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Double Win for Borden County Elementary, Jr. High UIL

Scoring 542 points to Highland's 474, the elementary

TEN: Oral Reading—Bella Baker (1st), Paizlee Gass (3rd), Tripp Roberts (5th); students got sweet revenge after finishing second to Highland last year.

Convincingly, Grades 6-7-8 left no doubt as they scored

Storytelling—Theodore Skelton (4th Place) FIRST GRADE: Oral Reading—Harbor Hill (2nd), Josh Torres (4th); Storytelling—Harbor

The District 12-A Literary
Meet proved to be a Borden
County sweep as both K-5 and
6-8 captured the championship
in their respective divisions.
Ira hosted the two-day event
November 18-19.

1,311.5 points. The next closest school was Highland with
746 points.
Following are individual and team results organized by grade level. KINDERGARTEN: Oral Reading—Bella
Raker (1st) Paizlee Gass (3rd)
Raker (1st) Paizlee Gass (3rd) pating Keller Silver; Creative Writing—Evie Stansell (6th), participating Kellar Estes and Shawn Fields THIRD GRADE: Oral Reading—

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Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit **Tumbleweed Smith**

It's Time To Go To Galveston

Galveston lately, you should sores. consider a return trip. It may surprise you. It's very clean tourists to the island before Hurricane Ike hit in 2008. passed that 2007 number. "If a hurricane, it at least took Galveston Historical Founda- slate of activities including tion. "Now we have either green space or new buildings

If you haven't been to where there were once eye-

When you get to Galveston, you automatically slow down and the beaches are getting a substantial upgrade. So many things are happening in the which features restaurants with state's favorite playground it's sidewalk-dining, hotels, shops, difficult to choose which ones the 1894 Opera House, a real to mention. The year 2007 treasure that attracts big name brought the highest number of entertainers like Tony Bennett who performs there December DICKENS ON THE Since then, tourism has sur- STRAND has become a popular event the first weekend in anything good can come from December. People dress up in Dickens-era clothing (which is away some of the ugly structor for sale in some of the stores tures," says Will Wright of the on the Strand) and there is a full

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Regional Quarterfinal Champions!



The Borden County Coyotes proudly show off the Regional Quarterfinal trophy Monday night after defeating the Happy Cowboys. After starting off slow in the first quarter, the Coyotes turned up the heat and devistated the Cowboys with a 64-22 win. The Coyotes will next face Crowell in the Semi-Final game to be held Saturday at Shotwell Stadium in Abilene. Congratulations Coyotes!

Regional Semi-Final Football Play-Off Game

Borden County vs. Crowell

Saturday at 6:00 p.m. at Shotwell Stadium in Abilene, Tx

Borden County will be home

Adults-\$8 Students-\$4

District passes honored

elocuse, and now have applicable a

Ladies Travel to Petersburg to Take on Lady Buffs

By Coach Skelton

firing in the first quarter against the Lady Buffs of Petersburg the other night. Seven and Rayme Jones 1 point, 7 Lady Coyotes contributed to rebounds and 2 steals. the 25 points scored with Senior Tatum Richey and Sophomore Preslea Hall dropping in six each. The Lady Coyotes defense was also on point as they only gave up ten points to take an early fifteen point lead at the end of the quarter. Petersburg who was recently had fallen out of the TABC top 25 found their stride in the second quarter and they outscored the Lady Coyotes 17-10 to go into the locker room down 27-35.

The Lady Coyotes made another run in the third quarter out scoring their opponent 13-9, but then again Petersburg made another late charge at the Lady Coyotes cutting the lead down to five points with just over four minutes to go in the game. Senior Tatum hit two threes and scored 10 of her 21 points to help spark a late run by the Lady Coyotes who pulled it out 64-47.

I was happy with the shooting this game. We are trying very hard to really put up a lot more shots this season. Our three point shot was big for us tonight as Freshmen Emma Key and Tatum hit 3 each, and Senior Zoie Key hit one. I Senior Zoie Key hit one. I thought Kylee did another great job on the boards finishing the game with 10, as well as the Sophomores Braylee Walker (7), Preslea Hall (6), and Freshmen Rayme Jones (7). It's just nice to see the team working hard, and really doing what they do well, and

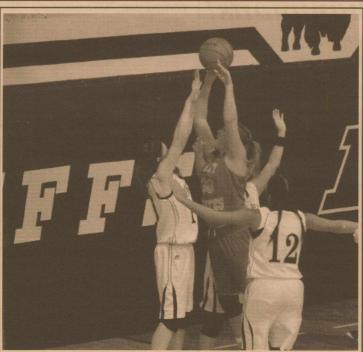
settling into roles.

Stats for the night are: Tatum Richey 21 points, 3 rebound, 6 steals and 8 assists. Kylee Dean 7 points, 10 re-bounds, 8 steals and 1 assist. Zoie Kay 3 points, 2 rebounds, 3 steals and 3 assists. Braylee Walker 4 points, 7 rebounds, 8 steals and 5 assists. Preslea Hall 12 points, 6 rebounds, 8 steals and 1 assist. Harley

The Lady Coyotes came out ring in the first quarter ainst the Lady Buffs of Pe
Merrill 1 point and 1 rebound. Emma Key 15 points, 3 rebounds, 2 steals and 4 assists

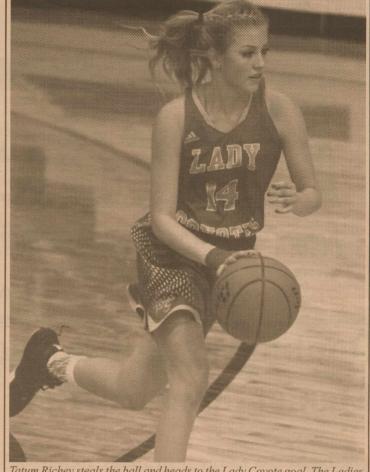


Lady Coyote, Zoie Key stretches around a Petersburg player to get the ball closer to the goal.



Senior, Kylee Dean (#30) plows through several Lady Buffs to score for Borden County last Tuesday





Tatum Richey steals the ball and heads to the Lady Coyote goal. The Ladies defeated the Lady Buffs 64-47.

Coyote Pups Improve to 2-0 With Win Over Westbrook Wildcats

By Coach Edwards

The Borden Blue squad im- Tommy Kingston, Anthony proved to 2-0 on the young season with a 49-21 victory over the Westbrook Wildcats.

An impressive 20 point first quarter kick started the game. Cam Edwards scored 12 points in the quarter. The Coyotes only allowed six points in the quarter. Jake Avey and Mason Cole both hit buckets from behind the arc which helped the Borden Blue team open a 30-14 lead at the half.

Both teams struggled offensively in the third period by only scoring six points each. However, in the final period, the Coyotes outscored Westbrook 13-1 to secure the

Cam Edwards was the leading scorer with 21 points followed by Mason Cole with nine points. Will Yarbro and Trey Edwards each chipped in five points while Jake Avey finished with three points.

Lopez, and Keigan Benavidez added two points.

The Borden Red hoopsters fell short to the "ever-so-tall" Westbrook B team, 27-23.

The Coyotes fell behind 12-

6 after the first quarter of play. Borden closed the deficit to three outscoring the Wildcats 7-4. Borden continued their shooting struggles in the third quarter, but only trailed 21-17. Westbrook size was able to get six, second chance points in the final period and allowed only six Coyote points to hang on for the win.

Quinten Freeman led the team in scoring with six points followed by Latham Huckaby with five points. Junior Gray, Gunner Shofner, Justin Willborn, Miles Wilson, Ryen Ramos, and Trent Lewis all finished with two points. Borden Red is 1-1 on the season

Double Win for Borden County UIL...

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Tyler Cole (1st), Pace Parker (2nd), Maddox Merket (4th); (2nd), Maddox Merket (4m); Storytelling—Haven Hill (3rd); Ready Writing—Tyler Cole (6th); Spelling—Tyler Cole (1st), Haven Hill (4th), Kenlei Estes (T-6th) and First Place Team; FOURTH GRADE: Oral Reading— Rexie Sanders (3rd), Luke Carpenter (4th); Ready Writing-Laney Stansell (1st), Kenzie White (6th); Music Memory-Laney Stansell (2nd) and *Third* Place Team; **Spelling**—Laney Stansell (4th) and *Third Place* Team; Number Sense—Laney Stansell (1st), Kenzie White (2nd) and First Place Team; Art Smart—Jenna Holbrooks (1st), Laney Stansell (T-2nd), Kendall Swaffar (4th), Ben Nix (6th) and First Place Team; FIFTH GRADE: Ready Writing—Kassie Collins (2nd); Oral Reading—J. Tom Price (1st), Allie Murphy (2nd), Callie Edwards (4th); **Spelling**—Dallie Miller (2nd), Callie Edwards (4th) and First Place Team; Number Sense—Dallie Miller (3rd), Callie Edwards (5th) and Third Place Team; Art Smart—Dallie Miller (1st), Tres Spencer (2nd), Allie Murphy (3rd), Callie Edwards (5th) and First Place Team; Maps, Graphs, and Charts— Second Place Team; Dictionary Skills—Tres Spencer (2nd), Callie Edwards (T-5th) and Second Place Team; Listening Skills—Tres Spencer (6th) SIXTH GRADE: Oral (6th) <u>SIXTH GRADE</u>: Oral Reading—Ryann Phillips (2nd), Rachel Thomas and Paige Parker participating (6th); Reading Writing—Paige Parker (3rd); Editorial Writing—Ethan Stephens (5th), Paige Parker (6th), Savannah Avey participating: Im-Avey participating; Impromptu Speaking—Lindy Miller (1st); Modern Ora-tory—Ryann Phillips (1st), Brooklyn Gray (2nd), Charli Snell (4th); **Mathematics**— Ethan Stephens (3rd), Jadeyn Merrill (4th), Rachel Thomas

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(6th) and Second Place Team; Music Memory—Jose Zorola (1st), Rachel Thomas (2nd), Jadeyn Merrill (4th), Shelby Milhauser participating and First Place Team; Spelling— Ethan Stephens (1st), Ryann Phillips (2nd), Lindy Miller par-ticipating and First Place Team; Number Sense—Ethan Stephens (T-2nd) and Second Place Team; Art Smart— Brooklyn Gray (1st), Savannah Avey (3rd), Ethan Stephens (5th) and First Place Team; Social Studies—Ethan Stephens (1st), Thomas Snell (2nd), Colsen Debold (6th) and First Place Team; Maps, Graphs, and Charts—Jadeyn Merrill (1st), Lindy Miller (4th), Ethan Stephens (6th) and First Place Team; Dictionary Skills— Lindy Miller (3rd), Paige Parker (4th) and First Place Team; Calculator—Ethan Stephens (2nd), Paige Parker (3rd) and Second Place Team; Listening Skills—Ethan Stephens (4th), Lindy Miller (5th), Charli Snell participating and *Third Place Team* <u>SEVENTH GRADE</u>: Ready Writing—Haddie Flanigan (1st), Leandre VanderBank (4th), Maggie Miller (5th); Editorial Writing—Erin Nix (3rd), Kennedy Tucker (6th) and; Oral Reading—Kaci Hudson (2nd); Impromptu Speaking—Trey Edwards (4th), Gunner Shofner (5th); Modern Oratory Kylie Barnes (2nd), Morghan Oaks and Maddye Sumners participating; (5th); **Math**ematics—Haddie Flanigan (1st), Mason Cole (2nd) and First Place Team; Science Leandre VanderBank (3rd), Haddie Flanigan (4th), Kylie Barnes (5th) and First Place Team; Spelling—Maggie Miller (2nd), Leandre Miller (2nd), Leandrè VanderBank (4th), Haddie Flanigan (5th) and First Place Team; Number Sense-Haddie Flanigan (1st), Justin Wilborn (2nd), Erin Nix (6th) and First Place Team; Art Smart—Maggie Miller (T-1st), Leandrè VanderBank, Sydni Coor, Maddye Sumners participating (T-1st) and Second Place Team; Social Studies— Haddie Flanigan (3rd), Connor Etheredge (4th), Mason Cole (5th) and Second Place Team; Maps, Graphs, Charts-Haddie Flanigan (1st), Maggie Miller (4th), Leandrè

Place Team; Dictionary Skills—Haddie Flanigan (1st), Maggie Miller (2nd), Leandrè VanderBank (3rd) and First Place Team; Calculator— Mason Cole (1st), Haddie Flanigan (2nd), Kennedy Tucker (3rd) and First Place Team; Listening Skills— Leandrè VanderBank (1st) and First Place Team EIGHTH GRADE: Ready Writing— Kaitlyn Cribbs (1st), Callie Hargrove (5th), Makenzie Milhauser (6th); Editorial Writing—Callie Hargrove (1st), Jake Avey (2nd) and Lindsay Brantley participating; Oral Reading—MaKenzie Milhauser (2nd), O'Livia Reyes (3rd); Impromptu Speaking—Kaitlyn Cribbs (2nd), Callie Hargrove (3rd), Fallon Forbes (4th); Modern Oratory—Kaitlyn Cribbs (2nd), MaKenzie Milhauser (3rd), Callie Hargrove (5th); Mathematics—Camden Edwards (2nd), Hailey Lowry (4th), Kaitlyn Cribbs (T-5th) and Second Place Team; Sci-

VanderBank (5th) and First ence—Tatum Treadwell (1st), Callie Hargrove (2nd) and First Place Team; Spelling— Kaylee Walker (2nd), Brittney Walker (4th), Anthony Lopez (5th) and First Place Team; Number Sense—Kaitlyn Cribbs (1st), O'Livia Reyes (2nd), Hailey Lowry (3rd) and First Place Team; Art Smart—Hailey Lowry (1st), Taylor Horton, and Lindsay Brantley participant (5th) and Second Place Team; Social Studies—Callie Hargrove (1st), MaKenzie Milhause (2nd) and First Place Team; Maps, Graphs, and Charts—O'Livia Reyes (3rd), Tatum Treadwell (T-4th) and Second Place Team; Dictionary Skills—Hailey Lowry (2nd), Lander Gray (T-2rd) and First Leandro Gray (T-3rd) and First Place Team; Calculator— Brittney Walker (1st), O'Livia Reyes (2nd), MaKenzie Milhauser (4th) and First Place Team; Listening Skills— Kaitlyn Cribbs (1st), MaKenzie Milhauser (3rd), Leandro Gray (6th) and First Place Team.



Coyotes and Lady Coyotes Basketball 2015-2016

16-Feb-16	Westbrook	5:00	There	JVB/VB
12-Fab-16 High	Highland	and 5:00	There Here	ALL JVB/VB
	Ira			
6-Feb-16	BC JV Tourney	TBA	Here	JVG/JVE
S-Feb-16	Loraine	5:00	Here	JAB\AB
2-Feb-16	Hermleigh	4:00	Here	ALL
29-Jan-16	Westbrook	4:00	Here	ALL
26-Jan-16	Highland	4:00	There	ALL
22-Jan-16	lra	4:00	There Here	re JVG/VG re JVB/VB re JVG/VG re ALL re JVB/VB
19-Jan-16	Loraine .	5:00		
16-Jan-16	Hermleigh	4:00	There	
12-Jan-16	Westbrook	5:00	There	
12-Jan-16	Rankin	5:00 4:00	There Here	
8-Jan-16	Highland			
8-Jan-16	Coahoma	5:00		
5-Jan-16	Lubbock Titans	4:00	Here	JV/VB
5-Jan-15	Friendship JV	6:30	Here	VG
Dec 29th and 30th	Ropes Tourney	TBA	There	
18-Dec-15	Klondike	4:00	There	
15-Dec-15	Post	4:00	There	ALL
Dec 10-12	BC Tourney	TBA	Here	VG/VB
8-Dec-15	Crosbyton	4:00	Here	ALL
Dec 3-5	Naz Touney	TBA	There	VG/VB
1-Dec-15	Roby	4:00	Here	ALL
24-Nov-15	Petersburg	Time 5:00 6:00 6:00 4:00 4:00 4:00	Here There	Teams VG JVG/VG JVG/VG ALL ALL ALL
20-Nov-15	New Home			
17-Nov-15	Garden City		Here	
13-Nov-15	Wellman		Location There There Here	
10-Nov-15	Whitharral			
Date 3-Nov-15	Opponent Forsan			

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School Lunch Menu

Dec. 7 - 11, 2015

Menu subject to change

Monday - Breakfast: Cinnamon Pull-a-Part & CheeseStick, Fruit Juice, Fruit and Milk. Lunch: Pizza, Garden Salad, Tuscan Vegetables, Sliced Peaches, Vanilla Pudding and Milk.

Tuesday - Breakfast: Blueberry Muffin & Yogurt, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk. Lunch: Chili, Cornbread, Broccoli Bites, Garden Salad, Mandarin Oranges and Milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast: Pancake Wrap, Fruit, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Pork Chop & Gravy, Roll, Baked Potato, Glazed Carrots, Strawberries & Bananas and MIlk.

Thursday - Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, Fruit Juice, Fruit and Milk. Lunch: Chicken Quesadilla & Salsa, Mexicali Corn, Charro Beans, Cinnamon Applesauceand Milk.

Friday - Breakfast: PBJ, Fruit Juice, Fruit and Milk. Lunch: Popcorn Chicken w/ Roll, Sweet Potato Waffle Fries, Cucumber Dippers, Fruit, Cookie and Milk.

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Heart and Home ...



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Combine Cooking Time With Family Time

If you're caught between finding time to prepare meals and spending quality time with year-olds do, plus... your children, try cooking with them. Here are suggestions for cooking with kids. Children enjoy helping in the kitchen and often are more willing to eat foods they help prepare. Involve your child in planning and preparing some meals and snacks for the family.

When your child is helping you with food preparation, don't forget cleanliness. Wash 2- and 3-years-olds do, plus... hands using soap and warm running water before and after handling food or utensils to

prepare food. It is important that you give kitchen tasks appropriate for your child's age. Be patient as your child gains new skills at

different ages. Meal Preparation Activities for Young Children:

Children have to be shown and taught how to do these activities. Each child has his or her own pace for learning, so give it time and the skills will come. Expect a few spills. It's a small price to pay for helping your children become comfortable around food.

2-year-olds:

- Bring ingredients from one place to another
 - Wipe table tops
- Tear lettuce or greens
- Break cauliflower
- Snap green beans

• Play with utensils 3-year-olds: Can do what 2-

- Wrap potatoes in foil for
- Knead and shape yeast dough
- Pour liquids
- Mix ingredients
- Shake liquids in covered
- Spread soft spreads
- Place things in trash 4-year olds: Can do all that
- Move hands to form round shape
- · Cut parsley or green onions with dull scissors
- Mash bananas using fork
- Set table

5-to 6-year-olds: Can do all that 2-, 3-, and 4-years-olds do,

- Measure ingredients Cut with blunt knife
- Use an egg beater

Source: Alice Henneman, MS, RD, University of Nebraska - Lincoln Extension in Lancaster County





Obituary

Gerald Edwin Boyd 1940 - 2015



Funeral services for Gerald Edwin Boyd, 75, of San Angelo will be held Tuesday, December 1, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. at Branon Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow in Gail Cemetery under the direction of Branon Funeral Home. Visitation will be held Monday, November 30, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Gerald passed away, Thursday, November 26, 2015 in Lubbock. He was born July 13, 1940 in Colorado City to Charlie and Mamie (Tiller) Boyd. He married Constance Fuson August 19, 1980 in Gail. Gerald served in the United States Army having earned a

Certificate of Proficiency in Artillery and Missile School in the Nuclear Projectile Assembly Course and a Certificate of Training in the M107/M110 Artillery Turret Mechanic Course. He worked for the State Highway Department for more than 30 years. Gerald was the first paramedic in Borden County. He is survived by his wife, Constance Boyd of San Angelo; children, Tina Essary and husband, Glen of San Antonio, Teresa Combs and husband, Brant Williams of Lubbock, Carl Glen Bacon and wife, Kambra of Prosper, and Bryan Bacon and wife, Heidi of San Angelo; sister, Marie Montgomery of Spring; 13 grandchildren; and 11 greatgrandchildren. Gerald is preceded in death by his parents; 3 sisters; and 3 brothers. The family suggests memorials to Borden County EMS, Joe Arrington Cancer Center, 4401 22nd Place, Ste. 204, Lubbock, TX, 79410, or a charity of your choice. To send condolences online, please visit www.branonfuneralhome.com.



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strolling carolers.

Mardi Gras in Galveston is the island's biggest event, attracting up to 300,000 people. It's the third largest Mardi Gras celebration in the nation. Pleasure Pier has a midway, roller coaster and swings that propel you over the gulf seventy feet in the air. I could not resist the swing ride. Had to do it. Easy, fun and safe. And you get a great view of the island and the water while spinning around.

Cruise ships have increased, especially since Houston's cruise terminal shut down. Next year Galveston will become the homeport for Carnival's newest ship, the Carnival Breeze. It will offer day cruises departing every Sunday beginning in May. Royal Caribbean and Disney will also offer departures from Galveston.

All of the attractions are first class. They include 32 miles of beach, Schlitterbahn, Moody Gardens, museums, dolphin tours, fishing, horseback rides on the beach, Victorian mansions, art galleries, parks, haunted houses, fantastic bird watching even an off shore oil drilling display. A spectacular movie shows the 1900 hurricane that killed thousands of people and caused the building of a seawall and the raising of the entire island. Galveston's history as the second busiest immigration port in the US makes the city of 50,000 residents a melting pot of several nationalities.

New restaurants like Boulevard Seafood offer vibrant and exciting meals.

Cities in Galveston County have shown increases in population. League City has passed the 100,000 mark. Texas City, Dickinson, Friendswood, Hitchcock, La Marque and Santa Fe have all had increases this year. The best time to visit Galveston is spring or fall. The best way to experience the island is to look at the sky, listen to the waves, sit on the beach and think about how lucky you are to be there. It's the most natural place in the state to be at ease.

Tumbleweed Smith lives in Big Spring and travels the state listening to stories. Contact him at ts@crcom.net

Tahoka Annual **Christmas Craft Show December 5th**

Area crafters are busily preparing for Tahoka's Annual Christmas Craft Show – which set for Saturday, December 5th. The popular event will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Life Enrichment Center in Tahoka and will feature the talents of crafters from Tahoka, Lubbock, Brownfield and other surrounding communities.

SEEDS FROM THE SOWER Michael A. Guido, D.D. Metter, Georgia

Jake Hess, the great gospel singer was known to say, "Things are going to get better, get worse or stay about the same." How true!

We all seem to face three types of trouble: things that troubled us in the past, things that are troubling us now and things we expect to trouble us in the future. Trouble seems to be a large part of everyone's life. David had his troubles, too. In

fact, his troubles were so severe that he was downcast by what had happened in his past and when he viewed his future he became discouraged by what he expected to happen to him.

When he realized his situation, however, he asked himself two questions: "Why are you downcast, O my soul, Why so disturbed within me?" The word "downcast" means "to be depressed" and the word "disturbed" means "to growl like a

When he looked within himself at his depression, he became so troubled that it sounded like a bear was growling inside of him. But suddenly, he decided to look up-ward and said to his soul, - himself -"Put your hope in God," not in

And when he did he said, "For I will yet praise Him, my Savior and my God." His inner feelings expressed themselves in questions of despair and defeat. In this moment of loneliness his faith was tested and tried but not trampled by doubt. Ultimately he triumphed by giving himself some great advice: "Put your hope in God," he said, "and continue to praise Him!" And

Faith and doubt often appear as twins. But when doubt was about to triumph, his hope surged within him and he overcame the troubles he faced by the hope he had in God.

Visit us at: SowerMinistries.org

"There will be over 20 great booths with a nice variety of items," according to Amy Preston of Tahoka, Craft Show Coordinator. "We've added several new vendors this year and will have many of the regulars back as well", added

Admission to the Craft Show is free. Phebe K. Warner Study Club will be preparing and selling lunch during the event!

Tahoka's Life Enrichment Center is located at 1717 Main Street in Tahoka. For more information, please contact Amy Preston at 806-759-1690.



Thought for the Day

We are silent at the beginning of the day because God should have the first word, and we are silent before going to sleep because the last word also belongs to God. -Dietrich Bonhoeffer

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You are cordially invited Dedication Geroice Baptist Church Sunday Morning Geroice at 11:00 a.m. Lunch will be served at noon Dedication Geroice 2:00 p.m.

Home for the Holidays



Thursday, December 3 at 6:00 p.m. Borden County Flort Center - Gall



- ioin us for a fun and educational program focusing the Christmas season. We will have a tasting of several recipes and participants will make a decorative item to take home and will also receive a recipe booklet to take home. (Note that the project is always something that does not require a lot of creativity - so please to not let that intimidate you'll)
- Cost is \$15 per participant to cover supplies.
- Please RSVP by noon on Tuesday, December 1st so that we may purchase supplies. (Note you may still attend if you do not RSVP by the deadline, but you may not get to make a craft to take home.)
- An optional community service opportunity is to bring a pair of pajamas for the Buckner's Children's Home (size newborn

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USDA Begins 49th Enrollment Period for the Conservation Reserve Program

December 2015 Marks 30th Anniversary for the Nation's Most Successful Voluntary Conservation Program

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1, 2015 – Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack today reminded farmers and ranchers that the next general enrollment period for the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) begins today, Dec. 1, 2015, and ends on Feb. 26, 2016. December 2015 also marks the 30th anniversary of CRP, a federally funded program that assists agricultural producers with the cost of restoring, enhancing and protecting certain grasses, shrubs and trees to improve water quality, prevent soil erosion and reduce loss of wildlife habitat.
As of September 2015, 24.2

million acres were enrolled in CRP. CRP also is protecting more than 170,000 stream miles with riparian forest and grass buffers, enough to go around the world 7 times. For an interactive tour of CRP success stories from across the U.S., visit www.fsa.usda.gov/ CRPis30, or follow on Twitter at #CRPis30.

"Over the past 30 years, farmers, ranchers, conserva-tionists, hunters, fishermen and other outdoor enthusiasts have made CRP one of the most successful conservation programs in the history of the country," said Vilsack. "Today, CRP continues to make major environmental improvements to water and air quality. This is another longstanding example of how agricultural production can work hand in hand with efforts to improve the environment and increase wildlife habitat.'

Participants in CRP establish long-term, resource-conserving plant species, such as approved grasses or trees (known as "covers") to control soil erosion, improve water quality and develop wildlife habitat on marginally produc-tive agricultural lands. In return, FSA provides participants with rental payments and cost-share assistance. At times when commodity prices are low, enrolling sensitive lands in CRP can be especially attractive to farmers and ranch- access to rural credit; funding

hardship for landowners at the same time that it provides ecological benefits. Contract duration is between 10 and 15 years. The long-term goal of the program is to re-establish native plant species on mar-ginal agricultural lands for the primary purpose of preventing soil erosion and improving water quality and related benefits of reducing loss of wildlife habitat.

Contracts on 1.64 million acres of CRP are set to expire on Sept. 30, 2016. Producers with expiring contracts or producers with environmentally sensitive land are encouraged to evaluate their options under

Since it was established on Dec. 23, 1985, CRP has:

Prevented more than 9 billion tons of soil from eroding, enough soil to fill 600 million dump trucks;

Reduced nitrogen and phosphorous runoff relative to annually tilled cropland by 95 and 85 percent respectively;
Sequestered an annual

average of 49 million tons of greenhouse gases, equal to taking 9 million cars off the road.

Since 1996, CRP has created nearly 2.7 million acres of restored wetlands.

For more information FSA conservation programs, visit a FSA office or www.fsa.usda.gov/conservation. To find your local FSA office, visit http:// offices.usda.gov.

The Conservation Reserve Program was re-authorized by the 2014 Farm Bill, which builds on historic economic gains in rural America over the past six years, while achieving meaningful reform and billions of dollars in savings for taxpayers. Since enactment, USDA has made significant progress to implement each provision of this critical legis-lation, including providing disaster relief to farmers and

ers, as it softens the economic critical research; establishing community facilities to help innovative public-private conservation partnerships; developing new markets for rural-made products; and investing in infrastructure, housing, and

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Nov 27 – In Memory of: Delmo Pearce, Karen Pearce, Martha Pearce, & Kenneth **Bennett**

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Nov 28 - In Memory of: Martin and Alma Reinecke by Margaret Guthmiller

Nov 29 - In Honor of: Kenneth and Mozelle Vestal by Kenneth and Glenda Ves-

Nov 30 - In Honor of: Lee R. and Lou Bonds

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Dec 1 - In Honor of: Members of the Borden County Historical Commission by Lisa Dennis Mahler

Dec 1 – In Memory of: Beno and Donna Hendricks by The Ross Sharp Family Dec 2 – In Memory of: Mr. and Mrs. W.F. Johnson

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by Binie L. and Edna White Dec 5 - In Memory of: Jere Clayton Hubbard and Walter C. Hubbard

by Ox Bow Ranch Dec 5 - In Memory of: Barbara Clayton Anderson

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by Betty Beaver Dec 6 - In Memory of: J.W.C. Mullins Family by Bill (N.A.) and Marga-

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Dec 10 – In Memory of: Kenneth P. Bennett

by Nancy Pearce

Dec 12 – In Memory of: Bert and Dorothy Dennis

by Joel and Betty Dennis Dec 13 - In Honor of: **Shirley Bennett**

by Nancy Pearce Dec 16 - In Memory of: Herridge Warren Beaver

by Betty Beaver Dec 20 - In Memory of: Warren Beaver

by Betty Beaver

Dec 21 – In Memory of: Dewey Fay Miller by Ralph Miller

Dec 21 – In Memory of: Copeland Becky Miller Jackson Jennifer by Ralph Miller

Dec 21 - In Memory of: Disposal Dewey Fay Miller

by Mike Valentine Family Dec 21 – In Memory of: Becky Miller Jackson

by Mike Valentine Family Dec 23 - In Memory of: Jean Taylor and Kenny Bennett

by Lisa Dennis Mahler Dec 24 – In Memory of: Johanna Guthmiller by Margaret Guthmiller

Dec 24 – In Memory of: **Doyle Newton**

by Shirley Newton and Family

Dec 24 - In Memory of: Caden Nowlain

by Mack and Jane Terry **Dec 24** – In Memory of: Jere Clayton Hubbard and Walter C. Hubbard by Ox Bow Ranch

Dec 24 – In Memory of: **Barbara Clayton Anderson** by Ox Bow Ranch

Dec 24 – In Memory of: J. Pat Porter

by Pat, Sam and Kate Dec 24 – In Memory of: **Avril Brewer** by The Ross Sharp Family

Dec 24 – In Honor of: The **Christmas Spirit** by Big Country Electric

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wife Connie by T. Ruffin Johnson, Jr.

Dec 25 – In Memory of:

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Dec 25 – In Memory of: **Dovle Newton** by Shirley Newton and

Caden Nowlain

by Jibber and Cindy Herridge

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by Jibber and Cindy Herridge

Dec 25 – In Memory of: Mo Herridge by Jibber and Cindy

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Clint O'Brien

by Barry and Susan O'Brien Dec 25 – In Memory of: Denver and Rubye Dunn

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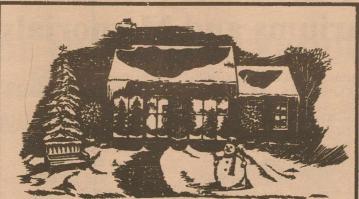
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 HS Girls BB vs. Roby- 5:45	2	3 Nazareth Tourney-G	A Nazareth Tourney-G Speech Tournament @ McMurry	5
	7 JH Boys A vs. Lubbock Christian-6:00 JHG/JH Boys B vs. Knox City @ Roby-6:00	8 HS BB vs. Crosbyton- 4:00	9 Christmas Concert Grades K-3 @ 2:45	10 BC Tourney-GB	11 BC Tourney-GB FFA @ ASU Wool Judging Workshop Speech Tournament @ Frenship	12 BC Tourney-GB Speech Tournament @ Frenship
13	14 JH BB vs. Ira-4:00	15 BB @ Post-4:00, All	16 Elementary/JH UIL Awards Assembly-2:30 BCJLA Clean-Up	17 Band Christmas Concert @ 7:00 Grades 4-9 FFA Christmas Party-	18 End of 3 rd Six Weeks/Semester BB @ Klondike-4:00,	19
	OAP Practice-6:30		Workday-9:00	5:00-7:00, Ag. Shop	All	
20	21	22	23	24	25 REJORGE Christ Is Born	26
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27	28	29 Ropes Tourney-GB	30 Ropes Tourney-GB	31		
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