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To Compete in Austin May 9th Sharp, Hensley Make 'State-ment' at Regional Track Meet

Neither T.J. Sharp nor Micah Hensley felt good early on in their Region II-A track performances.

"I was about to puke after the first throw," said discus thrower Sharp.

Hensley's reaction mirrored that sentiment.

"That was the ugliest race I've run all year," said the BHS senior hurdler.

Both, however, did what true champions usually do—whatever it takes.

Sharp fought off a slick throwing surface and reminders of last year's heartache to win the Region II-A discus title with a throw of 143' 10" to earn a trip to the State UIL Track and Field Meet.

In last year's meet, Sharp sat in second place with only one contestant left to throw.

The final mark pushed Sharp to third place and an alternate spot to Austin.

It was a different story although Sharp felt pretty queasy after throw numbers one.

"I got a little anxious because my feel slipped a little," said Sharp.

Most of the discus throwers outweighed and outsized Sharp in every category, and the BHS senior uses a

throwing technique that accentuates his strength—speed.

With a slippery surface, Sharp was concerned that he might not be able to work up enough speed to get off a decent toss.

His 117' throw to begin competition could have psyched him out, but Sharp came back solid in his next two attempts in preliminaries to hit two consecutive marks past 140'.

The closest anyone came in either prelims or finals was 137'8".

After the opening scare, Sharp consistently heaved the discus at least 135' each time after.

"That was my goal for this year," Sharp said. "My speed is what I have going for me, and it worked again today."

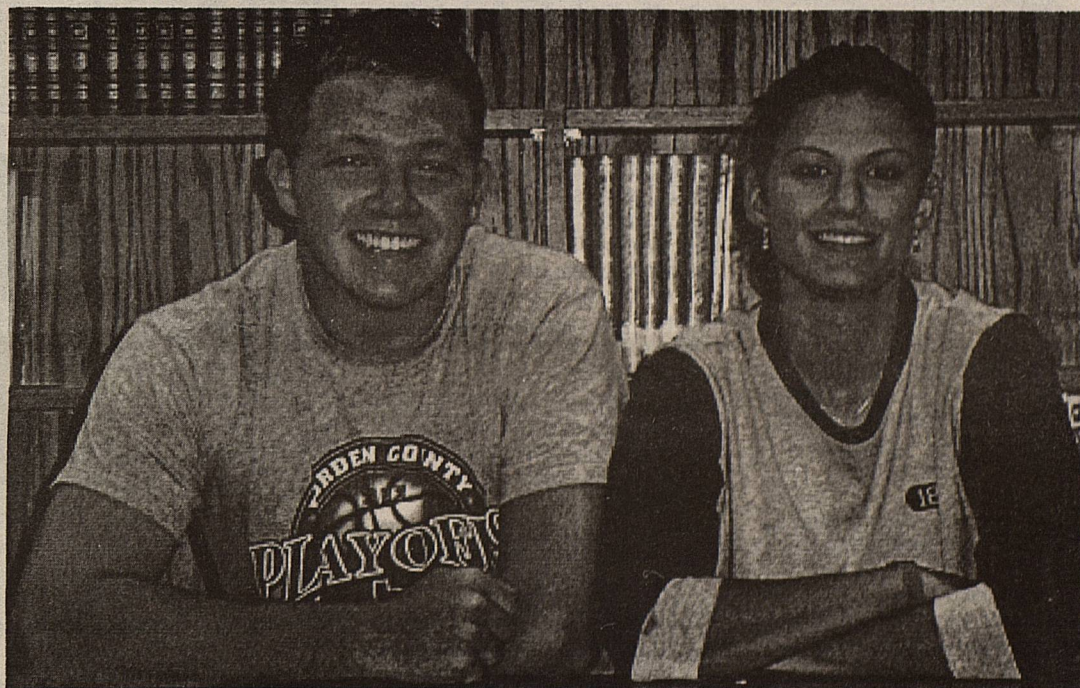
Hensley's outing in the tough 300m intermediate hurdle race was gutsy to say the least.

After having missed her entire sophomore year due to a torn ACL from the basketball season, Hensley rehabbed and ran the hurdles last year.

Besides the long jump and triple jump, most coaches

In Search of Gold

Hensley & Pinkerton Head to Austin



In interscholastic activities, gold medals are similar to Lay's Potato Chips — you can't get just one without yearning for more.

If the 2003 U.I.L. Academic Regional Meet is any indication, Austin better be ready this weekend for a pair of students from Borden County High School.

After garnering four gold medals between them at the regional meet a couple of weeks ago, B.H.S. senior Micah Hensley and junior Kyle Pinkerton are now set to compete in this weekend's 93rd Annual U.I.L. Academic State Meet in Austin.

Both Hensley and Pinkerton will be traveling a road with which they are familiar. Hensley previously

qualified for the State Meet in 2001 in Feature Writing while Pinkerton did so last year in Extemporaneous Persuasive Speaking. Neither failed to place in his or her previous trips, but both are shooting for medals this year.

Hensley will compete as the Region II-A champion in both Feature Writing and Editorial Writing. Pinkerton will represent Region II-A as its champion in Extemporaneous Persuasive Speaking and Headline Writing.

At the state meet, Hensley and Pinkerton will compete against eleven other students from across the state in each event.

The state meet, which is held on the campus of the

University of Texas in Austin, will end the year of Borden County School academic competition started early in the year with district championships on the elementary and junior high levels.

High school U.I.L. contests started in January with both Hensley and Pinkerton placing high in multiple invitational meets. Those meets culminated into a district championship for the high school academic team.

The students are coached by Ms. Sue Jane Mayes (journalism) and Mr. Darrin Ard (speech).

Good luck in Austin, Micah and Kyle!

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Keeps adding to resume

Coyotes' all-everything; Sharp now basketball all-stater

By Dwight Heins
Lamesa Press-Reporter

Borden County's T.J. Sharp has been like a jack-of-all-trades in the Borden County boys' athletic program this school year and he's mastered nearly all of them.

Last fall, Sharp was an all-everything running back while helping power the Coyotes to their first six-man football playoff appearance in three years.

This winter, Sharp helped spark one of the biggest turnarounds on the high school boys basketball hardwoods in the South Plains, while helping lead the Coyotes to the third round of the 1A state playoffs.

Now with one of the top throws in the discus in his region this season going into this weekend's Region II-1A track meet, Sharp has hopes of finishing his high school days down at the state track meet.

"It's been a great way to go out," Sharp said modestly of his phenomenal senior season at Gail.

Now one can add being an all-state basketball player to Sharp's already very impressive resume. Sharp is one of a dozen players on the Texas Six-Man Coaches Association's All-State Boys Basketball Team, which was officially released just this week.

His latest accomplishment comes as an unexpected surprise to Sharp.

"There are so many good players out there. I'm just happy to be in that group," Sharp said.

Sharp modestly attributes his success to a strong supporting cast.

"I've had some good coaches and teammates and it's taken a lot of hard work on everybody's part," Sharp said.

Sharp noted the right mental approach has been another big key to his success.

"It's all about having your mind set on doing something when people think you can't do the job," Sharp said.

Borden County hoop coach Trey Richey attributes a great deal of Sharp's success to determination.

"He's not the fastest and he's not the strongest. He's not one of those kids who's going to jump out of the gym either," Richey said of Sharp. "He's only 5-10 but he's as good at post as I've had in a while, mainly because of the way he's always scrapping for everything he gets."

Sharp is quick to attribute a lot of his success to Richey.

"It's been an honor just playing for this guy, who's not only a great coach but also a wonderful Christian male who's also become a good friend," Sharp said.

It's quite obvious that a special bond has been built between Sharp and Richey during their three years together in the Coyotes' athletic program.

"I'm just thankful I had this chance to become a part of this special young man's life in the time we've had together," Richey said of Sharp. "He's been one of a kind and one which will always be very special to me."

"Coach Richey likes to joke

around a lot, but when it comes game time he's all business," Sharp said of his coach. "He always has us all fired up about whatever we're doing. There's no quit in this guy."

In addition to being his head boys basketball coach, Richey is also Sharp's track coach and his defensive coordinator on the gridiron.

"He's one of those kids who's just a joy to be around all of the time," Richey said.

"He started for me back in his ninth grade year. He's never missed a beat along the way. He's always played his heart out in everything that he did."

With Sharp leading the way, Borden County's boys went 21-13 and three rounds deep in the playoffs after only winning the 12 games over the past two years combined.

"We just played more as a team this season," Sharp said.

"A lot of people had their doubts, even some of us did, mainly because of what we've done out here in the past. We were finally able to get things rolling and we just seemed to build more and more confidence with every game."

This past season, Sharp averaged 16.4 points, 8.5 rebounds 3.1 steals and 2.3 assists per game. He connected on 63 percent of his shots from the floor and 69 percent of his free throw attempts. In addition to earning all-district and all-region honors, Sharp also made all-tournament teams at Borden County, Stanton and Post.

Sharp admits keeping up with Borden County's girls, who enjoyed still another district championship season and provided the Coyote boys with added incentive.

"That turned out being a motivational factor out here, since we wanted to show people the boys could do it, too," Sharp said.

"At the beginning of this season, most of the fans showed up only for the girls' games. You could see our fans diminish about the time we were fixing to start playing. At the end of the year, we started doing a good job of putting people up in the stands ourselves."

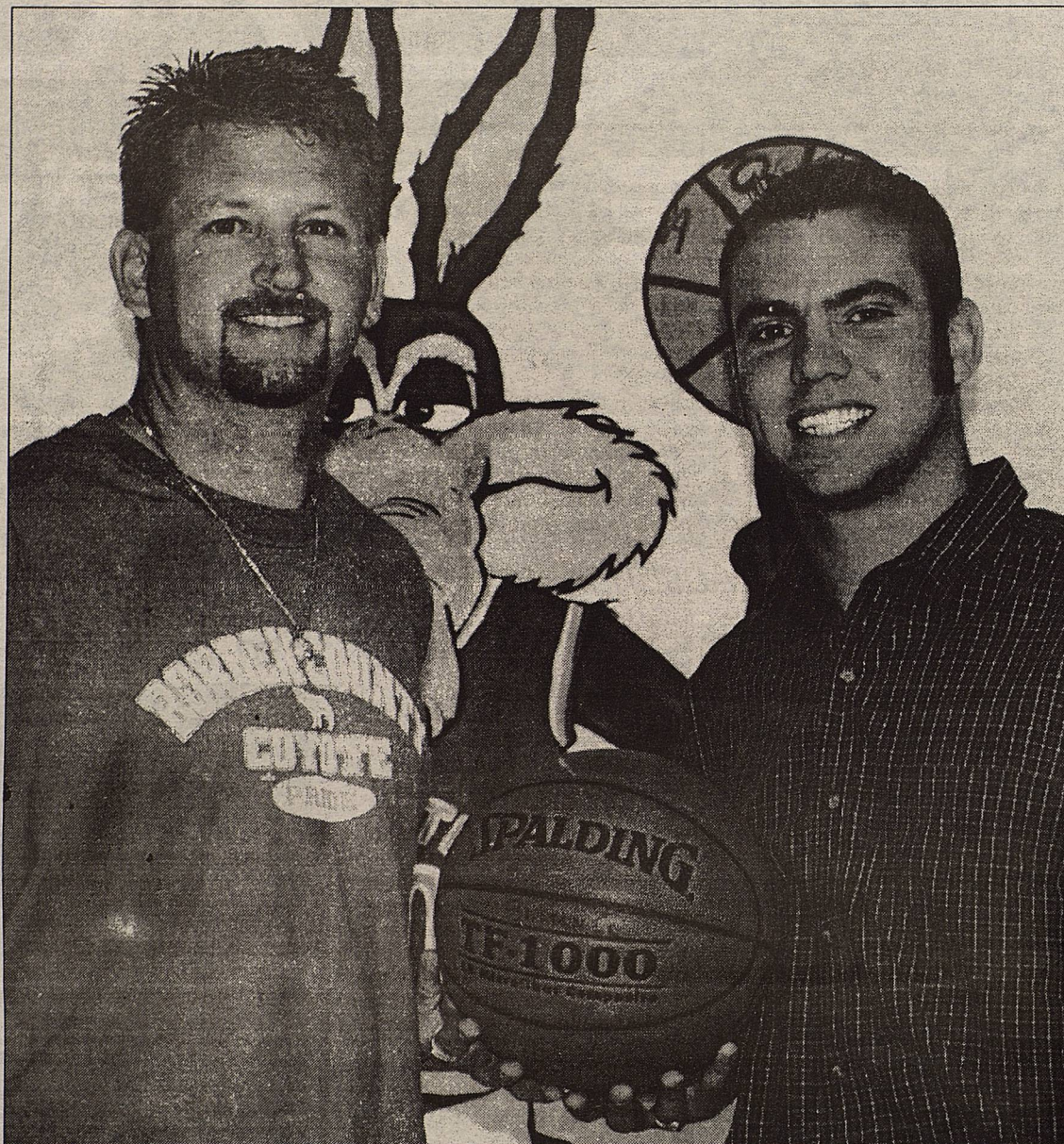
Sharp becomes the third Coyote basketball player this year to be honored by this coaching group. Recently, Borden County's Bobbie Kempf and Micah Hensley also received first-team all-state accolades from the Texas Six-Man Coaches Association.

On the football field, Sharp was more than a hot-shot running back. In fact, he ended up earning first-team all-district accolades at three different positions: running back, linebacker and kicker.

Sharp rolled up 1,277 yards and 19 touchdowns, led the Coyotes in tackles with 120 stops and even kicked 36 extra points in the Coyotes' football playoff march.

Sharp has one more game remaining in his high school football career — that being the Six-Man Coaches Association's six-man all-star tilt coming up later this summer at Lubbock.

"I'm going to enjoy that, since



COYOTES' HOOP ALL-STATER

Borden County athletic standout T.J. Sharp (right) added still another honor to his already impressive high school athletic resume by earning first-team all-state hoop honors from

the Texas Six-Man Coaches Association. Pictured with Sharp are Borden County's Coach Trey Richey. Sharp becomes Borden County's third all-state player this year.

Dwight Heins/Press-Reporter

this will probably be my last time to strap on the pads," Sharp said. "I already know a lot of the other guys who'll be playing in that game. There's a lot of great players out there, which should help make this game a lot of fun."

Being his third-year as a varsity player, Sharp banked on that experience to help lead the Coyotes on the hardwoods this season.

"I counted on my experience to help us keep things settled down and also in playing smart. I just wanted to contribute whatever and whenever I could," said this two-year captain for the Coyotes.

"We really wanted to get to that regional tournament this season. We were only one point away from getting there, so we were all pretty upset at that time but we still realized how big of an accomplishment that we made."

The Coyotes' thrilling playoff march this past season ended with a 48-47 heartbreaking defeat to Silverton in a regional semi-final shootout at Lubbock Coronado.

In his three-year varsity career, Sharp averaged 15.3 points, 8.2

rebounds, 3.1 steals and 2.1 assists per game.

After finishing second in his district before winning at his area meet, Sharp was back at the Region II-1A meet at Abilene this weekend where he had high expectations. Sharp's school-record throw of 154 feet, seven inches, which he threw back in his third meet of this season, is considered as one of the tops in his region this season.

Going into this weekend, Sharp

was hoping to improve on last year's third-place finish in the discus at regionals.

"The two guys who finished ahead of me last year have moved on (graduated), so I can't help but feel like I've got a chance to do well this weekend," Sharp said. "I can't help but be a little nervous about getting the chance to go back and re-do something I probably should have done last year."

TEXAS SIX-MAN COACHES ASSOCIATION'S ALL-STATE BASKETBALL TEAM

First Team

Chris Alligood, junior, Leuders-Avoca; Aaron Marks, junior, Aspermont; Duane Godfrey, junior, Aspermont; Eric Tunnell, senior, Grady; Travis Dawson, senior, Panther Creek; **T.J. Sharp, senior, Borden County**; Junior Benitez, senior, Iredell; Tijon Green, junior, Calvert; Derek Reed, junior, Zephyr; Brandon Hoskins, senior, Whitharral; Red Ivory, senior, Silverton; Wade Grant, sophomore, Channing.

Second Team

Lance Copeland, junior, Woodson; Todd Creel, junior, Newcastle; Ivan Rodriguez, senior, Balmorhea; Josh Tarr, senior, Novice; A.J. Monroe, senior, Blackwell; Cody Slate, senior, Panther Creek; Layne Grant, junior, Channing; Tanner Woods, freshman, Follett; Darin Martin, senior, Silverton; Kade Zyback, senior, Fort Elliott; Desmond Jenkins, junior, Trinidad; Brian Temple, junior, Zephyr.

Sharp, Hensley Make 'State-ment'

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would agree that the 300m hurdles does more pounding and punishment to the knees than any other.

Not only has Hensley run the hurdles well throughout the season, but she had the best qualifying time going into Saturday's finals—including a top time over last year's state champion in the event.

Saturday's race started off quickly, almost too quickly.

Hensley raced to her first hurdle in 6.6 seconds, a quicker time than usual.

That would have been a good thing except that the extra step pulled her off her normal rhythm and caused her to stutter step much of the remainder of the race.

Despite the situation, Hensley ran a 48.18, nabbing the silver medal and a trip to Austin.

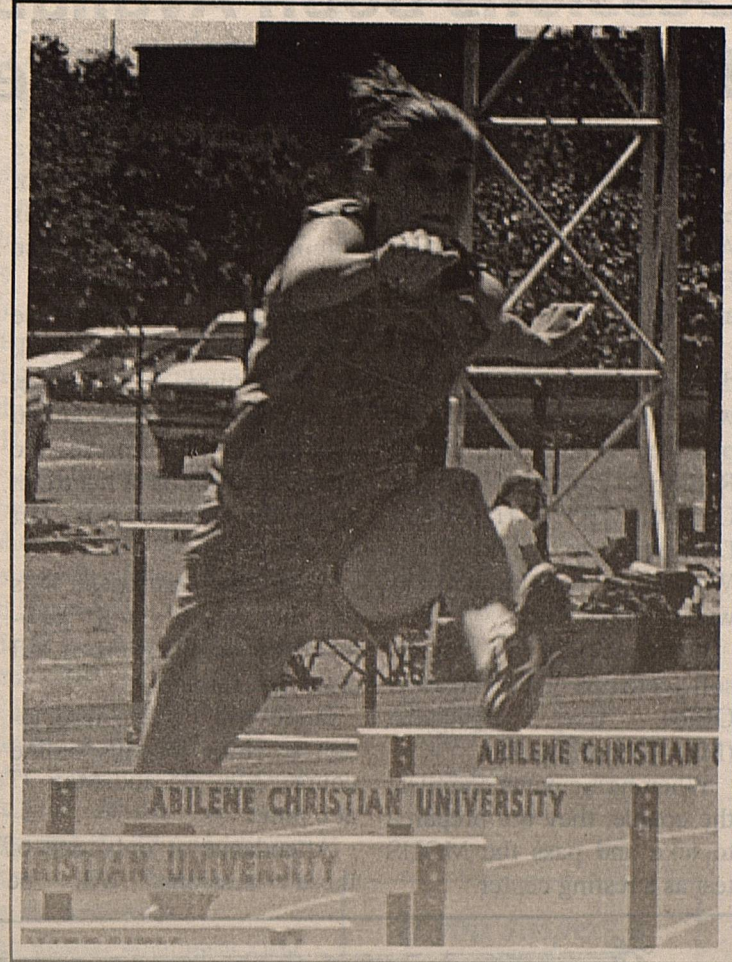
Hensley will also be competing this weekend in the State Academic Meet in both feature writing and editorial writing.

Coaches for the two athletes are Bobby Avery (for Micah) and Trey Richey (T.J.).

The discus competition is



T.J. Sharp



Micah Hensley

Regional Track Results

Abilene, April 25th – 26th

Girls' 400m relay (Pati Rodriguez, Cassidy Rinehart, Menda James, Micah Hensley) 11th place in prelims (of 16 teams running) 53:58—best time of the season for these girls

Girls' 800m relay (Rodriguez, Shayla Gass, Emily Mayes, Rinehart) 14th in prelims, 1:55.07—best time of year for this group

Girls' mile relay (Rinehart, Mayes, James, Hensley) 9th—one place out of finals, 4:22.32—fastest time this year for this group

Ashley James—pole vault

participant, cleared 6'6" and went out at 7'0"

"All of these ladies worked very hard this year, and I am proud of them. Even though it is not a whole lot of fun to work hard at track and sometimes you feel like you are not getting any better, you can keep on and then qualify for the next level and go as far as you can. This dedication and devotion to hard physical work pays off in the days to come and with other sports that we play. These girls are to be commended." Coach Bobby Avery

while running events will begin at 6 p.m.

Tickets may be purchased at the gates beginning Friday morning.

Final Regional Golf Results

REGION II-A Girls

Team totals—1. Baird 343-330 (673); 2. Throckmorton "A" 347-348 (695)...top two teams qualify for state
12. Borden County 462-484 (946)....BHS tied with Strawn

E. Mayes: 104-119 = 223

B. Kempf: 122-115 = 237

J. Gass: 115-128 = 243

A. Bouressa: 121-122=243

D. Kempf: 126-129 = 255

REGION II-A BOYS

Team totals—1. Archer City 299-301 (600); 2. Throckmorton 313-312 (625)
9. Borden County: 345-355 (700)

DID YOU KNOW?

.....that T.J. and Micah are both home-grown Borden County natives? Sharp is the last of his generation in a family that came to Gail in the 1940's. His grandparents, parents, brother, and cousins have attended school in Gail. He is the last male Sharp representative and will graduate in May 2003.

Micah's family has deep roots in the county, too, as her grandparents on both sides have long ties with the area. Her granddad Hensley, her Uncle Kenny, and her dad are past and present members of the Borden County ISD school board. Micah will complete her 13-year education in this district in May also.

B. Griffin: 75-76 = 151 (new school record and one place out of qualifying for state)
A. Tarleton: 91-92 = 183

S. Tarleton: 90-94 = 184
T. Pepper: 92-93 = 185
K. Pinkerton: 89-97 = 186
Coach: Trey Richey



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Online Classes, Summer Lab Sessions Soon Available to Borden County Residents

Borden County Community Network will be offering online classes for Microsoft Applications such as Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Access, and Works.

The online classes will be delivered through a contract with MindLeaders, which has provided online training to Regional Education Service Centers, TX DOT, Texas Department of Health, Texas Workforce Commission as well as universities.

These courses are Microsoft certified for Microsoft Office User Specialist (MOUS) certification.

When participants complete the course, they are prepared to take and pass the MOUS test as a testing center.

Each course also provides a certificate of completion, which states that the user has completed the course satisfactorily.

Because the training will be online, participants can work on the course at any time. The course maintains global bookmarks, which means the course is resumed at the exact point the course was last exited.

When the participant logs in, the course will automatically begin where it left at the last session.

There will be two orientation sessions for this online course: May 26 and May 27 at 6 p.m.

Attendance at only one of these sessions will be

necessary.

Throughout the summer, there will be an open lab night from 6 to 8 p.m. each Tuesday for participants who would like to use the computers and high speed connection at the school.

During those lab nights, there will also be someone present to assist with questions or activities.

Anyone interested in these classes should call (806) 756-4478 or 756-4336 to enroll.



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These courses are excellent for new and old users. They can also help brush up skills for increased productivity.



Borden County School Lab will be available every Tuesday night, 6:00 P.M.-8:30 P.M., beginning June 3. Come in for extra help and practice.

Orientation classes are May 26 and May 27 at 6:00 P.M. at Borden County School Lab. Only one night's attendance is necessary.

Sign Up:

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A special thank you to everyone for their kind words, thoughts, prayers, cards and flowers during the illness and passing of my mother, Debbie Mumme. It is in times like these that we truly understand and appreciate the wonderful friends we have in life.

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B.H.S. Nets Spring Meet Sweepstakes

U.I.L. Academics, Tennis, Golf, & Track Teams Contribute to Win

Following results from the past month's district U.I.L. academic, golf, tennis, and track meets, Borden County High School has been declared the District 9-A Spring Meet Champions for the third consecutive year.

B.H.S. amassed a total of 463 points throughout the district competitions and finished 166 points ahead of sweepstakes runner-up Grady High School.

The U.I.L. academic teams netted 350 points to get B.H.S. out to a strong lead. A district runner-up finish in girls' track and stout individual finishes in boys' track added 33 additional points at the district track meet the next week.

The district champion girls' golf team and runner-up

boys' golf team added another 55 points to B.H.S.'s total. The tennis teams also did well at their district meet and contributed 25 points to the overall total.

District 9-A Spring Meet Sweepstakes

Borden County - 463
Grady - 297
Klondike - 205
Jayton - 189
Aspermont - 161
Rochester - 161
Ira - 131
Sands - 112
Rule - 110
Dawson - 74
Guthrie - 21
Paint Creek - 20

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Current Issues & Events netted 6 points.

Perpetual state academic champion Lindsay High School won the meet with 273 points. Their district rival Muenster High School was second overall with 128 points.

Project Graduation Donations Needed!

Parents and friends of the 2003 Senior Class of Borden County High School is asking for donations for Project Graduation.

Project Graduation is a Drug and Alcohol FREE celebration for graduation night.

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Sincerely,
Class of 2003 and Parents

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Kindergartner and Pre-Kindergarten Students on Pre-School Day: (Back row) Kindergartner students: Keelie Brownlow, Eva Elias, Colton Stephens, Frank Elias, Cayden Vaughn, McKayla Herrington, Austin Edwards and Sean Tucker. (Kneeling) Channing Miller, T.J. Doyle, Zoie Key, Rhaeden Bland, Tatum Richey, Merik Valentine and Flint Roberts. Also pictured with students are Kevin Ellison and Brionne Jackson, student aides and Mrs. Deidre Smith, kindergarten teacher.

Regional Academic Meet Results Finalized

B.H.S. Finishes Third Overall

After receiving finalized results from the Region II-A U.I.L. Academic Meet this past week, Borden County High School was notified that it had placed third in the overall standings.

Four gold medal perfor-

mances by state qualifiers Micah Hensley and Kyle Pinkerton led the way to the school's total of 84 points.

Both Hensley and Pinkerton earned thirty points each. B.H.S. was named the top journalism team and

received an additional ten points.

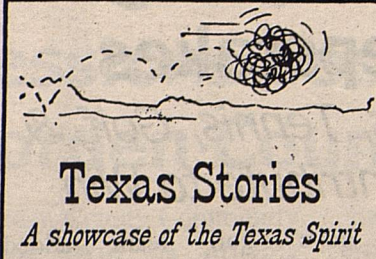
Senior Michele Bond's fourth place finish in Extemporaneous Informative Speaking earned 8 points, while sophomore John Wilson's fifth place finish in

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Sonora School Kids Help Victims of 9-11

This is an event that happened a year and a half ago. But the story is new to me and I thought I would share it.

When school kids in Sonora heard about the planes crashing into the World Trade Center, they wanted to help.

They heard about an effort in San Angelo to fill shoeboxes with items like toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs and lip ice. The students filled 500 shoeboxes with those items and took them to a mall in San Angelo for shipment to New York City.

Some of the students used red, white and blue yarn to resemble American flags. Others put words of encouragement on the outside of their boxes.

When the firefighters in New York City received the boxes, they were touched. Sonora had sent more than any other city.

The firemen wanted to repay the students in Sonora, so a New York City fireman, Frank Riboni, flew down to personally thank the youngsters. At the same time he was expressing his gratitude, he was also asking

for more boxes. He said the need was tremendous.

The school kids were a little surprised by the request. They had worked hard to get the 500 boxes ready. There was some hesitation because among other things, school officials didn't know how the boxes were going to be shipped to New York, because the San Angelo mall drive had ended.

The students went to work getting the boxes ready. They were to take them to the office of the Main Street coordinator, Ann Kay, who was working with the teachers. The kids brought in 800 boxes.

Kingdom trucking of Sonora took the boxes to New York at no cost.

Some of those boxes contained Texas pecans. They made quite a hit with the members of the New York City Fire Department. They scrambled to get them and cracked them open with their walkie-talkies.

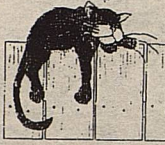
On subsequent visits of Sonora, Frank Riboni was accompanied by a New York City EMS Fire Captain, Rosey Valdez. They took part in a flag ceremony and presented the students with

some meaningful items including a crude cross, made of melted steel that was once part of the World Trade Center. They gave Sonora school kids a fireman's helmet and a shirt worn by Rosey on 9-11. They gave them fire department patches, parking permits and passes to go anywhere at ground zero.

The items are being displayed in a shadow box frame. The youngsters in Sonora were unbelievable generous. They felt like they were helping people who needed help. They really did something. Something that they will remember the rest of their lives.

This story probably happened several times in

numerous communities. but The items form the firemen this happened in Sonora, serve as a tribute to a community that cares.



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May 5th - 9th

MONDAY: Beef & Bean Burrito, corn on the cob, salad, pudding & milk.

Breakfast: Pancake Pup, fruit juice & milk.

TUESDAY: Chicken Spaghetti, green peas, spinach, bread stick & milk.

Breakfast: Ham & egg on a biscuit, fruit juice & milk.

WEDNESDAY: Roast, Pork, potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, fruit & milk.

Breakfast: Cereal, toast sticks, fruit juice & milk

THURSDAY: Cheese-burger, French fries, salad, cup, cookie & milk.

Breakfast: Hot Pocket, fruit juice, & milk.

FRIDAY:

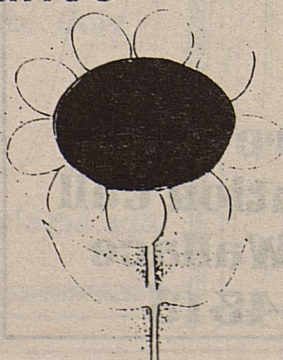
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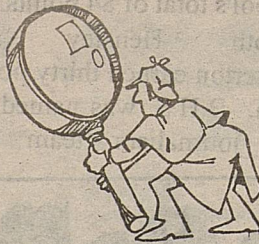
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Courthouse News

WHEREAS, On this the 14th day of April, 2003, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Regular Session in the Commissioners Courtroom at the Courthouse in Gail, Texas, the following members of the Court being present, to-wit:

VAN L. YORK, County Judge, Presiding; **DOUG ISAACS**, Commissioner, Prec. #1; **RANDY ADCOCK**, Commissioner, Prec. #2; **ERNEST REYES**, Commissioner, Prec. #3; **JOE BELEW**, Commissioner, Prec. #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 March 24, 2003 were read. Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve said minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Adcock. Motion carried unanimously.

ACCOUNTS ALLOWED

The current accounts were examined and Commissioner Reyes made a motion to approve and pay said accounts. Commissioner Isaacs seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

DEPOSITORY BANK

A motion was made by Commissioner Isaacs to give legal notice that Borden County will accept bids for the County Depository Bank for 2003 and 2004, said bids to be opened May 12th, 2003 at 10:00 a.m. commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

LEGAL NOTICE

Commissioner Adcock made a motion to advertise for bids on Asphalt, Fuel (Diesel & Unleaded gasoline), Propane for Courthouse and Precinct #2 shop. Bids will be received until 11:00 a.m. on May 12, 2003. Commissioner Isaacs seconded the motion. Motion carried.

TAXING LAW FIRM

Tony Ellison, a representative of Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins, & Mott, L.L.P., law firm which

handles Borden County delinquent tax cases, met with the court concerning delinquent tax payers and asking for increases of firms fee. A motion was made by Commissioner Adcock and seconded by Commissioner Isaacs to increase attorney fees to 20%. Motion carried.

COUNTY SHOWBARN AND COMMUNITY CENTER

A motion was made by Commissioner Reyes to make improvements to the County Showbarn and the Community Center. Commissioner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

SOIL CONSERVATION CONSTRUCTION

An application for Soil conservation Construction of Fireguards was received from

NOTICE OF IMPOUNDMENT OF ESTRAY

On the 9th day of April, 2003, the following estray was impounded:

Kind of Animal: Cattle

Breed: Mixed

Color: Yellow

Sex: Female

Age: Unknown

Location: Found on Muleshoe Ranch

Brand, Marks, Identifying

Characteristics: X on left

shoulder and possible JM

on left hip. Brand on right

hip is unreadable

And on the 10th day of April, 2003, a Notice of Estray was filed in the Estray Book of BORDEN County, Texas.

A diligent search of the register of recorded brands in BORDEN County, Texas, was made for the owner of said estray, but the search did not reveal the owner.

Notice is hereby given that, if the ownership of said estray is not determined by the 2nd day of May, 2003, said estray will be sold at public auction/sheriff's sale at Big Spring Livestock Auction.

Witness my hand this 16th day of April, 2003.

Billy J. Gannaway
Sheriff of Borden, Co.
Texas

Rocker Ranch in Precinct No. 1. Commissioner Isaacs made a motion to approve the application at the rate of \$35.00 per hour for motor grader and \$65.00 per hour for a dozer. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PLACEMENT OF COMMUNITY NETWORK LAB

Commissioners discussed possibilities of location for the Community Network Lab. Commissioner Belew made a motion to table for further study and to discuss at the April 28th meeting. Commissioner Adcock seconded

the motion. Motion carried.

TRANSMISSION LINE CROSSING OF COUNTY ROAD

Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve transmission line crossing of county road One Mile Road and Opposum Hollow Road in Precinct #4. Commissioner Isaacs seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION-ITEMS FOR FURTHER AGENDA

No items were presented.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Adcock to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Belew and approved unanimously.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is given herewith that proposals will be considered from Banks and Banking Corporations desiring to serve as depository for public funds and county public school funds of Borden County, Texas. Such proposals will be considered Monday, May 12, 2003 at 10:00 a.m., and the Commissioners' Court of Borden County May, at its discretion, reject any and all bids or proposals submitted. Applications submitted should be in accordance with Article 116.021, Local Government Code, Vernon's Civil Statutes, and it is desired that same stipulate percent interest to be paid on time deposits and rate of interest Borden County would pay on borrowed funds for ordinary operating expenses and borrowed funds for equipment purchases. Depository Bank would be expected to furnish printed checks and deposit slips for all accounts.

Van L. York
County Judge
Borden County

LEGAL NOTICE

The Commissioners' Court of Borden County will receive bids on the following until 11:00 a.m., May 12, 2003.

1. Asphalt for the 2003 paving program
2. Fuel for 2003
 - a. unleaded
 - b. diesel
3. Propane for Courthouse, and Precinct #1 and #2 Barns

For specifications and information on the above, contact the office of the County Judge, Borden County Courthouse 806/872-4391

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

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

For the Borden County Commissioners' Court

Van L. York
County Judge
Borden County

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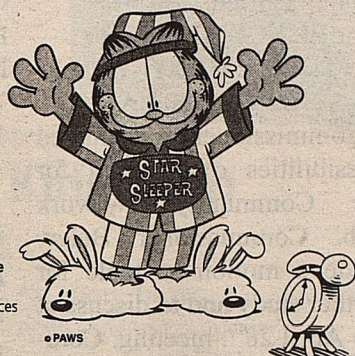
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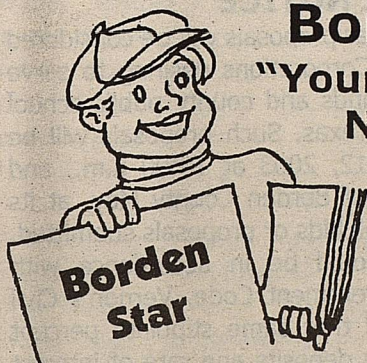


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Team	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Total
County Cruisers	48.5	44.8	49	48.7	49	46.3	286.3
Toddling Teachers	26.5	44.5	60	95.8	72	86	384.8
The Walkie Talkies	12.5	28	40	37	40	43	200.5

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION REGENTES)

To the Registered Voters of BORDEN COUNTY I.S.D., Texas:

(A los votantes registrados del BORDEN COUNTY I.S.D. Texas;)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on MAY 3,
20 03, for voting in a SCHOOL BOARD election, to elect 2 School Trustees for regular 3 year terms.

(Notifíquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 3rd de Mayo
de 20 03 para votar en la Elección para electar dos miembros de edjycation Pa acostumbrado
tres anos termino.

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES (DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

Plains Community Center Community Of Plains (#1)	Borden County Courthouse South Gail (#2A)	Precint 2 House Vealmoor (#2B)	Murphy Election House Murphy (#3A)
Fairview Election House Fairview (#3B)	County Show Barn North Gail (#4A)	Don and Jacquelyn Wills Home Snelling (#4B)	

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at
(La votación en adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en)

the office of the Superintendent - Borden County School

(location) (sitio)

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 16, 2003

(date)

(entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el 16 de abril, 2003

(fecha)

and ending on April 29, 2003

(date)

(y terminando el 29 de abril, 2003

(fecha)

Additional early voting will be held at the same location as follows:*

(La votación en adelantada además se llevará a cabo en el mismo sitio de tal manera:)

Date (Fecha)

Hours (Horas)

Monday, April 21, 2003

9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

Friday, April 25, 2003

9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:)

Barbara York

(Name of Early Voting Clerk)

(Nombre del Secretario de la Votación En Adelantada)

P.O. Box 95

(Address) (Dirección)

Gail, Texas 79738

(City) (Ciudad)

(Zip Code) (Zona Postal)

Recommend., but not required

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on

(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el)

April 25 - April 25, 2003

(date) (fecha)

Issued this the 24th day of February, 20 03

(Emilita este día 24 de Febrero, 20 03.)

Jimmy Flores
Signature of Presiding Officer (Firma del Oficial que Preside)