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Disaster Assistance Available for Producers *FSA Administrator Reminds Affected Farmers and Ranchers of Programs*

WASHINGTON, April 28, 2011 — USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Acting Administrator Val Dolcini today reminded crop and livestock producers throughout states that have recently experienced severe damage from flooding, wildfires and tornadoes that FSA programs may be available to assist with recovery.

"Severe weather this spring

is making things very difficult for many ranchers and farmers. Whether it's wildfires in the Southwest, flooding or tornadoes in the Midwest, Plains, and Southeast, learning about our FSA disaster programs is an important first step for producers in the recovery process," said Dolcini.

FSA administers several important programs that help

producers recover from disaster damage and livestock deaths. Among the key programs available to address impacts from disasters are the Emergency Conservation Program (ECP), the Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP), the Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees and Farm-Raised Fish Program (ELAP), the Noninsured Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) and the Supplemental Revenue Assistance Payments (SURE) Program.

Fact sheets for all of these programs can be found at www.fsa.usda.gov; click on Newsroom, then Fact Sheets.

"We encourage all who have suffered a disaster due to the recent severe weather conditions to read the fact sheets and visit their local FSA county office so they get a quick start in the recovery process," added Dolcini.

Additionally, USDA Risk Management Agency Administrator William Murphy reminds Federal crop insurance policyholders that they should notify their crop insurance companies as soon as they discover that their land is flooded.



Dare to Live Without Limits

By Bryan Golden

What Do You Say When You Talk to Yourself?

You have just completed a major work project before the deadline. Having worked diligently and spending your own time, you're proud of the results and can't wait to impress your boss. You show him the project and he immediately begins to criticize it and you. The criticism is completely unwarranted. What do you say to yourself? "I've failed again" or "He must be having a bad day, I know I did an excellent job"?

You've thought of an innovative idea for a business that you really believe in. Excitedly, you tell your spouse who finds only faults with your idea. He tells you it'll never work. Seeking another opinion, you confide in one of your closest friends. She has nothing positive to say either. What do you say to yourself? "Why can't I ever come up with good ideas" or "I know my concept is good, I'm going to go with it"?

You're a volunteer at a civic organization. You make a suggestion for a fundraiser and the president of the organization tells you it's a bad idea that won't work. What do you say to yourself? "It's no problem if they don't like my ideas, I'll

still help anyway I can" or "If they don't like my suggestion, they can do it themselves"?

You help your neighbor move some furniture. Several months later, you ask them for help carrying some heavy items to the dumpster. He tells you he's too busy and doesn't have time. What do you say to yourself? "Fine, last time I help him or anyone else" or "No big deal, I'll ask one of my other friends to help"?

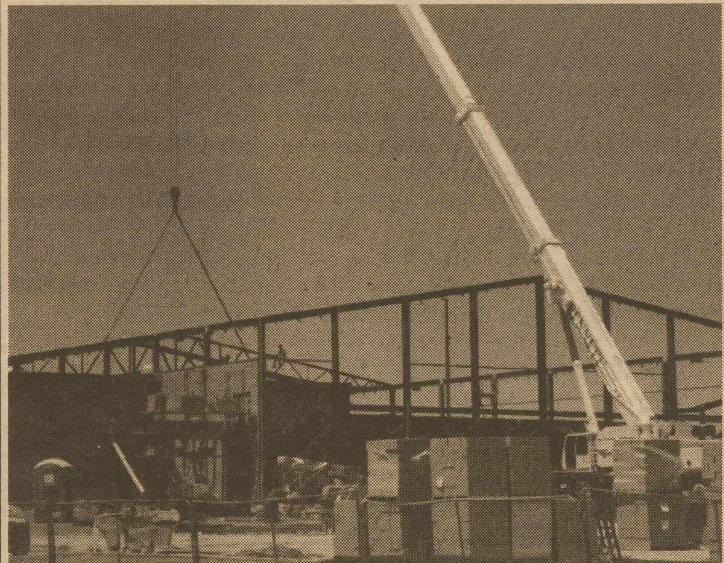
There's a job opening where you work. The position is something that you always wanted to do. It's a great opportunity and would be a promotion. You're not sure if you have enough experience. What do you say to yourself? "I'll apply, I've got nothing to lose" or "Why bother applying, I've got no chance"?

You can probably relate to one or more of these illustrations or have experiences that are similar in nature. Comments of all sorts are volunteered by everyone; friends, family, coworkers, bosses, acquaintances, and even strangers.

People are constantly giving you their unsolicited opinions.

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New Gymnasium



Crews continue work on the new Borden County gymnasium this week as the school year comes to an end.

Junior High Tennis Teams Compete at District Meet

By Coach McCook

The Borden County Junior High tennis teams competed in their district meet this past Saturday in Big Spring.

The meet was divided into ten brackets: 8th grade girls' singles and doubles, 7th grade girls' singles and doubles, 8th grade boys' singles and doubles, 7th grade boys' singles and doubles, 8th grade mixed doubles, and 7th grade mixed doubles. Borden County did not enter any mixed doubles teams.

In 8th grade girls' singles, Eva Banman won 1st place: 9-8 (7-5), 8-3. Clair Shafer and Tatum Richey placed 3rd in 8th grade girls' doubles: 8-5, 8-3, 5-8, 8-6. Tye Basquez and McKenna Campbell (8-3, 6-8) and Bessie Rhodes (3-8) also competed in this division.

In 7th grade girls' singles, Zoie Key finished 3rd: 8-2, 6-

8, default. Holly Bradbury and Cheyenne Tucker (4-8) and Kyrsten Rebeles and Taylor Roberts (2-8) participated in 7th grade girls' doubles. Frank Banman and Riley Herridge (8-6, 3-8), Nathan Ham and Ricky Torres (5-8), and Jaden Huse and Hurrikane Richter (3-8) all participated in the 8th grade boys' doubles division.

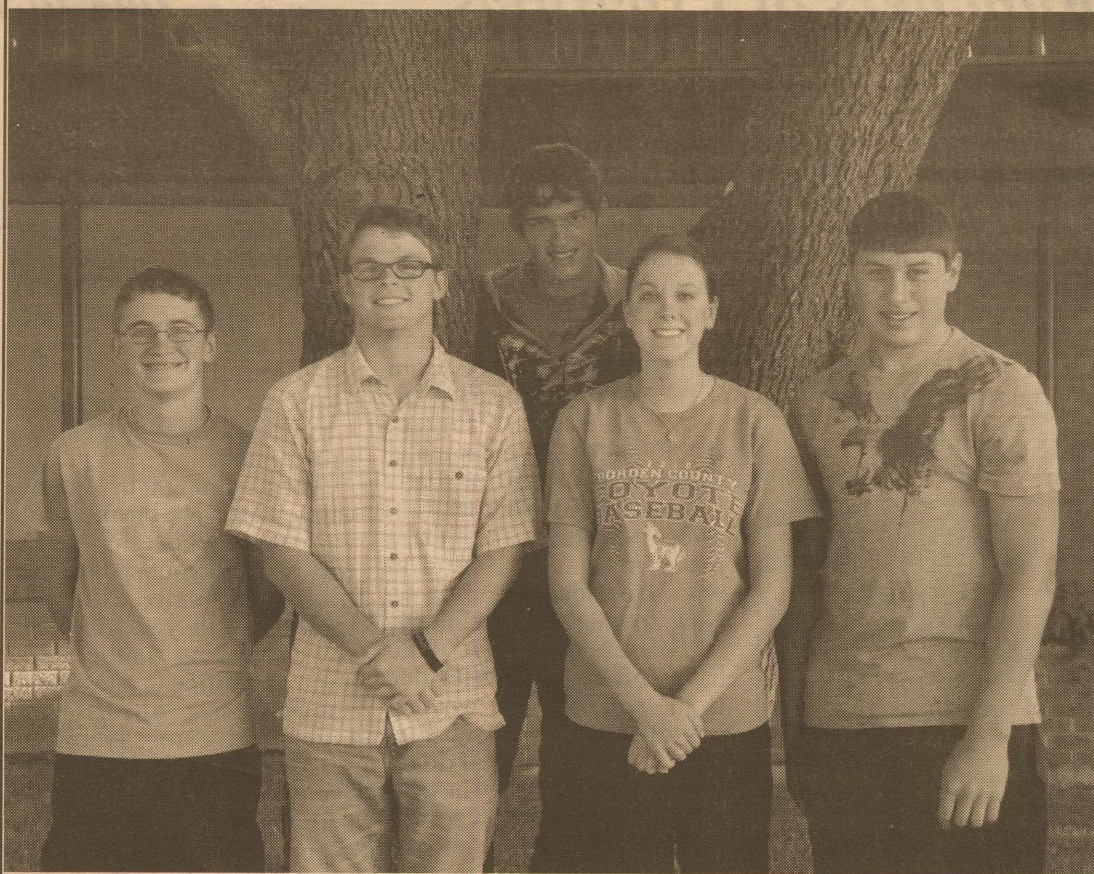


Local Students Perform in Kids Say the Darndest Things



Borden County students were among the cast of the recent play Kids Say the Darndest Things performed in Lamesa at the Lamesa Community Players. The play was performed numerous times in April. Among the cast were (back row left to right) Cassie Gaines, Bessie Rhodes, (front row left to right) Harley Merrill and her sister Jadeyn Merrill.

UIL Team Austin Bound!



Borden County will be well represented at this years' State UIL Competition to be held in Austin at the University of Texas on May 5-7. Representing Borden County are (left to right) Zach McMeans (Current Events), John Hensley (Persuasive Speaking), (back) Joseph McConnell (Science), Krista Tarleton (Creative Writing) and T.J. Basquez (Current Events). Good luck to them all.

Bracelets for Sale

We are selling silicone bracelets to help raise money for the Senior Prom! They will be black with light blue writing, and they will have Jeremiah 29:11 printed on them. "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord. Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future." The bracelets will be \$3 each.

Contact Phyneshia Rutherford @ 806/781-7362 or Krista Tarleton @ 432/466-3445

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School Lunch Menu

May 9 - 13, 2011

Menu subject to change

Monday - Breakfast: Waffle Stick, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Meat & Gravy, Canned Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread, Cobbler and Milk.

Tuesday - Breakfast: Muffin, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Pizza, Corn, Salad, Pineapple and Milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast: Breakfast Burrito, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken Strips, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Roll, Fruit Cup and Milk.

Thursday - Breakfast: Cereal & Toast, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Taco, Lettuce & Tomato, Pinto Beans, Jell-O and Milk.

Friday - Breakfast: Ultimate Breakfast Round, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: BBQ on a Bun, Salad, Pickle Spear, Baked Chips, Fruit Roll Up and Milk.

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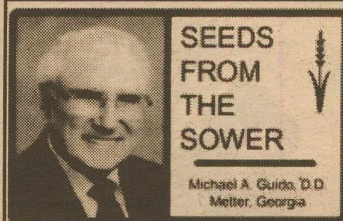
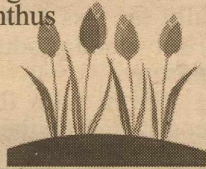
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Borden County Ag. Science Horticulture Greenhouse Plants Available

By Buddy Wallace

The Ag. Science Horticulture Class now has plants available for spring planting. These plants were grown from seed by the class. Anyone wishing to purchase starter plants can contact Buddy Wallace at 806/756-4313 (School) or 806/756-4478 (Home). Email bwallace@bcisd.net all plants are suitable size for ground planting. The Gail FFA Horticulture class appreciates your business!

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A flock of geese headed south to escape the winter, says a fable. They stopped the first night in a farmer's yard and filled themselves with corn. When morning came, they all left, except one.

He said, "The corn's good. I'll stay one more day." Every day, after stuffing himself, he'd say, "Tomorrow I'll fly south."

Winter came, and he knew he had to leave. He stretched his wings and tried to take off, but he was too fat to fly. He had waited too long.

You were meant to be saved, to soar and not sink. Don't stuff your body and bank account to the loss of your soul. "Come now," says the Lord. Don't put it off, put it over!

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Don't Go Barefoot To A Snake Stompin'

I was taking a stroll around Mason's courthouse square the other day and was curious about a sign in the window of an antique store. It was advertising a book signing for a Mason County author. I went in and asked the proprietor if the author lived in Mason. He said he did. I called him and he came down to the store within five minutes. When I asked him how he has made a living, he replied, "I'm not sure I have."

His name is Ron Birk. He graduated from Mason High School in 1952, went to college and started working. He is a retired Lutheran minister and is back home in Mason. "I'm the fifth generation in my family to call this place home," he said, "but my folks went off to California in the late 1920's to make their million and instead they got the depression and me. But they wised up and came back when I was about five, so I call this area home even though I was born in California."

On the way to becoming a minister, and even after he retired from the pulpit, he worked in radio and television, did some after dinner speaking and a little bit of acting in movies. He says he was not a star, but sort of like a meteor that flashed across the screen. He did have some speaking parts and says since that was something he really wanted to do and did it, he feels good about it and says it looks good on his resume. His business card carried the phrase, Ron Birk, Communicator: Actor, Writer, Speaker. The background on the card was an Angora goat.

"In 1979 my father died here in Mason and since I was an only child I inherited the family ranch. I was running in and out of here tending to that. You don't make a business of ranching any more, but it gave me something to do. My wife had worked at what is now Texas State University for twenty-one years as an administrator and she finally retired and since she was also from

this area we just moved back permanently. It had always been our second home but three or four years ago we moved back and we're back home."

He loves Mason, which is not surprising since his dad was chamber of commerce manager there. Ron wrote a monthly column for a statewide Lutheran publication for twenty-five years. He used some of those columns to write five small paperback books. He titled his first one WHAT'S A NICE GOD LIKE YOU DOING IN A PLACE LIKE THIS? One is titled YOU CAN'T WALK ON WATER IF YOU STAY IN THE BOAT. Another carries the title DON'T GO BAREFOOT TO A SNAKE STOMPIN'.

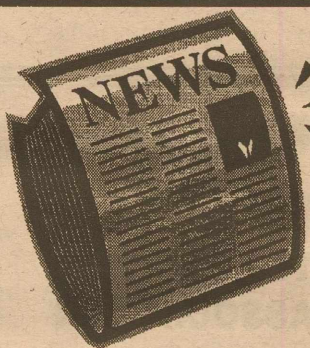
"One of my books was called SAINT MURPHY'S COMMANDMENTS which was sort of Murphy's Law goes to church. That was well received so my publisher wanted something else like that so we did one called YOU MIGHT BE IN A COUNTRY CHURCH IF. That one is probably the most popular and the one that has been spread around. I'll read a couple of samples. You might be in a country church if you have to cross three cattle guards to get there. You might be in a country church if the minister asks, 'will bubba help take up the collection' and five guys stand up. You might be in a country church if the usher has more silver on his buckle than there is in the offering plate."

Ron says that one went all over the internet and he gets emails from acquaintances quoting his book. And they don't even know he wrote it.

All his books have attractive covers that almost demand you pick up the books and look through them. He says you can't tell a book by its cover, but you can sell a book by its cover.

Ron is completely retired now and mainly takes care of the ranch. He says he feels he has said all he wants to say. I think he could say a lot more.

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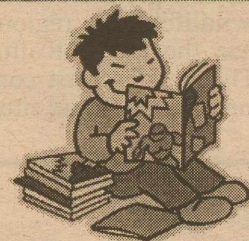
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Thursday, May 19th

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Book Fair

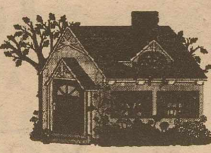
May 9th - 13th

In the Borden County school conference room.



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Heart and Home ...


by Julie Smith

 Borden County Extension Agent—Family and Consumer Sciences

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Take A Fresh Look At Nutrition

Are you in the “I should know, but...” rut? If so, you’re like most Americans who believe nutrition is important to health, but in fact, are not doing much about it. Only four in ten people actually say they are doing all they can to eat healthfully.

It seems fear of giving up favorite foods, confusion over nutrition studies and reports, and the belief that eating right takes too much time, are the obstacles to better health. Start investing in your health today. Take control of your food choices, get physically active and get on the road to a healthful lifestyle - for a lifetime!

Here are a few tips for getting out of the rut.

Make lifestyle changes with a family member or friend. A partner increases the enjoyment factor of physical activity and healthful eating.

Enlist support. Family and friends can help you keep on track. Those who have the support of family members, particularly a spouse, more likely manage their weight successfully. Watch out for those who attempt to sabotage your efforts. If it’s right for you, join a support group.

Please yourself. Remember the most important reason to maintain your healthy lifestyle is you.

Set realistic goals. Ones that work for you. Start with your current weight, not where you want to be. Make your goals attainable, short-term. For example, the challenge of trimming five pounds at a time seems more doable than losing 25 or more pounds. Like any project, going little by little isn’t so overwhelming, and it’s healthier.

Track your progress, but not too often. Avoid the urge to step on the scale every day. Once a week is often enough. Since weight fluctuates from day to day due to fluid loss and retention, you may not get a true picture if you weigh yourself too frequently.

Celebrate any successes. Weight loss doesn’t need to be an all-or-nothing venture. If you’ve been carrying around excess pounds, even small changes can make a difference in your health and reduce your risk of disease.

Move it to lose it. A physically active lifestyle offers many rewards - from heart health to strong bones to stress relief, as well as many other benefits.

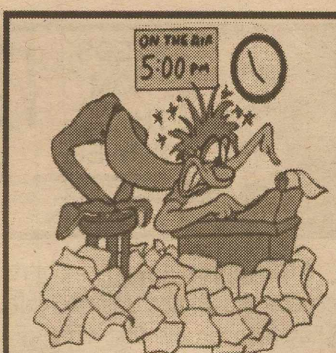
Enjoy how good your healthy weight feels. You may reward yourself with a new garment, a bouquet of flowers, new iTunes, or a special outing. Still there’s no greater motivation than knowing you’re in control and caring for you!

Expect to be successful. Reaching life’s goals is often a self-fulfilling prophecy. Positive self-talk and an enthusiastic approach to a healthy lifestyle set you up for success.

Ask a registered dietitian for more guidance on choosing healthful foods for weight loss.

Get started today! If you really want to change your lifestyle, there’s no time like the present. Why put off creating a healthier you? You should start slowly, don’t get overwhelmed. Eating healthfully and getting regular physical activity will only make you feel better.

For more information regarding nutrition, please contact the Extension office at (806)756-4336.



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Thought for the Day

Sin is not misfortune; sin is not error or ignorance. Sin is a choice against what you know pleases God. If you lose this meaning of sin, you lose the beauty of forgiveness.

Robert H. O'Bannon




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Borden County Youth Horse Club

The Borden County Youth Horse Club will kick off Tuesday nights in June at the new arena.

If you are interested in participating or if you would like to make a tax deductible donation to our awards fund, please contact Cassidy Carpenter at 806/786-6796 or at cassidyogden@yahoo.com





On the Wild Side of Life

 by Cody G. Hill

 Borden County Extension Agent – Agriculture

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Do Wildfires Kill Much Wildlife?

SAN ANGELO – With massive fires continuing to scorch the state, many wonder how the native wildlife are faring, said a Texas AgriLife Extension Service wildlife specialist.

Dr. Dale Rollins of San Angelo said he’s often asked questions about wildlife deaths from wildfire.

“My answer is: ‘Hardly any are lost,’ which often seems to disappoint them,” he said. “Many want to extrapolate scenes from ‘Bambi’ to the real world here in West Texas, but the truth of the matter is usually far less dramatic than a Hollywood production would portray.

“Even with the dramatic conflagrations the state has experienced almost daily over the past several weeks, I’d be surprised to hear of many deaths of game animals like deer, quail or turkey from the flames directly, with one glaring exception: deer contained within smaller, high-fenced ‘deer-proofed’ enclosures. But whatever losses occur from the flames themselves on low-fenced properties won’t be meaningful at our current game population levels.”

Rollins said less mobile ground-dwelling species like snakes and tortoises, and those which climb trees to escape danger such as porcupines, would be more vulnerable and likely fared worse than their fleeter neighbors.

Another point he’s often asked is whether or not predators who have been pushed off their native range by fire have now relocated along with the resident populations, thus increasing the likelihood of predation.

“Such concerns are conceivable, but likely short-lived if they do actually occur,” he said. “When it does finally rain, the burned areas will be lush with new growth and become more attractive to both prey animals and the predators that follow them. The problem is, we just don’t know when we’ll be blessed with that moisture.

“Apart from the catastrophic effects man experiences in the way of personal and property loss, remember that fire is a ‘natural’ form of habitat management under which these wildlife species evolved. The trouble is, these fires are on a different scale than what we’d like to see in a way that’s incompatible with our positions and landscape.”

Rollins said historically fires that burned across the southern Great Plains probably have been similar to those the state has experienced in recent weeks and were much different than the often-used cool-season prescribed burns used today.

“The severe drought, in and by itself, is a greater concern to our wildlife at the regional level than the fires,” Rollins said. “The fires are just compounding an already bad situation.”

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Obituary

Nancy Ellen Telchik Edwards 1939 - 2011

Nancy Ellen Telchik Edwards, 72, of Abilene, Texas, passed peacefully away April 26, 2011, after a long fight with cancer.

Nancy was born to the late Oscar and Beulah Telchik, January 2, 1939, in a dugout in Lamb County, Texas. She graduated from Borden County High School in 1957 and enrolled in Abilene Christian College. She married the love of her life, Jarrell Edwards in 1960, and they did mission work in Brazil for three years before returning to cotton farming in Borden County I 1972. They have resided in Abilene since 1992.

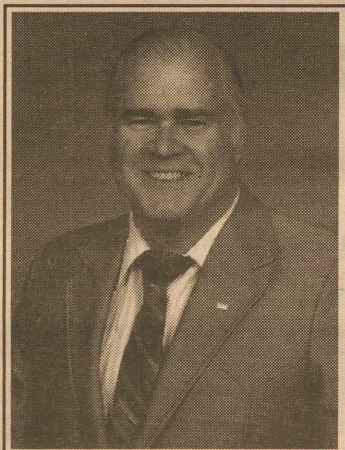
Nancy was an active, faithful member of Hillcrest Church of Christ. She loved the Lord with all her heart and looked forward to the day she would rejoice in Heaven with Him.

During her life, Nancy excelled at many things. She was a talented artist, potter, seamstress and cook. She loved traveling the world with her husband. Nancy was also very proud of her German heritage and looked forward to family reunions both here and in Germany. Nancy had a passion for family and friends and enjoyed opening her home for entertaining and fellowship. She was a strong Christian woman, devoted wife, loving mother and a doting grandmother who will be greatly missed.

Those left to cherish her memory include husband, Jarrell; daughter and son-in-law, Jana and Ed Emerson, and her grandchildren, Eric and Katie Emerson and J'Lyn Emerson, all of Abilene; and one sister, Daphne Minte of Lubbock, Texas, along with many other extended family members and friends.

Funerals services were held at 1:30 p.m., Friday, April 29, 2011 at Hillcrest Church of Christ in Abilene. A graveside service was held Saturday, April 30th at 10:30 a.m. in the Gail Cemetery in Borden County, Texas.

The family would like to extend a special thanks to Dr. Melnyk, his staff and Hendrick Hospice Care,



Raphael W. Buchanan 1930 - 2011

Raphael W. Buchanan, 80, of Big Spring, died on Sunday, May 1, 2011, at his residence. Graveside funeral services will be held today at 2:00 PM, (Wednesday, May 4, 2011) at Mt. Olive Memorial Park Chapel.

He was born on August 13, 1930, in Howard County, and married Nora Della Davis in 1950 and she preceded him in death in July of 1990.

Raphael grew up in Howard County and had worked as an engineering technician for NCR for over 35 years, retiring in 1990. He enjoyed computers and traveling.

He was a member of Vincent Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Sarah Salisbury of Big Spring; two daughters, Darlene Hickey of Killeen and Deniese Warner of Conroe; two step-sons, Kurt Salisbury and Gregory Salisbury both of San Antonio; two brothers and sisters-in-law, Bill and Dorothy Buchanan of Lake Thomas and Bob and Terri Buchanan of Borden County; nine grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Floyd and Edna Buchanan; one brother, Gerald Buchanan; and a grandson, Warren Sweatt.

The family suggests memorials be made to Home Hospice, 111 E. 7th St., Suite A, Big Spring, Texas 79720.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

Dare to Live...

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There's nothing you can do, it's human nature. What's important is what you say to yourself, not what others say to you.

Without discrimination, your brain believes whatever you tell it and immediately goes to work figuring a way to make the statements happen. Your mind processes your self-talk 24 hours a day. Don't say to yourself phrases you don't want to come true.

Tell yourself things that help rather than hurt you. You want to be saying things such as I can do this, I am capable, I'm a good person, I can learn what I need to know, I can make it work, and good things will be happening.

Whatever it is that you say to yourself, you are right. Occasionally, I have a student tell me that he or she can't do something. I tell them if that's the way they feel, they are right. But if someone says, "I can do it," they are also right. Remarking "I can't do this" is different than saying "I need help" or "I don't understand." Asserting, "I can't" is a final conclusion rather than making an effort to seek a solution.

Be aware of and monitor what you say to yourself. Don't tell yourself anything that's not going to help and assist you in achieving a positive outcome. Always engage in positive self-talk.

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Thank You

The family of Marion Kay Doyle wishes to express its most sincere appreciation for the overwhelming outpour of support during her illness and the days since she passed away on April 23rd.

What a tremendous tribute to our communities to see how they rally when one of their own is in need.

Kay was a wonderful wife, Mom, Big Momma, sister, aunt and friend and we will miss her more than words can ever say, but we take great comfort in knowing that she now dwells, free of pain, in our heavenly home and that your friendship will continue to help us through these difficult times.

Thank you again for everything,
The Marion Kay Doyle Family

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3rd & 4th generations still serving this area.

We would like to express our thanks and appreciation to Borden Co. volunteer Fire Department, Borden Co. road crews, Howard and Scurry County firefighters, Borden Co. Sheriff Department and friends and neighbors who came Sunday morning May 1st to help fight the grass fire at the Hull Ranch.

Borden, Dorothy and Dana Gray
Glen and Lisa Gray and girls
Mike and Beverly Hull

Texas Company Helps Landowners Get Higher Royalties from Oil and Gas Leases

A retired senior executive in the oil and gas industry started a company to help landowners get higher royalties and protect their property when they sign oil and gas leases. Citizens Shale Advisors (CSA) was formed to serve as a trusted advisor to farmers, ranchers and landowners who are dealing with the complex and technical process of negotiating oil and gas leases.

William Fisher, CSA president, grew up in Texas working on his family's farmland. "My family, like many other Texans, has owned and worked the same land for generations. I know how important it is to preserve the land, water and air

quality. The promise of royalties can seem very tempting, but it's not something you want to rush into," he explained. Fisher spent more than 30 years experience in the oil and gas industry. He continues to consult with oil and gas companies on projects and his experience helps him work with oil and gas companies on behalf of others.

"The business concept of CSA is one that has been needed for nearly 100 years. Landowners, like my family members, historically have had little help understanding oil and gas lease agreements that are written by corporate attorneys. My company helps guide

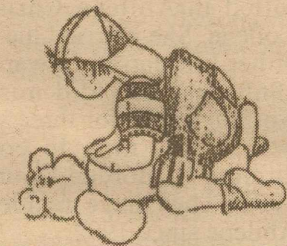
land owners, ranchers and farmers through this technical process. Most importantly, we don't ask for money upfront and we don't get paid until our clients receive a bonus or royalties. There is absolutely no risk for anyone to talk to us," he explained.

CSA brings together, for the first time ever, retired oil and gas executives with various backgrounds such as drilling, geology, down hole engineering, well cementing, pipeline management, petroleum processing, fracturing and more. The company will retain and pay any legal counsel. Additionally, CSA provides the following services:

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PRE-KINDERGARTEN NOTIFICATION FOR THE 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR

Borden County School will offer the pre-kindergarten program during the 2011-2012 school year. The program will be for eligible students who are four years of age on or before September 1, 2011. Students can qualify for the program by meeting at least one of the following requirements:

1. Be economically disadvantaged
2. Be Limited English Proficient (LEP)
3. Be homeless

If you know of a child who qualifies for the program, notify Mr. Bart McMeans, Principal, Borden County School, P.O. Box 95, Gail, TX 79738, or call (806) 756-4313 to request a registration form. Complete and return the form by May 31, 2011.

DISCLAIMER

Borden County Elementary School will offer this program only if fifteen (15) or more students qualify.

ESL PROGRAM NOTIFICATION

Borden County Elementary School will offer an ESL program for LEP (Limited English Proficient) students during the summer of 2011. The program will be scheduled for a minimum of 120 hours and will conclude prior to August 1, 2011. The program is designed for students who will enter Kindergarten or First Grade in the fall of 2011-2012. Parents of eligible children will be responsible for transportation.

If you know of a child who qualifies for the program, notify Mr. Bart McMeans, Principal, Borden County School, P.O. Box 95, Gail, TX 79738, or call (806) 756-4313 to request a registration form. Complete and return the form by May 31, 2011.

DISCLAIMER

Borden County Elementary School will offer this program only if ten or more students qualify.

LA NOTIFICACION DE PRE-KINDERGARTEN PARA EL AÑO ESCOLAR 2011-2012

La Escuela de Borden ofrecerá el programa del pre-kindergarten durante el año escolar 2011-2012. El programa será para los estudiantes elegibles que tienen cuatro años en o antes de 1 de septiembre, 2011. Los estudiantes pueden calificar por el programa resolviendo por lo menos uno de los requisitos siguientes:

1. Sea económicamente perjudicado
2. Este limitado experto ingles (LEP)
3. Sea destituido

Si usted conoce de un niño que califique por el programa, notifica a Bart McMeans, director, Borden County School, P.O. Box 95, Gail, TX 79738, o llame (806) 756-4313 para solicitar una forma de registro. Complete y regresa la forma antes del 31 de mayo, 2011.

LA DENEGACIÓN

La Escuela de Borden ofrecerá este programa solamente si quince (15) o más estudiantes califican.

ESL PROGRAMA NOTIFICACION

La Escuela de Borden ofrecerá un programa de ESL para los estudiantes del LEP (Experto Inglés Limitado) durante el verano de 2011. El programa será programado por un mínimo de 120 horas y concluirá antes del 1 de agosto, 2011. El programa esta diseñado para los estudiantes que entraran kindergarten o el primer grado en el otoño de 2011-2012. Los padres de niños elegibles serán responsables del transporte.

Si usted conoce de un niño que califique por el programa, notifica a Bart McMeans, director, Borden County School, P.O. Box 95, Gail, TX 79738, o llame (806) 756-4313 para solicitar una forma de registro. Complete y regresa la forma antes del 31 de mayo, 2011.

LA DENEGACIÓN

La Escuela de Borden ofrecerá este programa solamente si diez (10) o más estudiantes califican.

Memorial Scholarships

Brandon Adcock Memorial Scholarship

Applications are currently being accepted for the Brandon Adcock Memorial Scholarship.

Applicants wishing to be considered must submit a formal letter of application by 12:00 p.m. on Friday, May 20th, 2011.

Letters of application must be sent to the following address:

Brandon Adcock Memorial Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 95
Gail, Texas 79738

The primary criteria used to determine the recipient of this scholarship is that the individual selected will be an outstanding young person that is a positive representative of the Borden County School Community as evident by their respective moral character, service-minded attitude, dedication, and scholastic achievement.

Recipients must be a candidate for graduation or be a former graduate of Borden County High School.

Candidates must attend a state-accredited/Southern Association accredited college, university, or post-secondary institution to be eligible for consideration. The Selection Committee will have sole authority to determine the candidate's eligibility status related to the post-secondary institution to be attended.

Financial need will not necessarily be a criterion for consideration; however, financial need may be considered by the Selection Committee.

Members of the Brandon Adcock Family will have no input into the selection process.

Complete selection authority has been delegated to the Selection Committee, and the Committee has the authority to waive all rules, regulations, and formalities in order to select the candidates that the committee feels is most deserving.

Caden Nowlain Memorial Scholarship

Applications are currently being accepted for the Caden Nowlain Memorial Scholarship.

Applicants wishing to be considered must submit a formal letter of application by 12:00 p.m. on Friday, May 20th, 2011.

Letters of application must be sent to the following address:

Caden Nowlain Memorial Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 95
Gail, Texas 79738

The primary criteria used to determine the recipient of this scholarship is that the individual selected will be an outstanding young person that is a positive representative of the Borden County School Community as evident by their respective moral character, service-minded attitude, dedication, and scholastic achievement.

Recipients must be a candidate for graduation or be a former graduate of Borden County High School.

Candidates must attend a state-accredited/Southern Association accredited college, university, or post-secondary institution to be eligible for consideration. The Selection Committee will have sole authority to determine the candidate's eligibility status related to the post-secondary institution to be attended.

Financial need will not necessarily be a criterion for consideration; however, financial need may be considered by the Selection Committee.

Members of the Caden Nowlain Family will have no input into the selection process.

Complete selection authority has been delegated to the Selection Committee, and the Committee has the authority to waive all rules, regulations, and formalities in order to select the candidates that the committee feels is most deserving.

John Harding Memorial Scholarship

Applications are currently being accepted for the John Harding Memorial Scholarship.

Applicants wishing to be considered must submit a formal letter of application by 12:00 p.m. on Friday, May 20th, 2011.

Letters of application must be sent to the following address:

John Harding Memorial Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 95
Gail, Texas 79738

The primary criteria used to determine the recipient of this scholarship is that the individual selected will be an outstanding young person that is a positive representative of the Borden County School Community as evident by their respective moral character, service-minded attitude, dedication, and participation in school activities as a student of Borden County High School.

Recipients must be a candidate for graduation or be a former graduate of Borden County High School.

Candidates must attend a state-accredited/Southern Association accredited college, university, or post-secondary

institution to be eligible for consideration. The Selection Committee will have sole authority to determine the candidate's eligibility status related to the post-secondary institution to be attended.

Financial need will not necessarily be a criterion for consideration; however, financial need may be considered by the Selection Committee.

Members of the John Harding family will have no input into the selection process.

Complete selection authority is given to the Scholarship Committee to waive all rules, regulations, and formalities in order to select the candidate(s) that the committee feels is most deserving.

J. Pat Porter Memorial Scholarship

Applications are currently being accepted for the J. Pat Porter Memorial Scholarship.

Applicants wishing to be considered must submit a formal letter of application by 12:00 p.m. on Friday, May 20th, 2011.

Letters of application must be sent to the following address:

J. Pat Porter Memorial Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 95
Gail, Texas 79738

The primary criteria used to determine the recipient of this scholarship is that the individual selected will be an out-

standing young person that is a positive representative of the Borden County School community as evidence by his/her high moral character, service minded attitude, dedication and determination to succeed along with maintaining passing grades.

Potential recipients must be a member in good standing of the current Borden County High School graduating class or must be a previous graduate of Borden County High School.

Candidates must attend a state-accredited/Southern Association accredited college, university, or post-secondary institution.

Financial need will not necessarily be a criterion of consideration; however, financial need may be considered by the Selection Committee.

Members of the Porter Family will have no input into the selection process. Complete selection authority has been delegated to the Selection Committee, and the Committee has the authority to waive all rules, regulations, or formalities in order to select the candidates that the committee feels is most appropriate.

The selection process is a subjective task that will be left to the discretion of the J. Pat Porter Scholarship Selection Committee. The award will be given to someone the committee feels is a signification of the positive attributes that were exhibited by the late J. Pat Porter.

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May 2011 4-H Calendar

May

7 District 4-H Roundup in Levelland

23 4-H Monthly Meeting

(Cool Clovers: 11:30-12:00; JH/HS: 12:35-1:05 in Conference Room at School)

31-June 2 North Region 4-H Leader Lab in Levelland

TxDOT Celebrates 10-Year Anniversary of the Click It or Ticket Campaign

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Transportation's 10th annual *Click It or Ticket* spring campaign kicks off this week with good news—Texans are buckling up more than ever, and thousands have been "saved by the belt."

Before the *Click It or Ticket* campaign began in Texas in 2002, only 76.1 percent of the state's population was buckling up. Thanks to a decade of increased enforcement and an extensive public education campaign about the life-saving benefits of seat belts, Texans are using seat belts in record numbers. According to the

Texas Transportation Institute, 93.84 percent of drivers and passengers now buckle up. Experts at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) estimate that this increase over the past 10 years has resulted in 2,843 fewer traffic fatalities, 48,000 fewer serious injuries, and a savings to the state of more than \$10 billion in associated costs.

"We're extremely proud of what Texas has been able to accomplish over the past 10 years, and we're grateful to law enforcement, safety advocates, and drivers and passengers ev-

erywhere for making it happen," said Carol Rawson, TxDOT's Traffic Operations Division Director. "But we can't quit now—we want this trend to continue."

Despite an overall downward trend in fatalities between 2003 and 2009, traffic crashes remain the leading cause of death for those between one and 44 years of age in Texas. In 2009 in Texas, more than 3,000 people died in fatal collisions on Texas streets and highways, and just under half were not buckled up. Wearing a seat belt reduces the risk of fatal injury

by 45 percent, and in pickups, that number increases to 60 percent, due to the fact that pickup trucks are more likely to roll over in a crash than passenger cars.

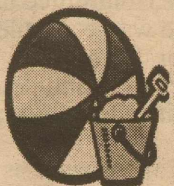

To ensure that Texans continue complying with seat belt laws, thousands of state troopers will join police officers and sheriffs' deputies statewide between May 23 and June 5, including the Memorial Day holiday weekend, to ticket drivers and passengers who aren't buckled up.

"*Click It or Ticket* is about saving lives, because we know that when a person buckles up,

their chances of surviving a crash are far better. We prefer voluntary compliance with the law, but we will write tickets if necessary," said Major Ron Joy of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Fines for failing to fasten your seat belt can add up to \$250, plus court costs. It's not just drivers that must buckle up—state law also requires passengers in the front and back seat to buckle up.

V i s i t
www.texasclickitorticket.com
for more information.

		<h1>May 2011</h1>					
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
May 9TH – 13TH BOOK FAIR							
1	2 Holiday –Bad Weather Day Regional Track @ Abilene	3 Cheerleading Applications due Regional Track @ Abilene Lone Wolf District Meeting 1:30; Banquet 6:00 @ Westbrook	4	5 UIL Academic State Meet Clothing Drive Delivery to Snyder @ 5:00	6 Progress Reports UIL Academic State Meet ACT Registration Deadline for June 11 th Test Seniors vs. Faculty Staff-D.Ball/Volley Ball	7 UIL Academic State Meet	
8	9 Field Trip : 3 rd – 5 th Grade	10 JH & HS Spring Sports pictures during PE	11 Booster Club's Luncheon for Staff	12 Cheerleading Tryouts	13 State Track Meet Area II FFA Convention, TSTC @ Sweetwater	14 State Track Meet Area II FFA Convention, TSTC @ Sweetwater	
15	16	17 TAKS Retest Math 5 th & 8 th Chapter FFA Banquet @ 7:00	18 TAKS Retest-Reading 5 th & 8 th	19 Band Concert 7:00	20 UIL Banquet 7:00	21	
22 Baccalaureate 11:00 a.m.	23 Final 8 th Period 2:33-3:33	24 FFA Chapter Cookout @ 6:00 Final 2 nd Period 8:39-9:39 Final 6 th Period 1:10-2:10	25 Awards Assembly @ 2:50 Final 3 rd Period 9:43-10:43 Final 7 th Period 1:44-2:44	26 JH Graduation @ 7:00 Final 4 th Period 10:02-11:02 Final 5 th Period 11:06-12:06	27 HS Graduation @ 7:00 Final 1 st Period 8:05-9:05 End of Six Weeks Project Graduation	28 Senior Breakfast Work Day	
29	30	31					