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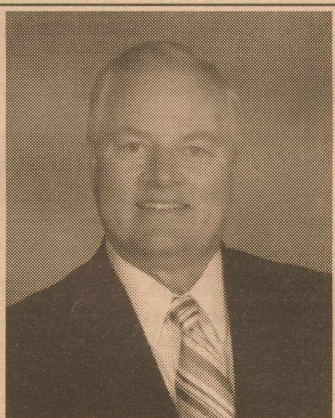
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2013-2014 School Year to Begin on August 26th

*Dear Students, Parents and Borden
County School Community:*



Jimmy Thomas
Superintendent

The 2013-2014 school year will begin on Monday, August 26, 2013. The official school day will begin at 8:05 a.m. and conclude at 3:33 p.m. each day.

New employees for the 2013-2014 school year are as follows:

Mrs. Wendy Allison-
Bi-County SSA
Mrs. Laurie
Etheredge-Food Services
Mrs. Amy Pennell-
Food Services
Mrs. Meagan Skelton-
Instructional Aide
High School students in the

eleventh and twelfth grades will continue to have the opportunity to earn college credit according to state guidelines and testing criteria. Many of our students will graduate from high school with a year of earned college credit due to this outstanding opportunity.

All Borden County students will continue to receive free meals during the 2013-2014 school year. A wonderful learning environment is provided for the students of the Borden County School that emphasizes safety and success for all students. Our desire for the upcoming school year is for every child of the Borden County School to have a successful educational and social experience. Your support and involvement is needed and appreciated. We would like to

commend our community and staff for their dedication and support in providing an outstanding educational opportunity for our students. We encourage your continued involvement in your child's educational experience. Please contact your child's teacher/s or the school administration if your child is having problems in classes or extracurricular activities. Your involvement and intervention is the best way to prevent problems relating to your child's educational success and positive school experience. Please feel free to call (806-756-4313) as needed.

We anticipate another successful school year with the support of the school, community, student, and parents!

Sincerely,
Jimmy Thomas



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Dare to Live Without Limits

By Bryan Golden

Intuition-That Little Voice Inside You

You've had it happen, probably more than once. You make a decision or take some action, but there is that little voice in the back of your mind telling you not to do it. Then later on, if it turns out you made a mistake, you'll readily admit that you knew you shouldn't have done it.

But you proceeded anyway, in spite of your so-called better judgement. Why? Is there something within your subconscious mind that is able to make better decisions than your conscious self? Everyone has that little voice called intuition. Too often, to our detriment, it's ignored.

Surprisingly, there are people who refuse to pay attention to their intuition, even when it's proven that it is correct. Repeatedly, these people ignore their better judgement only to continually make mistakes. There is nothing wrong with making a mistake. Ignoring guidance that could help avoid making the wrong decision is a waste.

Exactly how intuition works is not really known. However, its uncanny accuracy is proven time and time again. Some people develop a highly tuned sensitivity to it. Others block

it out to the point that they are not even aware of its existence.

Your intuition is a special internal navigator. Your brain has much more power than you consciously tap into. It's capable of doing things you don't really understand. Whether you call it a gut feeling, a little voice, a nagging inside you, or a bad feeling is irrelevant. It is all the same thing.

Here's another example. Someone you meet for the first time makes you feel uncomfortable. You can't put your finger on anything specific. The person is pleasant yet you don't feel right. Your subconscious mind is picking up something you can't see. If you have enough interaction with the person, the reason for your uneasiness will eventually come to the surface.

You can develop your intuition. First recognize it exists. Next listen to it. Your intuition works best when you step back and take some time to contemplate your situation while considering various options. Allow your mind to work to bring the best course of action.

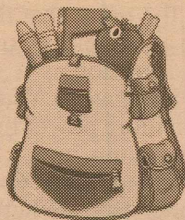
Whenever your intention conflicts with your intuition,

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Borden County Elementary School Supply List 2013-2014

Kindergarten: Elmer's school glue (not paste), 2-glue sticks, 2-boxes of 16 Crayons, Scissors (Fiskars for kids), 12-#2 pencils Big eraser, Towel for nap time, Baby wipes/wet wipes (2 box), 1 box-Kleenex, Gym Shoes.

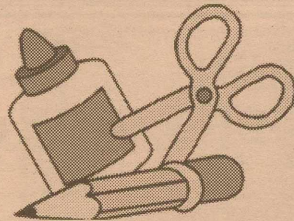
First Grade: 2-Boxes of 16 Crayons, 12-#2 Pencils, Scissors, 2 bottles Elmer's Glue, 2-Glue sticks, 2-Boxes Kleenex, 2-Pink eraser, Gym shoes, 1 bottle of sanitizer, 1 pkg baby wipes. **NO FOLDERS AND NO SPIRAL NOTEBOOKS PLEASE!**



Second Grade: 24-#2 Pencils, 2 boxes of 16 ct. crayons or more, 2 Bottles Elmer's Glue, 2 Glue sticks, Flexible ruler, Scissors (Fiskars for Kids), Erasers, 2 Boxes Kleenex, 1-Spiral Notebook, 1-Box Wipes, Gym shoes. **No folders or pencil sharpeners, please.**

Third Grade: 1-3"-ring binder, 1-Ruler (metric & standard), 4-Red pens, 1 Bottle school glue, 2-Glue sticks, 3-Pocket folders (no brads), 24-#2 Pencils, Crayons, Scissors, 1 Box Kleenex, 1 Box wet wipes, 8 dividers, 1 Pkg. notebook paper (wide ruled), 1 Pkg. 3X5 index cards, Composition book, Gym shoes. **Girls-Bring box**

of zip lock sandwich bags. **Boys-Bring box of zip lock quart size bags.**



Fourth Grade: 1-Large 3 ring binder, 1-Pkg. notebook paper, 1-Set of subject dividers, 2-Spiral notebooks, Markers, Crayons, 12- #2 Pencils, 1-Composition book, 1-Ruler (metric & standard), Glue stick, Scissors, 1-Bottle Elmer's school glue, 1-Box Kleenex, Gym shoes. **Girls-** 1 box of quart size zip lock freezer bags. **Boys-** 1 box of gallon size zip lock freezer bags.

Fifth Grade: 1-1 inch 3 ring binder, 1-set of dividers w/tabs (8), 1-Pocket folder of choice, 2-Composition notebooks (not spiral notebooks), 1-Box #2 pencils (may be mechanical), 1-Pkg. wide ruled notebook paper, 4-Red grad-ing pens, 1-Black sharpie, 2-Large glue sticks, 1-Bottle Elmer's school glue, 1-Box 24 Crayons, Colored pencils, Crayola Washable Markers, Ruler w/ both inches and centimeters, Scissors, Highlighters, 1-Boxes of Kleenex, Gym shoes. **Girls-** 1 Box Quart size zip-lock bags and 1 container of hand soap. **Boys-** 1 Box of Gallon size zip-lock bags and 1 container of hand sanitizer.

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Tucker Wins Saddle at Lamesa Rodeo



Sean Tucker (left), Borden High School junior, won the Lamesa Rodeo Association tie-down calf roping saddle. The top five ropers from the Association roped during the Thursday night performance of the Lamesa Rodeo, held August 1-3. Sean successfully roped three head to win the saddle. Sean traveled to Glen Rose on Saturday, August 10 and roped in the Ultimate Calf Roping championships. Sean placed second in the #12 Calf Roping to bring home a championship buckle and \$3,886.00. Sean narrowly missed winning first place and another saddle by one-hundredth of a second.

MEET THE COYOTES!

Thursday, August 22nd

Coyotes vs. Lorenzo
at 6 pm



COYOTES Meet the Coyotes
following scrimmage



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COOKIES, BROWNIES & OTHER
TREATS

School Lunch Menu

March 11 - 15, 2008

Menu subject to
change

Monday - Breakfast: Cinnamon Pastry, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken Quesadilla, Salsa, Garden Salad, Refried Beans, Applesauce and Milk.

Tuesday - Breakfast: Mini Pancakes & Sausage, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Country Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Strawberry Cup and Milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast: Mini Corn Dogs, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken Fajitas, Tortill Chips (9 grade only), Charro Beans, Corn, Salsa, Orange Smiles and Milk.

Thursday - Breakfast: Blueberry Muffin & Yogurt, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Popcorn Chicken, Garden Salad, Baby arrots, Apple Slices, Breadstick and Milk.

Friday - Breakfast: Cereal & Animal Crackers, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Fish Strips, Texas Toast, Sweet Potato Fries, Coleslaw, Sliced Peaches and Milk.

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Borden County Football 2013 Schedule

Week #	Date	Day	Opponent	Site	Time
Scrimmage	Aug. 17 th	Saturday	Ropes	Ropes	10:00
Scrimmage	Aug. 22 nd	Thursday	Lorenzo	Here	6:00
#0	Aug. 29 th	Thursday	New Castle	Jayton	6:00
#1	Sept. 6 th	Friday	Garden City	Here	7:30
#2	Sept. 13 th	Friday	Rankin	There	7:30
#3	Sept. 20 th	Friday	Hermleigh	Here	7:30
#4	Sept. 27 th	Friday	Dawson	There	7:30
#5	Oct. 4 th	Friday	Water Valley	Here	7:30
#6	Oct. 11 th	Friday	Open	TBA	TBA
#7	Oct. 17 th	Thursday	Plainview Christian	Here	7:00
*#8	Oct. 25 th	Friday	Klondike	There	7:30
*#9	Nov. 1 st	Friday	Grady	There	7:30
*#10	Nov. 8 th	Friday	O'Donnell	Here	7:30

** District Opponents for 2012 - 2013: O'Donnell, Klondike, and Grady

Head Coach: **Trey Richey**
 Assistant Coaches: **Peter Benavidez**
Mike Skelton
Bubba Edwards

Borden County Football Junior Varsity 2013 Schedule

Week #	Date	Day	Opponent	Site	Time
Scrimmage	Aug. 17 th	Saturday	Ropes	Ropes	10:00
Scrimmage	Aug. 22-23	Thur-Fri	TBA	TBA	6:00
#0	Aug. 27 th	Tuesday	TBA	TBA	6:00
#1	Sept. 5 th	Thursday	Garden City	There	6:30
#2	Sept. 12 th	Thursday	Rankin	Here	7:00
#3	Sept. 19 th	Thursday	Hermleigh	There	7:00
#4	Sept. 26 th	Thursday	Dawson	Here	7:00
#5	Oct. 3 rd	Thursday	Water Valley	There	7:00
#6	Oct. 10 th	Thursday	TBA	TBA	TBA
#7	Oct. 17 th	Thursday	TBA	TBA	TBA
*#8	Oct. 24 th	Thursday	Klondike	Here	7:00
*#9	Oct. 31 st	Thursday	Grady	Here	7:00
*#10	Nov. 7 th	Thursday	O'Donnell	There	7:00

Coaches: **Trey Richey**
Peter Benavidez
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Attention Borden County Parents

All 6th grade students entering the 7th grade during the 2012-2013 school year are required to show evidence of new vaccinations upon entering school in the fall. Two doses of Varicella, one dose of Meningococcal and a TDAP booster are the new requirements for this grade level.

You may choose to have your child immunized at the health department or by your family physician during the summer; however, evidence of completed vaccinations will be required upon the first day of entry into the 7th grade.

Please present an updated copy of your child's immunizations to the school secretary or school nurse upon entering the first day of school.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Kim Thomas R.N.



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BORDEN COUNTY ISD BUS BID REQUEST


The Superintendent's Office, on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District, will receive bids for one 14 passenger school bus and one 29 passenger school bus.

Proposals shall be addressed to Jimmy Thomas, Borden County Independent School District; Box 95, Gail, Texas 79738, and shall be delivered in a sealed envelope marked "BUS BID". Proposals will be received up to but no later than 12:00 noon on Friday, August 23, 2013. Bids will be opened and read as they are received. Proposals will be tabulated, researched, and presented to the Board Of Trustees for their consideration at the next scheduled meeting. Bids received after the specified date will not be considered.

The Borden County ISD Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposed bids, to waive any and all technicalities, and to accept the proposal that will best serve the needs of the District.

Questions regarding bid specifications and additional information shall be directed to Jimmy Thomas by writing the above address; by e-mailing to jthomas@bcisd.net or by calling (office 806-756-4313), (cell 806-759-5467), or (fax 806-756-4310).

By Order of the Board of Trustees
 Borden County Independent School District
 Mike Valentine, Secretary

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Don't Sweat It: You're Covered

Think about when you sweat. After running around at recess? Playing sports? Just standing in the sun on a hot summer day? In each of these cases, your body is trying to get cooler. When you are hot, you sweat. Your body makes sweat inside tiny coiled tubes buried in your skin, called sweat glands. The average person has over 2 million of them! Sweat is released onto the surface of your skin through small openings called pores. It may not feel like it when you're sweating a lot, but the water in your sweat is always drying on your skin. As it dries, it carries away some of the extra heat from your body. This process is known as evaporation.

What are Electrolytes

Besides water, you release minerals called electrolytes. Your body needs electrolytes so your nerves can talk to each other, your muscles can contract and move as they're supposed to, and you maintain the right balance of water in your cells. The most abundant electrolytes found in your body are sodium, potassium, and chloride. When you sweat, these


electrolytes come together to form salts that give sweat a salty taste. Keeping the right amounts of water and electrolytes in your body is important. Without enough of either, your muscles can become weak or can cramp up. You may also get a headache or feel dizzy.

Water is Best

For exercise or play that lasts 30 minutes or less, drinking plenty of water is best. Our bodies usually get enough electrolytes from what we eat and drink during the day. For example, bananas and potatoes are full of potassium. Athletes who are very active for long periods of time can lose a lot of electrolytes as they sweat. In that case, they need to replace these electrolytes. That's why you may see athletes gulp sports drinks as well

as water as they play. Remember, to do your best at sports, stay hydrated with plenty of water. Luckily, you do not have worry about staying cool; your body has it covered—with sweat!

Source: American Chemical Society - Celebrating Chemistry article



SCHOOL DAYS
 Are Here Again!

A new school year is here again!!!! The time is right to begin with enthusiasm to forward your education & prepare for the future that lies ahead!!

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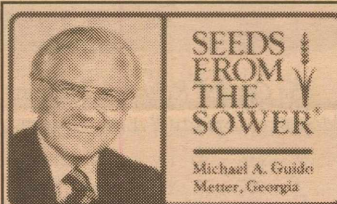
Thought for the Day

The coin of health has illness on the other side. The currency of joy has sorrow on the reverse. Turn the coin of serenity and there is the stamp of worry.

You always have to take what is underneath and reckon with that too.

Happiness rests on sorrow, life upon death, calm upon turmoil. Each day has its night.

-Jacob Rudin



A teacher was encouraging his class to be kind and think of the needs of the people around them. "Remember, kids, you were put here to help others."

"But," protested one of the students, "what were the others put here for?"

Where would we be if no one helped us? What if no one taught us to read or write or do arithmetic? Sometimes we forget to think about all of the help that others have given us and focus only on ourselves. It is hard to imagine where we would be if no one had ever helped us.

So, if we have been helped, should we not also do the same for others? We need to have a goal that reminds us to help everyone we can.

As we seek to help others, God will help us. May we never forget that every time we help pull someone uphill, we will find ourselves getting closer to the top.

Just for today, rather than pointing a finger at someone, hold out a helping hand.

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Dare to Live...

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it's time to pause without taking any action. You first need to resolve why there is a conflict with your inner voice. If you proceed without further thought and analysis, you are increasing the odds for unfavorable results.

Your inner voice is there to serve you. It's your ally, not your adversary. People get into trouble when they act before they think. Often they behave as if they are in a race with time. This haste is self-imposed causing them to act impulsively rather than prudently.

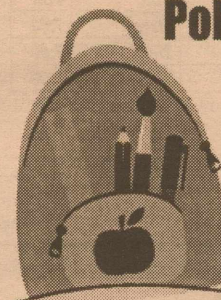
There is really no rush. It takes relatively little extra time to step back, listen to your inner voice, and fully analyze your various options. A little introspection yields big benefits. You don't want to lament having rushed into something.

If you analyze bad decisions you have made, you will probably find you acted hastily, didn't think first, and ignored your gut feel. This cycle doesn't have to repeat itself. It's easy to break out of it. People who reiterate this pattern invariably complain that they don't understand why problems consistently seek them out.

Everyone has intuition. Some have ignored it so long they don't realize it exists. Others pay attention when those internal alarms go off. You decide which category you want to be in. The more you use your intuition, the better it will get.

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Hensley, Yarbrough Exchange Vows in Witchia Falls



Mr. & Mrs. John Hensley
...nee Meagan Yarbrough

John Hensley of O'Donnell and Meagan Yarbrough of Ackerly were married at the Faith Baptist Church of Wichita Falls on July 13, at 2 p.m.

The Rev. Scott Hensley of Rule performed the ceremony.

The groom is the son of Randy and Donelle Hensley of O'Donnell. He is the grandson of Nelva Jones of Fluvanna and the late Don Jones and the late Jo and Pat Hensley.

The bride is the daughter of Tommy and Monica Staggs of Ackerly and Mark and Tiffany Yarbrough of Big Spring. She is the granddaughter of John (Huck) and Peggy Huckabee of Big Spring, Lee and Loretta Yarbrough of Forsan, Allen and Judy Herzer of Humble, Jerry and Marilyn Staggs of Ackerly and Byron and Turnbow of Brownfield.

The registry table was decorated with a purple tablecloth overlaid with a grey chevron table square and was centered with the guest book and a small arrangement.

An easel with a canvas portrait of the bride was placed near the registry table.

On a second table, decorated identically to the registry table, a large picture of the couple was displayed in an ornate white frame. Surrounding the photograph were black and white pictures of the couple's parents and grandparents wedding days. Each photo was in a different ornate frame.

The bride's brother, Jared Staggs, the bride's stepbrother Stormy Emery, Eric Espinoza and Mason Lowery ushered family and friends to their seats in the church.

The ushers were attired in dove grey dress pants with a white shirt and purple ties.

Danny Dukatnik of Whitharral performed romantic music on the keyboard. He was accompanied by vocalist Allyson Wall of Ackerly who sang "When I Say I Do" by Matthew West.

The sanctuary was decorated with a simple arbor centered on the stage embellished

with lights and tulle. Candelabras were flanked by purple floral arrangements.

The aisle was lined with purple and white flower petals. The pews were marked with lace-covered Mason jars holding a single white hydrangea in each one.

The bride was escorted along the aisle to her groom by her father and stepfather.

She chose a Vera Wang ivory wedding gown adorned by a corded lace bodice with layers of feather-light tulle finished with a matching sash. Her cathedral-length veil was lined in matching lace to complete the ensemble.

The bridal bouquet of white hydrangeas, white roses, lavender roses, purple lisianthus and purple misty was tied by purple ribbon wrapped in lace.

The bride's twin sister, Morgan Yarbrough of Ackerly, was the maid of honor.

Attending the bride were Danielle Juhre Enlow and Kendell Penington, both of Wichita Falls, and the bride's cousin, Kendra Staggs, and Callie McMorris, both of Ackerly.

Each bridesmaid wore a deep plum dress in their own individual style. They carried bouquets consisting of deep purple carnations, lavender roses and white roses that were held together by silver ribbons.

Cali Howard and Taylor Wall, both of Ackerly, were the flower girls. They each wore a white dress made of layers of feather white tulle tied with a purple sash ending in a big bow. The girls wore silver shoes, matching purple headbands and carried matching purple buckets filled with flower petals that they scattered along the aisle.

The groom wore a grey tuxedo adorned with a purple bowtie and a purple vest. He wore a white rose boutonniere.

Brady Enlow, the groom's cousin of Wichita Falls, was the best man. He matched the groom's attire, but wore a lavender rose boutonniere.

The groomsmen were Tyler Furlow of Lubbock, Karl Lammings of Lubbock, Josh Parrish of Wichita Falls and David Rodriguez of Gail. They wore matching grey tuxedos with purple bowties and a purple vest. They also were lavender

rose boutonnieres.

The groom's nephew, Pace Parker of Lamesa, was the ring bearer. He wore a grey tuxedo with a purple bowtie and held a sign that read "Uncle Johnny, here comes your Babekin." Babekin is the pet name that the groom has called the bride since high school.

Reception

The couple's family and friends joined them for a wedding reception in the Family Life Center of Faith Baptist Church.

The bride's table was decorated by a purple tablecloth overlaid by lace. A picture of the bride's ring sat on an antique typewriter with the letter "H". Strands of pearls were strewn across the table. A single vase held the bride's toss bouquet.

The bridal cake was a white three-tier confection with purple ruffles on the sides. It was trimmed with silver pearls. The cake sat upon a silver cake stand with purple roses surrounding it.

The groom's table was covered in burlap. His table held two cakes, one in the shape of a bass and the other in the shape of a tackle box. Gummy worms were spread around the table. Photos of the groom on fishing trips sat on the table.

The couple will take a trip to San Juan, Puerto Rico this month.

The couple will reside in Wichita Falls where the groom is employed at Best Buy Geek Squad and the bride is employed at Midwestern State University.

The groom graduated from Borden County High School and is attending Midwestern

State University, where he is majoring in history and will earn his teaching certification.

The bride graduated from Sands High School. She is majoring in nursing at Midwestern State University.

Courtesies

The couple was honored with a bridal shower in O'Donnell on June 2. The hostesses were Doris gass, Daphne Snellgrove,

Penny Forbes, Debbie Franklin, Cathy Crawford, Jana Bessire, Mary Ann Russ, Dianne Farmer, Kristin Morgan, Susan Dorman, Kay Mires, Kathy Grant, Patricia Mudson, Treva Franklin, Barbara Farmer, Philena Farmer, Diana Barnes, Ann Eaker and Darla Stidham.

On June 8, in Gail, a bridal shower was held with hostesses Cindy Herridge, Jodi Phillips, Deidre Smith, Tina Stansell, Tammy Valentine, Dewey Faye Miller, Shawna Gass, Kari Griffin, Charla Soto, Mary John Phinzy, Denice Bradbury, Cindy Massingill, Lisa Gray, Amy Rinehart, Hayley Richey, Shirley McMeans, Kim Thomas, Vivian McMeans, Darby Key, Sue Jane Mayes, Sheri Poole, Shela Tucker, Sara Clements and Carol Lewis.

A bridal shower was held on June 9 in Ackerly. The hostesses were Carla Blagrove, Jelene Timmins, Robin Herrington, Sarah Rogers, Chris Gaskins, Tracie Blagrove, Zelda Bilbo, Leslie Nichols, Debbie Barraza, Tana Howard, Debra Smithson and Lynda Perry.

The groom's parents hosted a Rehearsal Dinner on July 12 at the Coyote Ranch Resort in Wichita Falls.

Booster Club to Hold First Meeting

The Borden County Booster Club will hold its' first meeting of 2013-2014 school year on Monday, August 26th (the first day of school) at 8:05 a.m. in the Coyote Room. Parents

wishing to be a part of the Booster Club are encouraged to attend this meeting. Join us as we kick off the new school year!

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Borden County Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 8:30 P.M. Tuesday, August 27, 2013 in Borden County ISD Cafeteria Gall, Texas.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax \$ 1.04 /\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax Approved by Local Voters \$.28 /\$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	2	% increase	or		% (decrease)
Debt service		% increase	or	11	% (decrease)
Total expenditures		% increase	or	1	% (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$ 1,246,183,923	\$ 1,150,843,387
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$ 280,410	\$ 218,800
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$ 912,601,733	\$ 832,966,611
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$ 228,640	\$ 218,480

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.
** "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.
*** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$ 20,835,000

* Outstanding principal.

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Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund**	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$ 1.04000	\$ 0.28000 *	\$ 1.32000	\$ 35,178	\$ 476
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ 1.20842	\$ 0.21802 *	\$ 1.42344	\$ 27,030	\$ 5,522
Proposed Rate	\$ 1.04000	\$ 0.28000 *	\$ 1.32000	\$ 25,370	\$ 5,522

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 26,775	\$ 20,406
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 13,330	\$ 13,908
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.32	\$ 1.32
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 175.96	\$ 183.59
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$ 7.63

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.0401. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.0401.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ 5,526,531
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ 1,705,973

Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit
Tumbleweed Smith

Three Blind Brothers

Don Sitton of Lamesa is a triplet. "I have two brothers. We were born at the same time, back in 1954. We all weighed less than four pounds so they put us in an incubator. Instead of placing us long ways, like babies are usually placed, we were so small that they placed us across, all three of us in one incubator. The amount of pure oxygen in relation to the other air that was being fed into the incubator damaged the optic nerve that goes from the eye to the brain. As a result, all of us are blind."

The family was living in Hart at the time and the parents noticed something was wrong when the boys were six months old. "I have two older sisters, so my mother and dad had experience with other children. They noticed we didn't look at things like normal six-month-old babies do. They got concerned and took us to an eye doctor and he confirmed what my mom expected, that we were blind."

The triplets' parents were quite devastated with that news. The father was a farmer and hoped he would have three strong boys who could help him on the farm once they were grown. "That didn't happen," says Don. "We were able to do a few things, but not a great deal on the farm. My parents were troopers. They were strong Christians and believed that God would help them through this tragedy they had to deal with, raising three blind boys."

The family moved to Idalou so the triplets could attend elementary school in Lubbock. "It was a regular public school," says Don. "A teacher there knew Braille and she taught it to us when we were in the first grade. When I was in the third grade, we actually

learned how to type on a regular typewriter so we could type our lessons. Then when I started middle school in the seventh grade we went to school in Idalou and lived there until I graduated from Idalou High School."

The three were never on any kind of state subsistence. "My parents raised us to believe that we were not handicapped and blindness was simply an inconvenience, that God would help us and we could do anything that we set our minds to and lead productive lives. That's the way we were brought up."

All three went to Texas Tech at the same time. "Jon was a business major and now works for the Social Security Administration in Houston. Lon majored in music and is currently music minister at the East 4th Baptist Church in Big Spring." Don is part owner and manager of an AM and FM Radio Station in Lamesa. "I've been doing radio ever since I was in college. When I was a kid I listened to the radio a lot and said to myself that I was going to be on the radio one day. I love music and I love radio. When I got to Texas Tech I went to the head of the communication department and said, 'I want to major in radio.' He told me he had never had a blind radio major. I said, 'you've got one now, so let's get with it.' I started working at the campus radio station at Texas Tech and I've been doing radio ever since. Technology has helped a lot. It makes my work so much easier."

Tumbleweed Smith lives in Big Spring and is a folklorist, after dinner speaker and producer of THE SOUND OF TEXAS syndicated radio show. Contact him at tumbleweedsmith.com

Beginner's Genealogy Class Slated for Saturday, Sept. 14th

Come learn the basics of family history research. A beginner's genealogy class is slated for Saturday, September 14 from 10:00 am to 3:30 pm at the Borden County Event Center. The class will cover how to begin, how to stay organized, how to use the internet to find relatives, and how to find records at the county level.

This is a repeat of the beginner's class that was taught in June. Participants have a choice to take the class in person or via webinar. Cost will be \$10 for either the webinar or in person. Participants from the June class may repeat the class for only \$5. Deadline for registration is Thursday, September 5. Webinar participants will need to contact Julie Smith at julie.smith@agnet.tamu.edu in order to receive their set up instructions. Cost will be \$20 at the door for non-registered participants. Webinar participants must be registered by

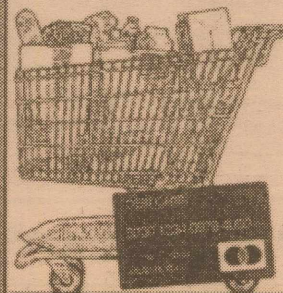
September 9.

The Historical Commission will provide coffee, iced tea and desserts. Participants should bring a sack lunch and note-taking materials. You may e-mail bordencohistory@gmail.com

to request an electronic version of the registration form. Mail your completed registration form and payment to Borden County Historical Commission, c/o Kenny Bennett, PO Box 152, Gail, TX 79738

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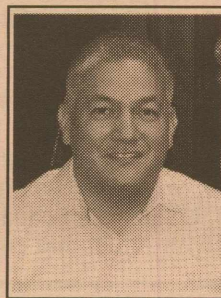
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Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The _____ County of Borden _____ will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 6.79 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax calculated under Chapter 26, Tax Code). Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The first public hearing will be held on 9-3-13, 8:00 am at the County Courthouse.

The second public hearing will be held on 9-10-3, 8:00 am at the County Courthouse.

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

FOR: Commissioners' Smith, Adcock, Reyes, Below and Judge Sharp
 AGAINST: None
 PRESENT and not voting:
 ABSENT:

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in Borden County last year was \$ 19,092.00

Based on last year's tax rate of \$ 0.26360 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$ 50.33

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in Borden County this year is \$ 19,032.00

If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$ 0.28503 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$ 54.25

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$ 0.30564 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$ 58.17

Special Provisions if Applicable

Criminal Justice Mandate (use for counties, if applicable):
 The _____ County Auditor certifies that _____ County has spent \$ _____ in the previous 12 months beginning _____ for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. _____ County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.
Enhanced Indigent Health Care Expenditures (use if applicable):
 The _____ spent \$ _____ from _____ to _____ on enhanced indigent health care at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures is _____.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearings and express their views.

Borden County Football Junior High 2013 Schedule

Week #	Date	Day	Opponent	Site	Time
#2	Sept. 12 th	Thursday	Rankin	Here	5:30
#3	Sept. 19 th	Thursday	Hermleigh	There	5:30
#4	Sept. 26 th	Thursday	Dawson	Here	5:30
#5	Oct. 3 rd	Thursday	Water Valley	There	5:30
#6	Oct. 11 th	Friday	Lubbock Titans	Here	5:30
#7	Oct. 17 th	**Thursday	Jayton	There	6:00
*#8	Oct. 24 th	Thursday	Klondike	Here	5:30
*#9	Oct. 31 st	Thursday	Grady	Here	5:30
*#10	Nov. 7 th	Thursday	O'Donnell	There	5:30

Coaches: **Trey Richey**
Peter Benavidez
Mike Skelton
Bubba Edwards

**Looking to change this site.

Public Notice

The Borden County Independent School District announced an amendment to its policy for serving meals for children served under the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program for the 2013-2014 school year, which would allow for all children at all schools/sites to be served meals at no charge.

For additional information please contact the following person:

Borden County Independent School District
 Attention: Mr. Jimmy Thomas, Superintendent
 P.O. Box 95
 Gail, Texas 79738
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 jthomas@bcisd.net

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NOTICE: Texas Local Government Code

Section 152.013 PROCEDURE FOR SETTING AMOUNTS FOR ELECTED OFFICERS

- (c) Each year the Commissioners Court shall set the salary, expenses, and other allowances of elected county or precinct officers. The Commissioners Court shall set the items at a regular meeting of the court during the regular budget hearing and adoption proceedings.
- (d) Before the 10th day before the date of the meeting, the Commissioners Court must publish in a newspaper of general circulation a notice of:
- (1) any salaries, expenses, or allowances that are proposed to be increased;
 - (2) the amount of the proposed increase.

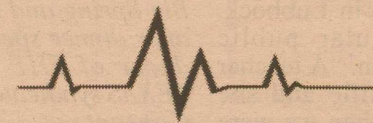
OFFICE	2014 PROPOSED SALARY	AMOUNT of SALARY INCREASE	TRAVEL ALLOW.	2014 TRAVEL INCREASE
COUNTY JUDGE	\$37,178 +\$15,000 State Supplement, +\$2,400 Juvenile Probation Board	\$1,430	\$2,500	\$0
COMM. PREC. #1	\$26,113	\$1,006	\$2,520	\$0
COMM. PREC. #2	\$26,113	\$1,006	\$2,520	\$0
COMM. PREC. #3	\$26,113	\$1,006	\$2,520	\$0
COMM. PREC. #4	\$26,113	\$1,006	\$2,520	\$0
SHERIFF/TAC	\$44,373	\$4,034	\$3,000	\$0
COUNTY TREASURER	\$38,580	\$1,484	\$3,000	\$0
COUNTY/DISTRICT CLERK	\$38,580	\$1,484	\$4,600	\$0
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE	\$11,532	\$444	\$3,000	\$0



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