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Dare to Live Without Limits

By Bryan Golden

You Want to Win-Not Avoid Losing

Southwest Farm and Ranch Classic Scheduled February 7-9 in Lubbock

The eighth annual Southwest Farm and Ranch Classic trade show is scheduled for February 7-9, 2012, at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center.

The indoor show will feature unique commercial agricultural exhibits, industry-related events, demonstrations, and workshops.

"The purpose of the Southwest Farm and Ranch Classic is to provide producers and land owners opportunities to meet with company reps, see new equipment, and learn more about the latest developments that can benefit agricultural operations and landowner stewardship," show executive Monica Hightower said.

Exhibitors already span national, regional, and local companies, including tractor and equipment manufacturers, irrigation specialists, seed suppliers, agricultural organizations and services, water specialists, outdoor building manufacturers, and much more.

To kick off the event, the Southwest Farm and Ranch Classic and Lubbock Chamber of Commerce annual Farm

Show Breakfast will present professional photographer Wyman Meinzer on Tuesday, February 7, at 7:30 a.m.

Meinzer will discuss and highlight his renowned farm, ranch, and wildlife photography. Seating is limited and those interested in attending are encouraged to register as soon as possible by calling (806) 761-7000, emailing info@lubbockbiz.org, or visiting www.lubbockchamber.com for further information.

The Texas Agrilife Extension Service will present Continuing Education Courses on Wednesday, February 8. Producers interested in pre-registering may do so at (806) 775-1680. The National Weather Service will also present the Drought & Fire Workshop on

Thursday, February 9. Schedules for both educational sessions may be found at www.swclassic.com.

The Southwest Farm and Ranch Classic is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, and 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Thursday of the show. Admission and parking are free at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center, 1501 Mac Davis Lane in Lubbock.

Additional information regarding exhibiting or attendance may be obtained from the Southwest Farm and Ranch Classic show office at (806) 798-7825, via e-mail at swclassic@suddenlink.net, or by visiting www.swclassic.com.

Do you strive to achieve your goals or worry about losing what you have? Someone who feels they have nothing, is much more likely to reach out and take chances to get what they want than a person who has already attained something.

Many people live their lives defensively. They become limited, fearing loss of what they have. Their fear acts as an anchor that impedes forward motion. When faced with an opportunity, they weigh what they have to lose instead of assessing what they have to gain.

Often the statement, "I've got nothing to lose" precedes striving for something new. What this means is that people look for a zero risk situation before taking a chance. Those people who win the most do so because they free themselves from the fear of losing.

Fear of loss is strong. Of course no one wants to lose what they have. But growth involves risk. For example, in order for someone to start their own business, they have to invest startup money. There is no guarantee that their business will succeed.

Yet if they were concerned about losing their money they wouldn't risk starting a business, they would just keep

their money in a savings account. The degree of acceptable risk is linked to the soundness of their business plan and the amount of effort one is willing to put in.

There is a big difference between a sound plan to win and gambling. Gambling leaves your success to chance and influenced by forces beyond your control. A winning plan is based on thought, planning, and hard work. Although nothing is guaranteed, planning to win enables you to accomplish more than you might initially think possible.

When you went to school, your passing wasn't insured, it was dependent on your effort. An Olympic skier doesn't leave the starting gate with a goal of not falling. Instead a skier visualizes and anticipates a perfect run.

Living involves risk. If a pilot wanted to ensure there would be no possibility of a mishap, he would never start the engines of his plane. Life involves constant judgement calls. On an ongoing basis, you evaluate potential gain against potential loss.

Fear of losing is like always looking in the rearview mirror. A focus on winning is like looking out the front wind-

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Coyotes Hold Off Loop Longhorns

By Coach Richey

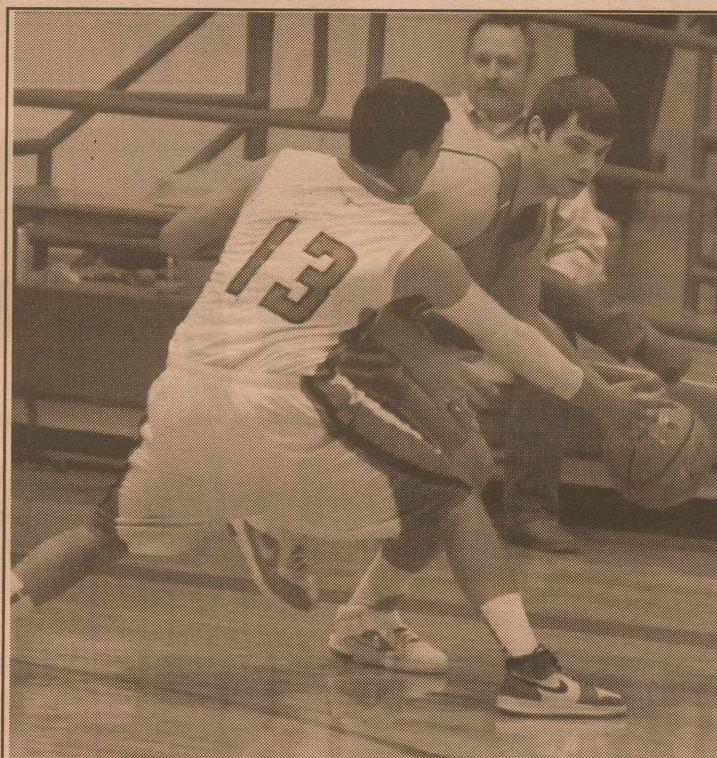
The Borden County Coyotes traveled to Loop Tuesday to bring a close the first half of the district play. The Coyotes had a very difficult time getting a basket to fall, but fortunately they limited the hometown Loop Longhorns as well.

The Coyotes outscored the Longhorns in each of the first three quarters and then played evenly in the final period to come away with a 41 to 33 victory and close the first half with a 4 wins and 3 loss record and sitting alone in 4th place.

The Coyotes outscored the Longhorns 10 to

8 in the first quarter, then 8 to 7 in the 2nd quarter to have an 18 to 15 lead at intermission. A 13 to 8 bulge in the 3rd gave the Coyotes a 31 to 23 lead heading into the final stanza and then some timely free throws in the 4th held the Longhorns off and allowed Borden County to come away with the district road victory.

Scoring for the Coyotes was Quint Shafer with 11 points, Riley Smith 10 points, Helio Rosales 7 points, Tanner Richey 6 points, Collin Telchik 4 points and Kurt Shafer added 3 points. Also contributing to the victory was Jared Smith.



Coyote, Quint Shafer tries to get past a Loop player last Tuesday. The Coyotes outlasted the Longhorns with a 41 to 33 victory.



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Lady Coyote JV Take Down Loop

By Coach Benavidez

The Borden County Lady Coyote JV squad travelled to Loop on January 17th to take on the Loop Lady Horns. Normally, the Lady Coyote JV squad has 6 team members, however, on this day the stomach bug that was making its way around Gail had found its way to one of our team members. Mollie McMeans was not able to make this trip with her teammates due to illness. This was of some concern due to the fact that Mollie is our primary ball-handler and is always a scoring threat.

Shea Burkett did a tremendous job of stepping up and taking on the role of ball-handler. Bailey Robinson, Mallory McMeans, Clair Shafer, and McKenna Campbell stepped up to the plate as well and did a fantastic job of playing the entire game without a rest from a substitute.

The Lady Coyotes held the

advantage most of the game as the first quarter score started out 15-4. The second quarter score was 24-9. The second half saw more of the same as the third quarter ended 41-12 while the game ended with a score of 51-12. The scoring for this game is as follows; McKenna Campbell 18, Mallory McMeans 13, Clair Shafer 10, Bailey Robinson 5, and Shea Burkett 5.

I know I have said it before but these young ladies are doing an awesome job of taking adversity and turning it around and creating opportunities for themselves. This game is a perfect example. These young ladies used this game to explore different roles for themselves during the course of the game. People who had not primarily handled the ball or had been a scoring threat took on these different roles and flourished in them. Great job, ladies!

Coyote JV Falls Short in Battle With Water Valley

By Coach Richey

The Borden County JV played host to the Water Valley Wildcats in what was a rematch of a game played earlier in the year in the Forsan Tournament. In the Forsan Tourney, the Coyotes opened the tournament with a sluggish offensive display as they came up on the short end of a 31 to 15 score. Scoring for the Coyotes in this contest was Matt Ham with 4 points, Ricky Torres with 4 points, Sean Tucker, Riley Herridge, Matt Proulx, and Tristen Benavidez all with 2 points. Also contributing in this contest was Mason Coor, Zach McMeans, Jaden Huse and Nathan Ham.

In the 2nd game, Borden County got a forfeited victory over the Garden City Bearcats who did not have enough to play the game. The Coyotes then got their first shot at the Water Valley Wildcats. The Coyotes were outsized in every position on the floor, but with a gutsy effort the Coyotes pushed the Wildcats to the brink getting within two points at 29 to 27 in the 4th quarter before falling to the Wildcats in the consolation final 34 to 27. Scoring for the Coyotes

was Matt Proulx with 10 points, Riley Herridge with 6 points, Tristen Benavidez with 4 points, Sean Tucker with 3 points, and Matt Ham and Zach McMeans with 2 each. Also contributing in this contest was Mason Coor, Rickey Torres, Jaden Huse and Nathan Ham.

This past Friday, the Coyotes got a second chance to play these same Wildcats that

again were a head taller across the board at every position on the floor. Again, the coyotes played with a lot of heart and determination, but in the end, their inability to put the ball in the basket proved to much for the home team as they came out on the short end of a 28 to 22 score.

The Coyotes were outscored

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Matthew Ham (#00) flies through the air and hits the goal to score 2 points for the Coyote JV in last Fridays game against Water Valley.

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Coyotes Start Second Half of District Play With Victory Over Wildcats

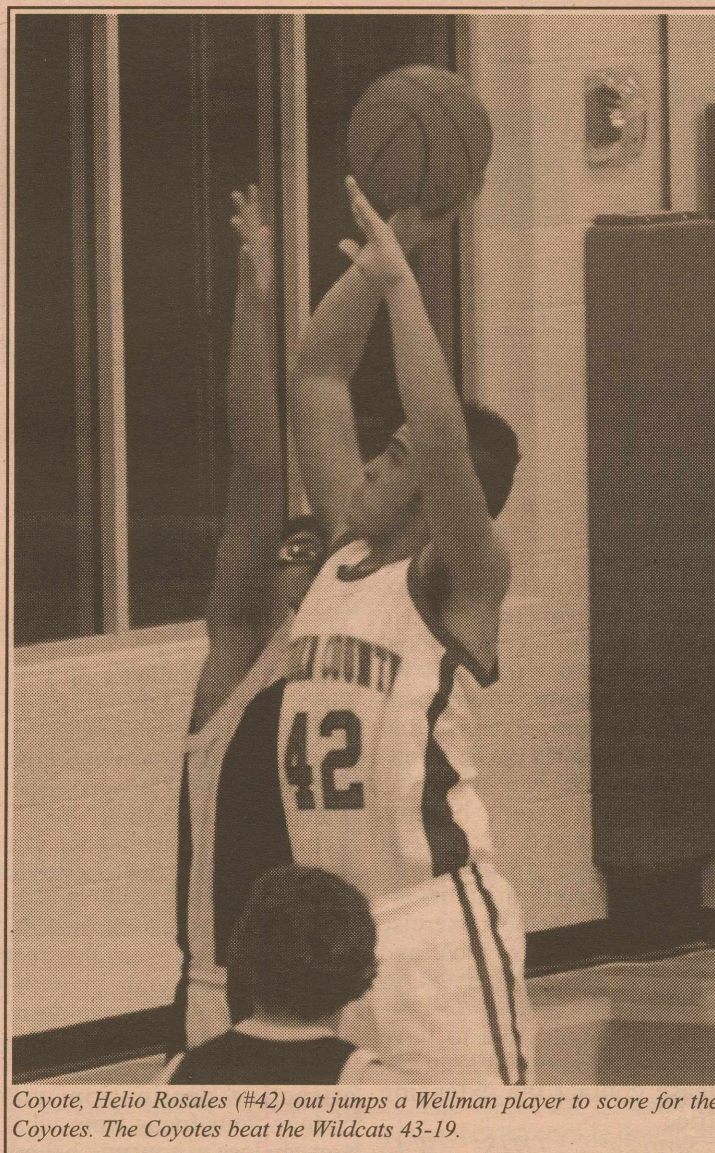
By Coach Richey

The Borden County Coyotes opened the 2nd half of district play by hosting the Wellman-Union Wildcats. A dominating 13 to 0 first quarter allowed the Coyotes to seize control of this contest from the very beginning. The Coyotes outscored the visiting Wildcats 12 to 8 to extend the lead to 25 to 8 at halftime.

In the 3rd quarter the Coyotes continued to pull away with another solid 11 to 7 quarter before both teams struggled a bit in the 4th but still the home team managed to extend a lead that was never threatened on the evening with the 7 to 4 advantage to bring the final tally

to 43 to 19 in favor of the Coyotes. The victory improved the Coyotes to 5-3 on the season and 5-3 in district play. With an O'Donnell loss, the Coyotes sit a game back of the Eagles for 3rd place as they are at 7-2 while Grady and Sands are both 8-1 on the season.

Scoring for the Coyotes in this game was Tanner Richey with 13 points, Collin Telchik with 10 points, Austin Tyler with 6 points, Quint Shafer with 5 points, Helio Rosales with 4 points, Jared Smith and Kurt Shafer with 2 each and Riley Smith with 1 point. The Coyotes will next travel to Klondike to play the cougars.



Coyote, Helio Rosales (#42) out jumps a Wellman player to score for the Coyotes. The Coyotes beat the Wildcats 43-19.

Pups Come Away With Two Victories Over the Mustangs

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Pups hosted the Sands Mustangs by playing an "A" and a "B" game on the evening. In the first matchup, the "B" game, the Pups outscored the visitors 14 to 6 in the 2nd half to come away with a 19 to 12 victory in front of the home town fans. Leading the way for the "B" team was Kace Lott with 7 points. Kale Yarbrow also had 7 points while Hunter Huse added 2 points. Dylan Murphy, Jayton Lewis and Braxton Coor all added a point each while Samuel Raborn contributed to the victory.

In the "A" team game, the Pups were hoping to avenge an earlier loss to the Mustangs. In this defensive tussle between

the Pups and the Mustangs the Coyote Pups avenged their earlier loss by outscoring the Mustangs 16 to 8 as the defense sagged in to take away the Mustangs good post player and as a result the Pups came away with a very impressive 25 to 16 victory.

Hunter Jones lead the offensive attack with 11 points, while Thomas Harrison added 6 points, Colby Pennell had 4 points, and Raedan Bland and Joel Andrade each contributed 2 points. Also contributing to the upset victory was Merrick Valentine, Robert Jordan and Nathan Souder.



Coyote Pup, Thomas Harrison manages to get around a Mustang in hopes of scoring for the Pups.

School Lunch Menu

Jan. 30-Feb. 3, 2012

Monday - Breakfast: Oatmeal & Toast, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes, Glazed Carrots, Strawberries & Bananas, Hot Roll and Milk.

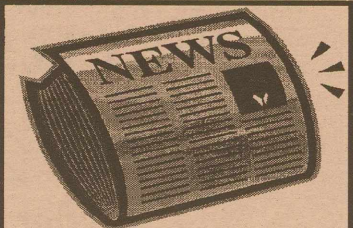
Tuesday - Breakfast: Muffin, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Crispy Taco, Lettuce & Tomato, Spanish Rice, Pinto Beans, Fancy Gelatin and Milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast: French Toast, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Spaghetti & Breadstick, Garden Salad, Green Beans, Mixed Fruit and Milk.

Thursday - Breakfast: Sausage & Biscuit, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: BBQ Chicken, Salad, Ranch Style Beans, Pears, Crackers and Milk.

Friday - Breakfast: Cheese Toast, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Submarine Sandwich, Lettuce, Tomato & Pickles, Chips, Sliced Peaches and Milk.

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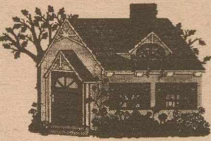
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Heart and Home ... 

by Julie Smith
Borden County Extension Agent-Family and Consumer Sciences

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Exercise and Arthritis

Arthritis can be a very painful disease, and sometimes exercise doesn't seem possible. However, exercising can be a relief method for the pain that you live with every day.

Here are a few tips to help you get started with an exercise plan!

- * Discuss exercise plans with your doctor - this is very important in order to reduce your risk of injuries.

- * Start with supervision from a physical therapist or qualified athletic trainer.

- * Apply heat to sore joints (optional; many people with arthritis start their exercise program this way).

- * Stretch and warm up with a range-of-motion exercises.

- * Start strengthening exercises slowly with small weights (a 1 or 2 pound weight can make a big difference).

- * Progress slowly.

- * Use cold packs after exercising (optional; many people with arthritis complete their exercise routine this

way).

- * Add aerobic exercise.

- * Consider appropriate recreational exercise (after doing range-of-motion, strengthening, and aerobic exercise). Fewer injuries to arthritic joints occur during recreational exercise if it preceded by range-of-motion, strengthening, and aerobic exercise that gets your body in the best condition possible.

- * Ease off if joints become painful, inflamed, or red and work with your doctor to find the cause and eliminate it.

- * Choose the best exercise program you enjoy most and make it a part of your everyday life.

If you would like to have more information on arthritis, please contact the extension office.

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shield. You wouldn't get very far without crashing if you only looked at what was behind you. Success means constantly making progress toward your destination.

In order to reach a goal, you have to direct your energy to winning. You have to free yourself from the fear of loss. How do you prevent this fear from limiting your growth? The first step is to have desirable goals. You want goals that excite and motivate you. An attractive destination will change your focus from what you can lose to how much there is to gain.

If your goals are important enough, your fear of loss will be minimized. On the other hand, if your goals aren't meaningful to you, you will have little interest in risking what you already have to work toward them.

There is little appeal in winning something you don't really want. It's hard to get excited about goals that aren't your own. There are many situations where someone has a goal that was imposed on them by someone else. In other circumstances, someone has a goal they feel they should have rather than one they sincerely want.

Develop goals you really want and you will willingly work toward them. If you find you are more concerned with not losing, you may not have suitable goals. Those that accomplish the most are the ones who devote their effort to winning.

Bryan is a management consultant, motivational speaker, author, and adjunct professor. E-mail Bryan at bryan@columnist.com. © 2004 Bryan Golden

'Deep In The Heart' Official Release Date is February 17th

"Deep in the Heart" reveals the true-life story of Mr. Richard "Dick" Wallrath. No one person has ever given more financially to the Texas 4-H and Texas FFA Scholarship Programs than Dick Wallrath. He has also provided tremendous financial assistance to 4-H and FFA members through major livestock show premium auctions.

We sincerely request that our Extension and 4-H Family support this emotion-packed documentary of Dick's life for two reasons. First, it could

have an impact on your own life. And secondly, because of Mr. Wallrath's continued generosity, a portion of all ticket sales will go to both Texas 4-H and Texas FFA to further strengthen their much needed scholarship programs.

Please promote the importance of the opening weekend of **February 17th**. The success of this opening weekend will dictate their plan for nationwide release. Of course, the more success the movie has, the more funds are contributed to Texas 4-H and Texas FFA.

Poka Lambro Now Accepting Applications for Scholarships

Poka Lambro is now accepting applications for \$2500 scholarships. Area high school students whose parents are customers of Poka Lambro may apply. Recipients are selected based on the following criteria:

- Academic achievement
- Involvement in extra-curricular activities
- Educator Recommendations

Eligibility requirements:

- Applicant must be graduating from an area high school
- The parent or legal guardian with whom the applicant resides must be a customer of Poka Lambro Scholarship Application forms have been mailed to area schools and may also be picked up from any Poka Lambro store. Entry deadline is March 5, 2012. For additional information, please contact Amy Preston at 800-422-2387.

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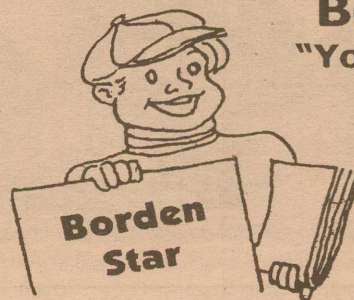
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4-H Food Challenge Teams

We will begin practice for the 4-H Food Challenge contest on Tuesday, January 17th from 3:45 to 5:00 in the Home Economics Lab. Please plan to attend if you wish to be on a team. The Food Challenge contest is made up of a team of 3-5 members work to prepare a dish with a set of ingredients in 40 minutes along with a brief presentation on nutrition, food safety, steps of preparation and cost per serving. Future practices will be held on Tuesday, January 31, Tuesday, February 7, Tuesday, February 14, and Tuesday, February 21 after school in the Home Ec Lab. The District Food Challenge contest will be held Monday, February 27th in Lubbock. For more information contact Julie Smith at the Extension office at (806)756-4336 or e-mail at julie.smith@agnet.tamu.edu

4-H Clothing Project


Youth interested in learning about fashion design, clothing selection, care, and basic construction techniques are invited to participate in the Clothing Project. Please bring \$10 for supplies (all materials will be provided). We will be meeting Monday, January 30 and Monday, February 6 from 3:45 to 5:30 p.m. in the Home Economics Lab at school. For more information contact Julie Smith at the Extension office at (806)756-4336 or e-mail at julie.smith@agnet.tamu.edu

4-H Photography Project

4-H Photography project will begin meeting on Thursday, February 16th after school. For more information contact Julie Smith at the Extension office at (806)756-4336 or e-mail at julie.smith@agnet.tamu.edu

County Educational Presentation Contest, Share-the-fun and Public Speaking Project

4-H'ers and parents interested in learning more about the Public Speaking Project should contact the Extension Office as soon as possible. Information is available to assist 4-H'ers and their parents in writing, presenting and preparing visuals for educational presentations (method demonstrations); as well as covering information about the public speaking contest and share-the-fun's. Share-the-fun categories include: Celebrate 4-H, choreographed routines, poet, vocal, band and musical. This project provides youth an excellent opportunity to develop public speaking skills, even if they hate to talk in front of others. 4-H'ers will present their prepared presentations at County 4-H Roundup. Participants will advance to District 4-H Roundup, which will be held on May 5th at Levelland Middle School in Levelland. **The deadline for entering a Public Speaking Contest is Wednesday, April 11.** For more information contact Julie Smith at the Extension office at (806)756-4336 or e-mail at julie.smith@agnet.tamu.edu



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Poka Lambro is providing FREE computer and Internet basics classes. A series of three classes are being offered over a three week period. Class one covers the absolute basics of what a computer is and what can be found through the Internet plus how to use e-mail and Facebook. The second

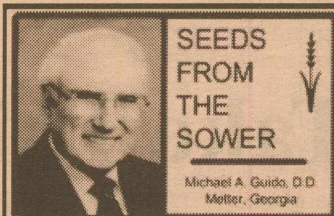
class reviews Facebook, e-mail and other necessary computer skills. The third class reviews everything and dives deeper into your questions.

There will also be a fourth class offered that will discuss how to use your digital camera and what to do with the pictures after you take them; you do not have to attend the first three classes to come to the camera class.

The first class will be held February 2nd at 2:00 p.m. at the Borden County Event Center, 127 Willow Valley Road Gail,

TX.

Classes are free but due to limited space and class size, pre-registration is required. Please pre-register by calling or stopping by the Poka Lambro Store. Classes will be on-going and will be offered on Thursdays at various Poka Lambro store locations. So if you miss this one – don't worry. We'll be back. Contact Poka Lambro to find out when the next series of classes will be held in your area. 800-422-2387.



Dwight Eisenhower once said, "I do many things that are urgent but few things that are important."

What a revealing statement from one who successfully served his country as a general and president. It would be good to make it a question for each of us as we enter this new year: How do I separate the urgent from the important?

Or should we begin with the question: What is the difference between something that is urgent and something that is important?

Something urgent suggests I must give my immediate attention to an event that is happening now! Important, on the other hand, means that something of significance, value or consequence to me is occurring. I quickly answer a ringing phone because it is annoying and gets my immediate attention. I answered it with urgency, but the call was unimportant.

Our Scripture for today talks about the difference between urgent and important. The Rich Fool was overly concerned about wealth and was in a hurry to expand his financial worth. But Jesus said, "Guard against greed and focus on your relationship with God."

As we enter 2012, we need to make certain that our number one priority as Christians is our relationship with God. We must constantly focus on Him and closely follow Him every day by communicating with Him daily.

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Extra FFA Cookie Dough and Meat Items Available

By Buddy Wallace

The Gail FFA Chapter has several extra cookie dough and meat items available from their fall sales. Anyone wishing to purchase extra items can contact Buddy Wallace at 806/756-4313 (School) or 806/543-2118 (Cell) email: bwallace@bcisd.net

The Gail FFA Chapter once again thanks the community for all of their fund-raiser support!

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Thought for the Day

Praise Him for dreaming up such a fantastically innovative, glorious, gracious plan whereby you and I can face anything this world can throw at us, not due to our ability but to His ability through us.

-Bill Gillham



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JV Lady Coyotes Handle Wellman-Union Lady Cats

By Coach Benavidez

The Borden County JV squad hosted the Wellman-Union Wildcats this past Friday. The BCJV was back at full roster strength with all six young ladies suiting up for this game. However, Mollie McMeans, recovering from illness from earlier in the week was back, but not at full strength. Her sister Mallory and the rest of the ladies on the team were sure glad to see her on the court again.

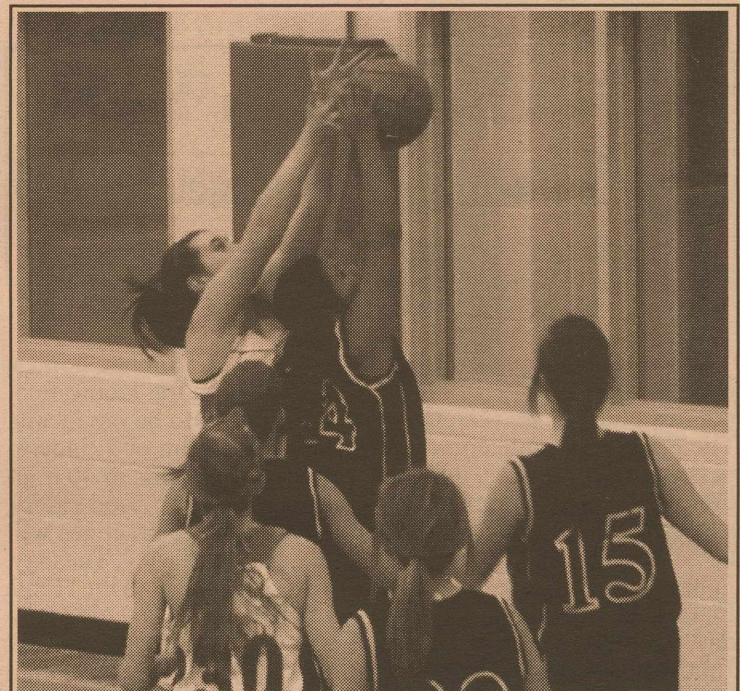
This game against Wellman-Union was a much more closely contested game

than the one before with Loop. The BCJV would not enjoy a wide scoring margin in this game. While the Lady Coyotes never ended a quarter trailing, the Lady Cats were never too far behind.

Despite great defense from Clair Shafer, McKenna Campbell, Shea Burkett, Mallory McMeans and Bailey Robinson the Wellman squad was able to put some balls in the basket. The first quarter ended with a score of 5-4, advantage Borden County. Next quarter ended at 13-9. The

third quarter ended 23-14. The fourth quarter was hair-raising as the Lady Cats were able to score, but not more than the Lady Coyotes as the game ended with a score of 29-23.

The scoring for this game is as follows McKenna Campbell 8, Mallory McMeans 7, Shea Burkett 6, Clair Shafer 4, Bailey Robinson 2, Mollie McMeans 2. Once again, the Borden County JV prevailed as the top team in District 8. Keep it up, Ladies!



Lady Coyote, McKenna Campbell tries to stop a Wellman-Union Lady Wildcat score. The Lady Coyotes scored a victory against the Lady Wildcats with a final score of 29-23.

Junior High Girls Take Third Place at Sands Annual Tournament

By Coach Skelton

The Junior High Girls headed to Sands this past Saturday to participate in Sands annual Junior Tournament. They opened up tournament play against Klondike, and it was non-stop action right from the start.

Klondike jumped out to an early lead, but Cheyenne Tucker hit a buzzer beating

three at the end of the first quarter to pull the girls within three points. The second quarter was dead even with both teams scoring seven points, and the ladies went into half time down three.

The defense which played extremely the entire tournament came out ready to work, and by the end of the third quarter

the girls had knotted up the game. Unfortunately the ladies just couldn't keep up that momentum throughout the second half, and fell to Klondike with the final score 32-25. However Coach Skelton had nothing but high praises for the effort the girls showed. "I really thought Tatum Richey, Kylee Dean, and Krysten Rebeles did a heck

of a job along with others on the defensive end, and then Zoie Key and Cheyenne Tucker had their better offensive day."

"I also can't express how happy I was with the kids coming off the bench Sydnee Jordan, Madison Benavidez, and Holley Bradbury were put into a tough situation today." We ran a three quarter court press that I just showed them on Friday and told everyone it was something I just wanted to look at and not to worry I wouldn't run it with anyone, but the starters." "However it was working so well for us that when we got into foul trouble I didn't really want to get out of it so I threw them in the deep end of the pool, and said get after it." "They did fantastic and hustled like they knew what they were doing even if they weren't 100% in the right spot, and you got to love that stuff."

Scorers for the game were Tatum Richey 7, Kylee Dean 6, Cheyenne Tucker and Zoie Key 5, Maddie Benavidez 2.

The Third place game was against Dawson and the girls where amped to play. This

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The Missy Coyotes took third place in this past weekends' Sands Tourney. Pictured are team members (back row left to right) Hayley Gray, Maddie Benavidez, Zoie Key, Holly Bradbury, Sydnee Jordan, Lexi Cheatham, Krysten Rebeles, (front row left to right) Kylee Dean, Avery Price, Tatum Richey, Cheyenne Tucker and Channing Miller.

JV Boys Fall Short...

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4 to 5 in the 1st, then 6 to 8 in the 2nd. They were outscored 5 to 7 in the 3rd when they actually took a short lead before the Wildcats rallied back. In the 4th quarter the Wildcats outscored them 7 to 8 to bring our final tally to 22-28 in favor of the visiting Wildcats. Sean Tucker had 6 points, Ricky Torres and Matt Ham each had 4 points, Matt Proulx and Tristen Benavidez had 3 points apiece and Zach McMeans added 2 points. Also playing was Mason Coor, Jaden Huse, Riley Herridge and Nathan Ham.

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Commissioners' Court

WHEREAS, On this the 10th day of January, 2012, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Regular Session in the Commissioners Court room in the courthouse of Gail, Texas, the following members of the court being present, to-wit:

ROSS D. SHARP, County Judge, Presiding; **MONTE SMITH**, Commissioner, Precinct N. 1; **RANDY ADCOCK**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 2; **ERNEST REYES**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3; **JOE BELEW**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 4; **JANA UNDERWOOD** Deputy County Clerk and Ex-Officio of the Commissioners Court, with Joyce Herridge, County Clerk, absent due to continuing education and constituting a quorum, when the following proceedings were had, in accordance with the posted agenda.

Other officers present: Sharlot Stone, County Treasurer.

MINUTES APPROVED
Minutes of the Commissioners Court Meeting of December 27, 2011 were read. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve said minutes. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

COUNTY OFFICER MONTHLY REPORTS
Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve, accept and file submitted reports in the County Clerk's office. Commissioner Belew seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2012 ELECTED OFFICIALS & EMPLOYEES SALARY SCHEDULE
Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve 2012 salary schedule as published for elected officials and employees. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PURCHASING AUTHORIZATION
Commissioner Belew made a motion to table agenda item for further review of HB 1694 concerning chapter 262 of the Local Government Code regarding the purchasing authority within the county. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2010 COUNTY AUDIT
Commissioner Adcock made a motion to table agenda item and asked that Judge Sharp contact Don Stephens, CPA, PC, to attend next Commissioners court meeting to address questions they might have on the audit. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

DIVISION ORDER
Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve Division Order for Echols 7 #2 on Borden County School land in Dawson and Martin counties. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE PRE-CLEARANCE
Commissioner Smith made a motion to accept the pre-clearance issued by the Department of Justice for the 2010 submission of new Commissioner, Justice of the peace, and election precincts. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE COUNTY EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK
Commissioner Belew made a motion to implement the new revisions to the employee handbook. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PLAINS COMMUNITY CENTER REPAIRS
Commissioner Smith made a motion to disburse the insurance funds received for the Plains Community Center to the committee in charge of the center, which would enable them to handle the repairs to the building as needed. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

BURN BAN
Commissioner Adcock made a motion to LEAVE BURN BAN IN EFFECT. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PRIVATE ROAD CONSTRUCTION/ MAINTENANCE
No request received.
SOIL CONSERVATION WORK
No request received.

APPLICATIONS FOR PIPELINE CROSSING
Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve the

3 applications for pipeline crossings to be constructed in Precinct 2 along CR 244, CR 247 and CR249. Commissioner Belew seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CURRENT ACCOUNT
Commissioner Smith made a motion to pay said accounts. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit
Tumbleweed Smith

Art From McDonald's Hamburgers

Ben Campbell calls himself eccentric and tries to live up to that description. He finished his studies at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin a couple of years ago and in the process distinguished himself as the most unusual person on campus. Once he walked around completely covered in tinfoil. He went to class, the library, snack bar, everywhere completely wrapped up in the shiny material. When he checked out a book from the library, the person behind the desk made him show his face to make sure it matched his student ID card. Another time he covered a huge plaza area with about fifty student bodies to form the outline of his face. He had photographers take pictures of it. Get the idea? Ben Campbell does interesting things.

He recently had the first showing of his latest traveling exhibit. It took place in the lobby of the gymnasium at Sands high School in Ackerly, just around the corner from where he lives. Another show is scheduled for Lubbock in early February. I've never seen anything like it. He bought hundreds of dollars' worth of McDonald's hamburgers and French fries, ground them up in a food processor, added some epoxy and used the resulting material to make exceptional sculptures. One is a complete life-size skeleton, accurate in every detail, including the teeth. It's for sale at \$20,000. See Ben's work at www.beneverywhere.net.

"Mummies and pyramids are very iconic of Egypt," says Ben. "McDonald's is iconic of the United States. I want

ried.

ADJOURN

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

THE FOREGOING MINUTES READ AND APPROVED THIS THE 24th day of January, 2012.

Missy Coyotes...

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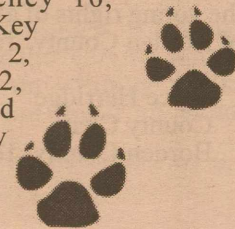
game would be a game of match ups. Dawson without a doubt had the height advantage and had some quick guards to go with them. "I have told them time and time again height doesn't equal talent, and if we put pressure on their guards they won't be able to throw to that height." The girls listened and got right after them in their new press.

This first quarter found the Ladies up 10-6 with Zoie Key hitting one of her two 3 point shoots of the game. "One of the great things about our kids is you never really know who is going to step up." In this game Cheyenne played extremely well on the back of our press, and Zoie knocked down shots. Tatum and LD scored just as much on creating off the bounce and shooting as they did stealing the ball and making layups." Halftime the Ladies found themselves up 23-15 and finished the game 39-25, which is their most productive output of the season scoring wise.

"I can't say it enough we talk about effort more than anything else, and then paying attention would be a very close second." "When you see kids get out there and run the stuff you are teaching them and they are doing things right it makes you very proud." Avery Price runs the offense, puts herself in the right spot and is able to get a shot out of it. Did it go in, no, but was it the right shot absolutely, and Hayley Gray has the presence of mind to stay up the floor to help inbound the ball when everyone else has already ran down the floor. Channing Miller is out there running the offense keeps her head up and gets at least one assist if not two."

This tournament was just an awesome example of how far they have come this year.

Scorers for the game were Richey 16, Dean 10, Key 7, Tucker 2, Jordan 2, a n d Bradbury 2.



people to see beauty in this kind of messed up situation we're in and laugh at it. If we don't laugh at ourselves it's up to future generations to laugh at our mistakes."

He dried out the food at a low temperature for about two days, then added a clear boat epoxy and poured the material into a rubber mold he made. The result is a McDonald's Mummy that he says should last for a thousand years. "I used all the stuff that comes in the McDouble

hamburger: pickles, onions, mustard, bun and everything, but I ordered them without cheese."

Ben has created abstract oil paintings featuring the McDonald arches and images of hamburgers that start out at \$5,000 for serious collectors. He has other paintings in the \$200 price range.

In 2010, he took a regular McDonald hamburger and a small order of fries and put them in a glass case. Today they look the same as when he put them there. The price tag on those is just \$50. "If McDonald's food is left in a dry situation, it will not deteriorate."

He just used the food for now, but later he plans to make a sarcophagus (coffin for a mummy) of the paper and cardboard containers that accompanied the hamburgers and fries. The name of his show is TOMB OF THE MCMUMMIES. It includes skeleton heads (\$650). "It took quite a bit of research to figure out how to work with the food," says Ben.

"And of course I had to keep my dogs away."

Legal Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Bi-County Shared Services Arrangement (SSA) and formerly known as Bi-County Special Education Cooperative, is hereby giving notice of the destruction of inactive student records. This is being done in accordance with local, state, and federal guidelines. Records designated to be destroyed are: 1) Special education Student Records from Borden County ISD, Dawson ISD, and Klondike ISD; and 2) dated on or before May 31, 2002. Any persons wishing to obtain their individual records from Bi-County SSA, must contact Becky Nix, director, at 806/756-4313 ext. 3. Fax requests can be sent to 806/756-4335. Bi-County SSA is located at 315 W. Kincaid/P.O. Box 95, Gail, Texas 79738. The date of this notice is January 3, 2012.

County of Borden
State of Texas

PUBLIC NOTICE OF CHANGES IN ELECTION PRECINCTS

Pursuant to 42.035, Texas Election Code, the Commissioners Court of Borden County, Texas, herein provides notice of changes in County political boundaries as adopted by the Commissioners Court, and as precleared by the United States Department of Justice on the 22nd day of December, 2011.

Interested individuals may review the adopted changes in the office of the County Clerk during regular business hours.

The changes in county election precincts were necessitated by redistricting of County Commissioners Court precincts in compliance with the United States Constitution and 42 U.S.C. 1973, also known as the Voting Rights Act, following the release of 2010 census data. Changes in County election precincts were designed to achieve numerical balance between the four commissioners court precincts, and to insure the voting rights of all citizens of Borden County, Texas.

Joyce Herridge
County Clerk
Borden County, Texas

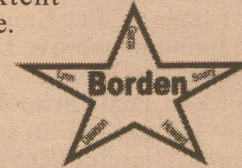
STATEMENT OF NONDISCRIMINATION

Lyntegar Electric Cooperative, Inc. is the recipient of Federal financial assistance from the Rural Utilities Service, an agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and is subject to the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the U.S. Department of Agriculture which provide that no person the United States on the basis of race, color, religion,

sex, national origin, or handicap shall be excluded from participation in, admission or access to, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any of this organization's programs or activities.

The person responsible for coordinating this organization's nondiscrimination compliance efforts is Greg Henley, CEO. Any individual, or specific class of individuals, who feels that this organization has subjected them to discrimination may obtain further information about the statutes and regula-

tions listed above from and/or file a written complaint with this organization; or the Secretary, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250; or the Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Washington, D.C. 20250. Complaints must be filed within 180 days after the alleged discrimination. Confidentiality will be maintained to the extent possible.



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BORDEN COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2011

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects	Other Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES:					
Total Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 8,019,281	\$ 2,324,060	\$ 220,253	\$ 149,386	\$ 10,712,980
State Program Revenues	2,480,904	-	-	5,849	2,486,753
Federal Program Revenues	63,566	-	-	267,417	330,983
Total Revenues	10,563,751	2,324,060	220,253	422,652	13,530,716
EXPENDITURES:					
Current:					
Instruction	1,530,444	-	-	289,479	1,819,923
Instructional Resources and Media Services	35,096	-	-	-	35,096
Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development	5,520	-	-	3,015	8,535
Instructional Leadership	6,778	-	-	122,397	129,175
School Leadership	61,188	-	-	-	61,188
Guidance, Counseling and Evaluation Services	9,618	-	-	5,069	14,687
Health Services	69,752	-	-	-	69,752
Student (Pupil) Transportation	273,822	-	196,617	-	470,439
Food Services	254,733	-	-	-	254,733
Extracurricular Activities	325,994	-	-	190	326,184
General Administration	357,668	-	-	2,300	359,968
Facilities Maintenance and Operations	948,485	-	-	202	948,687
Security and Monitoring Services	1,800	-	-	-	1,800
Data Processing Services	186,042	-	-	-	186,042
Community Services	67,099	-	-	-	67,099
Debt Service:					
Principal on Long Term Debt	-	715,000	-	-	715,000
Interest on Long Term Debt	-	1,148,688	-	-	1,148,688
Capital Outlay:					
Facilities Acquisition and Construction	-	-	16,674,653	-	16,674,653
Intergovernmental:					
Contracted Instructional Services Between Schools	4,279,811	-	-	-	4,279,811
Payments to Fiscal Agent/Member Districts of SSA	45,784	-	-	-	45,784
Other Intergovernmental Charges	163,376	-	-	-	163,376
Total Expenditures	8,623,010	1,863,688	16,871,270	422,652	27,780,620
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	1,940,741	460,372	(16,651,017)	-	(14,249,904)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):					
Sale of Real and Personal Property	2,656	-	-	-	2,656
Other (Uses)	(9,076)	-	-	-	(9,076)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(6,420)	-	-	-	(6,420)
Net Change in Fund Balances	1,934,321	460,372	(16,651,017)	-	(14,256,324)
Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	2,789,813	3,742	33,398,204	-	36,191,759
Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$ 4,724,134	\$ 464,114	\$ 16,747,187	\$ -	\$ 21,935,435