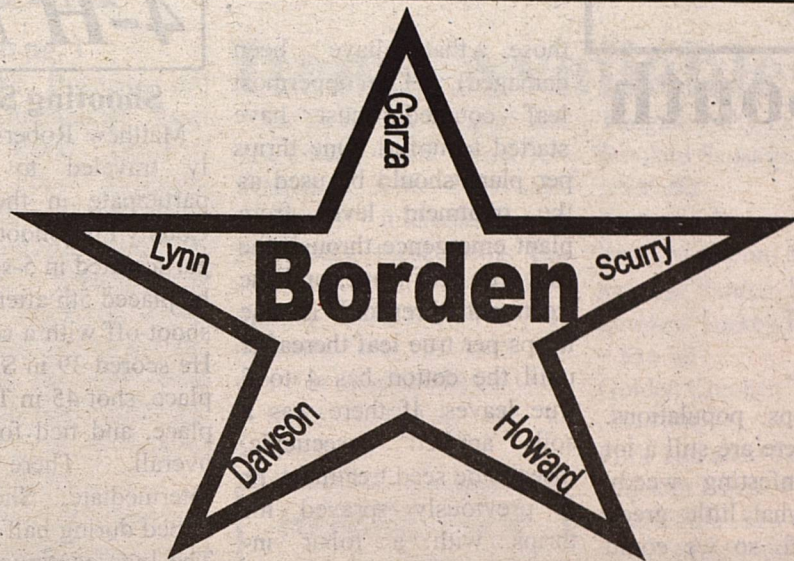


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Editor Verna Adcock Retires: Local Paper Says Goodbye to One of Its Long-time Shining Stars

Since 1983, Verna Adcock's presence has been a mainstay in the Borden County community.

She's been a bus driver for the school, a cafeteria meal ticket lady, a secretary to principals, and a newspaper editor.

But even before her time as an employee, she was very familiar with Borden County, having attended school in Gail during her entire public school education.

The 1969 BHS graduate worked on her final *Borden Star* paper this past week as she officially turned the press over to Kerri Dean, who has worked with Verna this past year.

Verna's involvement with the school and community is something she has been around literally all her life.

Her father, Vernon Todd, served on the Borden County ISD school board for years.

Verna's husband Randy, also a 1969 BHS grad, served on the school board as well.

Verna and Randy's three children also attended school at Borden County.

Kristi Harrison graduated in 1990 while youngest daughter Hailey finished ten years later in 2000.

Their son Brandon died in 1991, his sophomore year at BHS.

Verna's tenure as editor began in 1995 when Cookie Dyess retired.

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USDA Rural Development to Hold Office Day

Representatives of USDA Rural Development will be conducting an Office Day for residents of Borden County on June 26, 2007 to provide information, assist with applications, and answer questions regarding the housing, community and business programs offered by the agency. The event will be held in the Community Room directly behind the Borden County Courthouse, 116 E. Wilbourn, Gail, Texas, from 10:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

Housing Programs that are offered by USDA Rural Development include the Guaranteed Housing Loan Program, Direct Housing Loan Program, Home Repair and Rehabilitation Grant Program, and the Self-Help Housing and Technical Assistance Program. Assistance is available to low and moderate income families that live in rural areas.

USDA Rural Development's Community Programs are designed to enhance the growth and economic opportunities of rural areas by providing the means for construction, expansion, or enhancement of community facilities, telecommunication and distance education programs, and water and waste disposal systems. Since 2001, USDA Rural Development's Community Programs have awarded \$2.3 billion for these purposes, and touched the lives of more than 1.7 million rural households in the process.

Entrepreneurship plays a vital role in the economic stability of rural Texas. With USDA Rural Development's Business and Cooperative Programs, rural businesses can gain access funds that normally would not be available to them. With the

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Ag News

FOCUS on South Plains Agriculture

Thrips

With cotton on the High Plains ranging from some early planted fields beginning to square, to others still being planted, we have a broad range of susceptibility to thrips. For the most part, the thrips populations never got off to a good start in many areas; populations would increase and then be pummeled by heavy rains. Thus it is not surprising that the areas that have an abundance of wheat and did not receive as much rain have tended to have the

highest thrips populations. However, there are still a lot of thrips infesting weedy hosts and what little green wheat is left, so we could still see some thrips movement into cotton. As temperatures warm we will see a decrease in the thrips population, and along with the faster growing plants, much of the smaller cotton we currently have will hopefully escape high thrips pressure.

Base treatment decisions on the total number of thrips per plant and the number of true leaves present (even

those that have been damaged). The uppermost leaf counted must have started to unfurl. One thrips per plant should be used as the treatment level from plant emergence through the first true leaf stage, and the treatment threshold is one thrips per true leaf thereafter until the cotton has 4 to 5 true leaves. If there was a soil applied insecticide, insecticide seed treatment, or if previously sprayed for thrips with a foliar insecticide, there should be 30% or more immature thrips present to justify a subsequent treatment. The presence of immatures will indicate that colonization is occurring and that the insecticide is playing out. Additionally, we would be much more aggressive on surviving cotton that has suffered from previous weather and thrips damage. This would include lowering the threshold a bit and also the percent immature target. See the Crop Production Guide Series on thrips at <http://lubbock.tamu.edu/focus/> for more information on thrips management. We have also posted a video on recognizing thrips damage in cotton.

FOCUS on South Plains Agriculture is a weekly newsletter published by the following Extension Specialists: Randy Boman, Extension Cotton Agronomist; David Kerns, Extension Cotton Entomologist; Patrick Porter, Extension Entomologist; Jackie Smith, Agricultural Economist; Calvin Trostle, Extension Agronomist; Jason Woodward, Extension Plant Pathologist; and Jay Yates, Agricultural Economist.

For more information, contact Cody G. Hill at the Borden County Extension office at (806) 756-4336.

4-H News

Shooting Sports

Matthew Roberson recently traveled to Baird to participate in the Callahan County Fun Shoot. Matthew participated in 5-stand where he placed 5th after winning a shoot-off with a score of 38. He scored 39 in Skeet for 8th place, shot 45 in Trap for 2nd place, and tied for 4th place overall. There were 19 Intermediate Shooters. It rained during half the match. The kids continued to shoot in the rain. The shooting was slowed some when the heavy rain began and resumed when the rain lightened up. Matthew did shoot trap in the light rain. The kids had an option to shoot when the rained subsided or continue to shoot. It was cold and muddy. Matthew received 2 plaques, one for 5-stand and one for trap.

Raylea Underwood traveled to Seminole to participate in the Gaines County 4-H Shoot. There were 15 shooters in the Sr. 1 Division. Raylea shot 49 in trap to win 2nd place, shot 49 in skeet to win 1st place, and shot 43 in 5-stand to win 1st place. Raylea received the High Overall in this division. Congratulations to Matthew and Raylea! Keep up the good work!!

Headed to State!!

The 2007 District 2 4-H

Horse Show was a great success!! 4-H'ers from across the South Plains and over twenty counties competed at the Texas Tech Equestrian Center in Lubbock to see who would advance to the State 4-H Horse Show, which will be held July 22-28 in Abilene, Texas.

Blaise Freeman competed against 4-H'ers 9-18 years of age in Barrel Racing and Pole Bending. There were over 30 contestants in each event and Blaise represented Borden County very well. He placed 3rd in Pole Bending and 7th in Barrel Racing. Congratulations to Blaise on an outstanding job and good luck at the State 4-H Horse Show!

Cottonfield Classic

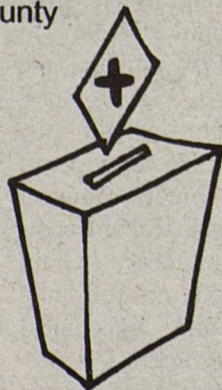
Hermleigh FFA Alumni will be sponsoring the Cottonfield Classic, a steer prospect show, to be held at the Scurry County Coliseum at Snyder, Texas on Saturday, August 18. Activities will begin at 11 a.m. with Jackpot Showmanship, Progress, and Prospect shows. Entry fee is \$40 and entry deadline must be postmarked by August 11. For more information, contact the Borden County Extension Office at (806)

756-4336.

FSA County Committee Elections

August 1 is the deadline to get your name on the FSA County Committee election ballot. Visit your local FSA office or USDA Service Center to learn how you can have a voice and take a seat on your area Farm Service Agency County Committee.

Visit us online: www.fsa.usda.gov for nomination forms and more information.



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Adcock USDA Retires

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Since that time, Verna has overseen the coming of computers and digital photography while working on the paper.

Each Tuesday (or Wednesday when coaches and sponsors missed their deadlines ☺), Verna took the paper to *The Lamesa Press Reporter* where *The Borden Star* was printed.

Those weekly trips will now become daily trips for Verna as she will join her husband in the operation of their Lamesa business, The Greenhouse.

The nursery has recently expanded to include yard landscaping fixtures.

Many thanks to Verna for being such a vital "fixture" in the school and community.

And after recording the news for Borden County for many years, it's only fair that Verna make the news this time.

Hold the presses: *The Borden Star* shone a little brighter because of Verna's dedication.

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help of the Business and Industry Guaranteed Loan Program, Rural Business Enterprise Grant Program, Rural Business Opportunity Grant Program, and the Cooperative Development Grant and Technical Assistance Program, businesses and cooperatives in rural areas can increase the economic opportunities in rural areas throughout Texas.

USDA Rural Development strives to ensure that rural citizens can participate fully in the global economy by providing technical assistance, funding, and other programs that help rural Americans build strong economies to improve their quality of life. For further information please contact the Lubbock Local Office at (806) 785-5644, Ext. 4 or visit us on the web at <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/tx/>.

Gail FFA Meat Sale Items Available

The Gail FFA Chapter still has several meat items left from their 2006 -2007 sale.

Anyone interested in purchasing these items can contact Buddy Wallace (home) 806/756-4478 or (school) 806/756-4313 or email at bwallace@bcisd.net.

Items available are as follows:

- Tailgate Party Pack- \$14.00
 - Smoked Sausage Kolaches- \$15.00
 - Peppered Bacon- \$14.00
 - Smoked Bacon- \$14.00
 - Sausage Patties- \$12.00
 - Smoked Turkey Breast- \$16.00
 - Golden Chicken Tenders- \$18.00
 - Pork Tamales- \$15.00
 - Chicken Fajita- \$13.00
 - Beef Fajita- \$13.00
 - Cajun Meat Pies- \$15.00
 - Smoked Turkey- \$20.00
 - Pit Ham- \$23.00
- The Gail FFA Chapter wishes to thank everyone for their fund-raiser support.



Got News?
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Email:
vadcock@bcisd.net

For Sale
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***Business & Professional
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Southern Electric True Value

Southern Electric True Value is conveniently located at 900 College Avenue, in Snyder, phone 573-4903. Here they feature building materials of every description of the highest quality at the lowest possible prices, including everything to go with it, hardware, tools, plumbing supplies, paint, kitchen cabinets, doors, windows, light fixtures, and a complete line of electrical supplies, as well as commercial cleaning supplies. The people of this section of West Texas including contractors, builders and farmers have come to know that they can depend upon **Southern Electric True Value** for everything in building materials. It may be said that this firm is a valued asset to this community. One of the essential features of any house, store or any other structure is that it will stand the wear of the years. The same is true of the reputation of any business firm and that is why **Southern Electric True Value** enjoys an ever-increasing volume of business and popularity. We in this Good Neighbor Review suggest you see them for all your building materials, hardware, cleaning and paper products and electrical supply needs.

Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home

Time and service have honored the name of **Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home** located at 3101 College Ave. in Snyder, phone 573-5454. For years this reputable funeral home has served the people of this section of West Texas. They relieve you of all worry and responsibility and by sympathetic cooperation bring comfort in the hour of distress. Their service supplies the consoling through that the final tribute to your loved one has been beautiful and fitting. They have in their employee only those who have a natural fitness for this profession. When a funeral director must be called, may we suggest that you place this firm in charge. They will relieve you of all the many details that must be taken care of and at the same time see that everything is done according to your desires. In this Good Neighbor Review we unhesitatingly refer our readers to this reliable firm and suggest that you call them when in need of a funeral director.

Snyder National Bank

This prominent bank is located at 1715 25th Street in Snyder and is a member of FDIC, phone 325-573-2681. **Snyder National Bank** is an institution of financial strength and safety and may well be termed "The Friendly Bank". It was founded by men of character and integrity who were very prominent in business and commercial activities and have progressed as this district itself has grown and progressed. Under the management of efficient and capable men they invite accounts of businessmen, women, farmers, labors or all people who desire profitable connection with a modern banking institution. At this bank you will find strength, seasoned judgment, dependability, accuracy in handling details and breadth of vision - - - all to be applied to the management of your personal or commercial affairs. In making this review we wish to make the statement that at the **Snyder National Bank** you may at all times save with safety.

West Texas Animal Clinic

Charles Church-DVM

Formost among the professional men is this popular veterinarian, located on the 84 By-pass. Phone 325/573-8586. In every community there are individuals who, because of specialized services are an indispensable factor in the community. Formost among these, especially in a rural community, is a good veterinarian, who saves thousands of dollars for the farmers or rancher. He has proven capable and is ready to serve those who call upon him. He has fitted himself with years of study and experience, and you may call upon him at any time and be assured of quality and dependable veterinary service. He will do everything that can be done for the pet or any other animal. So, in this review of reliable business and professional people of Snyder, we wish to compliment **West Texas Animal Clinic** and suggest that if you are in need of service of this kind that you get in touch with him. In this our Business and Professional Review of Snyder this veterinarian has our highest regards. You can tell he has to confidence of the rancher and farmer, in fact, all people in this are by the amount of business **West Texas Animal Clinic** is doing.

G&G Glass Company

Glen Clarady - Gus Tovar - Owners

G&G Glass Company is located at 1300 25th Street in Snyder. This enables them to better serve the people of this area in all their glass needs. They feature a full line of glass for storefront construction, windows, desktops, coffee tables and mirrors and have a complete installation service. Regardless of what item you have that needs glass, all you have to do is take the measurements and give them to **G&G Glass Company** and they will cut the glass to your exact specifications, or they will be glad to come by and take the measurements for you. If you have a desk that does not have a glass top, it is subject to scratches and stains. If you want to preserve it and have it keep that new look, have a glass top cut for it. A desk is only one of the many items that can be improved in this manner. So, look around your home or office and see what items could be enhanced by the addition of glass. Then on your next trip to Snyder, drop by and permit **G&G Glass Company** to give you a free estimate. Remember, for all your glass needs, from broken windows, to furniture tops or new construction **G&G Glass Company** is the place to see. They invite you to come in and get acquainted. Phone 573-0149.

Mark's Paint Shop

Employees at this firm are specialists in body and fender work as well as auto painting. The place to have that car repaired is at **Mark's Paint Shop** in Snyder. They are located at 2103 25th street, phone 573-4290 for any information. The owner of this firm fully understands body and fender repair. Because of their excellent workmanship and service it will be well worth your while to have this reliable firm take care of all your bodywork. Also, their automobile painting surpasses anything done in this area. They have the know-how that puts their work in a class all by itself. Be sure to see **Mark's Paint Shop** in Snyder and get free estimates for any work in auto body repair or auto painting. Mark has made it a point to furnish the people of this area with only quality work at the most economical prices. You will find that they have many satisfied customers throughout this area who will highly recommend their work to you.

Friendly Flower Shop

Rodney & Theresa Dupree-Owners

This firm located at 3203 College Ave, in Snyder is the place to go when you need flowers for any occasion. Phone 325/573-3851. Specializing in bouquets and arrangements for all occasions, potted plants, corsages and funeral designs, this modern floral establishment will help you select just the right flowers to make a fitting impression. For years flowers have been symbolic of the more delicate phase of human nature. Recent developments in the floral world make it fitting and proper for a man to send the particular message of his heart to his loved one with suitable flowers. When in need of flowers, don't fail to consult this prominent florist in Snyder for all types of flowers. Time and service have honored the name **Friendly Flower Shop**. This firm has been the leading flower shop in Snyder for 70 years and is now operated by the 3rd generation. This Good Neighbors Review suggests you contact them first whenever you plan to by flowers or have them sent by wire. It is always proper for an occasion to "Say It With Flowers".

The Bar-B-Que Barn

Lisa Rodriquez-Owner

For a meal that is tasty and delicious and a place that is clean and orderly arranged, go to **The Bar-B-Que Barn** located at 711 Ave. X, at the corner of Hwy. 84 and Huffman in Snyder. Here you will find courteous service that you will appreciate. They feature dinners of choice Bar-B-Que meats (sliced or chopped beef, smoked ham, turkey breast, German sausage, and mouthwatering rib) served with two vegetables of your choice (pinto beans, potato salad, coleslaw, corn-on-the-cob or fried okra). Or if bar-b-que is not what you want, you will find some of the best chicken fried steak, steak fingers, hamburger steak or chicken strips, all served with salad, French fries, cream gravy & Texas toast. Also a shrimp plate served with French fries, coleslaw and hushpuppies. Or if you don't want a full meal they have bar-b-que sandwiches, hamburgers, cheeseburgers, bacon burgers, ham & cheese, grilled cheese or a three decker club. Every Thursday and Friday, they have all you can eat pork ribs or catfish. For take-out orders phone 325/574-1630. We in this Good Neighbor Review of Snyder give our highest recommendations to "**The Bar-B-Que Barn**". Try them once and we are sure you will want to return many times in the future for good eats!

Big Country Autoland

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American State Bank

American State Bank located at 3610 College Ave. in Snyder, is a member FDIC bank. A strong bank instills confidence in its community. Grow with your local bank. Our readers will find this bank a friendly bank, providing all of the facilities and services of a large city bank together with personal interest in every customer. So be prepared to take advantage of opportunity by depositing a reserve in this strong bank. When you are contemplating making an investment of any kind, it is a safe plan to consult the officers of this bank before you make that investment. A great deal of credit is due to the officers and directors of the **American State Bank**, who have done their best toward the developing of the farming, ranching and other interests of this area. The officers and directors of this bank are fine, public spirited men and women who believe in this area and feel that there are better days ahead for energetic persons who work with a plan backed by sound judgment and reasoning. We are pleased to recommend to our readers this outstanding bank. Phone 573-4041.

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84 Truck and Trailer

Don & Laurie Chandler-Owners

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United Fuel & Energy

Edna Smith- Manager

Through the services of **United Fuel & Energy** located on the old Lubbock Hwy. in Snyder, rural life in this section has been made more attractive. With their services there is no home that can not enjoy a modern system of cooking and heating. They offer the propane system, giving you a gas fuel, which has been passed by the National Board of Fire Underwriters and can be secured as complete systems with ranges, heaters and other gas appliances. Propane can be used for practically every purpose natural gas is employed. With propane you merely turn on the gas and light it and you immediately have a flame intensely hot with perfect combustion and is clean burning. Also you will find that they have a delivery service for Farm & Ranch fuels; delivering right to your location for the operation of all your farm and ranch equipment. It affords us a distinct pleasure in this our annual "Business and Professional Good Neighbor Review of Snyder" to recommend **United Fuel & Energy** and refer their propane service to all our readers throughout Borden County. Phone 573-5722 for any information or home delivery.

TRI-W Laundry & Dry Cleaners

Jay Wesson - Owner

Tri-W. Laundry & Dry Cleaners is located in Snyder at 1900 Snyder Shopping center. Phone 573-2821, for any information. Here the finest of dry cleaning and laundry service is available. They use the best and latest processes and as a consequence, when your garments are returned, they are not only clean but fresh smelling and well pressed, which extends the life of your garments considerably. Here they specialize in all kinds of dry cleaning and laundry, both for men and ladies. The most delicate of materials are handled in a very careful manner at TRI_W Laundry and Dry Cleaners. Many people have learned that through a good dry cleaning and laundry service that many dollars can be saved on the cost of new clothing. Customers have found that the most sensitive fabrics are carefully handled and successfully cleaned when using the services of TRI-W Laundry and Dry Cleaners. They appreciate all their valued customers throughout Borden County and will continue with their quality service in the future. Jay Wesson invites you to visit them the next time you are in need of expert cleaning and finishing.

McDonald Welding Supply, Inc.

McDonald Welding Supply is located at 1110 College Ave. in Snyder. They are distributors for all the well-known name brands of welding equipment along with a large line of hardware items and steel products for farm and ranch use. **McDonald Welding Supply** has a complete line of supplies for both light and heavy welders. Following is a partial list of supplies they offer you; complete line of industrial gases, gas welding torches, hoses, gauges, complete electric welding equipment, electrodes of any type, as well as all those other necessary supplies such as gloves, goggles, helmets, wire brushes, etc. If you are in the welding business, it is to your advantage to get acquainted with the reliable firm in Snyder. Here you will find a large line of hardware items for the farm, ranch and general public. Also they carry a complete assortment of steel for all purposes. Drop in at 1110 College Ave. and they will be happy to discuss your welding hardware and steel needs with you, or phone 573-5329. Also, remember that for all your hardware needs or for all farm and ranch steel products, **McDonald Welding Supply** is the place to go.

Spanish Inn

Authentic Mexican Food

For Mexican food, the people of this area visit the **Spanish Inn** located at 2212 College Ave. in Snyder, phone 325/573-2355 for reservations. Through the efforts of the management to serve only true Mexican dishes with real flavor of the country, as well as interesting Mexican décor, this restaurant has become a nice eating place. They employ chefs that know how to prepare authentic Mexican dishes that are sure to please you. Contrary to the belief that Mexican food is very hot, they serve all their dishes with the hot sauce and peppers on the side so that you can enjoy it the way you want it. For a place to eat authentic Mexican food in the same atmosphere that you are sure to enjoy and with friendly service, visit this fine Mexican restaurant. We're sure you'll want to return many times. When the management went into business it was with the idea that modern Mexican restaurant would be appreciated and by reason of their ever increasing patronage, this has proven to be true!

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Scurry County Museum

Scurry County Museum is located on Western Texas College campus in Snyder, phone 325/573-6107. In giving commendable mention to the Business and Professional firms and museums of our area, we feel we would not have fully accomplished our purpose if we did not include *Scurry County Museum*. This museum has been constantly adding to their treasures for the pleasure of their patrons. They have made every effort to assure their guests of complete satisfaction during their visit. They invite the people of this and surrounding areas to spend some of their leisure time here and learn about the history of Scurry County and surrounding area. Bring the children. They will enjoy every minute of it. You will find this museum of interest featuring historical items from Scurry County from the old days of buffalo hunting before the area was even settled, through the homestead era, the oil exploration and development era and past. We the writers of this Good Neighbor Review recommend this museum to all our readers. Visit them and learn something of the history of our area. They are open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Fridays, closed on Fridays during the summer. You will find that they are accredited by the American Association of Museums.

***Big Country Electric Cooperative
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In this particular field of endeavor there is no organization more worthy of extended mention in this Review. Under the direction of men thoroughly conversant with every feature of electricity they furnish an abundant and dependable source of electric power to the people of this area. They have contributed much by furnishing low cost power and light to local and rural areas for such purposes as residential, mill and shop operation, irrigation, refrigeration, pipeline pumping, water well pumping, ginning and many other types of uses. They are continually striving to find new and cheaper methods of helping you in your everyday needs. Because of their progress, they have become a most important industrial asset to this community of West Texas. We in this Good Neighbor Review wish to congratulate this firm located at 2100 College Ave. in Snyder, with the main office in Roby on the Snyder Hwy., on their efforts to serve the electrical needs of this area at a low cost, making this a better and more prosperous place in which to live. Phone 573-3161 in Snyder or 776-2244 in Roby for information or service.

***King Carpet & Floor Coverings
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King Carpet & Floor Coverings located at 3707 College Ave. offers you the best in floor coverings, carrying a large selection in brand names, such as Mohawk, Galaxy, Horizon, Aladden, Shaw, Philadelphia, Coronet, Cabin Crafts and Laura Ashley carpets; along with ceramic and vinyl tile, linoleum and hardwood flooring featuring such brands as Domco, Armstrong and Congoleum, all for residential and commercial. So, if you are needing any type of floor covering for your home or place of business call this reliable firm for free estimates and a friendly representative will be glad to consult with you, show you samples of different materials and colors and give you any advise that you may need on your floor coverings needs, either at you home or place of business, or you are welcome to come in and talk it over with them. They can also furnish you with expert installation by master installers that are guaranteed to please you. They also have a carpet cleaning service and carpet damage restoration from fire and water. They can remove water stains, pet odor, spot removal and do carpet repairs. Serving you with a 24-hour emergency service. Insurance claims are accepted. So far all your flooring needs call on this fully insured firm for guaranteed workmanship and free estimated. Phone 325-573-3032

Circle M Welding & Service, Inc.

Circle M Welding & Service located at 7393 W. Hwy. 180 in Snyder, phone 325/573-8005. This firm specializes in a complete welding service, their slogan is "Welding Anywhere Anytime". This company is one of this sections best equipped welding shops receiving work from all of the surrounding area and serving both industrial and agricultural interests in a most up-to-date manner. *Circle M Welding & Service* has been especially instrumental in helping to keep the wheels of industry moving. Many of the business men, farmers and ranchers of this area offer the highest praise for the work done in their shop. However, a job does not have to be brought into their shop to receive their attention and service, for they are equipped with modern portable equipment and much of their work is handled right on your location. All work, whether large or small will always receive the same interest and courteous consideration. They also have a complete roustabout and backhoe service.

***First Ag Credit
Farm Credit Service***

First Ag Credit, Farm Credit Services (formerly Production Credit Assoc.), is located at 5111 College Ave. in Snyder. Phone 573-3222. They loan money to farmers and ranchers for agricultural purposes including operating, equipment and real estate loans at reasonable rates of interest. As it is our purpose in this Good Neighbor Review to give our readers throughout this district a list of prominent firms in our trade territory, we wish to bring to your attention this leading firm, *First Ag Credit, FCS*. The management has a reputation far and wide for honest business dealings and is anxious to please every customer alike. Their position among the people of this district is evidence of well placed confidence and in this review we take pleasure in recommending *First Ag Credit, FCS* to the farmers and ranchers of this and surrounding counties. During their years of operation they have done everything in their power for the improvement of the community and this district as a whole. You too, will find this firm to be a most valued asset to our section of West Texas and most desirable institution with which to do business.

***Chet Erwin Insurance Agency
Farmers Insurance Group Companies***

For all kinds of insurance call *Chet Erwin Insurance Agency* located at 1805 27th Street in Snyder, representative for all types of insurance. This firm represents Farmers Insurance Group, one of the larger and more reliable insurance companies, and they are ready to serve you in your insurance needs. They are now serving a great number of people throughout Scurry and Borden County's with auto, accident, property and life insurance. There are so many things over which we have no control, both of a personal and property nature. You owe it to yourself and your family to insure against these things which do happen. When you think of insurance, think of Chet Erwin. Go over your needs with him and he will be able to assist you in selecting the kind of insurance suited to protect you adequately. Once he has made a study of your problems, you will be advised how best to meet that need at a minimum cost. You are invited to come in and discuss insurance with no obligation on your part and see for yourself if your protection is sufficient for all your needs. In this review we feel a sense of satisfaction in recommending this firm in Snyder for insurance of all kinds. Phone 325/573-1941 for any information.

***Snyder Heating & Air Conditioning
"Since 1949"***

Snyder Heating & Air Conditioning is located at 4702 College Ave. in Snyder. They install air conditioning and heating units and are licensed, bonded and insured., phone 573-1753. Superior to the vast majority of air conditioning and heating shops and surpassed by none either in general excellence of work or superiority of materials used. This popular firm has continued it's successful career for many years because the management and assistants are among the most efficient air conditioning and heating craftsmen in this part of the state. If you are planning on any work in their line let them help make up your plans. You will find that consulting them will save you money. *Snyder Heating & Air Conditioning* has gained an excellent reputation for giving prompt and courteous attention to every job. In this review we are glad to compliment them and to refer them to all our many readers when desiring work or information in this line.

Commissioner's Court Meeting

WHEREAS, On this the 22nd day of May, 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 L. 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 constituting a quorum, when the following proceedings were had, in accordance with the posted agenda.

MINUTES APPROVED
Minutes of the Commissioners Court meetings of May 8th, 2007 were read. Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve said minutes. Motion was second-

ed by Commissioner Reyes. Motion carried.

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

EMS
Mike Valentine with the Borden County EMS and Lynette Harman, Membership Coordinator of Air Evac Lifeteam, visited with the Court. Lynette Harman presented information on the Air Evac Lifeteam soon to be located in Big Spring. No action was taken.

COUNTY HOUSE
Julie Smith, Family and Consumer Sciences Agent, assessed the County House and gave recommendations for repairs. Commissioner Smith made a motion for Mrs. Smith to oversee the needed repairs and fixtures to house and proceed with work while taking into consideration expenses and

budget. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

FUEL LEGAL NOTICE
Commissioner Belew made a motion to advertise for bids on gasoline, diesel and propane for the year 2007. Bids will be opened June 12, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

WIND FARMS
Matthew Baird and Jonathan Butcher, representatives of BNB Renewable Energy, and Orlando Puig, representative of Euruss Energy America Corporation met with the Court concerning Proposed Wind Farms. Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve the Guidelines and Criteria for Granting Tax Abatements in the Reinvestment Zone. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Reyes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION
Commissioner Belew made a motion to support the Public Utility Commission to Designate Borden County as a Competitive Renewable

Energy Zone. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion Carried.

ELECTION CANVASSED
The result of the Special Constitutional Amendment Election held on May 12, 2007 was canvassed. A motion was made by Commissioner Reyes that the returns of the Election are official as recorded in Volume 2, Page 174. Commissioner Belew seconded the motion. * Motion

carried.
DISCUSSION ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA
No new items presented to the Court.

ADJOURN
A motion was made by Commissioner Reyes to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Belew and approved unanimously.
THE FOREGOING MINUTES READ AND APPROVED THIS THE 12th day of June, 2007.

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State National Bank
Big Spring Lamesa O'Donnell 

***Business & Professional
Good Neighbor Review of Snyder
Trade with the firms that support Borden County***

Texas Savings Bank

Texas Savings Bank is located at 4500 College Ave. in Snyder. This institution is one of the corner stones of the financial structure of Snyder. If you have money that you wish to save or invest you should investigate the advantages this saving bank can offer you. Along with their many other services such as checking accounts, IRA's, CD Investments, their Automated Clearing House Transactions (for direct depositing into your account of social, security, pension, oil royalty or any other payments) and their ATM service, it is well known in this territory for their reliability and many have found their desired method of saving through them. They offer a way for reliable parties to secure loans in a business like manner without being imposed upon in any way. You will be more than pleased with this efficient and modern establishment Through this widely known institution many people of Scurry and Borden County have progressed. It's service is positively indispensable to the comfort, success, and progress of this section. If you plan to build, purchase or repair in the near future, be sure to see Texas Savings Bank. Phone 573-9305. They are a member of FDIC, whereby your deposits are insured. They are also an Equal Housing Lender.

Dennis Quick Auto & Tire Service

This auto repair service is located at 811 25th St has been serving the people of this area for over 40 years in quality service and fair prices. Having equipped their garage with the latest tools and equipment enables this establishment to accurately and economically service your motor vehicle. Their repair service on all makes of cars or trucks will assure you of quality workmanship and at a reasonable price. Before you take your vehicle anywhere be sure to drive in and visit with Bubba Dennis or his team of service professionals and get their estimate on that repair or overhaul work. The mechanics here know their business and with their modern equipment can put your car or truck in first class condition and at a low cost. You will also find that they are the dealer for Goodyear, Hankook, Bridgestone, Michelin, B.F. Goodrich and Kelly tires along with a complete tire service department. For all your tire service needs, on the farm or on the road be sure to phone 573-2624 as they have three (3) tire repair service trucks on call 24-hours a day, 7-days a week. If you want to work done correctly and at a fair price, take all your automotive repair problems to **Dennis Quick Auto & Tire Service** and receive complete satisfaction in professional and courteous service.

2006 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

(Consumer Confidence Report)

BORDEN COUNTY WATER SYSTEM

Phone No: 806/756-4391

Special Notice for the ELDERLY, INFANTS, CANCER PATIENTS, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune problems:

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. The EPA/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

Public Participation Opportunities

Date: July 10, 2007

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Location: Commissioners Courtroom
Borden County Courthouse

Phone No: 806/756-4391

To learn about future public meetings (concerning your drinking water), or to request to schedule one, please call us.

OUR DRINKING WATER IS REGULATED

by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) and they have determined that certain water quality issues exist which prevent our water from meeting all of the requirements as stated in the Federal Drinking Water Standards. Each issue is listed in this report as a violation and we are working closely with the TCEQ to achieve solutions.

WATER SOURCES: The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals, and in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water before treatment include: microbes, inorganic contaminants, pesticides, herbicides, radioactive contaminants, and organic chemical contaminants.

En Español

Este informe incluye información importante sobre el agua potable. Si tiene preguntas o comentarios sobre este informe en español, favor de llamar al tel. (806) 756-4391 - para hablar con una persona bilingüe en español.

Where do we get our drinking water?

Our drinking water is obtained from GROUND water sources. It comes from the following Lake/River/Reservoir/Aquifer: OGALLALA. A Source Water Susceptibility Assessment for your drinking water source(s) is currently being updated by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and will be provided to us this year. The report will describe the susceptibility and types of constituents that may come into contact with your drinking water source based on human activities and natural conditions. The information contained in the assessment will allow us to focus our source water protection strategies. For more information on source water assessments and protection efforts at our system, please contact us.

ALL drinking water may contain contaminants.

When drinking water meets federal standards there may not be any health based benefits to purchasing bottled water or point of use devices. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

Secondary Constituents

Many constituents (such as calcium, sodium, or iron) which are often found in drinking water, can cause taste, color, and odor problems. The taste and odor constituents are called secondary constituents and are regulated by the State of Texas, not the EPA. These constituents are not causes for health concern. Therefore, secondaries are not required to be reported in this document but they may greatly affect the appearance and taste of your water.

About The Following Pages

The pages that follow list all of the federally regulated or monitored contaminants which have been found in your drinking water. The U.S. EPA requires water systems to test for up to 97 contaminants.

DEFINITIONS

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)

The highest permissible level of a contaminant in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)

The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected health risk. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL)

The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG)

The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contamination.

Treatment Technique (TT)

A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Action Level (AL)

The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

ABBREVIATIONS

NTU - Nephelometric Turbidity Units
MFL - million fibers per liter (a measure of asbestos)
pCi/L - picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)
ppm - parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)
ppb - parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (µg/L)
ppt - parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter
ppq - parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter

Inorganic Contaminants

Year or Range	Contaminant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MCL	MCLG	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
2006	Arsenic	23	21	26	10	0	ppb	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes. <i>* The arsenic value was effective January 23, 2006. In the event of a violation, you will be notified.</i>
2005	Barium	0.033	0.033	0.033	2	2	ppm	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits.
2005	Chromium	3.6	3.6	3.6	100	100	ppb	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits.
2006	Fluoride	5.57	5.46	5.66	4	4	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
2006	Nitrate	0.93	0.93	0.93	10	10	ppm	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits.
2005	Selenium	12.6	12.6	12.6	50	50	ppb	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from mines.

Organic Contaminants TESTING WAIVED, NOT REPORTED, OR NONE DETECTED

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level

Year	Disinfectant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MRDL	MRDLG	Unit of Measure	Source of Disinfectant
2006	Chlorine Residual, Free	2.68	0.5	3	4	4	ppm	Disinfectant used to control microbes.

Disinfection Byproducts

Year	Contaminant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MCL	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
2004	Total Trihalomethanes	2.1	2.1	2.1	80	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.

Unregulated Contaminants

Bromoform, chloroform, dichlorobromomethane, and dibromochloromethane are disinfection byproducts. There is no maximum contaminant level for these chemicals at the entry point to distribution.

Year or Range	Contaminant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
2006	Bromoform	1.38	1.38	1.38	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.

Lead and Copper

Year	Contaminant	The 90th Percentile	Number of Sites Exceeding Action Level	Action Level	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
1999	Lead	1.1	0	15	ppb	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits.
1999	Copper	0.064	0	1.3	ppm	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.

Turbidity NOT REQUIRED

Total Coliform

Total coliform bacteria are used as indicators of microbial contamination of drinking water because testing for them is easy. While not disease-causing organisms themselves, they are often found in association with other microbes that are capable of causing disease. Coliform bacteria are more hardy than many disease-causing organisms; therefore, their absence from water is a good indication that the water is microbiologically safe for human consumption.

Year	Contaminant	Highest Monthly Number of Positive Samples	MCL	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
2006	Total Coliform Bacteria	1	*	Presence	Naturally present in the environment.

* Two or more coliform found samples in any single month.

Fecal Coliform REPORTED MONTHLY TESTS FOUND NO FECAL COLIFORM BACTERIA.

VIOLATIONS

Violation Type	Health Effects	Duration	Explanation	Steps to Correct
MCL VIOLATION - ARSENIC	Some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.	4/1/2006 to 6/30/2006	Arsenic content is above MCL as set by TCEQ. MCL was lowered to 0.010 mg/L (10ppb) from 0.05 mg/L (50ppb) on 1/23/06 by TCEQ. Length of violation is from 1/23/06.	Equipment is to be installed to remove arsenic from water. Completion date is Estimated 11/2007
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MCL VIOLATION - FLUORIDE	Some people who drink water containing fluoride in excess of the MCL over many years could get bone disease, including pain and tenderness of the bones. Children may get mottled teeth.	1/1/2006 to 3/31/2006	Fluoride content is above MCL as set by TCEQ. Length of violation from 1979.	Provide fluoride free water to children under age of 14 at no cost. Searching for alternate water source.
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Secondary and Other Constituents Not Regulated (No associated adverse health effects)

Year or Range	Constituent	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	Secondary Limit	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent
2004	Calcium	46.2	46.2	46.2	NA	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element.
2005	Chloride	53	53	53	300	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element; used in water purification; byproduct of oil field activity.
2005	Copper	0.004	0.004	0.004	1	ppm	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.
2004	Magnesium	38.6	38.6	38.6	NA	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element.
2005	Nickel	0.001	0.001	0.001	NA	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits.
2004	Sodium	90	90	90	NA	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; byproduct of oil field activity.
2005	Sulfate	93	93	93	300	ppm	Naturally occurring; common industrial byproduct; byproduct of oil field activity.
2004	Total Hardness as CaCO3	274	274	274	NA	ppm	Naturally occurring calcium.
2005	Zinc	0.009	0.009	0.009	5	ppm	Moderately abundant naturally occurring element used in the metal industry.