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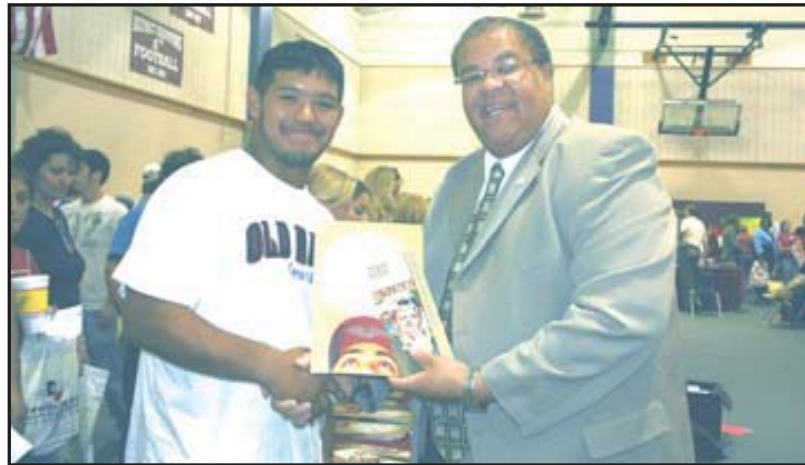


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B.E.S.T. College Night Brings County Together for Higher Education

Where can you find college and financial aid information, register for door prizes and scholarships, meet over 50 college and college prep representatives and have all this under one roof? Parents and students of Bastrop County were invited to attend the B.E.S.T. College Night that featured all of the above and more.

Parents and students from Bastrop, Elgin and Smithville school districts came together at the Bastrop Middle School to gather information about colleges, universities, technical schools and different branches of the military. The



Bastrop High School Senior, Vicente Armendariz and Superintendent of Schools, Roderick Emanuel talk about Texas State University.

representatives provided information about the different courses and programs that are offered at their particular institution, the admission process, financial aid and college life in general. While at the College Night, those in attendance were also invited to listen to a presentation by a student loan officer from the

Greater Texas Federal Credit Union, apply online for their FAFSA PIN and ask questions regarding the financial aid process.

"It's evident, by the enormous turn out, that students in Bastrop County are interested

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BHS Senior Earns 'Commended Student' Title

Michael Benedict, principal of Bastrop High School announced that John Guthery has been named a Commended Student in the 2007 National Merit Scholarship Program. A Letter of Commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), which conducts the program, will be presented by the principal to this scholastically talented senior.

About 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Although they will not continue in the 2007 competition for Merit Scholarship Awards, Commended Students placed among the top five percent of more than 1.4 million students who entered the 2007 competition by taking the 2005 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT).

"Recognition of academically talented students and the key role played by schools in their development is essential to the pursuit of educational excellence in our nation," commented a spokesperson for NMSC. "The



Principal Mike Benedict congratulates senior John Guthery for being named a Commended Student in the 2007 National Merit Scholarship Program.

young people being named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding academic potential by their strong performance in this highly competitive program. We hope that this recognition will help broaden their educational opportunities and that they will continue to pursue scholastic excellence."

BISD Students Move Into New Era With Approved Technology Plan

With a \$1.9 million technology plan recently approved by the Bastrop ISD Board of Trustees, Bastrop ISD Director of Instruction, Lori Gracey is determined for BISD to stay abreast the ever changing technology world. Phase 2 of the four phase technology improvement plan was brought in front of the approving board during the latest trustee meeting.

"Today you simply cannot teach without these tools. It is the future and it is inherently vital," Gracey told the Board of Trustees.

Phase 1 of the plan, which was approved by the board in July, is already in progress. This phase includes replacing district T1 lines with fiber for faster internet access and increased bandwidth capacity. It also includes replacing one computer lab at each Bastrop Middle School and Cedar Creek Middle School, upgrading campus infrastructure and providing wireless access at BMS. Bastrop High School will also get a taste of this phase with more teachers receiving projectors.

The recently approved phase 2, which is scheduled to bring bid offers back to the October board meeting, will allow teachers to start seeing changes as early as mid-November. Upon completion of phase 2, a laptop and projector will be provided for every Pre-K to 12 teacher and the campus infrastructure will be upgraded and wireless access will be provided to all remaining campuses. The servers that are outdated throughout the district will be replaced as well as the computers in the libraries at Bastrop Intermediate School, Bastrop Middle School, Cedar Creek Middle School and Bastrop High School. The Gateway

School and Genesis Program will also be provided with 30 student computers and the video technology will be updated at BHS. An allotment will also be allowed for online professional development on technology skills and technology integration by all staff.

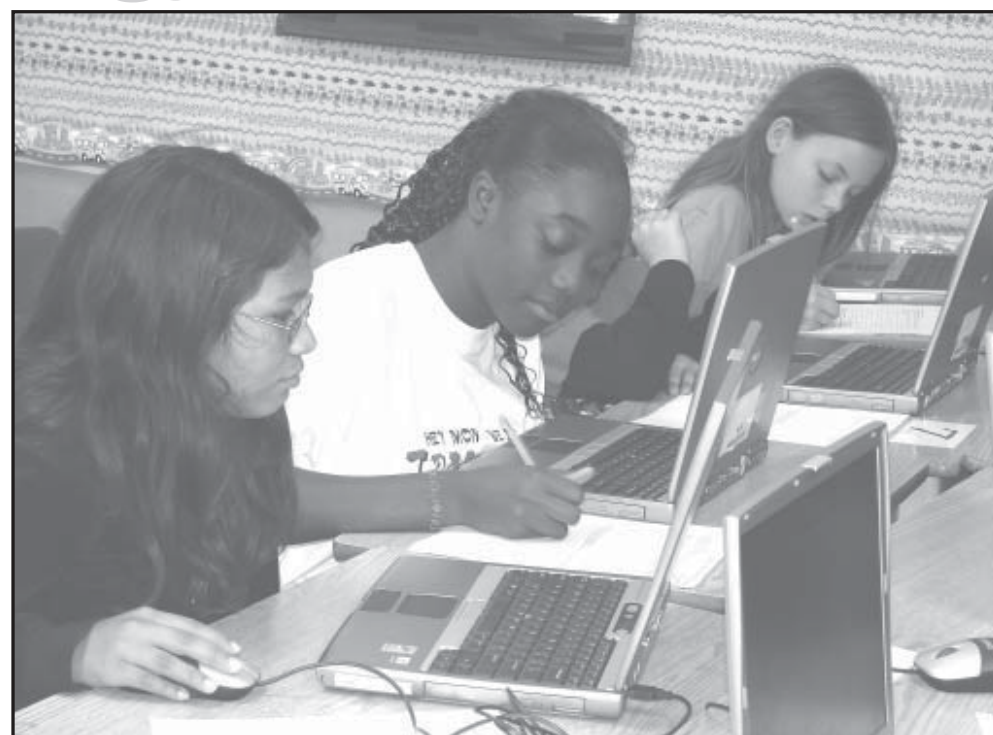
A major addition will be for fifth and sixth grade students who will be provided a computing device for the 2007-08 school year. Currently, all fourth grade students are provided this device.

Gracey said the technological improvements appear to improve student performance. Results, she said, are beginning to show with the fourth graders who use the devices. "The students are much more involved," she said. She cited increased participation and attendance as evidence.

"Math is also improving," Gracey added. "I can't say the technology made a difference, but I sure believe it helped."

These handheld devices are basically small computers from which students can access the internet, do homework, read e-books or any other number of educational activities.

Gracey added that the district has not spent local money on technology upgrades since 1995. Most of the upgrades over the past 10 years have been paid for through



Students in Tammy Long's Social Studies class at Bastrop Intermediate School utilize a laptop cart while doing class work. Computers are a part of every day learning throughout BISD.

state and federal funding.

The final two phases will be brought before the board in the spring of 2007 and spring of 2008.

For more information about the technology improvement plan, contact Lori Gracey at (512) 321-2292.



Make a difference in a child's life . . . volunteer



Students who have the support of family and friends with academics tend to be more successful in school. When a child needs help with homework assignments and take home projects, it is an opportunity for a parent to be a part of a child's educational growth.

Unfortunately, many students don't have

the luxury of educational support at home. That is why volunteers at Bastrop ISD schools are so important. It is an opportunity for a student to work with an adult to learn to read, write, solve mathematical equations, grasp scientific concepts and discover new ways of learning. It also provides the student a chance to mature and also develop respect for adults.

All of the schools in the Bastrop ISD can use your help. To volunteer, simply complete the volunteer application and list

the school or schools you would like to volunteer and return the form back to the BISD Service Center. You can find this form online at www.bastrop.isd.tenet.edu, under 'Departments', 'Community Services' and 'Partners in Education'.

For more information on how to become a volunteer contact Allison Murray, Foundations/Partners in Education Coordinator at (512) 321-2292.

Make a difference in a child's life this year. Be a volunteer.

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Bastrop ISD Celebrates Red Ribbon Week



Bastrop Independent School District is joining with the Department of State Health Services to promote healthy, drug-free lifestyles during Red Ribbon 2006. Red

organization of parents concerned about the destruction caused by alcohol and drug abuse. The red ribbon was adopted as a symbol of the movement in honor of Enrique "Kiki" Camarena, an agent with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration who was kidnapped and killed while investigating drug traffickers. The campaign has reached millions of children and has been recognized by the U.S. Congress.

to live drug free lives with the ultimate goal being the creation of drug free America.

"Red Ribbon Week is a chance to be visible and vocal in our desire for a drug-free community," said Superintendent of Schools, Roderick Emanuel. "Research shows that children are less likely to use alcohol and other drugs when parents and other role models are clear and consistent in their opposition to substance use and abuse."

Ribbon Week is the oldest and largest drug prevention campaign in the country. This year Red Ribbon Week will be celebrated October 21-29.

The first Red Ribbon Celebration was organized in 1986 by a grassroots

Red Ribbon Week serves as a vehicle for communities and individuals to take a stand for the hopes and dreams of our children through a commitment to drug prevention and education and a personal commitment

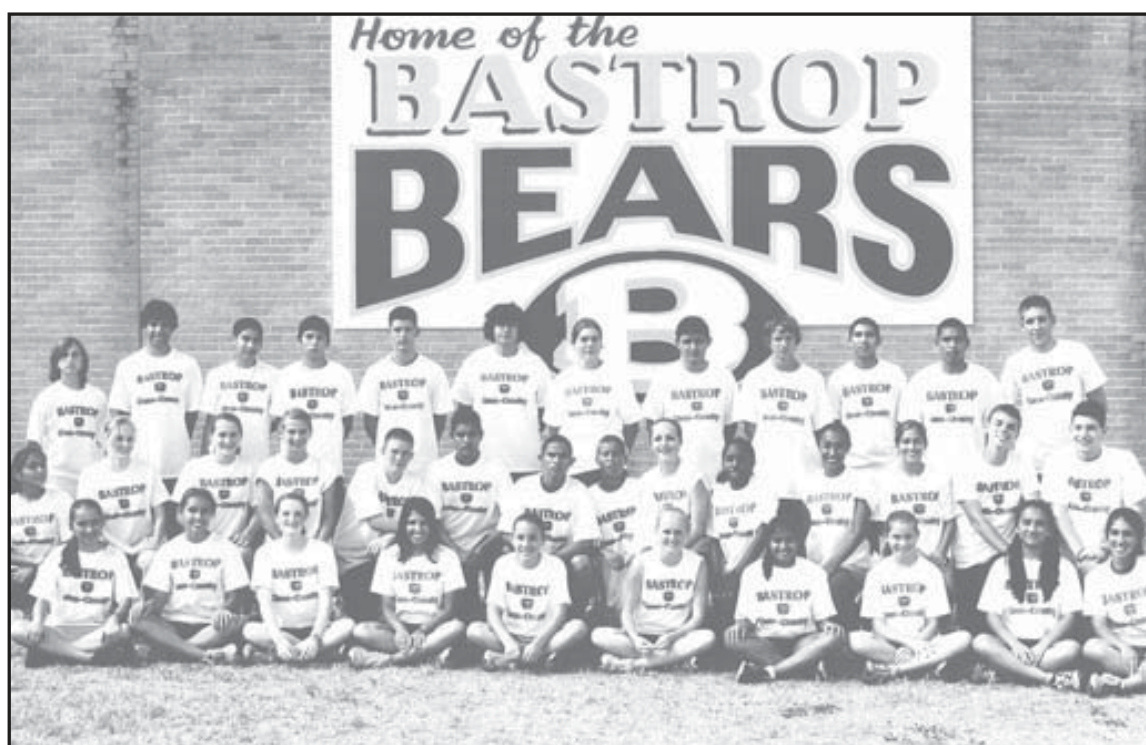
For more information about Red Ribbon Week call Donald Williams, Executive Director for Community Services/ Communications at (512) 321-2292.

Runners on Your Mark, Get Set, Go

If you're looking for some high school sport action on a Saturday morning, plan to come out and watch the high school cross country teams in action.

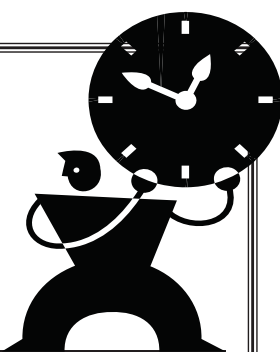
The teams are in the midst of their schedule, that began in early September and conclude in mid-November. BHS has been able to race against regional opponents such as San Antonio Churchill and Del Rio in different pre-season meets. BHS fared well with runners Sophomore Roxanne Washington placing 10th and Senior Victoria Cantu placing 11th for the girls and Sophomore Adrian Montoya 12th for the boys at the UTSA Invitational, which is the regional course.

Come out and support these athletes as they prepare for the district meet on October 27 at Zilker Park. The boys attempt to qualify for regionals for the fifth straight year and the girls for the second.



Ready or not, here we run! The 2006 Bastrop High School Cross Country team has been making their presence known on the course.

Bastrop City and County Curfew Laws



The Bastrop City and County curfew law states that children under the age of 18 can be ticketed for curfew violations between the following hours: Sunday – Thursday 11:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.; Friday – Saturday 12 midnight – 6:00 a.m.; and Monday – Friday during school hours.

It is your responsibility to know the curfew hours. Being under the age of 18 and out during the above cited hours can get you a ticket for violating the law.

Date	Meet	First Race
October 7	McNeil Meet - Round Rock	10:50 a.m.
October 14	Georgetown Invitational	8:30 a.m.
October 21	Maroon-White Run - Bastrop	9:00 a.m.
October 27	District Meet - Austin	8:30 a.m.
November 11	Region IV-5A - San Antonio	TBA
November 18	UIL State Meet - Round Rock	TBA

FOX 7 NEWS Features Bastrop Bear Football



FOX 7 NEWS hit the road to celebrate the community spirit and local flavor that makes Friday nights in Central Texas so unique. The

Bastrop High School Varsity football team and the Bastrop community were featured all day and night on FOX 7 NEWS on September 29.

FOX 7 NEWS showcased the Bastrop Bears versus Seguin Matadors game as part of the Hometown Fridays broadcasting.

"We're taking our high school football coverage a step further. Everyone covers the games, but at FOX 7 NEWS, we're making a commitment to coverage all day, focusing on good news about the young people in our communities. This is a great way for us to get out there and connect

with all the viewers in our area," said Pam Vaught, KTBC FOX 7 News Director.

"FOX 7 NEWS in the Morning" and "FOX 7 NEWS at Noon" correspondent, Tasha Martinez, reported live during game day, covering local news and the events that lead up to the evening's excitement. Additionally, reporter and weekend anchor, James Irby, reported live on "FOX 7 NEWS at 5" and "FOX 7 NEWS at 9" from the game on Friday night.

Leading up to the week's big game, FOX 7 featured the community in a promo that ran Saturday through Thursday. The week's match-up was also KASE 101's "Game of the Week."



The Bastrop High School Band drumline, under the direction of Andrew Polk, pumps up the crowd from the sidelines.



The BHS HoneyBears danced the night away in front of a packed stadium. The HoneyBears sponsor is Jacqueline Smith.

BISD Board Announces October Meeting

The Bastrop ISD Board of Trustees will hold their regularly scheduled Board meeting as follows:

October 17, 2006

**Bastrop ISD Service Center
906 Farm Street
Bastrop, TX 78602**

The Board of Trustees invites the community to come and be a part of the planning process for the future of our students. All meetings are open to the general public and begin at 6:30 p.m.

For more information contact Donald Williams, Executive Director for Community Services/Communications at (512) 321-2292.



Coming to Bastrop!!

Celebrating our 10 year anniversary!

\$8.00

October 7 - 21 at Cedar Creek Middle School

- 7:00 - 11:00 pm
- Every Saturday from Sept. 9 to Nov. 18
- 3rd - 8th grade welcome to attend
 - Police Officer on site
 - Concessions available
- Look for Upcoming Flyers

Typical Gym Activities: Basketball, Football, Dodge Ball, War Ball, Wall Ball, Volleyball, Soccer, Ping Pong, Foosball, Hula Hoop, Relay Races, Tug-o-War, Gym Hockey and more

Typical Dance Room Activities: Live Disc Jockey, Light Show, Favorite Music, Dance Contests, Limbo, Celebrity Appearances and more!

ACC/Bastrop ISD Create Dual Enrollment Partnership

Bastrop ISD has partnered with ACC for many years to provide dual enrollment courses in the evening and summer for high school junior and senior level students. A new and exciting partnership is currently underway to extend this opportunity for students during the school day. Several courses have been identified by ACC and BISD staff as potential courses for students to take during the school day for the 2006 – 2007 school year.

Students will be asked to complete course selections over the next few weeks. If there is enough interest from the students, professors from ACC will come to Bastrop High School to offer those courses during the school day in the fall and/or spring semesters. Students will receive high school credit as well as college credit for the courses taken.

Currently, students who participate in dual enrollment courses pay no tuition.

ACC will be considering requiring tuition for students for the 2007 – 2008 school year. As soon as that decision is made, the students will be informed as to whether there will be a charge for the courses taken through dual enrollment.

If you have questions, call Bastrop High School at (512) 321-1151 or Betty Richardson, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction at (512) 321-2292.

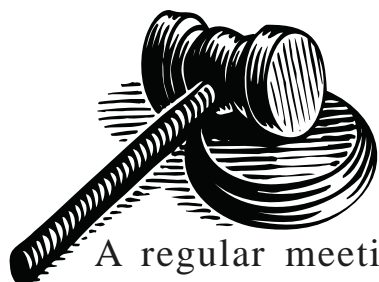
CCMS PALS Send Mayor of NYC Giant Card

The Cedar Creek Middle School PALS created a tribute poster for the New York City Police and Fire Departments in recognition of their service on September 11, 2001. All the students and staff at CCMS signed the giant card which was mailed to the Mayor of New York City, Michael Bloomberg.

The CCMS PALS sponsor is Amanda Mershon.



Picture on left- Cedar Creek Middle School PALS show their giant card before mailing it to NYC. Pictured: (back row, l to r) Samantha Marquez, Emily Cantu, Tori Horvath, Philip Mayo, Juan Padron, Antonio Aguilar, Robert White, Andres Saenz, Jared Jack (middle row) Jordan Magill, Rachel Clardy, Lauryn Carillo, Lauren Wyatt, Aracely Macias, Ashley Skidmore, Emily Goertz, Christin Daniels, Sari Fresquez (front row) Amanda Dailey, Diana Villanueva, Brianna Arnett, Megan Fohn, Katlyn Fohn, Petra Felix, Sara Tarango, Mitchell Vasquez, Stephen Alcaraz



At the Board Table

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bastrop Independent School District was held on September 19, 2006, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Bastrop ISD Service Center, 906 Farm Street, Bastrop, Texas.

Special Presentations

A Presentation was made on the Public Hearing on the 2006 School Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST).

Sandra Callahan reported that Bastrop ISD earned a Superior Achievement Rating for the 2004-05 fiscal year by the School Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas for the fourth year in a row. Mrs. Callahan explained that the rating is based on 21 indicators, including total fund balance, total tax collections, and debt related expenditures. Mrs. Callahan reported that BISD did have one “No” indicator which was the percent of operating expenditures expended for instruction. She explained that some of the factors relating to the indicator

were the first year of the 21st Century Grant, increased transportation costs, and the opening of two new elementary schools.

A Presentation was made on the 2006-2007 Proposed Tax Rate.

The tax rate adopted was \$1.37 for maintenance and operations and \$.0252 for payment of principal and interest on debt for a total rate of \$1.622 for the 2006-07 school year.

A Presentation on Master Planning was presented.

Brad Pfluger presented a Master Plan Report for Bastrop ISD. Growth is continuing, and BISD is dealing with the growth. The key master plan components included– demographics, needs assessment, funding, community input and a schedule. It is not believed that slow growth will continue. The plan will be identifying campus capacity based on strategic planning assumptions. Among options to consider are: site acquisitions, including a centralized

site for shared facilities. There are lots of partnerships available. Would like to continue to use prototypical schools. Goal – establish a grassroots committee. Reviewed committee makeup. Cost of construction will have to be looked at closely due to costs going through the roof! Reviewed proposed master planning schedule. It is important to begin looking at the process now and begin to make some decisions. Brad reviewed key bond issue success factors to consider. Unanimous consent of board, build trust, site selection and land purchase, staff input and support, grassroots effort, early and continuous communication of strategic plan, understand community perception of district, develop cost-effective solutions, commitment to follow through and careful consideration of multiple propositions.

To view the complete minutes of the September 19, 2006 Board of Trustee meeting, visit www.bastrop.isd.tenet.edu.

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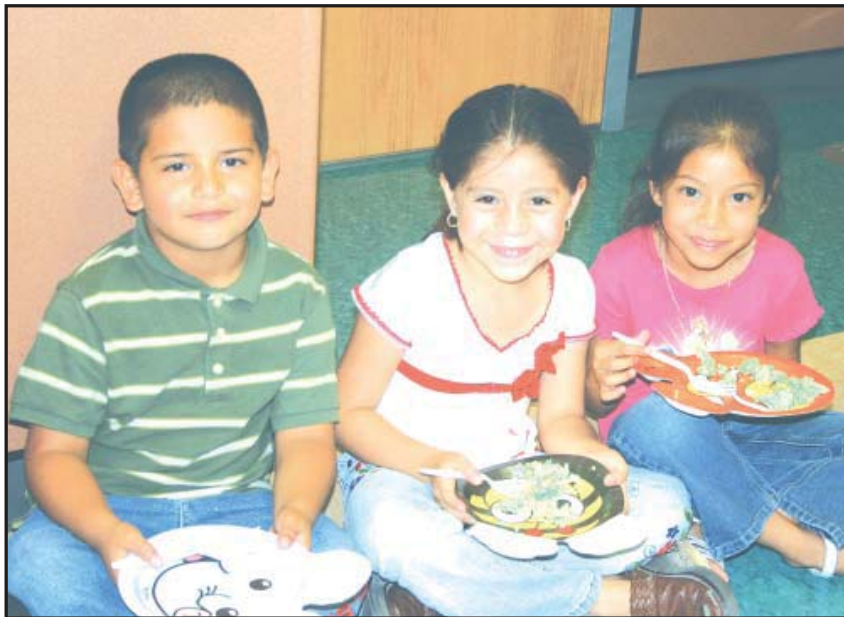


Bastrop ISD

moving from good to great



Jarrett, Janet and Jake Namken check out the displays at the Mina Elementary Open House. Parents and teachers visited about their child's progress.



Picture on left: Bluebonnet Elementary students eat green eggs as a tribute to Dr. Seuss' Green Eggs and Ham book. The green eggs were incorporated as a learning experience along with writing and reading class work.



Dads of students at Bastrop Intermediate School were invited to attend 'Dine with Dads Week'. During this week, dads shared lunchtime with their child and registered for door prizes and gift certificates. Enjoying lunch is 5th grade Zachary and his dad Windell Green.



Congratulations to Karissa Boyce, Caitlyn Oppermann and Sarah Paquin and for having their cinquain and acrostic poems published in Creative Communication's anthology, A Celebration of Young Poets. Special congratulations go to Caitlyn Oppermann for having her poem picked as a Top-Ten Poem in this national competition!



John Crary, front, and fellow Cub Scouts (l to r) Devyn Nance, Jordan Shaw and Jared Edwards stand at attention during one of the exercises at "Join the Cub Scouts Night." The event had a great turn out with over 30 new registrations for Pack 533. Bluebonnet Elementary hosted the event.



State Farm awarded Bluebonnet Elementary with a check for \$500 for Lori Tuggle's volunteer dedication to the campus. Pictured is (l to r) Lori Tuggle, State Farm Agent; Richard Batlle, Bluebonnet Elementary Principal; Dillon Barnett, Treasure Murrell and Arianna Arebalo, 4th grade students.



Suzanne, Jordan, Bailey and Jerry Bishop get settled in and ready to learn about the new math program, 'Making Math Real' at Cedar Creek Elementary. Parents and students of select classes attended a presentation about the new math innovation that is being piloted at CCE.

B.E.S.T. College Night in Bastrop County

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in pursuing higher education. It's our job as educators to assist them in this process and do everything in our capacity to prepare them for the next step in their lives," said Roderick Emanuel, Superintendent of Schools.

One of the very first Mobile Go Centers was available to students and parents throughout the event. BISD is grateful for the sponsorship from the Bastrop Education Foundation for the Mobile Go Center. The BEF continues to be a great advocate and supporter of BISD and is truly a valued partner.

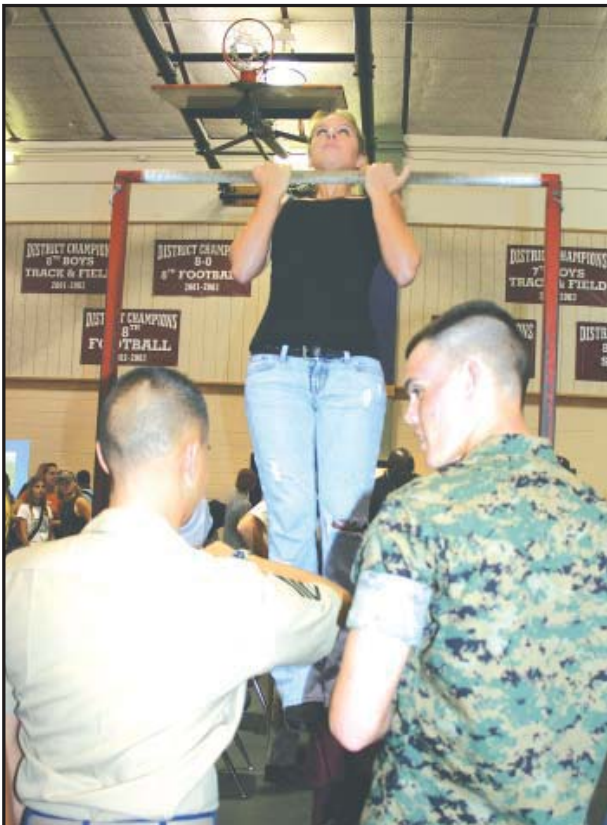
The Mobile Go Centers is a 34-foot-long, air-conditioned trailer equipped with

10 laptop computers, a printer-scanner-copier and a high-speed satellite connection to the Internet. After being transformed from trailers into Mobile Go Centers by Texas State Technical College-Waco, they are operated by The University of Texas at San Antonio, Houston Community College and Dallas County Community College. The Mobil Go Center that was featured at the B.E.S.T. College Night was from The University of Texas at San Antonio. The Mobile Go Center also spent the next day at the Bastrop High School campus.

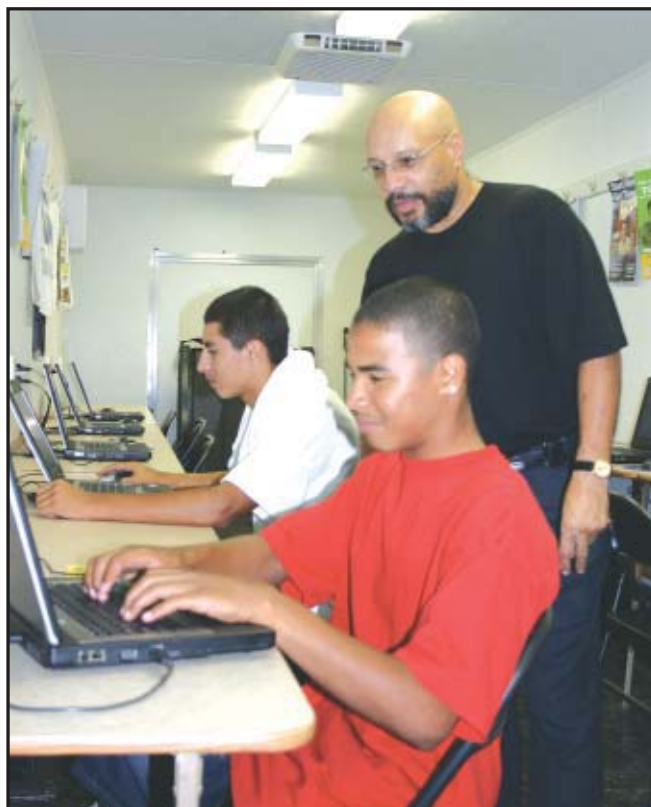
The first ever B.E.S.T. College Night was a successful event with over 3,000 students, parents and community members in attendance.



The Mobile Go Center was a highlight to the nights events. These state of the art mobile centers travel all over the state in efforts to help students and school districts that may not otherwise have access to this type of technology.



"Look at the ceiling!" Megan Desaulnier was able to hold a 'female style pull-up' for 42 seconds at the Marines booth. Students were invited to test their strength while getting information about the Marine Core.



BHS Juniors Kenneth Thompson (front) and Steven Rodriguez (back) receive assistance from Dewy Brooks, Program Director for Outreach with the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board in the Mobile Go Center.



Victoria Cantu, a senior at BHS finishes applying for her FAFSA PIN, as her mother, Julie Cancino offers information regarding the application.



During three sessions, Ralicia Dunn of the Greater Texas Federal Credit Union presented information about student loans.



Lisa Williams, Counselor at BHS, along with other counselors from the high school were available to answer questions and pass out information about the different programs and opportunities that are offered at BHS.



Gerlicia Francis, a junior at BHS listens to Texas Lutheran University Assistant Director of Admissions, Johnny Walker, as he explains the different programs offered at TLU. Students were able to sign up to receive additional information about the college through mailings or phone calls.

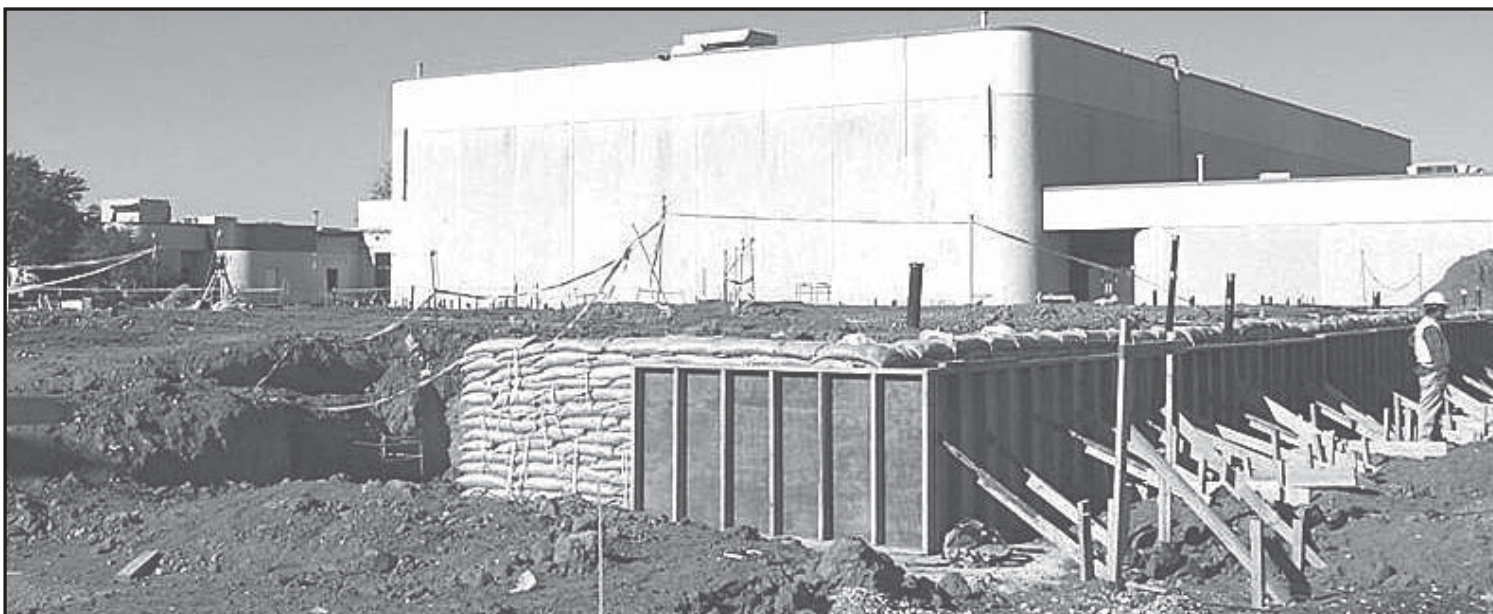
Renovations & Additions Going Strong at BHS

Shane Harrell presented an update on the Bastrop High School renovations and additions during the September Board of Trustees meeting.

The cafetorium and science building additions are underway. Area one on the west campus renovations will be turned over at the end of September.

To see the powerpoint presentations or to read about each months updates on the renovations and additions project, visit www.bastrop.isd.tenet.edu.

For questions or more information, contact Henry Gideon, Chief Operations Officer at (512) 321-2292.



The new cafetorium addition will take the place of part of the old parking lot once completed.



The renovations and additions project at BHS is ahead of schedule as crews work to prepare the new cafeteria addition, science wing and upgrades to the current high school.

Picture on left: Work on the new science building addition can be seen on campus.

Character Education at BISD

Each month students across the district learn about a selected character education trait as established by the Building Good Citizens for Texas program. Each campus incorporates this trait in a variety of ways suitable for their age level of students.

Last year a new initiative was started that brought speakers from throughout the community into classrooms across Bastrop ISD, Elgin ISD and Smithville ISD to speak about the character education trait of that month. This year, the Building Good Citizens of Texas program committee hopes

that this part of the program expands and more speakers are called upon to visit with students and talk about their selected trait.

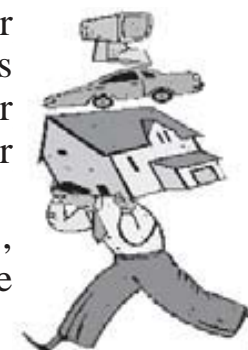
For the month of October, students will learn about responsibility. There are a variety of ways, you as a parent or guardian, mentor, or childcare giver can incorporate activities to help reinforce responsibility. Examples are listed below:

- Discuss the importance of responsibility and identify various responsibilities that family members have and how they meet them.

- Demonstrate family responsibility by volunteering in the community – help an elderly neighbor, volunteer at the food bank, etc.

- Highlight responsible individuals noted in the newspaper or television. Discuss steps people took to meet their responsibilities with their children.

For more information, contact the BISD Service Center at (512) 321-2292.



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'A Night at the Hop' presented by Emile PTA

The Emile Elementary PTA invite you to join them for a fun-filled evening featuring the 'Fabulous Fifties' on Friday, November 10 from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Start your evening with a scrumptious brisket dinner. Then sit back and tap your feet to entertaining music presented by our very talented students. Or maybe you want to try your luck at winning one of over 25 baskets with themes such as gardening, sports, chocolate, Hot Wheels, grilling and more!

Pre-sale tickets will be available beginning October 16. For more information, contact Emile at (512) 321-4451.



CHECK IT OUT!!



Stay up to date with events at your child's campus by logging on frequently to . . .

www.bastrop.isd.tenet.edu

This website features a calendar with the entire district's schedule of events, important news releases and other pertinent information about BISD.

You can even register to receive 'Flashpoints', an email service that sends only the most important information straight to your mailbox.

Bastrop ISD Meets the Mark on Performance

The Texas Education Agency recently released the Campus Report Cards, AEIS Performance Reports and the Accountability Ratings showing that Bastrop ISD continues to improve in many areas.

In these reports, one can find: (1) information contained in the most recent campus report card for each campus in the district, (2) information contained in the most recent performance report for the district, (3) the most recent performance rating of the district, and (4) definitions and explanations of each performance rating.

A link for these reports may be found on the Bastrop ISD district website at www.bastrop.isd.tenet.edu, under 'Parents/Students' and the respective name of the report.

If you have questions concerning any of this information, contact Donald Williams, Executive Director for Community Services/Communications or Betty Richardson, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction at (512) 321-2292.



Students at Bastrop Intermediate School concentrate on an assignment during class. BIS received an 'Academically Acceptable' rating from the Texas Education Agency Accountability Ratings. Overall, the district received an 'Acceptable' rating. All six elementaries received a 'Recognized' rating and all other campuses received an 'Acceptable' rating.

You can access all of this information at the following websites:

AEIS performance reports
<http://www.tea.state.tx.us/perfreport/aeis/>

Campus report cards
<http://www.tea.state.tx.us/perfreport/aeis/>

Accountability ratings, definitions and explanations
<http://www.tea.state.tx.us/perfreport/account/>

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Are You Ready for Some Good Music?

BISD Elementary Choirs to Come Together on Oct. 26

Are you ready to hear some talented singers? The choirs at Bluebonnet Elementary, Cedar Creek Elementary, Emile Elementary, Lost Pines Elementary, Mina Elementary and Red Rock Elementary are busy preparing for the annual Elementary Choir Jubilee. All six choirs will come together at Emile Elementary on October 26 at 7:00 p.m. to present their music selections.

The public is invited to attend and admission to the event is free. For more information, contact Emile Elementary at (512) 321-4451.

Picture on right: The Lost Pines Elementary Choir gets in an early morning practice to prepare for the Elementary Choir Jubilee.



HSTE/HOSA First Place Winners of H-E-B Pharmacy-UIL Community Service Award

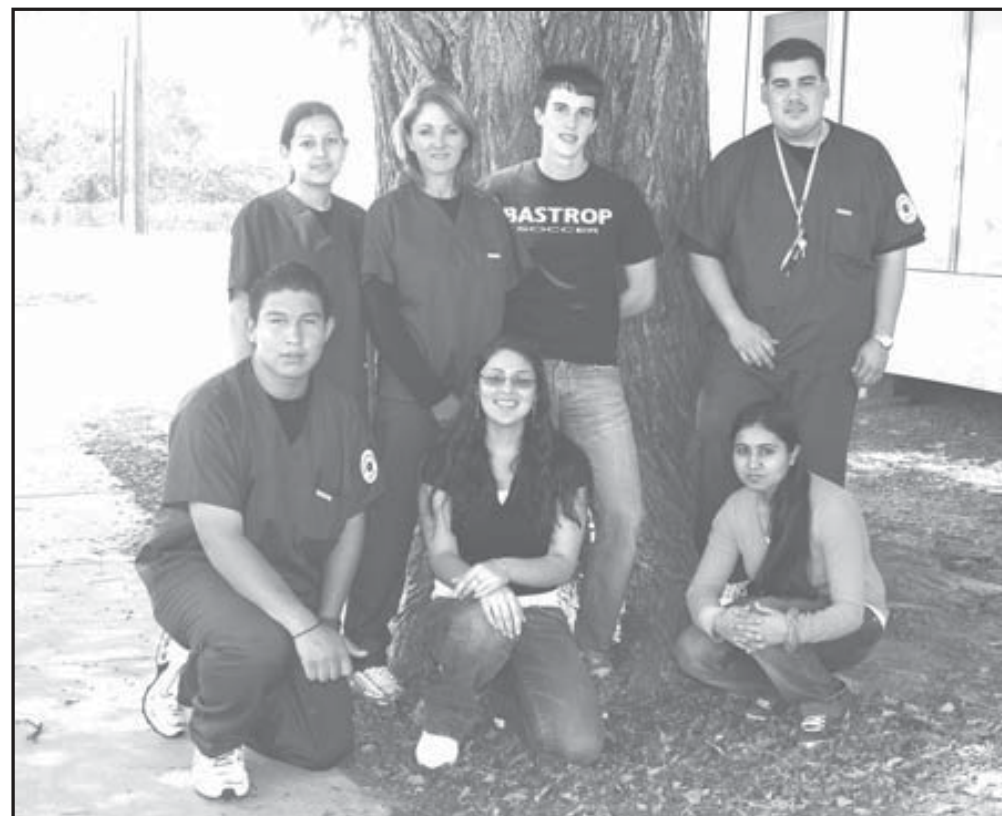
The Bastrop High School Health Science Technology Education / Health Occupations Students of America (HSTE/HOSA) organization has been announced as the first place winners of the \$1,000 H-E-B Pharmacy-UIL Community Service Award for their conference.

"I am extremely proud of the HSTE/HOSA students. They worked really hard last year at promoting community awareness of various health issues. These HOSA students are the future healthcare providers. They are our doctors, nurses and personal caregivers . . . these are the people we will be turning to for care of our future health issues," said Ginger Stubbs, RN, BSN and Health Science Technology Education I,II, III teacher.

For the fourth year in a row, H-E-B Pharmacy joined with the UIL in its commitment to improve the communities and schools across Texas by continuing the H-E-B Pharmacy-UIL Community Service Award. H-E-B Pharmacy has awarded five UIL member schools \$1,000 each for an outstanding community service project that had the greatest impact on their communities.

"(Bastrop High School) is to be commended for its outstanding community service project. The planning and time devoted to "Shattered Dreams", and the

amount of community involvement shown by Bastrop was truly remarkable. It undoubtedly had a positive impact on the entire community," said Dr. Bill Farney,



The BHS HSTE/HOSA organization was announced as the first place winners of the \$1,000 H-E-B Pharmacy-UIL Community Service Award. HOSA officers: Logan Allender, President; Stephanie Cruz, Vice President; Nap Medina, Historian; Diana Martinez, Secretary; Yashoda Pokharel, Treasurer and Rene Espinoza, Parliamentarian/Events Coordinator. Ginger Stubbs, RN, BSN, HSTE I,II,III is the HOSA sponsor.

UIL Director.

The HSTE/HOSA won the award because of a program the organization put together called Shattered Dreams. Shattered Dreams includes the reenactment of an alcohol related car crash, complete with

real life police enforcement, ambulances, star flight and wrecked vehicles. The program reenacts the car crash scene and a mock funeral for those students who are fatally wounded during the wreck. A retreat for all the participants took place the night between the wreck and the mock funeral where the students have an opportunity to discuss their feelings and the overall experience.

The HSTE/HOSA participated in several other community service projects during the 2005-06 school year besides Shattered Dreams that include assisting with the blood drive, blood pressure clinics and local health clinics. The HSTE/HOSA students also assisted with the senior Olympics, citywide biohazard drills and volunteered numerous hours assisting with care at Smithville Regional Hospital, Argent Court Assisted Living Facility and Silver Pines Nursing Home.

Representatives from the UIL and H-E-B Pharmacy presented the HSTE/HOSA organization an award during the pre-game of the varsity football game versus Seguin.



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October Calendar of Events



Date	Location	Time	Event
4	BIS	---	Band Fundraiser Kick Off
5	CCMS	8:30 a.m.	Hearing & Vision Screening (7th gr.)
	RRE	---	Coffee Chat with the Principal
6	District Wide	---	Student Holiday/Staff Preparation Day
9	District Wide	---	Columbus Day - - - HOLIDAY
10	RRE	6:30 p.m.	PTA General Meeting
12	CCE	5:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Health & Safety Fair
	BBE	TBA	PTA General Meeting/2nd gr. Parents Night
	BMS - Library	TBA	Health Screening
13	Gr. Pre-K - 6	---	End of the First Nine Weeks
14	Gr. Pre-K - 6	---	Begin Second Nine Weeks
	RRE	3:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Fall Festival
16	BIS	TBA	Power House Curriculum/Science by LCRA
16-18	CCIS	TBA	5th gr. trip to McKinney Roughs
17	Service Center	6:30 p.m.	Board of Trustees Meeting
	Emile	6:30 p.m.	3rd gr. Performance
19	RRE	---	Brown Bag Lunch with Principal
	BIS	5:30-8:00 p.m.	Open House
20	BIS	---	Picture Make up Day
21	CCE	6:30 p.m.	Making Math Memorable Family Night
23-24	BHS-West	during geography	Scoliosis Screening
23-27	CCE	---	Fall Catalog Item Pick-up
	District Wide	---	Red Ribbon Week
25-27	Emile	7:00 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.	Bookfair
26	BBE	8:30 a.m.	Pre-K & Kinder Honor Roll & Perfect Attendance Assembly
	BBE	9:30 a.m.	1st & 2nd Honor Roll & Perfect Attendance Assembly
	BBE	1:30 p.m.	3rd & 4th Honor Roll & Perfect Attendance Assembly
	BIS	3:30-5:15 p.m.	PTA School Dance
	Emile	7:00 p.m.	Elementary Choir Jubilee (All 6 Elementaries)
27	Mina	---	Fire Safety Day
28	Mina	TBA	PTA Fall Festival
30	RRE	---	Popcorn Fundraiser Begins

BBE - Bluebonnet Elementary	Mina - Mina Elementary	CCIS - Cedar Creek Intermediate School
CCE - Cedar Creek Elementary	RRE - Red Rock Elementary	CCMS - Cedar Creek Middle School
Emile - Emile Elementary	BIS - Bastrop Intermediate School	BHS - Bastrop High School
LPE - Lost Pines Elementary	BMS - Bastrop Middle School	Service Center - 906 Farm Street, 78602

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