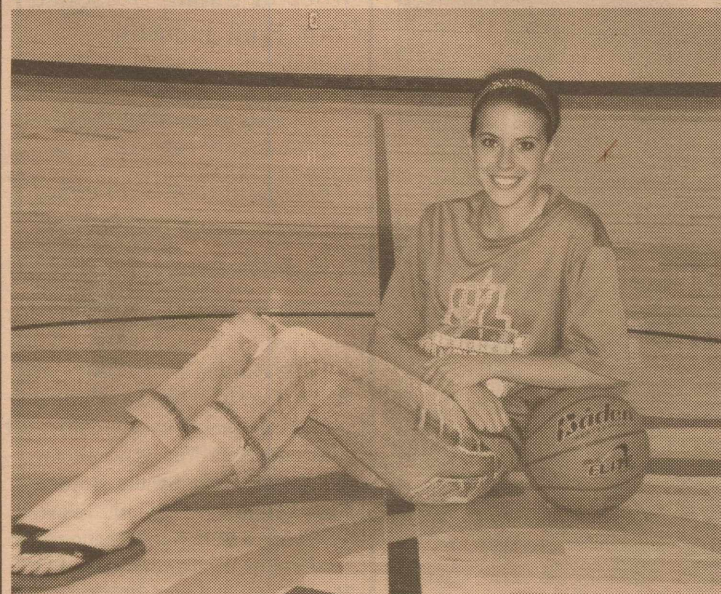
You must have enough desire. The higher the goal, the stronger the desire required. There is a big difference in results between someone who says, "I'd like to do that, it would be nice if it happens," and another person who exclaims, "I want that more than anything else, I'll do whatever it takes to make it happen."

A burning desire keeps you going in spite of setbacks, obstacles and challenges. Unless you want it bad enough, you are likely to give up when the going gets tough. Successful people have a laser like desire that keeps them focused on their destination.

Effort is also essential. Anything worthwhile takes effort. Being successful takes a lot of effort. Working hard while working smart is essential. Not only is the easy road not a route to success, the so-called easy road isn't that easy or rewarding.

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All-State Honors



Senior, Taylor Gass was named to the Texas Six-Man Coaches Association's Class 1A All-State Girls Basketball Team.

District 6-A Literary Championship Return to Borden High School

Last week's academic meet held in Meadow looked more like a track meet. And, as any good track coach will tell you, championships are often won with the points that few notice.

Borden High School rode the strength of some depth and some scoring in most every event to snatch the title from Ropesville, who won the 2013 title on the final day of competition.

The tables were turned this year when BHS's one-act play advanced to Area. This earned BHS 40 points (including individual cast honors) to Ropes's 38 points (they were the other winning play). The Coyotes took the overall literary title by three points.

The exciting finish capped off a busy week as students participated in Zone One-Act in Klondike on March 25 and the two-day literary meet in Meadow March 26-27.

The cast and crew of "A Girl Called Opal" will now prepare for Area, scheduled for April 12 at Lubbock Christian University. The top two plays will advance to regional at South Plains College May 3.

Students who placed in the top three of individual events will compete at South Plains on May 2 for a chance to go to State UIL in Austin. Team winners (Spelling and Social Studies) also qualified for regional.

The following students advanced to regional: **Senior Kassie Gaines** (2nd Place Informative Speaking); **Senior Taylor Gass** (3rd Place Prose); **Senior Mallory McMeans** (2nd Place Feature Writing, member of 1st Place Social Studies team); **Senior Mollie McMeans** (1st Place CX Debate, 1st Place Ready Writing, 1st Place Social Studies, member of 1st Place Social Studies team, 2nd Place Literary Criticism); **Senior Zach McMeans** (1st Place CX Debate, 1st Place Persuasive Speaking, 2nd Place Current Issues and Events, 3rd Place Social Studies, member of 1st Place Social Studies team); **Junior Bessie Rhodes** (member of 1st Place Spelling Team); **Sophomore Robert Jordan**

(2nd Place Poetry Interpretation); **Sophomore Tatum Richey** (member of 1st Place Spelling team); **Sophomore Nathan Souder** (1st Place Lincoln-Douglas Debate, top Biology student, 2nd Place Science); **Freshman Savannah Herridge** (member of 1st Place Spelling team); **Freshman Dylan Murphy** (member of 1st Place Social Studies team); **Freshman Jacob Phinizy** (member of 1st Place Spelling team).

The following contributed to the district championship by scoring points at the meet: **Senior Sydnie Day** (4th Place Math, member of 2nd Place Science team, member of 2nd place Math team); **Kassie** (5th Place Poetry Interpretation); **Senior Maeghan Herridge** (6th Place Calculator Applications, T-5th in Math, member of 2nd place Math team); **Mallory** (4th Place Current Issues and Events and member of 2nd Place Current Issues and Events team); **Mollie** (member of 2nd Place Literary Criticism team); **Zach** (member of 2nd Place Current Issues and Events team); **Senior Michael Taylor** (member of 2nd Place Literary Criticism team); **Junior Frank Banman** (member of 2nd Place Current Issues and Events team); **Junior McKenna Campbell** (member of 2nd Place Science team); **Junior Mason Coor** (4th Place Headline Writing); **Junior Nathan Ham** (5th Place Headline Writing); **Junior Bessie** (4th Place Spelling); **Junior Clair Shafer** (5th Place News Writing); **Junior Sean Tucker** (member of 2nd Place Current Issues and Events Team, member of 2nd Place Science team, member 2nd place Math team); **Junior Cayden Vaughn** (member of 2nd place Math team); **Sophomore Lexi Cheatham** (5th Place Prose); **Freshman Sophomore Kyrsten Rebeles** (member of 2nd Place Literary Criticism team); **Tatum** (6th Place Spelling); **Nathan** (member of 2nd Place Science team); **Jamyaleigh Gray** (member of 2nd Place Science team); **Freshman Hayley Gray** (6th

Place Science and member of 2nd Place Science team); **Freshman Sydnee Jordan** (5th Place Feature Writing); **Freshman Avery Price** (4th Place Poetry Interpretation).

Scoring points as cast and crew for "Opal" were **Maeghan** (Best Actress), **Mollie** and **Robert** (All-Star Cast), **Zach** and **Nathan** (Honorable Mention All-Star Cast), and **Kyrsten** (Honorable Mention Crew).

Students competing at the district meet were **Senior Laura Phinizy** (member of 3rd Place Calculator Applications team); **Tatum** (member of 3rd Place Calculator Applications

team); **Bessie** (Computer Applications); **Mallory** (Editorial Writing and News Writing); **Claire** (Editorial Writing); **Maddie Benavidez** (Feature Writing); **Hayley** (Editorial Writing); **Bessie** (Headline Writing); **Sean** (Math); **Junior Cayden Vaughn** (Math); **Sydnee** (News Writing); **Savannah** (Number Sense); **Freshman Kace Lott** (Number Sense); **Senior Kalyn Massingill** (Number Sense); **Freshman Jayton Lewis** (Persuasive Speaking); **Dylan** (Persuasive Speaking); **McKenna** (Ready Writing); **Sophomore Karly Etheredge** (Ready Writing).

High School Track Teams Take Title in the Dragon Relays

By Coach Richey

The Borden County boys and girls track teams although still missing some of their key athletes who were competing in FFA contests were able to outdistance the field in Welch

at the Dawson Dragon Relays. The Coyotes won the title in the boys division with 168 points while Sands managed 144 points. In the girls division

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The girls mile relay placed first at the Dawson Dragon Relays last Friday. Members of the team are (left to right) Kylee Dean, Taylor Gass, Sydnee Jordan and Tatum Richey.

School Lunch Menu

April 7-11, 2014

Menu subject to change

Monday - Breakfast: Oatmeal Round & Yogurt, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Beefy Queso & Chips, Refried Beans, Salad, Mandarin Oranges, Sherbet Cup (9-12 grade only) and Milk.

Tuesday - Breakfast: Chicken & Biscuit, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken Nuggets, Sald, Baby Carrots, Mixed Fruit, Breadstick, Cookie (9-12 grade only) and Milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast: Pancake Pup, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Corndog, Baked Beans, Tomato & Cucumber Cup, Pineapples and Milk.

Thursday-Breakfast: Sunrise Sandwich, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Burrito, Salad, Chips, Fruit and Milk.

Friday-Breakfast: Cinnamon Pasty, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Pizza, Broccoli Salad, Seasoned Corn, Fruit and Milk.

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Coyotes Lose on the Road to O'Donnell 10-6

By Coach Edwards

The Borden County Coyotes dug themselves an early hole giving up six runs in the first two innings against the O'Donnell Eagles. Despite a strong comeback late in the game, the Eagles prevailed and won the contest, 10-6.

Mason Coor reached base three times in the game for the Coyotes. He scored two runs and had one RBI. He doubled in the third inning and singled in the seventh inning.

A.J. Rivas got the win for the O'Donnell Eagles despite allowing six runs over seven innings. A.J. struck out 13, walked three and gave up six hits.

Coor took the loss for the Coyotes. He allowed six runs in 1 2/3 innings, walked four and struck out two.

The O'Donnell Eagles never trailed after scoring three runs in the first on two errors.

The O'Donnell Eagles

added three more runs in the bottom of the second. A passed ball scored Rivas to start the scoring in the inning.

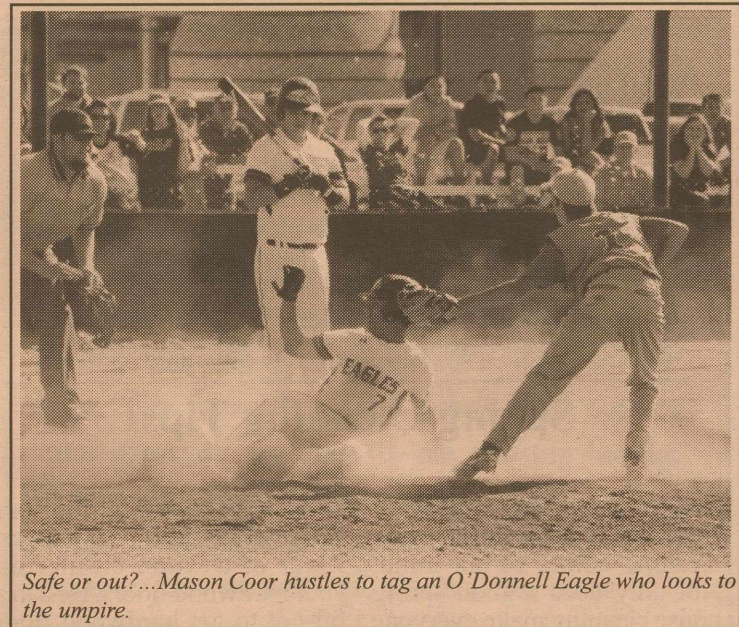
A two-run sixth inning helped bring Borden County within five. A two-run error triggered the Coyotes come-

back.

Borden County scored three runs in the top of the seventh to cut its deficit to three. An RBI double by Braxton Coor and a two-run double by Hunter Jones fueled Borden County's comeback.

Batting	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	K	Pitching	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR
Mason Coor	3	2	2	1	1	0	Hurrikane Richter	1.1	2	2	2	3	3	0
Hunter Jones	4	1	1	2	0	0	Mason Coor	1.2	1	6	2	4	2	0
Kurt Shafer	3	0	0	0	0	2	Hunter Jones	3.0	3	1	0	1	1	0
Kale Yarbro	1	0	0	0	0	1								
Kace Lott	3	0	0	0	0	1								
Hurrikane Richter	3	0	0	0	0	3								
Thomas Harrison	1	1	0	0	2	1								
Jordan Martinez	2	0	0	0	0	2								
Jayton Lewis	1	0	0	0	0	1								
Tristen Benavidez	3	1	1	0	0	1								
Corbin Sumners	1	0	0	0	0	1								
Braxton Coor	2	1	2	1	0	0								

2B: Braxton Coor, Mason Coor, Hunter Jones
SB: Tristen Benavidez, Mason Coor, Thomas Harrison 2



Safe or out?...Mason Coor hustles to tag an O'Donnell Eagle who looks to the umpire.

Dragon Relays...

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sion, it came down to the mile relay and the ladies with the foursome of Taylor Gass, Tatum Richey, Kylee Dean and Sydnee Jordan smoked the field to take home twenty points and came away with the narrowest margin of victory in the team standings finishing with 88 points which was one more point than area rival New Home who had 87 points. Medal winners for the meet on the boys side was Seniors Jordan Martinez and Matt Proulx. Jordan easily won both the 3200 meters and the 1600 meter runs in times of 12:02.34 and 5:18.47. Proulx finished second in the 400 with a time of 55.47 and ran a leg on the winning mile relay along with Korbin Martinez, Hunter Jones and Nathan Souder (filling in for Matt Ham) in a time of 3:48.4. Korbin Martinez also was a winner in the 800 with a time of 2:10.5 and the 300 hurdles with a time of 45.07. Hunter Jones won the high jump with a leap of 5'8", was second in long jump with a jump of 18'6 3/4" and ran a leg on the runner-up 400 meter relay in a time of 46.99 and the winning 800 relay with a time of 1:39.9. Nathan Souder ran on all three relays, teaming up with Corbin Sumners and Tristen Benavidez in the 400 relay, while Sumners, souder and Jones were joined by Jayton Lewis in the winning 800 relay. Sumners and Lewis also competed in the 200 where Corbin ran a 24.08 to win the silver medal and Lewis ran a 25.02 to finish 5th. Other

medalists on the day were the pole vault duo of Robert Jordan and Riley Herridge who finished 1-2 on a tough windy day going 9'6" and 9'0" respectively. Diego Bernal was the final medalist as he put the shot 37'6 3/4" to finish a close second in the event.

On the girls side, medalist aside of the mile relay were Taylor Gass who continued her dominance in the 800 and the 1600 meter runs, winning both with times of 2:37.2 in the 800 and 6:14.1. Tatum Richey was the other medal winner winning the triple jump with a leap of 29'4", and then finished 2nd in the long jump with a leap of 14'8". She also won both of the hurdle races winning them both by narrow margins, winning the 100 hurdles in a time of 17.90 and then ran a season best time of 54.91 in the 300 hurdles.

Below are the participants, events and results.

Boys Division
 Jordan Martinez: 3200 M Run-12:02.4-1st; 1600 M Run-5:18.2-1st.

Matt Proulx: 400 M Run-55.41-2nd; 1600 M Relay-3:48.4-1st.

Tristan Benavidez: 400 M Relay-46.99-2nd; 100 M Dash-12.43.

Riley Herridge: Pole Vault-9'0"-1st; 100 M Dash-12.47.

Korbin Martinez: High Jump-5'0"-6th; 800 M Run-2:10.2-1st; 300 M Hurdles-45.02-1st; 1600 M Relay-3:48.4-1st.

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Bulldogs Rally to Gain 12-4 Win Against the Coyotes

By Coach Edwards

The Borden County Coyotes out hit the Tahoka Bulldogs, but they didn't out slug Dominique Herrera for the Bulldogs. Tahoka defeated the Coyotes 12-4 in district 3-A play.

In three consecutive trips to the plate, Herrera had bases loaded with two outs. He answered all three times with a double, two triples, and nine RBI's.

Kurt Shafer went 2-3 at the plate including a triple.

Isaiah Arce got the win for the Tahoka Bulldogs. He allowed four runs over seven innings. Arce struck out 10, walked none and gave up nine hits.

Kace Lott ended up on the wrong side of the pitching decision, charged with the loss. He allowed six runs in 3 2/3 innings, walked six and struck out two.

Borden County jumped out

to an early 2-0 lead in the top of the second. The Coyotes added more runs when Tristen

Benavidez scored on an error. Borden County got one-run (Continued to Pg. 8)



Borden County Coyote, Kale Yarbro waits for a strike against a Tahoka batter in last weeks' game against the Bulldogs.

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Spring Cleaning Tips

Spring is here. This is the time of year spring house cleaning comes to our mind. Not only does a good spring house cleaning make everyone feel good, it is a time to get rid of all the dust and dirt that can affect those suffering from allergies.

To do a whole house spring cleaning, plan to do a thorough cleaning in every room. Cleaning household surfaces, washing the bedding, dusting and vacuuming can reduce allergy symptoms and will make your house sparkle, too.

Start cleaning in the bedrooms. Launder all washable bedding, including mattress cover, pillows, bed skirts, blankets, and comforters. Flip your mattresses and vacuum them. Dust mites can be hiding anywhere.

Dusting is the next step. Use a clean, soft cloth sprayed with a dusting product. Dust all woodwork, furniture, shelves, light fixtures, etc.

Next vacuum everywhere. Vacuum under the beds, chairs, couches, tables, behind dressers, shelves, refrigerator, and any other hidden areas. Remove cushions on furniture and clean thoroughly. Be sure to do the crevices of upholstery and lamp shades. Vacuum walls or wipe them down with a cloth. Remember to give the carpets a good vacuuming. Vacuum carpets frequently and use a carpet cleaner to remove stains.

To clean the bathroom, use an all-purpose cleaner and clean the walls, tub, shower, fixtures and towel racks. If necessary, use a mildew remover on the tub and shower walls and a calcium and lime scale remover to remove those hard water mineral deposits.

Wash all floors — for vinyl and ceramic tile floors use a non-abrasive, all-purpose cleaner or floor cleaner. For really deep cleaning, you may

have to scrub the floors on your hands and knees. Use clean water or a wood cleaner on your hardwood floors. Be careful not to get hardwood floor too wet.

Clean windows, draperies, blinds and screens. Wash windows and screens. Use a glass cleaner or glass and multi-surface cleaner for windows. While screens let in fresh air, they also collect a lot of dust and dirt. Vacuum the screens to remove dust and other particles stuck to the screen. Hose down or gently scrub them with a brush dipped in a solution of all-purpose cleaner and water.

Don't forget the closets and other storage areas. Take out your winter clothes and decide which ones need to be washed or dry cleaned before storing them. Any clothes with food or perspiration stains, even if you can't see them may attract unwanted pests. Consider donating to charity anything you didn't use this past year. Vacuum under shoes and other items stored on the floor.

Take a trip back through the home you have cleaned. It will be refreshed and you can feel a great sense of accomplishment. Continue to do weekly and monthly cleaning and maintenance to keep your home in top shape all year long.

Source: University of Nebraska-Lincoln in Lancaster County

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Dare to Live...

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Successful people never take the path of least resistance. They are more noticeable once they have attained their dreams than when they were trudging up the mountain. There may be envy of success, but never of the hard work.

Success also takes time. Exactly how much time is needed is never known. Subsequently, many people give up when they are right around the corner from succeeding. Since you don't know how long your path is, you never know how close you are to your destination, and therefore you should never give up, believing you have failed.

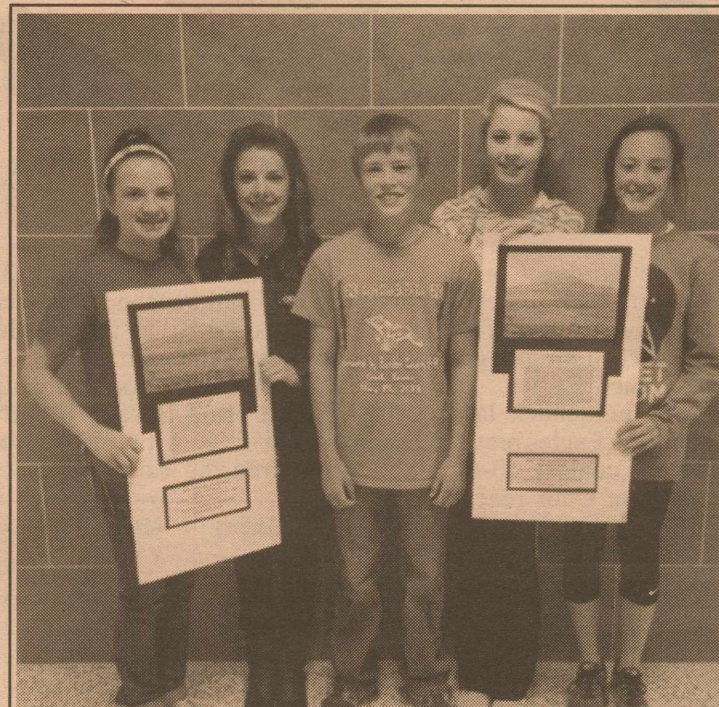
Shortcuts are appealing because they offer the illusion of success without effort. Again, there is no such thing. Shortcuts are in reality, pitfalls. Common shortcuts are cheating, stealing, deception, profiting while causing harm, unethical behavior, taking advantage of others, and illegal activities.

All of the above shortcuts will attract negative, rather than positive outcomes. There may be some very short-term gains, but the long-term journey of those choosing this path will be filled with undesirable consequences.

Don't look for shortcuts and don't take them if offered. Shortcuts have never worked for others, and they won't work for you. You will achieve your dreams if you are willing to take the journey. Once you reach your goal, you will be glad you avoided shortcuts.

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Borden County 7th grade class officers are (left to right): Katie Gray, Emme Key, J.W. Nix, Myka Blizzard and Madison Cole.

Borden County Students to Participate in Penny Fundraiser for Historical Marker for Mushaway Peak

Beginning Monday, March 31 through Friday, April 18, Borden County students will have a chance to get involved in some local history.

The Borden County Historical Commission will be overseeing the purchase of a historical marker to recognize the state (and even national significance) of Mushaway Peak. This landmark was used not only by many Native American tribes but also military expeditions, buffalo hunters, and surveyors. In 1849, then Lt. Robert E. Lee of the United States 2nd Cavalry scouted the region.

Efforts were begun in the late 1960s to secure a historical marker for the landmark but were never completed.

Borden County students are challenged to match the donation made by Matt Sherman so that this marker can finally be placed to show Mushaway Peak's important history to this region and to the state.

Seventh Grade Texas History students will visit classes this week to present specifics on the fundraising drive. The class who raises the most money will receive a prize to be determined.

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Lower Rolling Plains Ag Conference

The Lower Rolling Plains Ag Conference will be held at the Scurry Coliseum at 900 E. Coliseum Drive in Snyder, Texas on April 9, 2014 from 8:30 to 4:30 pm. It is sponsored by WTC. Attendees will earn 6 CEUs (4 general, 1 IPM and 1 Laws & Regs). Capital Farm Credit will be this year's break sponsor.

Agenda

Lower Rolling Plains Age Conference
April 9, 2014

8:30-9:00 am-Registration
9:00-9:30 am-Farm Bill-Fr. Jackie Smith
9:30-10:00 am-Commodity Economics-Dr. Mark Welch
10:00-10:50 am-Laws and Regulations-Mr. Casey Summers

Break & Booth visitation
11:00-11:50-Disease Mgmt. Under Drought conditions-Jason Woodward

11:50-1:00 pm-Lunch Concurrent Sessions

Session A
1:00-1:50-Weed Mgmt Strategies for 2014-Dr. Pete Dotray

1:50-2:40-Deep Sampling of Nitrogen & Cotton Variety, Trial Results with new Herbicide Technologies-Dr. Mark Kelley.

2:40-2:45 pm-Break
2:45-3:15 pm-Sesame Production-Dr. Calvin Trostle

3:15-4:05-IPM Program Update-Dr. Charles Allen

4:15-4:30 pm-Distribute CEU Certificates
Session B

12:40-1:30 pm-Noxious Weed Control During Drought-Dr. Morgan Russell

1:30-2:00 pm-Texas Quail Index Update-Dr. Dale Rollins

2:00-2:50 pm-Weed & Brush Control in Range & Pastures-Gerald Hobson

2:50-3:00 pm-Break
3:00-3:30 pm-Forage Quality & Forage Inventory-Dr. Morgan Russell

3:30-4:00 pm-External Parasite Management-Dr. Charles Church

4:15-4:30 pm-Distribute CEU Certificates

For individuals needing a TDA pesticide applicator's license a separate room will be setup for training and testing. Registration at 8:30 am, training from 9:00 am to noon, and testing begins at 1:00 pm. For this training RSVP by April 7. Call 93250573-5423.

Speakers

Dr. Mark Kelley, Extension Agronomist, Cotton, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, Lubbock

Dr. Charles Church-DVM-Snyder

Dr. Pete Dotray, Weed Specialist, Texas A&M-AgriLife Extension Service, Lubbock

Mr. Casey Summers, TDA, Field Inspector

Mr. Gerald Hobson, DuPont, Peaster, TX

Dr. Jason Woodward, Extension Plant Pathologist-Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, Lubbock

Dr. Jackie Smith, Extension Economist, Texas-A&M AgriLife Extension Service, Lubbock

Dr. Dale Rollins, Extension Specialist II, Wildlife Management, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, San Angelo.

Dr. Calvin Trostle, Extension Specialist, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, Lubbock

Dr. Morgan Russell, Assistant Professor & Ecosystem Science Management, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, Range Specialist, San Angelo

Dr. Charles Allen, Professor & Extension Service, San Angelo

Dr. Mark Welch, Extension Specialist, Assistant Professor Grain Marketing, TAMU

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to preregister.

Please call (325)573-5423 to RSVP, this will assist us in making as accurate head count for the meal.

Lunch will be provided by Skeets

We will seek to provide reasonable accommodations for all person with disabilities for this meeting. We request you contact, Greg Gruben at (325)573-5423 as soon as possible to advise of the auxiliary aid or service required.

The Lower Rolling Plains Agricultural Conference is coordinated by: Mr. Robert Ferguson, CEA-ANR; Mr. Greg Gruen, CEA-ANR;

Mr. Cody Hill, CEA-ANR; Mr. Greg Jones, CEA-ANR; Mr. Bryan Reynolds, CEA-ANR and Mr Zach Wilcox, CEA-ANR.

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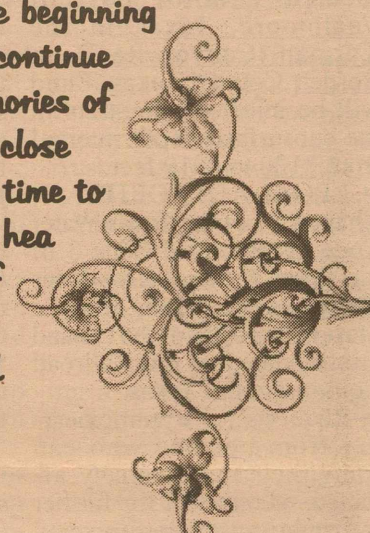
Thank You

"I would like to take the opportunity to thank our friends and neighbors in Borden County and surrounding West Texas communities for your love, support and business we have enjoyed over the last 28 years at the Coyote Country Store. The friendships and bonds built over so many years are precious to me and my family. Closing the doors to the Coyote Store has brought a close to a chapter of my life.

However, just as with all stories, the close of one chapter brings the beginning of a new one. I will continue to hold treasured memories of good times we've had close to my heart as I take time to focus on my personal health and taking care of myself.

God bless you all and thank you again.

Bertie"



Pre-School Day

Pre-School Day will be Friday, April 18th. If your child will be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2014, he/she is invited to visit the kindergarten class on this day.

After you have taken your child to the kindergarten class, please go to the library to complete your child's registration packet. Please bring a copy of your child's birth certificate, social security card, and immunization record.

WE WILL BE HAVING AN EARLY DISMISSAL AT 12:30 ON PRE-SCHOOL DAY.

Pre-School students will attend school from 8:05-12:30. The school will provide lunch. If your child would like to ride the bus, please contact the bus driver in your area.

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

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Tall City Operating LLC, PO Box 10729, Midland, TX 79702 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid in the San Andres/Canyon formations, Rogers Well Number 1. The proposed disposal well is located 7 miles East of Vealmoore, Texas in the Korman (Canyon Reef), in Borden County, Texas. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 3120 to 8010 feet.

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

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

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR (COMMERCIAL) FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

O'Benco, Inc., P.O. Box 6149, Shreveport, Louisiana 71136-6149 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of Oil & Gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Wolfcamp formation, Gaylan Jane Collier 519 Lease, Well Number 1D. The proposed injection well is located 3 miles E of Fluvanna, Texas in the N. Myrtle (Wolfcamp) field, located in Borden County, Texas. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 5,948 feet to 6,066 feet.

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

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CALENDER FOR REPUBLICAN PRIMARY RUNOFF ELECTION

MAY 27, 2014

March 28	First day to submit application for early voting by mail
April 28	Last day to register to vote for Primary Runoff Election
May 16	Last day to receive application by mail
May 19	First day to vote early by personal appearance
May 23	Last day to vote early by personal appearance
May 27	Runoff Primary Election Day

MUST HAVE PHOTO ID

Early voting will be in the County Clerk's Office in the Borden County Courthouse.

There will be no Democratic Primary Runoff Election.

All precincts have been consolidated into one.

Election will be held in Court House in the District Court Room.

Contact Joyce Herridge, County Clerk or Shirley Bennett, Republican Chair if you have any questions.

TxDOT Reminds Drivers to Be Safe Drive Smart or Face Serious Consequences When Driving Through Work Zones

Motorists comprise majority of work zone fatalities due to speed, distraction

AUSTIN — With 84 percent of 2013 work zone fatalities being motorists rather than workers, the Texas Department of Transportation today kicks off its *Be Safe. Drive Smart.* campaign as part of National Work Zone Awareness Week, April 7-11. The campaign reminds drivers to slow down, stay alert and obey traffic signs to protect themselves and roadside workers.

"We do everything in our power to make work zones as safe as possible, but ultimately each driver must be responsible for his or her safety and the safety of others," said John Barton, TxDOT deputy executive director. "If you don't give work zones your undivided attention, you could face increased fines and potential injury or death."

In Texas, there can be more than 2,500 active TxDOT work zones at any given time. Last year, 17,266 work zone crashes resulted in 3,522 serious injuries and 115 fatalities. As roadway maintenance and construction efforts continue to address a state population that grows by about 1,000 people per day, drivers should expect to encounter a work zone at any time.

In many work zones, posted signs warn drivers that traffic

fines can increase if they disobey posted speed limits and other warning signs. Since 1938, TxDOT has lost 103 employees to a third-party vehicle crash on or near a roadway.

Outside of TxDOT work zones, drivers also are reminded to move over or slow down when approaching work crews, vehicles and other equipment performing maintenance and clean-up along road-

ways. Failure to do so can result in a fine up to \$2,000.

During National Work Zone Awareness Week, TxDOT's permanent dynamic message signs along state highways and roadways will remind drivers to use caution, be safe and drive smart in work zones.

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Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit
Tumbleweed Smith

This Motel is a Real Winner

I traveled to Kingsville to do some filming and interviewing on King Ranch. Tom Arcand was with me doing the video work. We arrived in Kingsville around 8 PM and checked into the first decent motel we found. It was a recognized upscale national chain; in fact it had been voted the best motel of the year within the chain. We asked for 2 rooms. The clerk said she had two rooms, but they were not next door to each other. She told me I was in room 238 and Tom was in room 223. She handed me a sheet of paper with details about the rate, etc and asked me to initial it and sign it, which I did without taking much notice of it. She then handed me the little envelope with a plastic key card and a voucher for breakfast.

When Tom finished with his check in, we got our luggage and equipment and went to our rooms. At least Tom did. I was loaded up with all my luggage and recording equipment, which I hauled up two flights of stairs. When I got to room 238, I sat down my heavy luggage and equipment and was looking forward to stretching out and getting comfortable. It had been a busy day and I was tired. The key wouldn't work. I must have shoved that card in that lock 25 times. I noticed a light was on inside the room. I loaded up all my stuff; trugged down two flights of stairs with it, put it in the car, then hiked the 200 yards to the office. She gave me another key.

I dragged myself back across the parking lot, up the stairs (this time without my stuff. I left it in the car) and tried to open the door to 238 with that card. It wouldn't work. Back to the office. I told

the girl behind the counter I thought maybe someone was in that room, since the light was on. She called it and sure enough, it was occupied. I asked for another room. She said she could put me in room 117. Just about that time a woman came through the door and said she couldn't get her key to work in room 117. Wow. Now it was getting interesting. The girl behind the counter called the maintenance person, who was gone somewhere. She called someone else and that person was gone also.

I remembered the piece of paper she had given me earlier. I got it out. It indicated I had been assigned to room 222, next to Tom. She gave me the key to 222 and it worked. I got my stuff and was all set for a relaxing evening. I called my wife by cell phone because the phone hadn't been activated yet. I tried calling the front desk, but got no answer. I turned off the light and went to sleep.

I got up at my usual early hour a little after 5 and turned on the TV. It wouldn't work. All I got was video static. I went to the lobby to check my email. The computer wouldn't work. Tom came over and we went to the restaurant for breakfast. Tom ordered the Eye Opener, the top item on the menu. The waiter told us that was the only item on the menu that was not covered by the breakfast voucher. Tom said he would pay extra to get the Eye Opener.

Next time I was in Kingsville I stayed somewhere else.

Tumbleweed loves to travel Texas and listen to people tell their stories. Contact him at 432 263-3813

Gass Named to All-State Team...

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triple double against Borden County's District 6A competition where she averaged 13 points, 12 rebounds and 10 assists per game. She has less than three steals per game of a quadruple double after averaging 7.3 steals per game.

"In our three years together, there were a lot of nights where we just sat back and watched her take over," Skelton recalled.

"There are probably just a thousand of good things that we could say about Taylor."

Apparently opposing hoop coaches did not have that problem, either.

"A triple double's a pretty good feat, especially in a district as competitive as ours," Klondike Coach Chris Roberts said of Gass's game.

"She's probably one of the most unselfish kids there is. She did a lot of things for their team that a lot of people don't even put a spotlight on."

Gass's versatility is one of things that helped separate her from most of the pack, according to the opposition.

"She's just an outstanding athlete who's a threat in nearly every season there is, who just had real good skills when it come to our game as well," O'Donnell Coach Terry Collins said of Gass.

Dawson's Coach Soli Shellman agrees.

"She's also definitely a leader who just seemed to help make the players around her better," Shellman said. "My husband got the chance to coach her in summer ball last year. She's not only a good athlete but also a good kid."

Gass was a force on both ends of the court for the Coyotes.

"There's more to Taylor than just having a good shot. She was also real good on the defensive end," Sands Coach Dustin Wall said. "Plus, the way she was also such a good passer helped keep her teammates involved."

"She's just an overall good leader as well as competitor,"

Skelton is proud of the steps Gass has taken the past three seasons for the Coyotes.

"Back when she was a sophomore, Taylor was the kind who always went to the hole 500 miles per hour. Be-

tween her sophomore to senior years, Taylor also developed shots which helped make her even a bigger threat," Skelton said of 6A's Offensive MVP.

There is more to Gass than just being a dependable shooter.

"She's the kind who once she makes up her mind to do something, she's going to get it done. Again, that says something about her character. She's the kind who'd take a challenge and run with it," Skelton said.

Outside of being blessed with obvious natural talent, probably one of Gass's biggest strengths is just sheer determination.

"She's the kind who always puts more pressure on herself than anybody else does," Skelton said. "She always gives it all she's got. We're talking about the kind who'd run through a brick wall."

This Borden County hoop success story did not happen by accident.

"She's always been one of those who didn't mind staying after practice to work on something," Skelton said.

"She's the kind who'd love to play college ball somewhere, but those days were probably long gone where somebody's going to pay a 5-foot-7 guard to go to school

somewhere."

With or without basketball, Gass will continue her yearn to compete on that next level. She is leaning toward signing a scholarship to run on the next level at Wayland Baptist University at Plainview.

"We want to coach someday. We've just got a passion for sports and kids," Gass said.

"It's made a big difference in my life. Hopefully, by sharing some of my own experiences, it'll end up helping others out."

Gass was one of those young ladies who helped Borden County make that memorable trip back home to Gail from Austin last May with the Class 1A state track championship. Gass ran on both Borden County's state championship 800-meter relay as well as its 1,600-meter relay that took state runners-up.

Gass has her sights on making a return trip to the state track meet this time in the 800 and 1,600-meter runs.

"Right now, it looks like we've got a shot at running both down there (Austin). It's just going to take more hard work," Gass said. "We've been doing some scouting as far as our times and competition."

"We want to go back. We'll have to see how it pans out."

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Borden Junior High Track Teams Compete at Double Mountain Relays

By Coach Richey

The boys and girls junior high track teams traveled to Aspermont on Monday to compete in the double mountain relays in Aspermont. The boys were the defending champions of this meet, but are still a little short handed as Trace Richey is shelved due to knee surgery.

The relay combination of Brian Torres, Payton Merket, Ryan Wilborn and Nick Proulx continue their dominance in the 400 meter relay as they won the event in a very impressive time of 49.50. Nick Proulx stepped aside for the 800 relay and Morgan Wilson took his place, joining Torres, Merket and Wilborn. This foursome won the event with a time of 1:48.3. Nick Proulx ran the 300 hurdles and finished 5th in a time of 54.03. Ryan Wilborn long jumped and won the event with a jump of 17'7". Braxton Barnes contributed the final points for the Pups as he finished 5th place in the shot put with a put of 35'7".

Because of the number of teams in this meet the 200 meter dash, the 1600 meter run and the mile relay were not contested which hurt the Pups chances of repeating as champions as they had a possible 30 plus points still possible in these remaining events, and as a result the Pups would finish 3rd in the shortened meet with 54 points.

On the girls side, the Lady Coyotes managed a 4th place finish in the 400 meter relay with a time of 57.5 seconds, this foursome consisted of Ashlyn Tucker, Braylee Walker, Preslea Hall and Rayme Jones. Tucker, Walker and Hall were joined by Emma Key to finish 2nd place in the 800 meter relay in a time of 2:05.4. Emma Key ran a 9:35 to win the 2400 meter run while teammate Madi Cole finished 4th place with a time of 10:08. Emma Key also finished 5th in the long jump with

a jump of 13'3". Katie Gray finished 3rd in the 800 meter run with a time of 2:43.5. Rayme Jones rounded out the scoring for the Lady Coyotes finishing 3rd in the 400 meter dash in a time of 70.43.

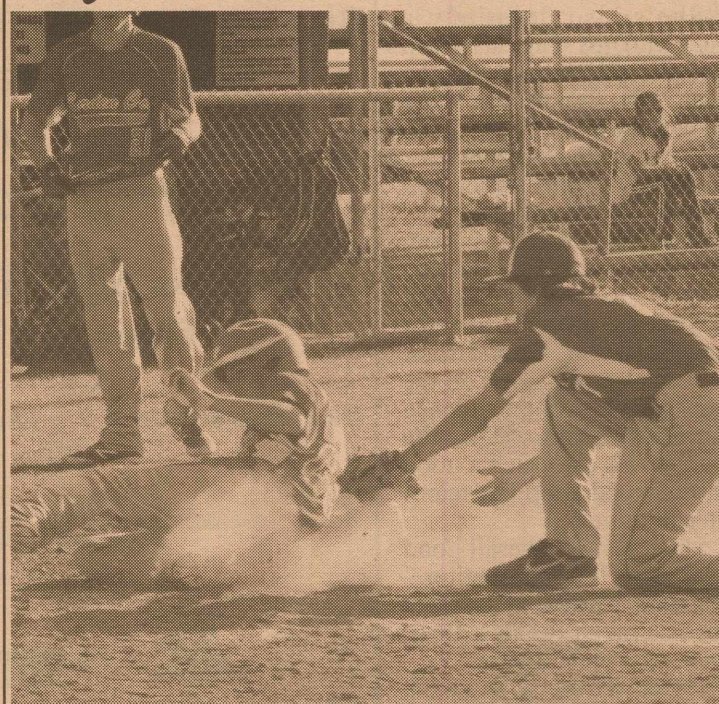
Again, with the 200, 1600 meter run and 1600 meter relay not being contested the Ladies were unable to win the team title. With the strength of the Ladies distance events and the 1600 relay, I truly believe that the runner-up award would have been a very attainable goal.

Due to coaches having to split up because of other activities going on all times and distances for the other Pup and Lady Coyote athletes were not able to be printed, but I would like to personally thank each and every team member for their hard work and determination. Participating in track is not always the most enjoyable sport, but there are so many individual battles and

goals that can be achieved and the hard work and sacrifice that these young men and women give us and show us is greatly appreciated and will go a long way not only in athletics, but in life for molding them into great young men and women. Thank you parents for allowing us the opportunity to coach, teach and even learn from them as well.

On another note, I would like to humbly, and sincerely thank everyone who took the time and energy to come out and help us run off the 2014 Coyote relays. I truly believe that this year's meet was a tremendous success, but it would not have been possible without the numerous men and women of our Coyote family that gave of their time to help us out. Thank you from the bottom of my heart and from the entire coaching staff. Thank you, thank you, thank you and God bless you all. TR

Coyotes vs. Tahoka



Senior, Jordan Martinez slide into home plate to score for the Coyotes in last weeks' game against the Tahoka Bulldogs.

Coyotes Suffer Loss to Tahoka Bulldogs...

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rallies in the third inning and the seventh. In the third, the Coyotes scored on an RBI single by Kurt, plating Jordan Martinez.



The Tahoka Bulldogs quickly matched Borden County's strong inning with a three-run inning of their own in the third. The Tahoka Bulldogs scored on a two-run double by Domenique Herrera.

The Tahoka Bulldogs went up for good in the fourth, scor-

ing four runs on a three-run triple by Herrera.

The Tahoka Bulldogs piled on four more runs in the bottom of the fifth. Herrera started the inning with a triple, plating Trystan Hilger, Colton Taylor and Demetrios Montos.

Hunter Jones scored in the seventh to close the deficit, 12-4. But the rally was cut short by the Bulldogs to secure the victory.

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Coyotes and Ladies Win Meet at Dawson...

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Caelan Thuett: Shot Put-32'0"; Discus-no mark.

Nathan Souder: 400 M Relay-46.99-2nd; 800 M Relay-1:39.91-1st; 1600 M Relay-3:48.4-1st.

Joel Andrade: Shot Put-35'1"-4th; Discus-95'1"-4th.

Robert Jordan: Pole Vault-9'6"-1st; 800 M Run-2:33.2; 1600 M Run-5:59.2.

Jayton Lewis: Triple Jump-34'6"-5th; Long Jump-16'9"; 800 M Relay-1:39.9-1st; 200 M Dash-25.02-5th.

Corbin Sumners: High Jump-no height; Long Jump-17'7 1/2"-4th; 400 M Relay-46.99-2nd; 800 M Relay-1:39.91-1st; 200 M Dash-24.08-2nd.

Hunter Jones: High Jump-5'8"-1st; Long Jump-18'6 3/4"-2nd; 400 M Relay-46.99-2nd; 800 M Relay-1:39.91-1st; 1600 M Relay-3:48.4-1st.

Diego Bernal: Shot Put-37'6 3/4"-2nd; Discus-94'11"-5th.

Jayden King: 3200 M Run-14:08.31-6th; 1600 M Run-6:14.3.

Kale Yarbro: Shot Put-no mark.

Steven Carrillo: 100 M Dash-13.3; 200 M Dash-27.1.

Taylor Gass: 800 M Run-2:37.2-1st; 1600 M Run-6:14.2-1st; 1600 M Relay-4:51.2-1st.

Laura Phinizy: 100 M Dash-15.66; 200 M Dash-injured.

Bailey Robinson: Discus-73'3"-6th; Shot Put-no mark.

Tatum Richey: Long Jump-14'8"-2nd; Triple Jump-29'4"-1st; 100 M Hurdles-17.90-1st; 300 M Hurdles-54.91-1st; 1600 M Relay-4:51.2-1st.

Kylee Dean: 400 M Run-75.84-6th; 1600 M Relay-4:51.2-1st.

Zoie Key: 3200 M Run-DNF; 1600 M Run-6:57.2.

Sydney Jordan: 400 M Run-78.12; 1600 M Relay-4:51.2-1st.

Hayley Gray: Shot Put-no mark; Discus-no mark.

Maddie Benavidez: Shot Put-no mark; Discus-no mark.

Lexi Cheatham: Shot Put-no mark; Discus-no mark.

Jamaleigh Gray: Shot Put-no mark; Discus-no mark.