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## Still Hope for 11th Consecutive District Literary Title

Borden High School will finish either first or second in the 2011 District 9-1A Literary Meet.

With only One-Act play points to be tabulated (district one-act play was held Wednesday, March 30), BHS stands in first place with 298 points. Water Valley, who did advance

a play to district one-act, is currently second with 277 points. Should Water Valley advance, they will be the district champions. Grady finished third with 245.50 points (one-act play did not advance to district).

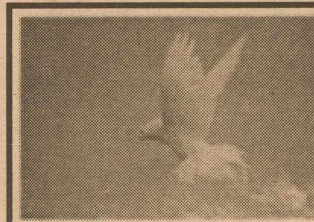
Despite being a rebuilding year, BHS qualified fifteen stu-

dents for regional competition. The contestants will be going to Abilene Christian University April 16, vying for a chance to advance to the State UIL Literary meet in Austin in May. Four freshmen, six sophomores, and

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The Borden County UIL team recently traveled to Garden City for the District competition and currently sits in 1st place with a total of 298 points. Pictured are (back row left to right) Matthew Ham, Zach McMeans, Collin Telchik, T.J. Basquez, Shaylie Boles, Matt Roberson, Steven Howard, Joseph McConnell, John Hensley, Brady Dowds, Brady ByBee, Kurt Shafer, Krista Tarleton, (middle row left to right) Mallory McMeans, Steelie Sanders, Taylor Gass, Hanna Forbes, Taylor Richey, (front row left to right) Kalyn Massingill, Mollie McMeans, Sydney Rebeles, Celina Guerrero and Shae Burkett.



## Dare to Live Without Limits

By Bryan Golden

### Lessons From Nature

There are many phenomena in nature that embody the principles utilized to live without limits. We can observe inspirational examples throughout the ecosystem. While our minds distinguish us from the rest of the animal kingdom, we can still be motivated by the incredible lessons from nature.

#### Determination

The migration of various species is nothing short of amazing. The vast distances covered illustrate the awesome power of determination. Although the exact methods used for navigation aren't completely understood, without determination there would be no success.

Each winter, monarch butterflies migrate thousands of miles from the northeastern U.S. to Mexico. They fly at an average speed of 12 mph as they head for Mexico's Sierra Madre mountains. The arctic tern travels farther than any of the other migratory birds. Twice a year, the terns fly between the Arctic and Antarctic, a journey of about 12,000 miles each way.

You can harness the power of determination. Set your sights on a goal and resolve to attain it. Do what it takes. The only way to reach the top of a mountain is to climb up the

side. If a butterfly can fly thousands of miles, what is it that you can't do?

#### Persistence

Events appearing to be inconsequential in the short term, yield extraordinary results when given enough time. Consider raindrops falling on a rocky mountainside. Surely the rock, which took thousand of years to form, would be unaffected by rain.

Yet, the rock of the Grand Canyon was eroded into the magnificent formation we see today by the relentless action of water. Ancient mountain ranges have been leveled over time by rain. Virtually every topographic feature of the earth has been shaped by the persistent action of water and wind.

Many people give up on their dreams due to impatience. Anything worth while takes effort and persistence. The larger the task, the greater the effort and persistence required.

#### Flexibility

During a storm, what's the difference between the trees that get blown over and those that survive? The surviving trees are often the ones that bend and move in response to the wind. After the storm, the ground is littered with broken

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# Rough Stretch for Coyotes as Cold Bats and Errors Extend Streak to Four Games

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Coyotes followed their tough opening district game loss with three more difficult losses to begin district play and drop the defending district Co-Champions into a very difficult position at the bottom of the district standings.

Over spring break, the Coyotes played without two of their top batters in injured Tanner Richey and senior Miles Valentine. In this game against the Ralls Jackrabbits, the Coyotes struggled for hits and runs and in the end they found themselves on the short end of a 13 to 2 final score. Zach Telchik and Steven Howard provided the only hits in this game while Howard and TJ Basquez scored the only runs that were knocked in by Collin Telchik and Austin Fields. Fields and Telchik were the pitchers in this contest as Austin pitched the first two innings and left the contest with a 2-1 lead before being saved for what was to be a huge game on Monday against the Tahoka Bulldogs. Telchik had a rough time finding the strike zone and as a result the Jackrabbits scored 11 unanswered runs when the coyote bats became silent.

On the following Monday, the Coyotes continued their traveling ways as they traveled to Tahoka to play the surging Bulldogs. The Coyotes and pitcher Austin Fields got off to a rough start as they found themselves in a 3 to 0 hole after one inning, but after putting together a 2 run 2<sup>nd</sup> inning and a 4 run top of the 3<sup>rd</sup> inning Borden County seemed poised to get back on the winning track leading the Bulldogs 6 to 4, but a rough bottom of the inning for starter Fields lead to 4 more runs, highlighted by a 3 run homerun to regain a lead that they would not relinquish the rest of the game at 8 to 6.

The Coyotes did not manage a run in the top of the 4<sup>th</sup> and with two outs and runners on base the boy's seemed poised to throw up their first goose egg of the evening in the bottom of the 4<sup>th</sup>, but a dropped fly resulted in extending the inning and then five batters

later the 3<sup>rd</sup> out came but not before the hometown Bulldogs had 5 unearned runs and a comfortable 13 to 6 lead.

The Coyotes got 3 back in the top of the 5<sup>th</sup> and then Collin Telchik who took over for Fields in the bottom of the 4<sup>th</sup> pitched two scoreless innings after the misfortune of the 4<sup>th</sup> to keep the Coyotes hopes of a comeback possible. They could not manage a run in the top of the 6<sup>th</sup> but did however get two back and had the tying run at the plate in Austin Fields, but a called 3<sup>rd</sup> strike ended the threat and hopes of a comeback and dropped the Coyotes to 0-3 in district play. Leading the way at the plate for the Coyotes was junior Quint Shafer who was 2 of 2 with 3 runs scored and 2 RBI's and a double, Jared Smith was 1 of 3 with an RBI and two runs scored. Austin Tyler was 1 of 2 with a run and 3 RBI's while TJ Basquez was 2 of 3 with 3 RBI's. Miles Valentine returned to action and was 1 of 3. Collin Telchik was 0 of 2 but did score 2 runs and had an RBI.

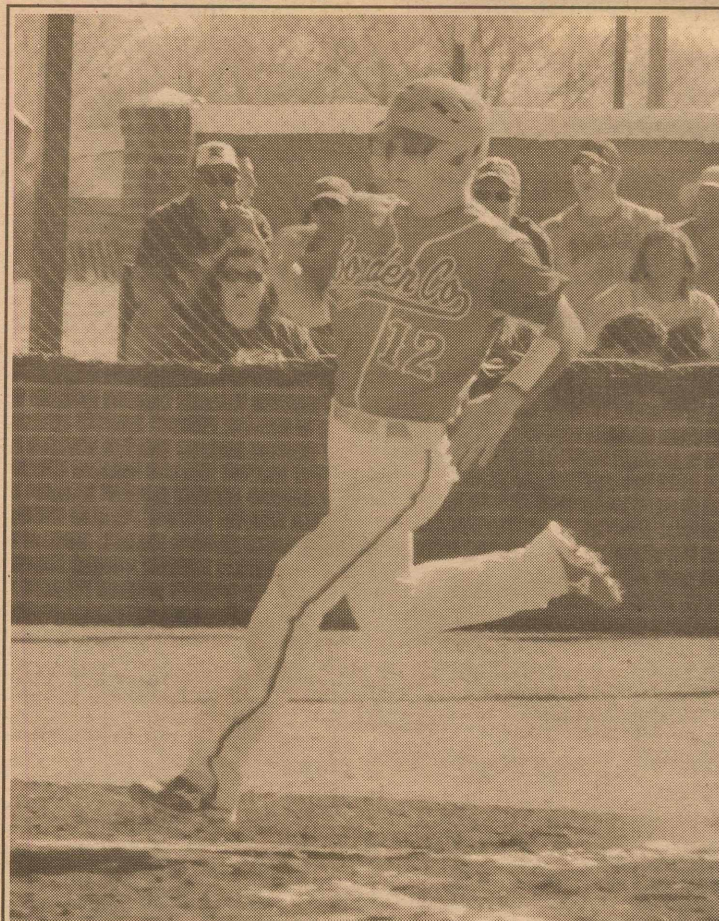
Last Saturday, the Coyotes traveled to Crosbyton in hopes of getting back on the winning track, but the injury bug continued to affect the Coyotes as they had to scratch the intended starting pitcher Austin Fields because of a strained groin and Richey was still not healthy enough to pitch, but he did make his return to action but was still not full speed. The Chiefs were trying to get back some of their swagger from a year ago after getting off to a rough start of their own in district play. They beat O'Donnell the game before and their sleeping bats woke up in that contest and they evidently stayed awake as they followed a 4 homerun performance against the Eagles with a 4 homerun performance against the Coyotes. Because of this continued onslaught, the Chiefs came away with the 17 to 4 victory in fitting fashion as they connected on their 2<sup>nd</sup> grand slam to end the game. The Chiefs got 12 of their 17 runs scored on the 4 homeruns, starting pitcher Collin Telchik

got a homerun of his own, the first of his career but it was a solo shot that cut the lead momentarily to 6 to 1.

After getting down 11 to 1, Borden County pushed across 3 runs to cut the lead to 11 to 4 and had the bases loaded but could not find the big hit which has plagued the Coyotes all district play. The tough loss drops Telchik to 2 -3 on the season and the Coyotes to 0-4 in district play. Austin Fields was 1 of 3 with a run, Richey was 1 of 3 with a run and Shafer was 1 of 3 with a run and a RBI. Valentine was 1 of 3 with an RBI, and Zach Telchik was 1 of 3 with an RBI as well. Collin Telchik was 2 of 3 with the homerun and an RBI and Austin Tyler was 1 of 3. The Coyotes will next travel to O'Donnell in hopes of breaking into the winners side on Monday.

The Coyote did play each of these teams JV teams with several varsity players and the guys that did not get to play in these games and they managed

to win all three games. They beat Ralls JV 8 to 2 with Austin Tyler being the winning pitcher in this game and Zach Telchik getting the save. Against Tahoka, Tyler was again the winning pitcher and Collin Telchik got the save as Jared Smith and TJ Basquez struggled to get the final out in that contest as a 13 to 1 lead turned into a 13 to 11 final. Against Crosbyton, Tyler came in to relieve Jared Smith and again got the win to improve to 3-0 on the season in the 10 to 7 come from behind win. In these 3 games, Steven Howard has gone 7 of 11 with 6 RBI's. Jared Smith is 3 of 11 with an RBI. Collin Telchik is 5 of 8 with an RBI. Austin Fields is 1 of 1 with an RBI. TJ Basquez is 3 of 7 with 3 RBI's. Austin Tyler is 3 of 5 with 2 RBI's. Helio Rosales is 2 of 7 with 5 RBI's. Brady Bybee is 3 of 7 with 4 RBI's. Luke Burkett is 0 of 5 and Michael Taylor is 0 of 5 with 2 runs scored.



Coyote, Steven Howard makes it across home plate and scores one of only two runs for the Coyotes against the Ralls Jackrabbits.

## School Lunch Menu

April 4 - 8, 2011

Menu subject to change

**Monday** - Breakfast: Sausage & Biscuit, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Pigs in a Blanket, Pinto Beans, Baked chips, Pineapple Orange Salad and Milk.

**Tuesday** - Breakfast: Pancake Pup, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Teriyaki Chicken, Rice Pilaf, English Peas, Pineapple Tidbits, Crackers and Milk.

**Wednesday** - Breakfast: Biscuit, Ham and Egg, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Roll, Strawberry Shortcake and Milk.

**Thursday** - Breakfast: Cereal & Toast, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Meat & Bean Chalupa, Spanish Rice, Lettuce & Tomato, Applesauce and Milk.

**Friday** - Breakfast: Ultimate Breakfast Round, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Sub Sandwich, Lettuce, Tomato and Pickles, Tater Tots, Baby Carrots w/Ranch, Brownie and Milk.

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# Borden County Boys and Girls Track Teams Win Trophy

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Girls finished the long Friday at the Jayton track meet with 104 points alongside the Crowell Lady Cats to finish in a tie for the girls team title. The Boys finished with 86 points and a runner-up spot behind the Spur Bulldogs. By virtue of these points being added together, the Boys and Girls from Borden County were the overall team champions and get to bring the traveling trophy home to Gail, America. The boys sprint relay of Steven Howard, John Hensley, Austin Fields and Joseph McConnell ran a seasons best 45.36 to win, while David Rodriguez continued his strong track season as he improved on his school record time in the 400 meters by winning in a time of 51.97. Rodriguez also won the 200. On the Girls side, the quartet of Hanna Forbes, Teryn Soto, Kalyn Massingill and Aubree Lester also ran a seasons best in winning the 800 relay in a time of 1:54.45. Forbes also ran a career best in finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 300 hurdles at 49.8 while Lester dropped her time a bit in her 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish in the 200 at 27.54. Taylor Gass had a strong showing as she won the 800 meters in a time of 2:40.92 and finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 1600 meters with a 6:13.67. Reagan Belongia had a seasons best throw in her 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish of 93'7". Tony Soto had a nice jump of 19'6 3/4" in the long jump to bring back the bronze and sister Teryn jumped a season high 4'10" for the silver.

The rest of the Coyotes and Lady Coyotes results are listed below. These two teams will next compete in their final warm-up of the season at the Borden County relays Thursday the 31<sup>st</sup> of March before the district track meet which will also be at Gail, Wednesday the 6<sup>th</sup> of April.

Raegan Belongie: Discus-93'7"-2<sup>nd</sup> place; Shot Put-28'4"-4<sup>th</sup> place.

Hanna Forbes: Long Jump-14'2 1/2"; 300 Hurdles-49.8-2<sup>nd</sup> place; 800 Relay-1:54.45-1<sup>st</sup> place and 1600 Relay-4:31.06-2<sup>nd</sup> place.

Taylor Gass: Triple Jump-

27'9 3/4"; 800 Meter Run-2:40.92-1<sup>st</sup> place and 1600 Meter Run-6:13.67-2<sup>nd</sup> place.

Krista Tarleton: High Jump-4'8"-4<sup>th</sup> place.

Aubree Lester: Triple Jump-31'11 1/2"-4<sup>th</sup> place; 200 Meter Dash-27.54-2<sup>nd</sup> place; 800 Meter Relay-1:54.45-1<sup>st</sup> place and 1600 Meter Relay-4:31.06-2<sup>nd</sup> place.

Stefanie Cooley: 400 Meter Relay-54.54-4<sup>th</sup> place and 1600 Meter Relay-4:31.06-2<sup>nd</sup> place.

Kaylyn Dean: Discus-No mark and Shot Put-No mark.

Jordan Day: Discus-No mark and Shot Put-No mark.

Kalyn Massingill: Long Jump-14'1"; 400 Meter Relay-54.54-4<sup>th</sup> place; 800 Meter Relay-1:54.45-1<sup>st</sup> place and 1600 Meter Relay-4:31.06.

Teryn Soto: High Jump-4'10"-2<sup>nd</sup> place; 400 Meter Relay-54.54-4<sup>th</sup> place and 800 Meter Relay-1:54.45-1<sup>st</sup> place.

Machelle Barr: Long Jump-13'8 1/2"; 100 Meter Dash-14.05 and 400 Meter Relay-54.54-4<sup>th</sup> place.

Sidney Rebeles: 100 Meter Dash-14.67-2<sup>nd</sup> in JV and 200 Meter Run-32.89.

Boys finished as runners-up with 86 points. The results are as follows:

David Rodriguez: High Jump-5'4"; 400 Meter Dash-51.97-1<sup>st</sup> place (School

record); 200 Meter Dash-23.33-1<sup>st</sup> place and 1600 Meter Relay-3:44.62-3<sup>rd</sup> place.

Matt Roberson: Shot Put-38'5"-5<sup>th</sup> place and Discus-116'9"-3<sup>rd</sup> place.

Austin Fields: 400 Meter Relay-45.36-1<sup>st</sup> place and 1600 Meter Relay-3:44.62-3<sup>rd</sup> place.

Joseph McConnell: 400 Meter Relay-45.36-1<sup>st</sup> place and 100 Meter Dash-11.61-7<sup>th</sup> place.

Steven Howard: 400 Meter Relay-45.36-1<sup>st</sup> place; 800 Meter Relay-1:38.02-4<sup>th</sup> place and 1600 Meter Relay-3:44.62-3<sup>rd</sup> place.

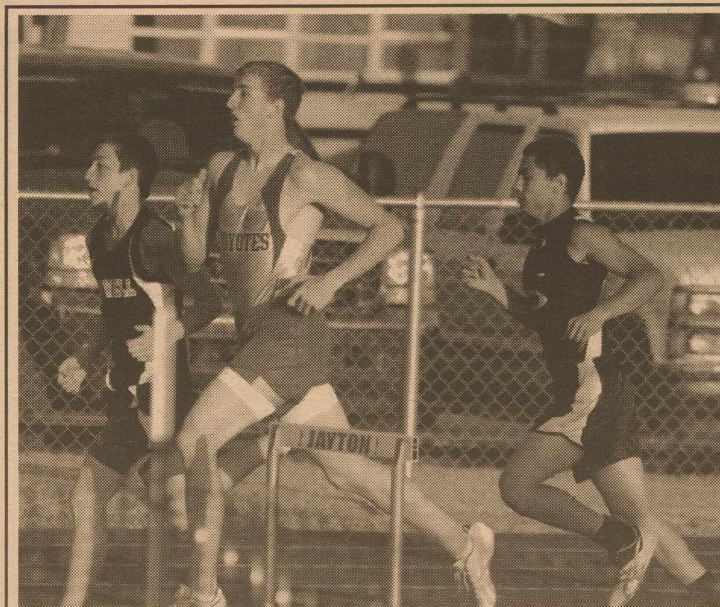
Quint Shafer: High Jump-5'6"; Triple Jump-37'11"; Shot Put-38'8"-3<sup>rd</sup> place; 800 Meter Relay-1:38.02-4<sup>th</sup> place and 1600 Meter Relay-3:44.62-3<sup>rd</sup> place.

Austin Tyler: Triple Jump-37'11 1/2"; 110 High Hurdles-16.65-4<sup>th</sup> place and 300 Meter Hurdles-47.53.

John Hensley: 400 Meter Relay-45.36-1<sup>st</sup> place and 800 Meter Relay-1:38.02-4<sup>th</sup> place.

Tony Soto: Long Jump-19'6 1/4"-3<sup>rd</sup> place; Triple Jump-38'11" and 800 Meter Relay-1:38.02-4<sup>th</sup> place.

Michael Froman: 800 Meter Run-2:17.40-5<sup>th</sup> place and 1600 Meter Run-5:21.97-6<sup>th</sup> place.



Michael Froman runs the 1600 meter run and places 6th during last weeks' track meet at Jayton.

# Borden County Jr. High Girls Have Success at Jayton

By Coach McCook

The Borden County junior high girls track team traveled to Jayton last Thursday. The results are as follows:

2400 Meter Run: Clair Shafer-2<sup>nd</sup> place-11:00.40 and Zoie Key-12:10.25.

400 Meter Relay: 1:00.72- Kyrsten Rebeles, Cheyenne Tucker, Taylor Roberts and Kylee Dean.

800 Meter Run: Tye Basquez-1<sup>st</sup> place-2:41.78; McKenna Campbell-6<sup>th</sup> place-3:02.10 and Bailey Robinson-3:42.00.

100 Meter Hurdles: Tatum Richey-4<sup>th</sup> place-19.50.

100 Meter Dash: Lexi Cheatham-17.51; Karen Rojero-18.25 and Bessie Rhodes-18.28.

800 Meter Relay: 2<sup>nd</sup> place-2:04.76-Taylor Roberts, Cheyenne Tucker, Tatum Richey and Tye Basquez.

200 Meter Run: Eva Banman-33.11; Kyrsten Rebeles-34.30; Lexi Cheatham-35.44 and Karen Rojero-36.53.

1200 Meter Run: McKenna Campbell-4<sup>th</sup> place-5:25.28; Zoie Key-6<sup>th</sup> place-5:35.56 and Bessie Rhodes-6:12.75.

1600 Meter Relay: 1<sup>st</sup> place-4:51.22-Tatum Richey, Clair Shafer, Cheyenne Tucker and Tye Basquez.

Shot Put: Eva Banman, Holy Bradbury, Bessie Rhodes, Kylee Dean and Karen Rojero.

High Jump: Tye Basquez-4'2"; Tatum Richey-3'10" and Kyrsten Rebeles-NH.

400 Meter Run: Kylee Dean-1:16.70; Eva Banman-1:17.23 and Bailey Robinson-1:50.21.

Long Jump: Cheyenne Tucker-6<sup>th</sup> place-13'2"; Tatum Richey-12'6"; Taylor Roberts-11'4 1/2"; Clair Shafer-11'0" and Zoie Key-10'7".

Discus: McKenna Campbell-6<sup>th</sup> place-65'5"; also competing Eva Banman, Kylee Dean, Holly Bradbury, Bessie Rhodes and Bailey Robinson.

Triple Jump: Cheyenne Tucker-26'7 1/4" and Lexi Cheatham-22'5 1/2".



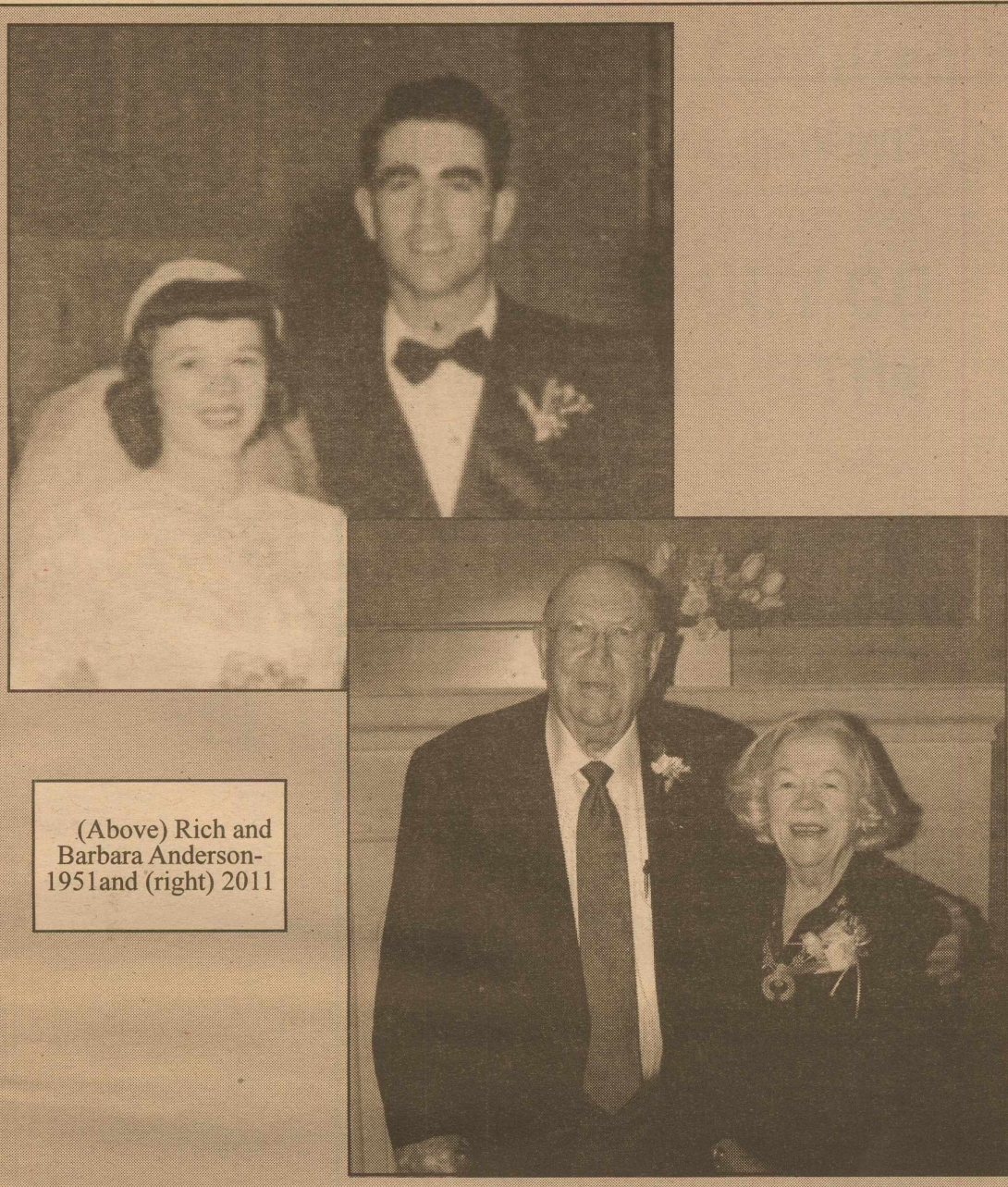
McKenna Campbell placed 6th in the 800 Meter Run at Jayton.

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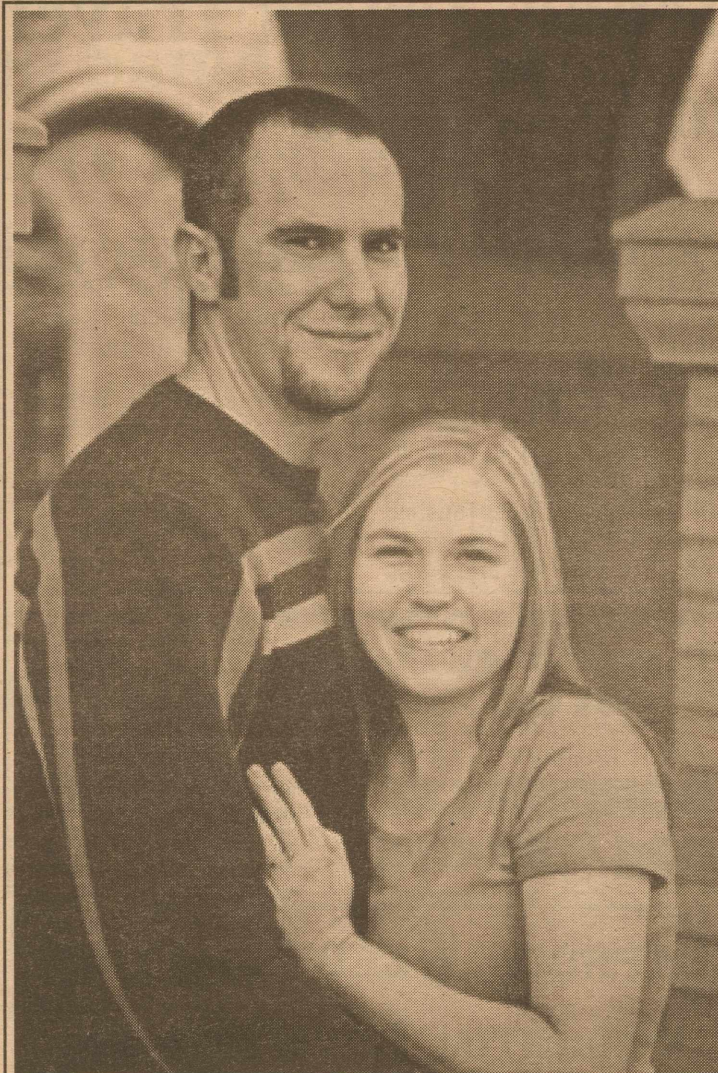




(Above) Rich and Barbara Anderson-1951 and (right) 2011

## Andersons Celebrate 60th Wedding Anniversary

Rich and Barbara Anderson celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in Midland, Texas, on Saturday, March 26, 2011. They were married in Hobbs, New Mexico, on March 26, 1951. Celebrating with Rich and Barbara were four members of the wedding party, Betty Dean, who was Barbara's college roommate at SMU, Brookie Lee Green, sister of Rich, Giles Lee, uncle of Rich, and Jim McLaughlin, fraternity brother of Rich's at OU. All four children, Sally Anderson Bland, Mary Anderson Hutto, John Robert Anderson and his wife Kevva, and Martha Anderson Wristen and her husband Bert were in attendance of the celebration as well. Giles Lee, who was Rich's best man, toasted the couple before Rich "took the floor" because "...once Rich gets to talking, no one else can say a word." Sally Bland toasted the couple by saying Rich and Barbara had not only blessed their children, but all others who had crossed their paths and were a role model to many as they have worked, played and prayed together as a couple for 60 years. Grandchildren John Edward Bland, Rebekah Bland, Brooks Bland, Clay John Anderson, Bailey Anderson, and Katharine Wristen represented the 3rd generation. John Edward Bland hosted a toast to the couple. Since he was the 1<sup>st</sup> grandson, his toast consisted of naming all the 1sts he had had the privilege of sharing with Rich and Barbara. Great-grandchildren, Barrett Bland, Jace Bland, Kannan Collier, and Traynor Collier were in attendance with Barrett Bland toasting the couple with a humorous outlook to the number "60". Clayton Hubbard and his wife, Faye, and Craig Hubbard and his wife, Katie, and daughter, Katherine, represented their mother, the late Jere Hubbard who was Barbara's maid of honor. After the dinner at the Midland Country Club, an after dinner toast was held at the home of Craig and Katy Hubbard. Sunday morning all members of the family attended church with Barbara and Rich at Christ's Church in Midland, Texas.



Jade Harris and Amy Stafford

## Stafford, Harris Set June Nuptials

Tommy and Janice Stafford of Amarillo announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy Marie, to Jade Austin Harris, son of John and Jackie Harris of Hartley.

The couple will marry June 18, 2011 at Grace Church in Amarillo.

Amy is a 2006 graduate of San Jacinto Christian Academy and a 2010 graduate of West Texas A&M University with a Bachelor's degree in elementary education. She teaches second grade at Hartley ISD.

Jade is a 2002 graduate of Hartley High School and attended Western Texas College in Snyder, Texas. He joined the military in 2004 and served for 6 years. He is currently employed by Hartley ISD.

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# Tennis Teams Travel to Levelland

By Coach McCook

The Borden County tennis teams traveled to Levelland Friday to play in a tournament hosted by the South Plains Christian Home Educators Association (SPCHEA).

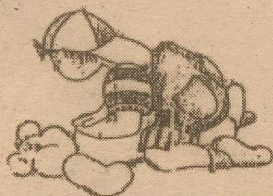
In the girls' "A" singles bracket, Shea Burkett took 2<sup>nd</sup> place (6-2, 6-1; 6-2, 6-1; 5-7, 2-6) and Shaylie Boles finished 3<sup>rd</sup> (3-6, 6-4, 6-4; 6-1, 6-3; 5-7, 5-7). Lexi Peterson and Kylie

Voss (9-8 [9-7]; 8-1; 1-8; 8-9 (3-7) and Maeghan Herridge and Mollie McMeans (0-8; 2-8) competed in the girls' "B" doubles division.

Luke Burkett (1-6, 0-6; 6-2, 6-0; 3-6, 2-6) and Collin Telchik (6-2, 6-4; 4-6, 0-6; 5-7, 6-2, 6-10 [super tiebreaker]) competed in the boys' "A" bracket.

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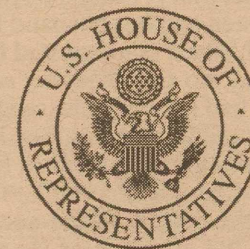
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## Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit  
Tumbleweed Smith

### All-Texas Air Tour

The All-Texas Air Tour started in 1946, when private planes started getting popular. World War Two had just ended and people were looking for diversions. Texas aviators got it started.

"It started in Temple every year on the first day of October," says Temple Mayor Bill Jones. "One year it would go around the state clockwise, then the next year it would go around counter-clockwise. They would go to thirty-five to forty small and large airports all over the state of Texas. There would be sixty-five to seventy private aircraft from all over the United States that came to Texas for a week in early October." Bill's dad went on the tour.

"That's how he learned what a great place Texas was. We lived in a northwest suburb of Chicago and one day he came home and said he had bought seven acres of land in Troy, Texas and a plant site in Temple and construction of a plant was underway. That was thirty-four years ago." The plant Bill manages manufactures food processing equipment for companies like Campbell Soup and Oscar Mayer. The air tour was a big deal, especially in small towns. Bill learned to fly and he joined the tour.

"We'd go to five or six airports a day. We'd leave early in the morning, fly to a city and

have donuts, then fly to another and have cookies, then fly to another for lunch. Then we'd go to a couple more airports in the afternoon. We called it the All-Texas Eat Tour because everywhere we went, people fed us. If we went to Ranger, the Rangerettes would entertain us. Small towns never had anything like this. When we came, they'd just roll out the carpet. The whole town would come out. The high school band would play for the pilots, who would be there only thirty-five or forty minutes. But when seventy airplanes land at a single strip airport, then line the runway and fly away, it is an amazing sight."

After the war, lots of pilot training bases became airports. Bill said there are more airports in Texas than in any other state except Alaska. "It was easier to get around that way. It's a big place and we didn't have the highways we have today. It's still fun to fly around Texas."

Each tour ended with a banquet at whatever airport could accommodate the pilots, who all shared a deep love of flying and a deep love of Texas.

"The last banquet was in the mid eighties and many of the original members drove in because they didn't fly anymore, but they weren't going to miss that last opportunity to experience that great fellowship. It was an amazing thing."

### Thought for the Day

*To be glad of life, because it gives you the chance to love and to work and to play and to look up at the stars; to be satisfied with your possessions, but not contented with yourself until you have made the best of them; to despise nothing in the world except falsehood and meanness, and to fear nothing except cowardice; to be governed by your admirations rather than by your disgusts; to covet nothing that is your neighbor's except his kindness of heart and gentleness of manners; to think seldom of your enemies, often of your friends, and every day of Christ; and to spend as much time as you can, with body and with spirit, in God's out-of-doors-these are little guideposts on the footpath to peace.*

Henry Van Dyke

## Updated Soil Sampling and Cotton Variety Disease and Nematode Information Available

By Shawn Wade

Last week's unexpected announcement that Bayer CropScience will not resume production of the insecticide Temik® brought a quick end to plans for an orderly, multi-year transition for the popular insecticide/nematicide to alternative products that might take on the roles it fills for cotton growers.

With Temik® no longer an option for growers who had not previously purchased their 2010 supply, Texas AgriLife Extension Service and Texas AgriLife Research have pulled together to release two guides, one covering soil sampling techniques ([Nematode sampling instructions for cotton producers on the Southern High Plains of Texas](http://www.plainscotton.org/rkh/NematodeSampling.pdf)) and one with nematode and disease resistance ratings for cotton varieties ([Response of cotton varieties to diseases on the Southern High Plains of Texas, 2010](http://www.plainscotton.org/rkh/DiseaseRecommendationsCotton.pdf)), to help growers evaluate their options for combating nematode and disease threats in 2010.

"Last week's announcement really accelerated things on the Temik® front," says Dr. Jason E. Woodward, plant pathologist with the Texas

AgriLife Extension Service in Lubbock. "What we have is a situation that basically fast forwarded our industry 4-5 years to the time when Temik® was originally slated for its official exit from the market. To help growers deal with this unexpected turn of events we are pulling together several documents to provide them with the information they need to make plans for 2011 and beyond."

The first of those documents are the soil sampling and cotton variety guides that were released yesterday by Dr. Woodward and Dr. Terry A. Wheeler, research Plant Pathologist, Texas AgriLife Research.

The papers are available for download on PCG's website at: <http://www.plainscotton.org/rkh/NematodeSampling.pdf>, and at, <http://www.plainscotton.org/rkh/DiseaseRecommendationsCotton.pdf>.

In the near future, added Woodward, we will release an updated guide of available, al-

ternative crop protection chemistries and recommendations for their use on the full range of insects and nematode species that Temik® had previously been relied on to control.

In addition to the Texas AgriLife Extension materials being pulled together for the High Plains by Dr. Woodward and Dr. Wheeler, the National Cotton Council has also assembled an overview of the current situation from a Beltwide perspective. The NCC summary provides an informative description of several alternatives to Temik® application and strategies for the current growing season.

The NCC's Technical Services staff summary can be found at: <http://www.cotton.org/issues/2011/temik.summ.cfm> and includes links to the First Forty Days and fruiting to Finish management guide, which can be found at: [http://www.cotton.org/tech/physiology/upload/BMP\\_Doc.pdf](http://www.cotton.org/tech/physiology/upload/BMP_Doc.pdf).

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#### April 2011 4-H Calendar



- 2 Livestock Judging Contest in Clarendon
- 4 Shooting Sports (Trap, Skeet, and Archery) Planning Meeting 6:00 p.m. at Shooting Range (South of Events Center on Willow Valley Rd)
- 7 Photography Project 3:45 to 5:00 in Home Ec Lab
- 9 Livestock Judging Contest in Stephenville
- 11 Roundup Contest Planning Meeting 6:00 p.m. in Extension Office Meeting Room
- 12 4-H Monthly Meeting  
(Cool Clovers: 11:30-12:00; JH/HS: 12:35-1:05 in Conference Room at School)
- District 4-H Fashion Show in Abernathy
- 13 **Deadline to enter District 4-H Roundup Contests**
- 14 Photography Project 3:45 to 5:15 in Home Ec Lab
- 15 **Deadline to register for North Region 4-H Leader Lab**
- 16 District 4-H Livestock Judging Contest in Lubbock
- 26 County 4-H Recordbook Workshop at 6:00 p.m. in the Extension Office Meeting Room (THIS IS A DATE CHANGE)





**On the Wild Side of Life**  
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## Borden County 4-Hers Successful in Houston

Borden County 4-Hers represented Borden County very well during the Houston Livestock Show March 7-19, 2011. Results were:

Garrett Hill- Reserve Champion Heavy weight Duroc	place Light weight Medium Wool
Haley Gray- 2nd place Light weight Berk	Katie Gray- 6th place Heavy weight Berk
JW Nix- 2nd place Light weight Brangus	Cheyenne Hill- 8th place Heavy weight Duroc
Merrick Valentine- 4th	Payton Merket- 8th place Medium weight Herford

Also exhibiting representing Borden County 4-H were; Kaylyn Dean, Thomas Nix, Flint Roberts, and Tatum Treadwell



Haley Gray placed 2nd with her LW Berk at the Houston Livestock Show.



Katie Gray placed 6th with her HW Berk at the Houston Livestock Show.

# UIL 11th District Title...

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five seniors will accompany sponsors Denice Bradbury, Cindy Herridge, Sue Jane Mayes, and Charla Soto to Abilene.

District participants and results are as follows: **Accounting** (participant Austin Fields); **Calculator Applications** (participants Shea Burkett, Austin Fields, Kalyn Massingill, Austin Tyler); **Current Issues and Events** (1<sup>st</sup> John Hensley, 2<sup>nd</sup> Zach McMeans, participant T.J. Basquez); **Editorial Writing** (6<sup>th</sup> place Shaylie Boles, participant Mallory McMeans, participant Brady Dowds); **Feature Writing** (1<sup>st</sup> Krista Tarleton, participant Mallory McMeans); **Headline Writing** (2<sup>nd</sup> Brady ByBee, participant Brady Dowds, participant Kurt Shafer); **Informative Speaking** (1<sup>st</sup> Steven Howard); **Lincoln-Douglas Debate** (5<sup>th</sup> David Rodriguez); **Literary Criticism** (2<sup>nd</sup> KeriAnne Howard, participants Kassie Gaines, Celina Guerrero, Michael Taylor); **Mathematics** (participants Shea Burkett, Kalyn Massingill, Sydnie Day, Steelie Sanders); **News Writing** (6<sup>th</sup> Krista Tarleton, participants Brady ByBee, Mallory McMeans); **Number Sense** (participants Shea Burkett, Kalyn Massingill, Sydnie Day, Steelie Sanders); **Persuasive Speaking** (1<sup>st</sup> John Hensley, 3<sup>rd</sup> Zach McMeans); **Poetry** (1<sup>st</sup> Taylor Richey, participants Taylor Gass, Celina Guerrero); **Prose** (participants Hanna Forbes, Kassie Gaines, Tanner Richey); **Ready Writing** (2<sup>nd</sup> Joseph McConnell, 5<sup>th</sup> Mollie McMeans, participant KeriAnne Howard); **Science** (1<sup>st</sup> Joseph McConnell—1<sup>st</sup> in individual **Physics** as well—participants Hanna Forbes, Sydnie Day, Tanner Richey, Matthew Roberson, Collin Telchik); **Social Studies** (2<sup>nd</sup> Zach McMeans, participants Matthew Ham, Mollie McMeans); **Spelling** (1<sup>st</sup> Shea Burkett, 4<sup>th</sup> Steelie Sanders, participants Brady Dowds, Matthew Ham).

Team results are as follows: **Current Issues and Events**, 1<sup>st</sup> Place Team; **Literary Criticism**, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Team; **Science**, 1<sup>st</sup> Place

Team; **Social Studies**, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Team; **Spelling**, 1<sup>st</sup> Place Team. The **Speech Team**, including February's Cross-Ex Debate's 48 points, also won 1<sup>st</sup> Place Team.

# Dare to Live...

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trees that were rigid and brittle.

Flexibility is a key element of survival. Flexibility enables you to adapt and change strategy as conditions warrant. If you find your path at a dead end, you must be flexible enough to change direction and map a new route to your destination.

### Planning

Without planning ahead, animals won't survive. Squirrels start gathering and storing food well before the winter sets in. Animals that hibernate begin eating extra food to build up fat reserves while food is plentiful and prior to the arrival of cold, severe weather. Birds start constructing nests before they have to lay their eggs.

Planning allows you to prepare for future needs. The opposite of planning is crisis management, where you do whatever is necessary just to make it to tomorrow. Taking action before the need is critical is the essence of planning.

### Change

Everything in nature

changes. The weather varies daily. Landscapes change over time. Rivers and streams alter their courses. Floods come and go. Everyday something is different. Nature thrives on change. Each change brings new opportunities. When a tree falls during a storm, it provides a new habitat for plants and animals.

Change is constant. It's nothing to fear and there isn't anything you can do about it anyway. Change is a perpetual source of new opportunities.

Nature is replete with examples of the qualities needed to live without limits. Observe, learn, and apply nature's principles to enrich your own life.

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Garrett Hill, son of Borden County Extension Agent Cody Hill, won Reserve Champion Duroc at the Houston Livestock Show held March 14-18.