

# **Quarter-Final Victory!** Coyotes Maul the Mustangs in Rematch Against Sands

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Coy- Chapman extra point, with otes five weeks removed from traveling to Ackerly for their district championship matchup with the Sands Mustangs, traveled to Lubbock to play these same Mustangs on a neutral field for a Quarter-Final championship and a berth in the State Semi-Finals and a guaranteed medal.

The Coyotes struggled with the Mustangs in their first match-up and expectations were to see those same struggles for the Coyotes. The Coyotes did get off to yet another slow start as the Mustangs found the end-zone on a 57 yard run by the Mustangs to take a quick 6 to 0 lead just

:52 seconds into the game.
On the ensuing kick-off, a mishandled onside kick resulted in another offensive possession by the Mustangs. The Coyote defense finally flexed their muscles a bit as the rush by John Hensley and RT Shafer forced a quick pass that was intercepted by Michael Cooley. The offense finally got their first opportu-nity of the game and they wasted no time as a nice Shafer block and Valentine cut block allowed Cooley to travel

7:51 left in the first quarter Borden County had an 8 to 6

On the Mustangs next possession, they were able to convert two 4th downs on their way to their 2<sup>nd</sup> touchdown of the evening to regain the lead at 12

The Coyotes used only their 2<sup>nd</sup> offensive play to get their 2<sup>nd</sup> offensive touchdown as Quinton Shafer, Chapman, Derek Tatum, RT Shafer and Valentine cleared a path for Cooley to travel 39 yards to regain the lead at 14 to 12 for the Coyotes. After the defense forced a 3 and out, a nice punt return by Cooley set the Coyotes up at the Mustang 6 yard line. The Coyotes ran their 3rd play for their 3<sup>rd</sup> score as cooley scampered in from 6 yards out to push the coyote lead to 20 to 6 with 1:14 left in the first quarter. On the last play of the quarter, Karl Lam-ming, making a habit of scoring defensive touchdowns in the play-offs got another interception and touchdown return from 42 yards out to increase the Borden County lead to 26

After another defensive 66 yards to pay dirt for the stop, the Coyotes regained pos-Coyotes and after a Flynn session of the ball and began

to march toward another score. Miles Valentine and the Coyotes took to the air for this touchdown as Valentine and Cooley connected from 19 yards out for the touchdown and a comfortable 32 to 6 lead. The Mustangs stopped any Coyote momentum that may have been displayed, by returning the ensuing kick-off 72 yards to cut the Coyote lead to 32 to 20 following a successful extra point.

Valentine again took to the air, this time connecting with RT Shafer. This time the connection resulted in a 49 yard touchdown reception. With the kicking game struggling a bit, Helio Rosales stepped in and converted his opportunity to push the Coyote lead by to 20 points as 40 to 20. The Mustangs would not go away easy as they mounted a tremendous drive of their own, converting 2 fourth down plays en route to a touchdown pass with only:16 seconds left in the first half. This touchdown and extra point made the halftime score 40 to 28 in favor of the Coyotes.

Hoping to regain the momentum in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half, Borden County would receive

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#### On Our Way to Semi-Finals!



The Borden County Coyotes are on the road to Semi-Finals. They are the 2009 Division II Quarter Final champs. The Coyotes defeated the Sands Mustangs in the fourth quarter with the 45 rule. The final score was 86-36. Pictured are (back row left to right) Tony Soto, Jared Smith, Austin Cope, Flynn Chapman, Brendan Tarleton, Derek Tatum, John Hensley, Quint Shafer, Zach Telchik, Matthew Roberson, Helio Rosales, Kobie Benham, Collin Telchik, R.T. Shafer, McLayne Hall, David Rodriguez, Austin Fields, Austin Tyler, (kneeling left to right) Karl Lamming, Brent Davis, Skyler Williamson, Miles Valentine, Michael Cooley, Tanner Richey, Michael Froman, Luke Burkett and Steven Howard.

#### DIVISION II SEX-MAN STATE SEMI-FINAL PLAY-OFF GAME

**Borden County vs. Motley County** Saturday, December 5th at6:00 p.m. **Lowery Field** in Lubbock (66th & Ave P)

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# **BJH One-Act Play Coming to Town** Community Performance Set for This Thursday; Contest on Saturday

on yet another fine production tration camp following the of the Borden County I.S.D. Holocaust. Her story of sur-Theatre Department as the Borden County Junior High readies itself for this week's One-Act Play contest and community performances of Celeste Raspanti's classic I Never Saw Another Butterfly.

play is set for this Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 6:30 p.m. in the B.C.I.S.D. auditorium. All families, friends, and public are invited to this performance, which will serve as the 20member cast and crew's final Raja's family is played by dress rehearsal for their district eighth grader Brady Dowds contest

The District 4-A Junior High One-Act Play Contest is set for this Saturday, December 5th, also in the B.C.I.S.D. auditorium. The shows will key ("Irca," her sister-in-law). begin at 10:30 a.m. that mornThe children of Terezin who ing and run back-to-back. These performances are also open to the public.

Leading off the contest in the first performance slot is O'Donnell Junior High's Zink: The Myth, the Legend, the Ze-

The BJH production of I Never Saw Another Butterfly will perform in the second time slot, beginning at approximately 11:15 a.m. Be there early, though, to ensure admittance into the auditorium.

Blackwell JH will be third with an undisclosed play at press time. Sands JH will close the contest with their rendition of The Rocking Horse

The BJH production is in search of their 10th district championship in 11 years.

I Never Saw Another Butterfly will take audiences back almost 70 years to World War II. The play is set in the Jewish ghetto of Terezin in the former Czechoslovakia and focuses on a young woman, Raja Englanderova, who was one of only about 100 children liber-

The curtain is about to open ated from the ghetto/ concenvival and hope are sure to inspire all in attendance.

Starring in the show is eighth grade Mollie McMeans as "Raja Englanderova." Along with many other children, she is taught in the ghetto The community perfor- by "Irena Synkova," a teacher mance of the Holocaust-era played by fellow eighth grader Taylor Gass. Raja finds a close friend in the ghetto in "Honza Kosek," played by eighth grader Zach McMeans. He also doubles as a "Loudspeaker/Nazi Guard.

> ("Papa"), seventh graders Tye Basquez ("Mama") & Cayden Vaughn ("Pavel," her brother), and sixth graders Channing Miller ("Aunt Vera") & Zoie

> The children of Terezin who are taught by Irena are played by eighth grader Maeghan Herridge ("Child I"), seventh grader Bessie Rhodes ("Child II), and sixth graders Tatum Richey ("Child III") & Samuel

> Raborn ("Child IV").
> Completing the cast are eighth grade Kassaundra Gaines ("Renka") and sixth graders Taylor Roberts ("Erika") & Thomas Harrison 'Rabbi'').
> The BJH crew is comple-

> mented by eighth graders Mallory McMeans ("Stage Manager"), Matthew Ham ("Light Technician"), and Kalyn Massingill ("Sound Technician"). Seventh grader Clair Shafer ("Stagehand") and sixth grader Lexi Monette ("Props & Costumes") also serve as crew members.

> Come enjoy a fantastic theatrical performance by the young people of Borden County!





Borden County UIL participants shined in O'Donnell where they competed recently in the District 4-A, East Zone UIL Academic Meet. On the elementery level Borden County finished with a total of 782.66 points beating out second place O'Donnell with 480.83 points. The junior high doubled is next closest competitor with a total of 1257.5 points.

#### School Lunch Menu

Dec. 7 - 11, 2009

Monday - Breakfast: Cereal & Toast, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Nachos Grande, Lettuce & Tomato, Orange Smiles, Cornbread and Milk.

Tuesday - Breakfast: Muffin, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Oven Crispy Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Grenn Beans, Hot Roll, Fancy Gelatin and Milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast: Biscuit & Gravy, Ham, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Stuffed Baked Potato, Baby Carrots w/ Ranch, Fresh Fruit Cup, Texas Toast and Milk.

Thursday - Breakfast: Pop Tart, Fruit Juice and Milk Lunch: Pizza, Seasoned Corn, Tossed Salad, Sliced Peaches and Milk.

Friday - Breakfast: Omelet & Toast, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Corndog, Oven Fried Potatoes, Fresh Broccoli w/ Ranch, Sparkly Apples, Crispy Cerel Treat and Milk.

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#### Due to the play-off football game Saturday night, the district 4-A Jr. High one-act play schedule will be as follows:

O'Donnell: Approximately 10:30 a.m. Borden County: Approximately 11:30 a.m. Blackwell: Approximately 12:30 p.m. Sands: Approximately 1:30 p.m.

#### **Borden Junior High Basketball Schedule** 2009-2010

Day	Date	Opponent	Teams	Site	Time
Sat.	. Nov. 14	Sands Tournament	G, B	There	TBA
Mon.	Nov. 16	Dawson	G, B	Here	6:00
Mon.	Nov. 23	Loop	G, B	There	6:00
Mon.	Nov. 30	Grady	G, B	Here	6:00
Mon.	Dec. 7	Klondike	G, B	Here	6:00
Mon.	Dec. 14	Sands	G, B	There	6:00
Thurs.	Jan. 7	Dawson	G, B	There	6:00
Mon.	Jan. 11	Loop	G, B	Here	6:00
Mon.	Jan. 18	Grady	G, B	There	6:00
Mon.	Jan. 25	Klondike	G, B	There	6:00
Mon.	Feb. 1	Sands	G, B	Here	6:00

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# Victory for Coyotes in Rematch...

By Coach Baeza

their first play from scrimmage, the Mustangs stripped the ball from a Coyote runner which allowed only 8 points in the half forced the Mustangs to turn the ball over on downs.

The Coyotes used another 1 play drive to regain control of this quarter-final match up. Michael Cooley sprinted 52 yards for the score, Chapman got his kicking going again and started a new streak connect-ing on the final 5 kicks of the game. After a nice interception by Tony Soto, Cooley set sail on another nice 52 yard touchdown untouched again to push lead to 56 to 28 after the Chapman extra-point.

After yet another nice defensive stand, Valentine and Cooley connected again on a 40 yard scoring strike to push and was in on 10 tackles, had the lead to 64 to 28. The Mustangs put together one last ditch effort to stay in the game as they mounted a nice drive had some awesome blocks and to score their final touchdown was in on 6 tackles and a presof the game to cut the Borden sure. Zach Telchik was in on 9 County lead to 64 to 36.

The Coyotes regained control of the game as Valentine third and final time early in the a touchdown and had 2 carries 4<sup>th</sup> quarter to stretch the lead for 11 yards and was in on 9 to 70 to 36 lead and after another Chapman kick, the Coyotes had the Mustangs doubled up at 72 to 36 with 8:37 left in the game. Lamming did his magic act again on the Coyotes next defensive possession as he intercepted his 2<sup>nd</sup> pass, but more impressively turned it into his 2<sup>nd</sup> touchdown of the yards and was in on 9 tackles

7:40 left in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter.
The Coyote defensive forced yet another turnover as Cooley stripped the ball from a Mustang runner and then lend on the loose pig skin to give the Coyotes possession of the ball one last time. The 2<sup>nd</sup> team offense got into the act during offense got into the act during this possession. Lamming contains a looked well playing fullback in this game. Flynn also had 21 tackles, 3 tackles for loss, a sack and a pressure and was 7 of 10 on extra points. this possession. Lamming connected with Brendan Tarleton
Helio Rosales had an extra to keep the drive alive on a 4<sup>th</sup> down connection. The same two connected again on a 3<sup>rd</sup> and goal from the 7 yard line and this time Borden County had their 12th touchdown of the

the 2<sup>nd</sup> half kick-off. But, on the 45 point mercy rule with closer to the dream. Remem-4:14 left in the 4th quarter.

The Coyotes with the victory, had two solid wins on the to take over possession of the season over a very well ball. The Coyote defense, coached and hard nosed Mustang football team. The victory also propelled the Coyotes into the Semi-finals for the 2<sup>nd</sup> straight year. The Coyotes will be the home team in their Semi-Final match-up with the 2007 State Champion Motley

County Matadors. Miles Valentine was 5 of 6 passing for 145 yards and 4 scores, and also in on 4 tackles, Austin Cope had a tackle, Brent Davis got a kick-off play, and just missed a tackle. David Rodriquez was in on 2 tackles and had two carries for 3 yards. Michael Cooley had 13 carries for 304 yards and 5 touchdowns and also had 3 catches for 87 yards and 3 touchdowns an interception, 3 passes deflected, a caused fumble and fumble recovery. Quint Shafer had some awesome blocks and tackles, had a tackle for loss. Skyler Dear had a tackle and a trol of the game as Valentine blocked extra point. RT Shafer and Cooley connected for the had one catch for 49 yards and tackles, a sack, tackle for loss and 4 pressures. Brendan had several good kicks, 2 receptions for 23 yards and a score. John Hensley had 16 tackles, 2 sacks, 3 tackles for loss and 4 pressures. Tanner Richey returned to hold for extra points. game from 29 yards out and following another Chapman kick, the Coyotes had a very comfortable 80 to 36 lead with 7:40 left in the 4th quarter.

The Coyote defensive the defensive that the correct the control of the part of the part of the correct that the corre les and blocked extremely well from his center position. Flynn Chapman had a carry for 2 point kick. Kobie Benham had a 3 yard run. Also suiting up was Michael Froman, Matt Roberson, Collin Telchik, and

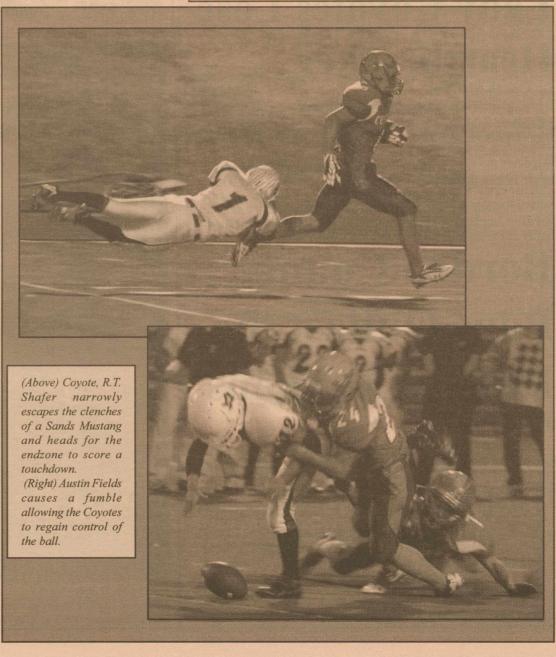
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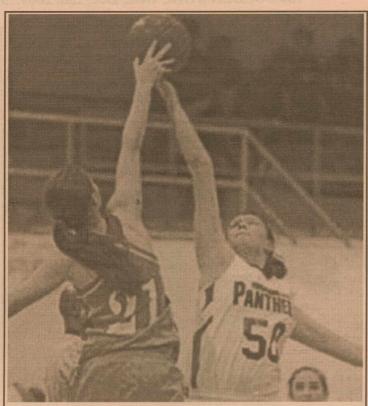
Steven Howard.

ber, live the dream, Meet the Challenge, Grab the Brass Ring and Both Feet In.

I would like to thank you all for your support and traveling to Lubbock for this Quarter-final battle with long time rival Sands Mustangs during the Thanksgiving holiday. The Coyotes will need your continued support as they feed off of your tremendous support, thank you. I would also like to thank everyone in Post for your support and efforts to make the escort and in town support with sirens, signs and just waving fans along with the escort through town, it is awesome and the Covotes love all that you have done for them. Thank you for everything. Semi-Finals here we come.

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Borden Lady Coyote, Bailey Anderson (#27) reaches to tip the ball in the start of the game against the Whitharral Panthers.

# **Lady Coyotes Lose** Heartbreaker

By Coach McCook

costly. The Lady Panthers tually came away with the 51- the team's success.

The Lady Coyotes came up just short against Whitharral Monday November 23<sup>rd</sup>.

While they held the lead for much of the game, mistakes made late in the game proved costly. The Lady Ponthers Railey Anderson Stafania. Bailey Anderson, Stefanie took advantage with big bas-ket after big basket and even-Kylie Voss also contributed to

# **Borden County** Pups Outlast the **Dawson Dragons**

By Coach Baeza

boys took on the Dawson Dragon on Nov. 16 in their home opener and improved their season record to 3-0 with a 41-38 victory. The first half saw both teams do well offensively as the score was tied 15 all at half. A big third quarter by the Coyotes however for them. vided enough cushion for them to hang on for a tough fought victory. Scoring for the Coy- Coyotes!

The Coyote Junior High otes: T.J. Basquez 25, Matthew Proulx 8, Kurt Shafer 4, Sean Tucker 2, and Matthew Ham 2. Also contributing for Ham 2. Also contributing for the Coyotes were Riley Herridge, Ricky Torres, Michael McClain, Zach McMeans, Cayden Vaughn, Nathan Ham, Hurrikane Vankirk, Frank Banman, Brady Dowds, Jaden Huse, and Michael Taylor. Good Job

# Lady Coyote JV Falls to Whitharral

By Coach McCook

bined score of 6 points in the first quarter. By halftime things had barely begun to improve; the Lady Panthers

But in the second half the Lady Panthers outscored the

The JV Lady Coyotes traveled to Whitharral Monday where they met the Lady Panthers.

The game started slow with the two teams posting a combined score of 6 points in the scored 6 points for the Lady coyotes.

Lady Coyotes 28-15 and slowly pulled away to a 42-23 win. The loss brings the JV Lady Coyotes' record to 0-3.

Aubree Lester, Machelle Barr, and Krista Tarleton each scored 6 points for the Lady

scored 6 points for the Lady Coyotes. Teryn Soto scored 2. Hanna Forbes, Jordan Day, Lexi Peterson, Shea Burkett, and Kaylyn Dean also contributed to the team effort.

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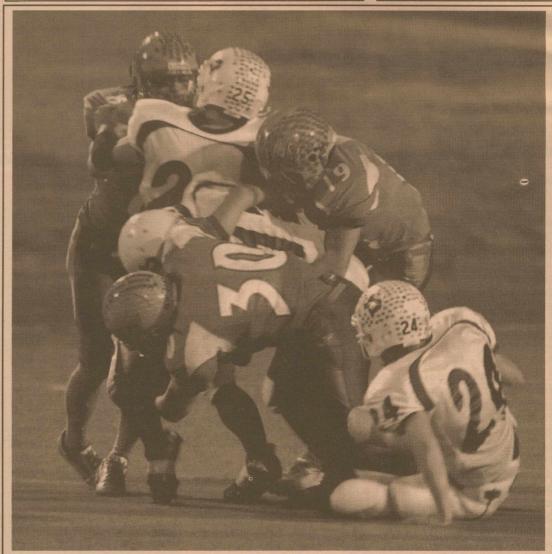
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The Borden County Coyotes attack a Sands Mustang. With the victory over Sands they will next take on the Motley County Matadors this Saturday at 6:00 in Lubbock at Lowery Field. Pictured is (far left) Quint Shafer, Flynn Chapman (#30) and John Hensley (#19).

#### **Commissioners Meeting**

WHEREAS, On this the Reyes. Motion carried. 10th day of October, 2009, the 2008 ANNUAL A Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Regular Session in the Commissioners Court room in the courthouse of Gail, Texas, the following members of the court being present, to-wit: VAN L. YORK, County

Judge; MONTE SMITH, Commissioner, Precinct N. 1; RANDY ADCOCK, Commissioner, Precinct No. 2; ERNEST REYES, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3; JOE **BELEW**, Commissioner, Prect. No. 4; **JOYCE HERRIDGE**, County Clerk and Ex-Officio of the Commissioners Court, constituting a quorum, when the following proceedings were had, in accordance with the posted agenda.

MINUTES APPROVED
Minutes of the Commissioners Court Meeting of October 27, 2009 were read. Commissioner Reyes made a motion to approve said minutes. Commissioner Belew seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**COUNTY OFFICE** REPORTS

After examination of the County Offices Reports, Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve reports that were submitted including the September District/County Clerk Fees Collected Report. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**EVENTS CENTER AND RODEO ARENA** 

After a discussion, Commissioner Adcock made a motion to table action on the continuation of the Borden County Events Center and Rodeo Arena Project. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Reyes. Motion carried.

**COUNTY LAND** 

Commissioner Adcock made a motion t pursue acquiring and designating the 20 acres of land for the Borden County Events Center and Rodeo Arena Project. Commissioner Belew seconded the motion. Motion

**RESOLUTION ENERGY EFFICIENCY GRANT** 

Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve the Resolutuion to pursue all Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Motion was seconded by Commissioner mously.

2008 ANNUAL AUDIT

Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve the 2008 County Audit as submitted by Don H. Stephens, CPA, P.C. of Lamesa, Texas. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Reyes. Motion carried.

**ORDER PROHIBITING** ANIMALS IN COURT-HOUSE

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve Commissioners Court Order prohibiting animals, with the exception of service animals, in the Borden County Courthouse, Borden County Community Building, and Courthouse Annex. Commissioner Belew seconded the motion. Motion carried. **BUDGET AMEND-**

**MENTS** 

Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve the 2009 budget Amendments. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Reyes. Motion carried.

**SOIL CONSERVATION** CONSTRUCTION

Two applications for Soil Conservation Construction of Fireguards were received from Tim Wilson in Precinct No. 1 and No. 2 and Glen Gray in Precinct No. 2. Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve the applications at the rate of \$35.00 per hour for a motor grader and \$65.00 per hour for a dozer. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion carried.

**ROAD CONSTRUC-**TION/ MAINTENANCE

Applications for Road Construction were received from T.C. Stipe and Kasey Hensarling in Precinct No. 3. Commissioner Reyes made a motion to approve applications. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**ACCOUNTS** ALLOWED

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

**DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE AGENDA** 

No new items were pre-

**ADJOURN** 

Commissioner Smith made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion and was approved unaniUTES READ AND APPROVED THIS THE 24th day of November, 2009.

WHEREAS, On this the 11th day of November, 2009, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Special Session in the Commissioners Court room in the courthouse of Gail, Texas, the following members of the

court being present, to-wit:

VAN L. YORK, County
Judge; MONTE SMITH, Commissioner, Precinct N. 1; RANDY ADCOCK, Commissioner, Precinct No. 2; **ERNEST REYES**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3; JOE BELEW, Commissioner, Prect. No. 4; JOYCE HERRIDGE, County Clerk and Ex-Officio of the Commissioners Court, constituting a quorum, when the following proceedings were had, in accordance with the posted agenda.

**ELECTION CAN-**VASSED

The results of the Constitutional Amendment Election held on November 3, 2009 were canvassed. A motion was made by Commissioner Belew that the returns of the Election are official as recorded in Volume 2, Page 190, Election Records. Motion was seconded by Commissioner by Commissioner Adcock. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN** 

Commissioner Belew made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion and was approved unanimously

THE FOREGOING MIN-UTES READ AND APPROVED THIS THE 24th day of November, 2009.

WHEREAS, On this the 16th day of November, 2009, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Special Session in the Commissioners Court room in the courthouse of Gail, Texas, the following members of the court being present, to-wit:

VAN L. YORK, County Judge; MONTE SMITH, Commissioner, Precinct N. 1; RANDY ADCOCK, Commissioner, Precinct No. 2; ERNEST REYES, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3; JOE BELEW, Commissioner, Prect. No. 4; JOYCE HERRIDGE, County Clerk and Ex-Officio of the Commissioners Court, constituting a quorum, when the following proceedings were posted agenda.

Jimmy Thomas, Borden Voting A. County I.S.D. Superintendent, sioner Smith. was in attendance.

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motion to purchase the Reversion Clause form the Reeder Estate Heirs on certain two acre mously block, Number 8 and West one helf of two acre block number 9, in the town site of Gail subject to funds by Commissioner Adcock. Voting for: Commis-

THE FOREGOING MIN- had, in accordance with the sioners Adcock, Reyes, Belew and Judge York.

Voting Against: Commis-

**ADJOURN** 

Commissioner Adcock Commissioner Belew made a made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion and was approved unani-

THE FOREGOING MIN-UTES READ AND APPROVED THIS THE 24th day of November, 2009.

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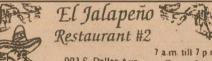
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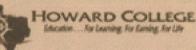
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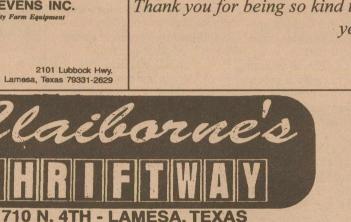
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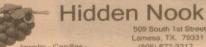


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By Jibber & Cindy Herridge Dec. 11 – In Honor of: Mr. & Mrs. Mack Terry

By Jibber & Cindy Herridge
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Dec. 12 – In Honor of:

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\* Batteries, fuses, surge protectors and extension cords. You'll likely use more electricity than usual, so keep extras on hand. Remember not to overload outlets - it is a fire hazard waiting to happen.

\* Major appliances. Check household appliances that can affect your holiday plans, and make sure they're in good working order. For most people, these include the oven, dishwasher, refrigerator, heating system, washer/dryereven your blender or mixer. Make sure they are clean and ready to use. Refrigerators of-ten get a real workout during this season with an overabundance of food. Remember that to work efficiently, air needs holiday season can be happy to be able to circulate around and a little less stressful!

\* Drain Prevention. Don't let unexpected clogs ruin your holiday spirit. Use a drain cleaner on a monthly basis leading up to the holidays to prevent build-up from forming in your pipes and to help keep your drains running smoothly. Also, if you have a septic system, check it out to make sure it isn't full. Keep plumbing fixtures clean.

\* Fire extinguisher. Have one readily available in the kitchen and in rooms that have fireplaces or lots of decorations. Then make sure everyone in your family knows where the extinguishers are stored and how to use them.

\* Have a plan for emergencies. Have a first aid kit on hand and accessible for all family members and guests. Also, keep the numbers for emergency services near each phone (remember that out of town guests won't know the local numbers). For Borden County EMS, call 806-759-

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# Lighting of the Star **Christmas Ornament Contest Results**

There were numerous entries in the 2009 Lighting of the Star Ornament Contest this year. Congratulations to the first place winners! Preschool through Kinder-

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1st grade through 2nd grade:

Macy Matlock
3<sup>rd</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> grade: Tho-

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Each first place winner received a \$25 cash prize which has been sponsored by Poka Lambro Telephone Cooperative, Inc. for their winning or-nament and their ornament will be on display in the Commissioners Courts throughout the holidays. Courtroom

We appreciate all the youth and the teachers that supported 5th through 8th grade: this year's contest. A Mallory McMeans winner's ornaments winner's this year's contest. All non-winner's ornaments will be

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# House **Decorating** Contest Results

There were two entries in the 2009 House Decorating Contest. We appreciate everyone's spirit in decorating their homes for the holidays.

The first place winners are Debra and Randy Hardman (\$150 cash) and second place winners are Peter and Kerri Benavidez (\$100 cash). Prizes were donated by Lyntegar Electric Cooperative, Inc. We encourage everyone to take a tour of the lighted homes in Gail throughout the holiday season.

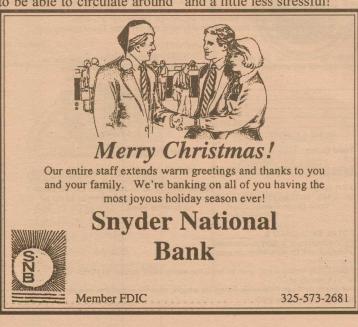
We would also like to thank Cecil and Sandy Kizer for providing horse drawn buggy and hayrides for participants during the Lighting of the Star festivities. It was a highlight for many that attended.

This year's Child-size Stocking Winner was Kennedy Tucker.



Katie Gray (left) and Ashlyn Tucker(right) tell Santa their Christmas wishes

Mrs. Clause (Margaret Sharp) arrives in style to the Lighting of the Star here she joined Santa Clause.





### You Better Watch Out Car Thieves May Be After Your Holiday Gifts

holiday season, Santa may not be the only one watching you. Car thieves may be watching you and your car, especially if it is filled with holiday gifts holiday gifts wind up in the and other valuables left in plain right hands," said Caldwell. sight. Consumers need to be aware that the holidays are a prime time for thieves to strike.

Every 2 1/2 minutes in Texas, another vehicle is broken into and the contents stolen. In 2008, thieves committed 259,705 burglary of motor vehicle offenses, including motor vehicle parts, accounting for an economic loss totaling over \$184,000,000 in Texas.

"The holidays should be filled with happiness, spending time with family and friends and shopping for that perfect gift, not worrying about car thieves," said Charles Caldwell, director of the Auto Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority. "During the busy holiday shopping season, shop-pers may overlook common sense precautions, especially when dealing with crowded parking lots and rushing from store to store.

This holiday season hundreds of law enforcement task force representatives, funded by the Texas Auto Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority (ABTPA), will be out in their communities, reminding Texans that where they are, car

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# **Obituary**



#### Herman Isaac Ledbetter

Herman Isaac Ledbetter of Borden County departed this life on Thursday, November 19, 2009, at 11:26 a.m., at Sage Healthcare Center in Lamesa at the age of 75 years.

He was born on May 18, 1934 in Olney to Isaac and Hettie Ledbetter. Herman married Christeen Durham on July 7, 1956 in Clovis NM. They were blessed with two daughters, Mary and Elizabeth.

Mr. Ledbetter was a member of the Second Baptist Church of Lamesa. He graduated from O'Donnell High School in 1953. Herman worked for Kerr and Middleton Paving Contractors for 17 years. In 1968 he and his family moved to Borden County to farm and raised pe-cans. He served as County Commissioner for Borden County for 12 years; Board of Directors for Texas Pecan Growers Association and Plains Cotton Growers Association. He served three years with the 112th Armed Calvary Regiment, Company F at Lamesa. He was a member of the Lubbock Emergency Corp.

Herman was an endowed member of O'Donnell Masonic Lodge #1187; Lamesa Lodge #909, Tahoka Lodge #1041, and the Tranquility Lodge #2000. He received the Golden Trowel Award from O'Donnell Lodge; served as Deputy Grand Master for Grand Lodge of Texas; Master of the O'Donnell Lodge; a 32<sup>nd</sup> degree endowed member of Scottish Bits Haynes also of Scottish Rite. He was also a Shriner, an endowed member of Chapter and Council, an endowed member Comandry; an endowed member of Big Spring Chapter #67; Order of

the Eastern Star. Mr. Ledbetter served as a member of the Civil Air Patrol in Lamesa.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife, Christeen (Durham); two daughters, Mary Bond of Lamesa, Elizabeth Musgrove and husband, Tom of Big Spring; one sister, Mennie Mason of Lubbock; one brother, Norman and wife, Rhonda, of Tahoka; one sisterin-law, Nell Ledbetter of Lubbock; four grandchildren, Lochie Darling and husband, James, of Salado; Jacqueline Riley and husband, Dan, of Coahoma, James Bond and fiancé, Monica Roberson, of Snyder, and Michele Bond and fiancé, Brad Grimmett, of Alvin, three great-grandchildren, Lily Riley, Kelli Jo Darling and Kaden Stone; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, George, one brother-in-law, Charlie Stubblefield; and three nephews, Eldon, Bobby and Larry Stubblefield.

The family greeted friends on Friday, November 20, 2009, from 6 to 8 pm, at White Memorial Chapel in O'Donnell.

Celebration of Life Services were held at 1:00 pm, Saturday, November 21, 2009 at the Second Baptist Church in Lamesa with the Rev. Rush Coffman officiating.

Interment followed at Gail Cemetery in Gail, Texas.

The family requests that in

lieu of flowers; please make donations to Scottish Rite Learning Center, Compass Hospice of Big Spring, Second Baptist Church of Lamesa, or the charity of your choice.

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In Him Alone,

Craig, Maggie, Koda & Brynne Bigham

# The family of Herman Ledbetter wishes to

express our heartfelt appreciation and thanks to our dear friends and neighbors for all the comforting words spoken, the kindnesses shown, the food and beautiful floral offerings extended to us in the loss of our beloved one. A special thank you to Dr. Ogeda, Sage Healthcare staff, the staff of Compass Hospice and the staff at Medical Arts Hospital for

taking such good care of our Herman. A special thanks to the Second Baptist Church and White's Funeral Home. May God's richest blessings be upon each of you





# Gail FFA Successful at LDE Area Competition

By Buddy Wallace

Gail FFA ended its LDE team run successfully at the Area II Contest on Saturday, November 21st with a strong showing in a competitive field of Area contests. The Area LDE even, which took place at Howard College, Big Spring, hosted over 150 students and 80 teams. Gail FFA had 33 students competing on 10 teams who had advanced from their successful outing at the District competition earlier in the month. Gail FFA represented their chapter and the Borden County School well as they placed high in several events while setting an all time record for teams and student numbers advancing from the Gail FFA Chapter to Area.

The results are as follows: Public Relations: 3<sup>rd</sup> (11

teams competing)-Shylo Rinehart, Lacey Roberts, Raylea Underwood.

Raylea Underwood.

Jr. Skills: 3<sup>rd</sup> (10 teams competing)-McLayne Hall, Riley Smith, Teryn Soto.

Sr. Creed: 3<sup>rd</sup> (14 teams competing)-Krista Tarleton.

Jr. Chapter Conducting:3<sup>rd</sup> (11 teams competing)-Jorden Day, Steelie Sanders, Matt Roberson, Jared Smith, Brady Bybee, Steven Howard, Tanner Richey, Brent Davis and Helio Rosales.

Radio #1: 4th (14 teams competing)-Eric Espinoza, Chellsie Pigford, Chasiti Rutherford and Shylo Rinehart.
Sr. Skills: 5th (10 teams competing) Valid

Sr. Skills: 5th (10 teams competing)-Kobie Benham, Shaylie Boles and Seleste Herridge.

Radio #2: 6<sup>th</sup> (14 teams competing)-Shaylie Boles, Seleste Herridge and Derek Tatum.

Sr. Chapter Conducting: 6<sup>th</sup> (10 teams competing)-Raylea Underwood, Krista Tarleton, Austin Tyler, Dalton Thuett, Luke Burkett, Zach Telchik, Collin Telchik and Jacie Eveland.

Junior Quiz: 6<sup>th</sup> (12 teams competing)-Shea Burkett, Kaylyn Dean, Celena Guerrero and Kylie Voss.
Jr. Creed: 14<sup>th</sup>-Jordan Day.

Congratulations to all Gail FFA members who competed in this event allowing them to be a part of a record setting team number advancing to this competition from Borden ISD.

#### Canned Food Drive

Sponsored by Borden County 4-H



WHEN: Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup> through Friday, December 11<sup>th</sup>

WHY: Please help us collect canned goods to be donated to families in Borden County.

WHERE: Students - bring your canned goods to your home room class. The grade in each division that collects the most goods will win a "sweet treat party." (Divisions are K-2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) Community Members may bring their canned goods to the Extension Office or to the cafeteria during any home basketball game.

A special thank you goes to Borden County I.S.D. for allowing 4-H to hold this food drive at school.

For more information, contact a 4-H member or the Extension Office at (806)756-4336.

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# Missy Coyotes Loop the Longhorns

By Coach McCook

The Missy Coyotes struggled to get going offensively during their game Monday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> against Loop, but they more than made up for it on the defensive end. They held Loop scoreless in the first quarter and allowed only three points in the entire first half. While the second half score was even (14-14), the Missy Coyotes did enough to maintain their halftime lead and leave Loop with a 21-17 victory. With this win the Missy Coyotes improve their

season record to 4-0 and their district record to 2-0.

Kalyn Massingill led all scorers with 9 points. Molly McMeans added 8. And Mallory McMeans and Sydnie Day contributed 2 apiece. Taylor Gass, Tye Basquez, Clair Shafer, Bailey Robinson, Eva Banman, Jessica Orosco, Kassie Gaines, Sage Wheatley, Maeghan Herridge, McKenna Campbell, and Bessie Rhodes also played well and helped with the total team effort.





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