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Jaybirds and Cardinals Crush Coyotes Play-Off Dreams

By Coach Richey

The task was simple, you win the game against the Jaybirds and you are not only in the play-offs again, but you are the district champions. If scenario #1 does not work, then you need the Hermleigh Cardinals to beat the Loraine Bulldogs and you still get to extend your season for at least an extra week.

Unfortunately for the Coyotes, neither bird followed through. The Jayton Jaybirds used a critical call and a big 3rd quarter to repeat as Division II district 4 champions, and the Hermleigh Cardinals lost to Loraine 46 to 36 on the same evening.

The Borden County Coyotes, a group of young men and two hard working seniors (Logan Howard and Quentin Shafer) battled back from the depths of despair some 3 weeks ago to this point, a date with the Jayton Jaybirds for a district championship.

The Jaybirds took an early lead in the 1st quarter on a Tyler Speed 30 yard run after forc-

ing the Coyotes into a quick three and out and an 8 to 0 advantage.

The Coyotes were forced to punt again on their next possession, but a tremendous defensive stand gave the ball back to the Coyotes. This time, the Coyotes used a mixture of run and play action passing to move the ball into scoring position.

The Coyotes finally got on the board 3 plays into the 2nd quarter when freshman Miles Valentine hit first year football player, junior Carlos Hernandez in the end zone for a yard touchdown pass and Carlos' first touchdown of his football career. The Jaybirds led 8 to 6 at the time after the Coyotes had their extra-point blocked.

The Jaybirds wasted no time in regaining control as an attempted onside resulted in Jimmy Johnson of the Jaybirds returning the kick 42 yards to extend the lead to 14 to 6.

The Coyotes however, used another methodical drive again

mixing run and pass that was culminated on a nice Valentine 21 yard strike to sophomore Flynn Chapman. Flynn added the extra-point to tie the game at 14 with 4:51 left in the first half.

The Coyote defense stiffened on the Jaybirds next possession and after a 4th down stop the Coyotes had a chance to take the lead before the half. The Coyotes were driving, but on a 4th down play with 1:33 left in the first half, the Coyotes tried a hitch and pitch.

The hitch to Flynn was caught, but a low pass led to a difficult pitch that was a little high for Quentin Shafer to handle and the ball was fumbled, but on a play that looked to be a sure touchdown, Quentin recovered the pitch for what was originally called a first down and a drive sustaining play never-the-less only to be overturned by the officials and as a result, the Jaybirds were given possession of the ball.

On a 3rd down play, a mis-

communication in the secondary resulted in a touchdown for the visitors with :43 seconds left in the half and a 22 to 14 lead. The Coyotes managed to mount a nice drive to end the half, but a pass to the end zone was denied and the halftime score was 22 to 14 for the Jaybirds.

The visitors came out for the second half and Tyler Speed took control of the 3rd quarter as he scored on runs of 57 yards and 34 yards and John Stanaland added both extra-points to push the Jaybird lead to 38 to 14 heading into the 4th quarter.

The two teams took turns punting to one another before the Jaybirds put the game away

on a 55 yard pass from Jimmy Johnson to Stanaland to extend the lead to 46 to 14. But, as has been the case all year, the young Coyotes would not go away quietly as Michael Cooley followed a big block by Quentin Shafer and Carlos Hernandez then did the rest himself as he broke Tyler Speed tackle to scoot into the end zone from 38 yards out. Flynn added the extra-point to cut the lead to 46 to 22. But, on another onside attempt, Jimmy Johnson shut the door on any Coyote comeback as he traveled 40 yards to seal the deal at 52 to 22.

The Coyotes however,

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Borden County running back, Michael Cooley (#21) pushes past a Jayton Jaybird enroute for a touchdown.

Coyotes Dreams Crushed...

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refused to fold up their tents as they mounted one last drive that was culminated by a Flynn Chapman 7 yard run. Flynn set this up on a nice 67 yard run but had to finish off after a couple of Brendan Tarleton to Logan Howard passes were knocked away. The touchdown made the final score on this the final game of the season 52 for the Jaybirds and 28 for the home town Coyotes.

Leading the way for the Coyotes was Michael Cooley with 104 yards on 13 carries and a touchdown, Michael also added 10 tackles.

Quentin Shafer had only 4 yards rushing but had 33 yards receiving and two passes broken up and 6 tackles.

Flynn Chapman had 91 yards rushing and a touchdown and 27 yards receiving and another touchdown and was in on 6

tackles.

Logan Howard had 6 tackles and two sacks while Karl Lammington had 5 tackles.

Miles Valentine was 8 of 15 for 80 yards and two touchdowns and two interceptions. Carlos Hernandez had two catches for 22 yards and one touchdown and John Hensley had a catch for 8 yards and was in on 8 tackles.

Brendan Tarleton was the quarterback during the final two drives and Cory Teel added some solid blocks along the way.

Congratulations guys on a very solid season, although we finished 3 and 6 on the season you showed marked improvement and had a legitimate shot at a district title and a play-off appearance. Good job!!

Thank you seniors, Quentin and Logan for many memories.

Lady Coyotes Kick Off 2007-2008 Season

By Coach Turner

The Borden Lady Coyotes kicked off the 2007-08 season in style Tuesday night with a 51-32 victory over the Meadow Lady Broncos.

Borden County jumped to an early lead and held a 10-2 advantage after one. The Lady Coyotes led 25-14 at the half.

The Lady Coyotes had their best offensive quarter in the third as they scored 19 points to take a commanding 44-28 lead into the fourth.

Freshmen Taylor Richey led the Lady Coyotes with 22 points in her varsity debut. She was followed by Olivia Key and Baylee Benavidez with 8 points each.

Rachel Wilson and Krystal Hobson both scored 4 points while Sharelle Gass and Kate Wallace scored 2 points each.

D'Nae Johnson wrapped up the scoring with a free throw.

The Lady Coyote JV defeated Meadow 28-21. Krista Tarleton led with 15 points. Bailey Anderson scored 7 and Raylea Underwood finished

with 3.

Brittany Day had 2 and Chasiti Rutherford wrapped up the scoring with a free throw.

The Lady Coyotes Traveled to Klondike Saturday and lost to the Lady Cougars 49-26. BC trailed 8-2 after the first quarter and never got untracked offensively.

Taylor Richey led the scoring attack with 19 points. Rachel Wilson had three points and

both Kate Wallace and Olivia Key scored 2 to wrap up the scoring.

The Lady Coyote JV improved to 2-0 on the season with a 26-22 victory over Klondike. Chellsie Pigford and Chasiti Rutherford led the scoring with 6 points each. Krista Tarleton had 5, Lacey Roberts had 3, and Brittany Day, Raylea Underwood, and Shylo Rinehart each had 2 points.

Lady Coyote Players of the Week



Lady Coyote, Taylor Richey, receives Varsity Player of the Week. Richey, the daughter of Trey and Hayley Richey, scored 22 points in the game against Meadow.



Lady Coyote, Krista Tarleton, receives JV Player of the Week. Tarleton, the daughter of Bill and Sheryl Tarleton and Tarrye Tarleton, scored 15 points against Meadow.

2007-2008 Borden County Basketball Schedule

Date	Day	Opponent	Time	Site	Teams
Nov. 6	Tues.	Meadow	6:00	Gail	gG
Nov. 10	Sat.	Klondike	12:00	Klondike	gG
Nov. 13	Tues.	New Home	4:00	New Home	gGbb
Nov. 16	Fri.	Dawson	4:00	Gail	gGbb
Nov. 19	Mon.	Midland Trinity	6:00	Midland	GB
Nov. 20	Tues.	Grady	4:00	Grady	gGbb
Nov. 27	Tues.	Crosbyton	4:00	Grady	gGbb
Nov. 30	Fri.	Open	4:00		gbGB
Dec. 4	Tues.	Forsan	4:00	Gail	gGbb
Dec. 6-8		Borden County Tourn.		Gail	GB
Dec. 11	Tues.	Sands	4:00	Gail	gGbb
Dec. 13-15		Meadow Tourn.	TBA	Meadow	GB
Dec. 27-29		Caprock Tourn.	TBA	Lubbock	GB
Dec. 31	Mon.	Southland	1:00	Southland	gGbb
*Jan. 4	Fri.	Ira	4:00	Ira	gGbb
*Jan. 8	Tues.	Hermleigh	4:00	Gail	gGbb
Jan 10 & 12	Th, S	Forsan JV Tourn.	TBA	Forsan	gGbb
*Jan. 11	Fri.	Westbrook	4:00	Westbrook	gGbb
*Jan. 15	Tues.	Loraine	4:00	Loraine	gGbb
*Jan. 19	Sat.	Highland	6:00	Gail	GB
*Jan. 22	Tues.	Ira	4:00	Gail	gGbb
*Jan. 25	Fri.	Hermleigh	5:00	Hermleigh	gGbb
*Jan. 29	Tues.	Westbrook	4:00	Gail	gGbb
*Feb. 1	Fri.	Loraine	4:00	Gail	gGbb
*Feb. 5	Tues.	Highland	5:00	Highland	Gbb

* Denotes District Games
Girls' Coaches: Bric Turner & Peter Benavidez
Boys' Coaches: Fernando Baeza & Trey Richey

Borden County Tourney:

Post	Forsan	Borden County
Lubbock Christian	New Home	O'Donnell
Guthrie (Girls only)	Crosbyton	Meadow
Anson	Klondike	

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Pups Complete Back to Back Undefeated Seasons

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Pups traveled to Jayton on Thursday to play their final game of the season already guaranteed their second district championship in as many years, but were playing with the hopes of finishing undefeated for a second straight season.

The Pups wasted little time in seizing control of this contest as they quickly forced the Jaybirds to punt the ball to the visiting pups.

On the very first play the Pups appeared to have their first score as Tanner Richey scampered in from 20 yards out only to have the score brought back for a rare penalty on the Pups this season. Two plays later back-field mate Austin Fields carried the ball into the end zone from 23 yards out behind a tremendous hook block by Chance Taylor and cut blocks by Tanner and Blake Turner to make the score 6 to 0.

The Pups got the ball back and quickly doubled their score as Blake Turner connected with Chance Taylor on a 22 yard pass play to increase the lead to 12 to 0. The Pup defense flexed their muscles once again and forced yet another punt. This time Tanner Richey was able to officially add to the Pups scores as he rumbled in from 52 yards out to make the score 18 to 0. Luke Burkett took the Riley Smith pass on the extra-point to push the lead to 19 to 0.

At this time the Pups used different combinations on the field as they played their second team offense along with their second team defense and then for good measure they also alternated plays between their 7th grade and 8th grade.

The 8th grade group consisted of Chance Taylor, Blake Turner, Chris Teel, Austin Tyler, Austin Fields and Luke Burkett.

The 7th grade group consisted of Steven Howard, Matthew Roberson, Luis Andrade, Tanner

Richey, Riley Smith and Valerio Hernandez.

These two groups alternated defensive and offensive plays for most of the 2nd and 3rd quarters of this contest. With these groups, Austin Fields added another touchdown before half on a nice 53 yard run that was set up by a fumble recovery by Luke Burkett.

In the 2nd half, things got rolling on the first drive as Blake connected with Austin Fields on a 43 yard screen pass to make the score 31 to 0. Riley Smith connected with Valerio Hernandez who made a tremendous catch to make the score 32 to 0.

The Pups defense held the Jaybirds again and on the very next play Tanner added to his day by running in from 48 yards out to increase the lead to 38 to 0.

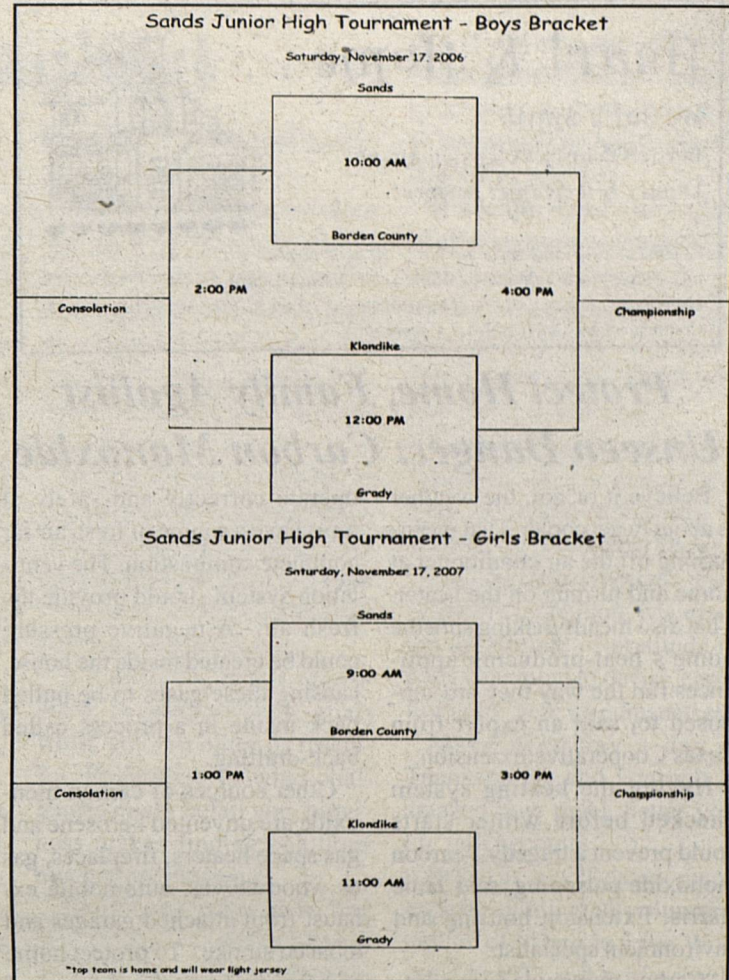
The Jaybirds got on the board after returning the ensuing kickoff for a touchdown, but Tanner returned the favor as he covered

78 yards to pay dirt to regain the 38 point cushion at 44 to 6 early in the 3rd period.

At this point, the Pups played mostly 2nd team players on both sides of the ball. Steven Howard had several nice runs as did Luis Andrade and Chance Taylor as well. This continued until the final play of the game when the Pup 8th graders were given one last offensive opportunity. Austin Tyler was the recipient of this offensive play as he carried the ball around the left side on a sweep and followed some very solid blocks by Austin Fields, Blake and Chance and he ended his junior high career with a beautiful 43 yard touchdown run.

These same six guys knelt the ball on the extra-point to finish their final two season with a combined 17 wins and 0 loss record.

Congratulations guys on a tremendous season and also a tremendous junior high career.



2007 District Champs! Borden County Pups pictured are (back row left to right) Austin Fields, Blake Turner, Tanner Richey, Matthew Roberson, Chris Teel, Austin Tyler, Luis Andrade, (front row left to right) Steven Howard, Valerio Hernandez, Riley Smith, Chance Taylor and Luke Burkett

School Lunch Menu

November 19-23, 2007

MONDAY - Breakfast: Pancakes, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Steak Fingers, Potatoes, Green Peas, Hot Roll, Pineapple and Milk.

TUESDAY - Breakfast: Muffin, Fruit Juice, and Milk. Lunch: Grill Cheese, Chips, Salad, Sliced Apple w/Peanut Butter, Cookie, and Milk.

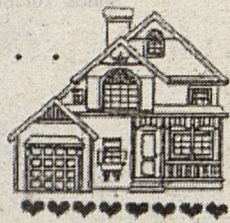
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Heart & Home . . .

By Julie Smith
Borden County Extension Agent
Family & Consumer Sciences



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Protect Home, Family Against Unseen Danger: Carbon Monoxide

Believe it or not, the weather is about to get cooler. That means turning off the air conditioner at home and turning on the heater. That also means making sure the home's heat-producing appliances run the way they are supposed to, said an expert from Texas Cooperative Extension.

Having the heating system checked before winter starts could prevent a tragedy – carbon monoxide poisoning, said Janie Harris, Extension housing and environment specialist.

"Carbon monoxide is an odorless, colorless gas that interferes with the delivery of oxygen in the blood to the rest of the body," she said. "Even though carbon monoxide will not explode, it can be dangerous – even deadly – to you and your family."

Symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning include headache, nausea and disorientation. This dangerous gas can be produced inside a home if carbon-containing fuels are incompletely burned. The gas must be exhausted to the outside. These fuels include natural gas, coal, wood, fuel oil and charcoal – the sources used most often in home heating. The culprits include oil or gas furnaces and cooking appliances, water heaters, fireplaces and wood stoves that aren't working or vented properly.

Two common sources of carbon monoxide in homes in Texas are the gas furnace heat exchanger and the gas hot water heater. As homes have been built to be more energy-efficient, they have fewer places where fresh air can leak into the home. In order for fuel-burning equipment to

operate correctly and safely, it must have a source of fresh air for complete combustion. The ventilation system should provide the fresh air. A negative pressure could be created inside the house, causing these gases to be pulled back inside in a process called back-drafting.

Other sources of carbon monoxide are unvented kerosene and gas space heaters, fireplaces, gas or wood stoves, automobile exhaust from attached garages and tobacco smoke. To protect home and family from the dangers of carbon monoxide this winter, Harris suggested the following steps:

- Have the home furnace checked by a professional who will make sure the burners and vent systems are working correctly and the heat exchanger isn't cracked.

- Look at the area around the furnace to make sure enough fresh air can flow in. A home's furnace should not be in a tightly enclosed space.

- Make sure the water heater and the furnace flue have no internal obstructions or leaks near the joints.

- To test a gas water heater while the burner is on, hold a lighted match under the draft hood. The flame should burn upward. If the match flickers downward or goes out, the exhaust may have a back flow and is releasing carbon monoxide into the house.

- Open the damper of a fireplace or wood stove so combustion gases will flow outside.

- Never use a gas range to heat the house.
- Don't leave cars or lawn mowers running in an attached garage. Carbon monoxide given off by

these vehicles can drift into the house.

- Make sure all combustion equipment and appliances in a home are installed correctly, are properly maintained and have adequate ventilation.

- Don't use all of the home's exhaust vents and the clothes dryer at the same time. This could create negative pressure in the house, pulling carbon monoxide back inside.

If you have the fireplace burning and turn on the kitchen exhaust vent, you will likely smell smoke. This means the fireplace is not drawing the carbon dioxide out, but is back-drafting. If you use only one of the exhaust fans – bathroom, kitchen or dryer – the back-drafting will not likely occur.

- Use carbon monoxide detectors near sleeping areas and fuel-burning appliances. Choose detectors that have Consumer Product Safety Commission and Underwriters Laboratories seals of approval.

- If a carbon monoxide detector goes off, call the fire department immediately and get everyone out of the house. Anyone with symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning should be taken to an emergency room.

For more information about this and other home environment issues, visit Extension's Family and Consumer Sciences Web site at <http://fcs.tamu.edu/> and click on the link to "House and Home."

Thought For The Day

*We all have
stumbling blocks.
What is most
important is
turning them into
stepping stones.*

Source: St. Louis Inspirational Christian
Connection

11th Annual Borden County Home for the Holidays
"Deck the Halls"
on Monday, December 3, 2007 at 6:00 p.m.
in the Community Room in Gail.
The favor of a reply is requested.
Please contact the Extension Office at (806)756-4336 or borden-tx@tamu.edu to RSVP.

A nominal fee of \$5 per person will be charged at the door to cover the costs of food, program supplies, and the recipe book. We hope that you will join us for a tasting of delicious recipes, entertaining tips, homemade gifts, food safety and storage, helpful holiday hints, and creative holiday decorations. We will have fellowship and punch from 5:45 to 6:00 p.m. to allow an opportunity for everyone to visit. The program will begin promptly at 6:00 p.m.

For a community service project this year, we ask that you please bring pajamas for youth from newborn through 18 to be donated to Buckner's Children's Home of Lubbock.

We will seek to provide all reasonable accommodations for all persons with disabilities for any Extension program. We request that you contact your Texas Cooperative Extension office as soon as possible to advise of auxiliary aid that you will require.

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4-H News

Major Stock Show Entry Meeting

It's that time of year to enter the major stock shows! This year we will be taking entries for the major stock shows on Monday, November 19, Tuesday, November 20 and Wednesday, November 21. Our office hours are 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Please have a family representative present to enter your 4-H animal projects on any of the above days.

Swine Validation

Any swine project on feed for the county or major stocks shows will need to be validated by November 30, 2007. The swine validation committee will be validating your swine project during the last week of November. If you have not already contacted Cody G. Hill or Buddy Wallace concerning your swine project, please contact them so that arrangements can be made to validate your animal.

USDA Reminds Farmers to Sign-Up for Programs

Agriculture producers who suffered losses caused by natural disasters in 2005-2007 are reminded to sign up for three new ad hoc disaster programs, announced Victor Ashley, Executive Director for the Garza-Borden County Farm Service Agency (FSA). Currently, applications are being accepted for the Livestock Compensation Program (LCP), Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP) and Crop Disaster Program (CDP).

Eligible ranchers and other livestock producers can apply to receive benefits through the Livestock Compensation Program (LCP) and Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP) sign-up began Sept. 10, 2007. Sign-up for the Crop Disaster Program (CDP) began Oct. 15, 2007, and applies to farmers who suffered quantity losses to

their crops. Sign-up end dates for these programs will be announced at a future date. USDA will also announce a sign-up for quality losses soon.

"Although ending dates for the sign-up periods have not yet been announced, it is important for producers to apply for benefits as soon as possible. Timely applications will ensure that producers receive timely payments," said Ashley.

For more information on applying for FSA disaster assistance and to schedule an appointment, please call the Garza-Borden County FSA at 806/495-2801. Detailed program information about LCP, LIP, and CDP is also available in a fact sheet titled, Agricultural Assistance Act of 2007, found on FSA's Web site, <http://www.fsa.usda.gov>.

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Being Thankful

By Bryan Golden
Author of *Dare to Live Without Limits*

Thanksgiving is much more than a big meal with family and friends. It's a time to reflect on, and be thankful for, all of the good things you have. It's important to be grateful, not just on Thanksgiving, but each and every day. Rather than lamenting what you feel is lacking in your life, begin each day by developing an attitude of gratitude. Take inventory of your blessings and you will be surprised at just how much you have to be thankful for.

If you have enough to eat, a place to live, a way to get around, people who care about you, or people you care about, then you are wealthy. If you lack any of these elements, you must still be grateful for what you do have, while striving to obtain whatever is absent.

Focus on all positive aspects of your life. Take nothing for granted. Every morning, recharge your appreciation. Be happy for everything there is, not upset over what you feel is missing.

Dreams of the future shouldn't diminish appreciation for the present. If all you do is concentrate on what you want, you won't enjoy today. Don't be jealous of others; what they do or have has no bearing on you.

You can feel bitter or resentful for a variety of reasons. Perhaps you feel something is missing from your life, things aren't going your way, or you have been treated unfairly. You may wonder, "why do these things always happen to me?"

Life's problems tend to dominate your thoughts, turning your focus to what you feel is wrong. You may start to resent those who appear to be better off. You're apt to dwell on things you think would make your life better if you had them. If only you had more money, more time, a bigger house, a different car, a different job, a different boss,

had picked a different career, etc.

Once your attitude becomes one of deficiency instead of abundance and appreciation, you can become overwhelmed by feelings of frustration and feel like a victim. As this happens, a consuming vicious cycle starts.

Being bitter or resentful blows situations out of proportion. People who are bitter frequently find that their situations deteriorate and their mental and physical health decays.

It's difficult, if not impossible, to achieve your goals while you are bitter or resentful. Regardless of what challenges might befall you, bitterness makes finding solutions much more elusive.

There is no point to feeling bitter since it accomplishes nothing, harms you and makes things worse. Filling yourself with gratitude on a daily basis makes you feel good, while driving out negative feelings.

Begin your practice of gratitude each morning as soon as you wake. Every day is a great

day. If you have any doubts, try missing one. Take inventory of everything, no matter how small or seemingly insignificant, that is good in your life.

If it helps, make a written list of all things you are grateful for. Read your list every day. As you do this, you will build and reinforce your attitude of gratitude. Don't waste anytime with what you feel you don't have.

Keep things in perspective. Consider all the people who have overcome difficulties far worse than yours. Don't be consumed by your problems, there is always a solution. Maintaining an attitude of gratitude allows your mind to devise a resolution for your circumstances.

Make everyday a day of Thanksgiving and you will be amazed how much better your life will become.

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Borden County ISD Board Meeting October 15, 2007

Special Board Meeting October 15, 2007

The Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District of Gail, Texas met in special session at 7:00 P.M. in the Borden County I.S.D. School Cafeteria. Board members present were John Anderson, Joe Harding, Randy Hensley, Carol Lewis, and Dennis Poole. Joel Dennis and Mike Valentine were absent. Superintendent, Jimmy Thomas was also present.

1. The meeting was called to order by John Anderson.

2. There was no community input.

3. A review of the 2007 FIRST Rating Report was conducted.

4. A motion was made by Randy Hensley and seconded by Joe Harding to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Regular Board Meeting October 15, 2007

The Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District of Gail, Texas met in regular session at 7:30 P.M. in the Borden County I.S.D. Board Room. Board members present were John Anderson, Joe Harding, Randy Hensley, Carol Lewis, and Dennis Poole. Joel Dennis and Mike Valentine were absent. Principal, Bart McMeans and Superintendent, Jimmy Thomas were also present.

1. The meeting was called to order by John Anderson.

2. There was no community input.

3. A motion was made by Carol Lewis and seconded by Randy Hensley to approve the minutes of the September 17, 2007 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

4. A motion was made by Joe Harding and seconded by Carol Lewis to approve the October 2007 bills. The motion carried unanimously.

5. A motion was made by Randy Hensley and seconded by Joe Harding set the November 19, 2007 Regular Meeting for 7:30 A.M. The motion carried unanimously.

6. A motion was made by Carol Lewis and seconded by Dennis Poole to approve the 2007 FIRST Rating Report as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

7. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Joe Harding to table the purchase of school vehicles until the November meeting in order to allow time for additional quotes/bids. The motion carried unanimously.

8. A discussion pertaining to the new legislative requirements pertaining to appraisal districts was conducted. No action was taken.

9. A motion was made by Randy Hensley and seconded by

Dennis Poole to take action to approve implementation of the "Healthy and Wise Comprehensive Health-Care Program for grades 6-8 as recommended by the Borden County I.S.D. Student Health Advisory Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

10. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Carol Lewis to approve the District Guidelines for Automated External Defibrillators as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

11. A motion was made by Joe Harding and seconded by Randy Hensley to set a goal to reduce annual electric consumption by five percent a year over the next six year period beginning with the 2007-2008 school year as required by Senate Bill 12 of the 80th Session of the Texas Legislature. The motion carried unanimously.

12. Mr. Thomas gave a year to date financial report and reported that 164 students were enrolled as of September 17, 2007. A Construction report was given pertaining to current projects. The first six-week failing and honor student report was given. A report was also given pertaining to potential long-term energy savings from purchasing wind turbines to reduce power usage. It was

also reported that all Borden County I.S.D. professional staff members meet the requirements for certification as required by the federal guidelines for the Highly Qualified Teacher Report and No Child Left Behind Requirements. A motion was made by Randy Hensley and seconded by Joe Harding to approve the superintendent's report. The motion carried unanimously.

13. A motion was made by Carol Lewis and seconded by Dennis Poole to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

*"I, Roland Brice Key, hereby resign my position as Borden County Republican Chairman effective immediately."
Thank you,
R. Brice Key*



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FIELD: HOOD (SPRAYBERRY)

Lease/Unit Name	MILLER "528"
Lease/Unit Well No.	7
Lease/Unit Acres	640.6
Nearest Lease Line (ft)	1014.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft)	1026.0
Lease Lines	1014.0 F North L, 2657.0 F West L
Survey Lines	1014.0 F North L, 2657.0 F West L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:
HOOD (SPRAYBERRY) OIL statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 6500 feet.
If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Robert Kreuger, at (801) 524-2742.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted without a hearing if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512)463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the commission at (512) 463-6701.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE BY May 23, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHINSUCH TIME, THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY
THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICAITON
Rule 37 Case No. 0251353 (Dist. 8A)

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF BORDEN

Borden County Commissioners' Court will consider bids for the purchase of one Pickup to be used by the Borden County Extension Office. Bids will be received until 9:00 a.m., November 27, 2007 in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Borden County Courthouse in Gail, Texas.

Specifications may be obtained at the offices of the County Judge 806/756-4391 or the Borden County Extension Office, 806/756-4336.

BY ORDER OF THE BORDEN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Van L. York
County Judge
Borden County

Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit
Tumbleweed Smith

An Overdose of Class Reunions?

I went to my first high school homecoming a few months after graduating from Arlington Heights High School in Fort Worth.

After all, I was a college freshman and wanted to let my fellow classmates know that I was on my way to becoming a great person and doing wonderful things for humanity.

I also wanted to see what some of my high school buddies were doing. I didn't go to another high school homecoming for 24 years.

At the 25th reunion, about half of the 254-member class showed up. We all wore badges that had our name and senior annual photo on them. It was fun to see everybody. Really fun. People came from all parts of the country and beyond.

One girl came in from Paris, France. Another came from Argentina.

Arlington Heights High School has been home to some well-known people. John Denver went there. So did Cullen Davis and Lee Harvey Oswald. Tommy Thompson, who had a newspaper career and wrote books about crime, worked on the school newspaper with me.

Our mascot was the Yellow Jackets and the paper was called the Jacket Journal. Pat Anderson wrote speeches for a president.

After the 25th reunion, our class decided that since we liked each other, we should start having get-togethers every five years.

After the 35th reunion, someone suggested we have mini-reunions every six months. So now, every fall and spring, at least fifty classmates gather somewhere, often at restaurants or homes in the Dallas-Fort

Worth area, but other times in Austin and New Orleans or even on a cruise ship.

Susan and I have agreed to host the "gathering of the swarm" next fall.

Barbara Larson is our classmate who keeps up with everybody. She is continually updating the information about members of our class. We all have a list that contains names, spouses, phone numbers, email and street addresses. When we hear about someone sick, the word gets out. When someone dies, several classmates attend the funeral. Barbara does not work alone.

A reunion committee meets regularly to arrange everything. Some people have attended nearly every single reunion. They fly or drive from all parts of the state.

At a recent reunion, one guy came in from Connecticut. He said he kept getting mailings about the reunions and wanted to see what one was like. Most of the guys who attend our reunions are still working. The wives like it that way.

These are not fancy affairs. People visit with whomever they want to. Some people find a comfortable place at a bar and stay there the whole evening. A few events have entertainment.

At his fall's reunion, held at Johnny Boyle's house in Irving, a young female accordionist, Ginny Mac, played for the group. As usual, we all had fun. We're now looking forward to our next gathering in the spring.

When your reunion comes up, please go. That annoying person from your high school years just might become your new best friend.



Commissioners Meeting

WHEREAS, On this the 23rd day of October, 2007, 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 YORK, County Judge, Presiding; **MONTE SMITH**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 1; **RANDY ADCOCK**, Commissioner Precinct No. 2; **ERNEST REYES**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3; **JOE BELEW**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 4; **JOYCE HERIDGE**, County Clerk and Ex-Officio of the Commissioners Court with constituting a quorum, when the following proceedings were had, in accordance with the posted agenda.

MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the Commissioners Court meetings of October 9th, 2007 were read. Commissioner Reyes made a motion to approve said minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion carried.

ACCOUNTS ALLOWED

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

LEGAL NOTICE

Commissioner Adcock made a motion to advertise for the bids on a new pick-up to be used by the Borden County Extension Ag Agent. Cody Hill, Borden County extension Ag Agent, was present. Bids will be opened at 9:00 a.m. November 27, 2007. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Texas Association of Counties Risk Management Pool. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Belew. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

A motion was made by commissioner Belew to approve the Resolution Proclaiming Novem-

ber 2007 as "Home Care and Hospice Month". Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

SPECIAL COURT MEETING

Commissioner Belew made a motion to hold a special Commissioner Court Meeting on November 14, 2007 at 8:00 a.m. to canvass the Constitutional Amendment Election held on November 6, 2007. This is in compliance with the requirements that returns be canvassed between November 14, 2007 and November 19, 2007. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Reyes. Motion carried.

WORKMAN COMP. INSURANCE

Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve Workman Comp. Insurance Coverage for the Borden County Appraisal District Employee. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

SOIL CONSERVATION CONSTRUCTION

Applications for Soil Conservation Construction of fireguards were received from Shirley Garrett in Precinct No. 1 and from Joel Dennis of Flying D. Ranch Company in Precinct No. 4. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the applications at the rate of \$35.00 per hour for a motorgrader and \$65.00 per hour for a dozer. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Belew. Motion carried.

COUNTY WATER SYSTEM

Judge York informed the Court that the water project is progressing and nearing completion.

DISCUSSION ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

Items to be considered are County Show Barn and the Borden county Employee Handbook.

ADJOURN

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

THE FOREGOING MINUTES READ AND APPROVED THIS THE 13th day of November, 2007.

2007 Lighting of the Star Ornament Contest

We will hold the ornament contest for the Lighting of the Star on Friday, November 23, 2007. All ornaments received in the contest will be on display during the Lighting of the Star.

There will be five age divisions for the ornament contest:

- Preschool through Kindergarten
- 1st through 2nd grade
- 3rd through 5th grade
- 6th through 8th grade
- 9th through 12th grade

Poka Lambro will sponsor the \$25 cash prizes that will be given to each age division winner (there will be one winner per age division; a total of 5 winners) and their ornament will be placed on the big Christmas tree in the courtroom at the courthouse. Winners of the contest will be announced during the Star activities. Ornaments not selected as winners may be picked up following the Lighting of the Star activities.

There are two basic rules for entering the ornament contest:

- 1) The ornament must be made by the youth that enters the contest within the last year.
- 2) The ornament should be made of materials that will not deteriorate. (The ornament should be able to last so that it can be displayed on the Christmas tree in the courthouse for many years.)

If you would like to enter the contest, please complete this entry form and return it with your ornament in a resealable plastic bag to your home room teacher by Monday, November 19, 2007. If not turned in to school, they must be received in the courthouse by 12:00 noon on Tuesday, November 20th in order to be judged.

We would like to express our sincere thanks to

POKA LAMBRO

for sponsoring the Lighting of the Star Ornament Contest this year!

Lighting of the Star Ornament Contest Entry Form

Name: _____ Grade in school: _____

Address: _____

Brief description of the ornament: _____

Entries are due by Monday, November 19, 2007!

14th Annual Lights for Gail

The "Star" on Gail Mountain will be sponsored on the following nights:

Nov. 23 - In Memory of:
Delmo Pearce, Karen Pearce

By the Citizens of Borden County

Nov. 23 - In Honor of:
Martha Pearce

By the Citizens of Borden County

Nov. 24 - In Memory of:
Jimmy Redman

By Lights for Gail Committee

Nov. 25 - In Memory of:
Mr. & Mrs. C. D. Cowart

Clay & Amy Cowart

Nov. 28 - In Memory of:

Our mothers, Lynda Beaver & Patsy Westbrook

By Steve & Becky Beaver

Nov. 30 - In Memory of:

O. D. & Jessie B. Jackson

By R. D. & Carol Lewis

Dec. 1 - In Memory of:

Delmo Pearce

By Martha & Nancy Pearce

Dec. 2 - In Memory of:

Karen Elizabeth Pearce

By Martha & Nancy Pearce

Dec. 6 - In Memory of:

Skeet & Lela Porter

By the Sam (Porter) Giffords

Dec. 7 - In Memory of:

Ann & James McLeroy

By Bob & Julie McLeroy Family

Dec. 7 - In Memory of:

Charles Vaughn

By Cricket Dempsey & the Vaughn Children

Dec. 10 - In Memory of:

Beno & Donna Hendricks

By Bo & Jacque Hendricks

Dec. 11 - In Memory of:

My mother, Margaret Ard

By Darrin Ard

Dec. 11 - In Memory of:

Caden Nowlain

By Jibber & Cindy Herridge

Dec. 12 - In Memory of:

Jim York Family

By Van & Barbara York

Dec. 15 - In Memory of:

Karan Key

By Grandchildren of Karan Key

Dec. 17 - In Memory of:

Lee York Family

By Van & Barbara York

Dec. 20 - In Memory of:

Bert & Dorothy Dennis

By Mr. & Mrs. Joel Dennis

Dec. 22 - In Honor of:

Colt Youngblood

By Arlan & Avis Youngblood

Dec. 22 - In Honor of:

Madison Youngblood

By Arlan & Avis Youngblood

Dec. 24 - In Memory of:

Caden Nowlain

By Mack & Jane Terry

Dec. 25 - In Honor of:

Mildred Sevey

By Bo & Jacque Hendricks

Dec. 27 - In Memory of:

J. Pat Porter

By The Sam (Porter) Giffords

Dec. 31 - In Honor of:

Brian & Sharon Jones & Robyn

By Bo & Jacque Hendricks

Dec. 31 - In Memory of:

Mary & Jerry Clayton

By Barbara & Rich Anderson

Light bulbs for the "Star" on Gail Mountain are being sponsored for the following:

IN MEMORY OF:

Bud Smith

Dollie Smith

David Holmes

Brandon Adcock

John Harding

John Brummett

Caden Nowlain

By Van & Barbara York

Edward Rinehart

Jym Hendricks

Madge Hendricks

By Jym Rinehart Family

IN HONOR OF:

The Sharp Family

By Margaret Sharp

Cindy Herridge

Jibber Herridge

Cody Nowlain

Jana Underwood

Ray Don Underwood

Raylea Underwood

By Mack & Jane Terry

Ross Sharp Family

Margaret Sharp

By Sarah Gilleland

Mrs. Fannie Ballentine

Mr. & Mrs. Mack Terry

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Herridge

Cody Nowlain

Emily Landry

Ray Don Underwood Family

Maurice Herridge Family

Fuzz Herridge Family

By Jibber & Cindy

Herridge

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2007-2008 Borden Junior High Basketball Schedule

Date	Day	Opponent	Teams	Site	Time
Nov. 15	Thur	Ira	G,B	There	6:00
Nov. 17	Sat	Sands Tourney	G,B	Ackerly	TBA
Nov. 19	Mon	Hermleigh	G,B	Here	6:00
Nov. 26	Mon	Westbrook	G,B	There	6:00
Dec. 1	Sat	Borden Co. Tourn.	G,B	Gail	TBA
Dec. 3	Mon	Loraine	G,B	There	6:00
Dec. 10	Mon	Highland	G,B	Here	6:00
Jan. 7	Mon	Ira	G,B	Here	6:00
Jan. 14	Mon.	Hermleigh	G,B	There	6:00
Jan. 21	Mon.	Westbrook	G,B	Here	6:00
Jan. 28	Mon.	Loraine	G,B	Here	6:00
Feb. 4	Mon.	Highland	G,B	There	6:00

G-Junior High Girls
B-Junior High Boys
Superintendent: Jimmy Thomas
Principal: Bart McMeans
Girls' Coaches-Bric Turner & Peter Benavidez
Boys' Coaches- Fernando Baeza & Trey Richey

Borden Tournament Teams

BC Sands
Dawson Hermleigh

Christmas Decorating Contest

Make your plans now to enter your home and/or yard in the Christmas Decorating Contest sponsored by Lyntegar Electric Co-op. entries will be judged on originality, quality and visual impact by an impartial party from Lyntegar. Prizes provided by Lyntegar Electric Co-op will be awarded for the top four winners and will be announced at the Lighting of the Star. These prizes will be announced at a later date.

Join in the fun! Complete and mail the entry form below and help decorate Gail for

CHRISTMAS DECORATING CONTEST

Name: _____

Physical Address: _____ Phone: _____

Directions to home: _____

Mail your entry to "Lyntegar & Lights for Gail - Christmas Decorating Contest", P.O. Box 312, Gail, TX 79738. All entries must be received by November 19, 2007 at 5:00 pm, and the location of the entry must be within a five-mile radius of Borden County Courthouse. Judging will be done on Wednesday, November 21st between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.