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Homecoming Victory Completes the District Championship

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Coyotes fresh off their best game of the season and a district championship clinching victory at Grady played host to the vastly improving O'Donnell Eagles in not only the final regular season game, final dis-

trict game, final home game, but also the 2013 homecoming football game. After playing at such a high level the week before and this contest having the distraction of being Homecoming game every coaches nightmare is that his football

team would not come out ready to play football. Although this might not have been the best football game this 2013 football team has played, they still managed to

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District Champs!



Coyotes gather around the District trophy after clinching the 6th straight District title by defeating the O'Donnell Eagles 67-18.



Dare to Live Without Limits

By Bryan Golden

Spirit

Great spirits have always encountered violent opposition from mediocre minds.

— Albert Einstein

You are a great spirit. You have goals, desires, and aspirations. When you share your plans for the future, are your ideas encouraged or opposed? If the people you speak with encourage you, you are in the minority. Unfortunately, it's more common to be denounced than praised.

But don't be deterred. The opposition you receive puts you in the company of some of the greatest minds the world has ever known. Your challenge is to stay on track without allowing others to derail you.

It's important not to allow others to extinguish your spirit

with any adverse reaction. Constructive criticism is one thing, but that's not what you will typically be offered. Rather, people will line up to tell you why you will fail. If their intent were positive, they would make suggestions on how to succeed.

Your spirit needs to be fanned to make it strong. To do this, you have to seek out those who will encourage and help you along your journey. These people may be hard to find. If you don't personally know anyone, you will benefit from reading about people who have arrived at where you want to be.

Tune out all naysayers. There is no need to be rude.

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Bi-District Play-Off Game

Borden County vs. Anton

Friday, Nov. 15, 2013

7:30 p.m. at Seagraves

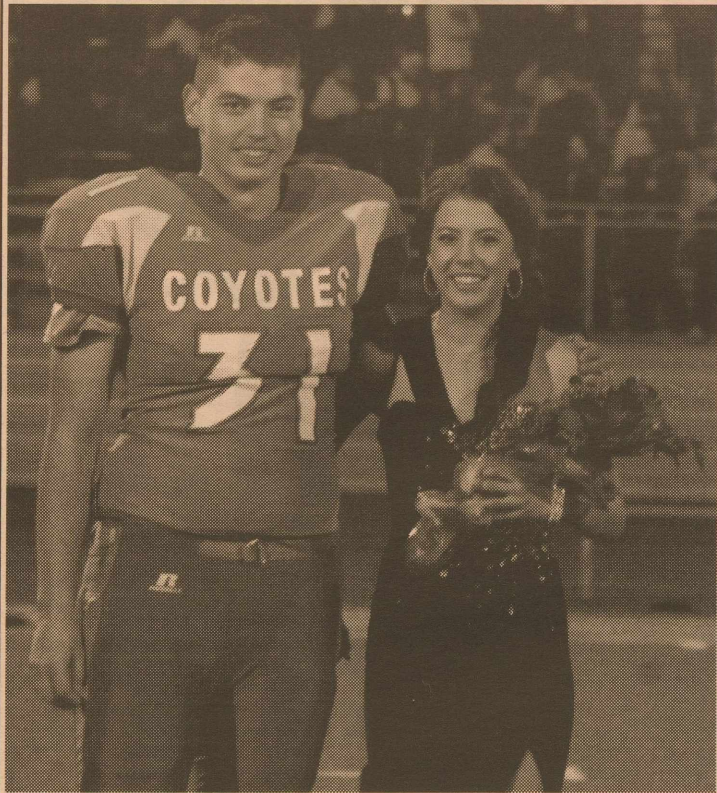
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Borden County will be home team

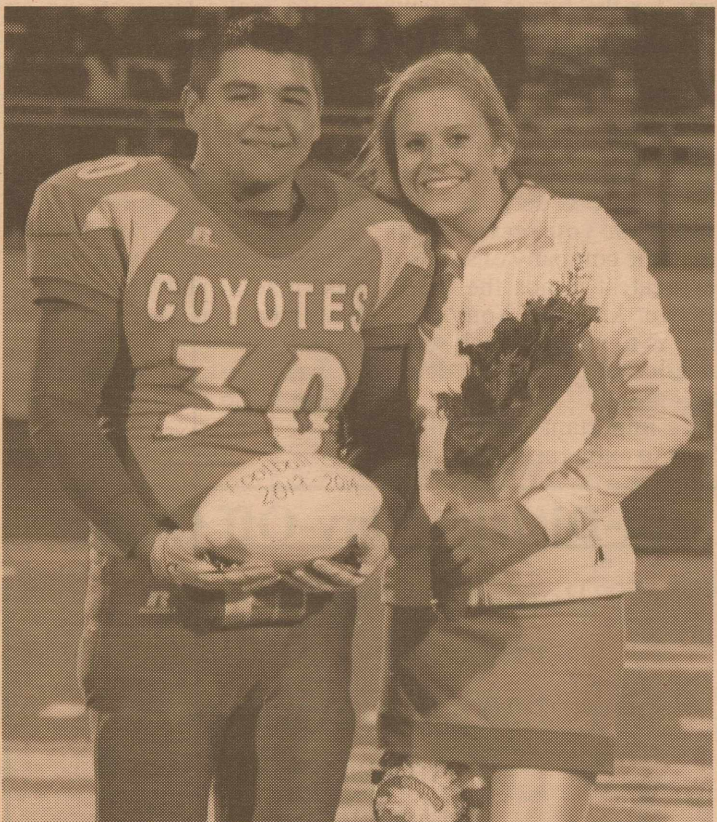
District passes honored

2013 Homecoming Queen



Taylor Gass was elected 2013 Homecoming Queen during last Friday nights' Homecoming ceremonies. She is the daughter of Butch Gass and Shawna Gass of Gail. She is pictured with her escort, Michael Taylor. He is the son of Brant and Liza Taylor of Post.

2013 Football Beau and Football Sweetheart



Clair Shafer was elected the 2013 Football Sweetheart at this past weeks' Homecoming ceremonies. She is the daughter of Terry and Tanya Shafer of Gail. She is pictured with Tristan Benavidez who was elected Football Beau. He is the son of Peter and Kerri Benavidez of Gail.

Pups Pound the Cougars 74-36

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Pups hosted the Klondike Cougars on Thursday, Oct. 24 and with their usual quick start the Borden County junior high took complete control of this district opener. The Pups Ryan Willborn returned the opening kick-off 70 yards only to have it called back due to a Borden County penalty, but, they got the touchdown right back as Trace Richey hit Willborn on a 74 yard pass play for a quick 6-0 lead. The Pup defense managed to force a quick 3 and out and moments later they got back on the board as Nick Proulx followed the blocks of Willborn, Richey, Braxton Barnes, Morgan Wilson and Brian Torres for the Pup score. The second team offense of JW and Thomas Nix, Payton Merket, Clayton Addison, Kable Kleck, Riley Lewis, Tanner Harrison, Jeremy Souder and Lukas Grantham attempted all of the extra points and on this particular attempt Merket hit Lewis for the point after to give the home team an early 13-0 lead. The Pups defense forced another 4 and out and on the first play, Richey sprinted 48 yards to pay dirt and a 19-0 lead with 1:33 left in the first quarter. They again forced a 4 and out on their next defensive possession and again used a one play drive to get back on the board as Brian Torres galloped 50 yards to the end zone. Merket hit Lewis again for the point after and the Pups had a commanding 26 - 0 lead with :30 left in the first quarter.

The start of the 2nd quarter saw the Pups defense get into the scoring act as Proulx intercepted a Cougar pass and returned it 35 yards for the Pup score. Merket hit Clayton Addison in the corner of the endzone for the point after and a 33-0 lead. The Cougars managed to do something no other team has done this season, as they scored on the first team defense marking the first points given up by this unit all season long making the score 33-6. Moments later, Morgan Wilson hit Richey on a nicely

executed screen play which turned into a 45 yard scoring pass play and with another Merket point after pass to Lewis the Pups regained control with a 40-6 lead.

Klondike returned the kick-off against the second team kick-off unit to make the score 40-12, but again the Pups wasted little time answering as Richey found Willborn again, this time from 21 yards out which was followed by a JW Nix run and Borden County was up 47 to 12. On the next Pup defensive possession, the defense again got into the scoring act as Richey intercepted an errant Cougar pass and returned it 24 yards for another score. Merket hit Addison again for the point after and the Pups were in complete control with a 54-12 lead just before halftime. Clayton Addison intercepted another Cougar pass just before the end of the first half.

During halftime, the second team played a 10 play scrimmage against the Cougars. After completely stuffing Klondike on their 10 plays, the Pups got a nice touchdown run by Payton Merket, Lukas Grantham and by JW Nix to take a 3-0 victory in the half-time battle. In the second half the second team defense started the contest and the Cougars were able to get on the board again to cut the lead to 54-18. The Pups again answered quickly as Proulx scampered 23 yards to the endzone. Merket hit Thomas Nix for the point after and Borden County had a 61-18 lead. The Cougars got another score to make it 61-24. The Pup second team offense got into the touchdown act as Merket and Addison took their extra point combination to a touchdown combination from 14 yards out to make the tally 67-24. After allowing a couple of Cougar scores, the Pups finished the scoring as Proulx strolled in from 42 yards out. Willborn busted in for the extra point run to make the final tally of this district opener 74 to 36.

School Lunch Menu

Nov. 18 - 22, 2013

Menu subject to change

Monday - Breakfast: Oatmeal & Muffin, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Hamburger, Garden Salad, Fresh Veggie Cup, Mixed Fruit and Milk.

Tuesday - Breakfast: Chicken & Biscuit, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Pizza Dippers w/spaghetti sauce, Garden Salad, Baby Carrots, Apple Slices, Breadstick, Chocolate Pudding (9-12 grade only) and Milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast: Pancake Pup w/Potatoes, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Turkey & Dressing, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Fruit, Cranberry Sauce, Roll and Milk.

Thursday - Breakfast: Sunrise Sandwich, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Baked Potato w/ham & Cheese, Breadstick, Garden Salad, Corn, Snowball Salad and Milk.

Friday - Breakfast: Breakfast Taco, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: BBQ on a Bun, Black Beans, Baby Carrots, Orange Smiles and Milk.

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Coyotes Win District Defeating Eagles 67-18...

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put on a tremendous show for the Coyote ex's completing the sweep in district play and running their winning streak to four games in a row with a very convincing 67 to 18 victory.

The much improved Borden Coyote defense took to the field to start this contest and quickly forced a 4 and out to give the ball back to the home town Coyotes. With this being the final home game for seniors Tristen Benavidez, Jordan Martinez and Michael Taylor all three of these young men got to start and finish this contest on the field. This trio started the Coyotes on what would be the first of many touchdowns for the team as they were together on the field

for the first 5 plays of the opening drive which culminated with a 24 yard pass play between two of the young Coyotes as freshman quarterback Hunter Jones (starting at QB for the injured Riley Herridge) found his classmate Corbin Sumners for the scoring strike to give Borden County a quick 6-0 lead. After a bad snap on the extra point Michael Taylor scored his first ever points on the varsity level as he caught a pass for the point after from kicker Frank Banman to extend the lead to 7-0. The visiting Eagles got another good kick-off return to set them up deep in Coyote territory and they managed to put a nice drive together to cut the lead to 7-6.

On the ensuing kick-off the Eagles recovered the onside kick, but the defense would take control and quickly force the ball over on downs.

The Coyote offense got back into a rhythm and quickly answered as Sumners reached the endzone from a yard out to make the score 13-6 with 1:38 left in the first quarter. On the next defensive possession a blitzing Sumners was able to snag a pass out of the air and return it deep into Eagle territory. Moments later Sumners followed the blocking of fullback Benavidez, center Banman, ends Colby Pennell and Nathan Ham and quarterback Jones and fullback Korbin Martinez into the endzone from 8 yards out to push the lead to 19-6. Banman hit the point after kick to extend it to 21 to 6. The Eagles were able to take a busted play and turn it into a touchdown to cut the Coyote lead to 21 to 12, but the home town Coyotes managed to seize control of this contest in the final 1:30 of the half as Sumners busted loose on a 29 yard run to make it 27 to 12 and then following a fumble on the kick-off that

was recovered by Pennell, Jones hit Pennell on a nice play-action pass play from 7 yards out and a commanding 33-12 lead at half.

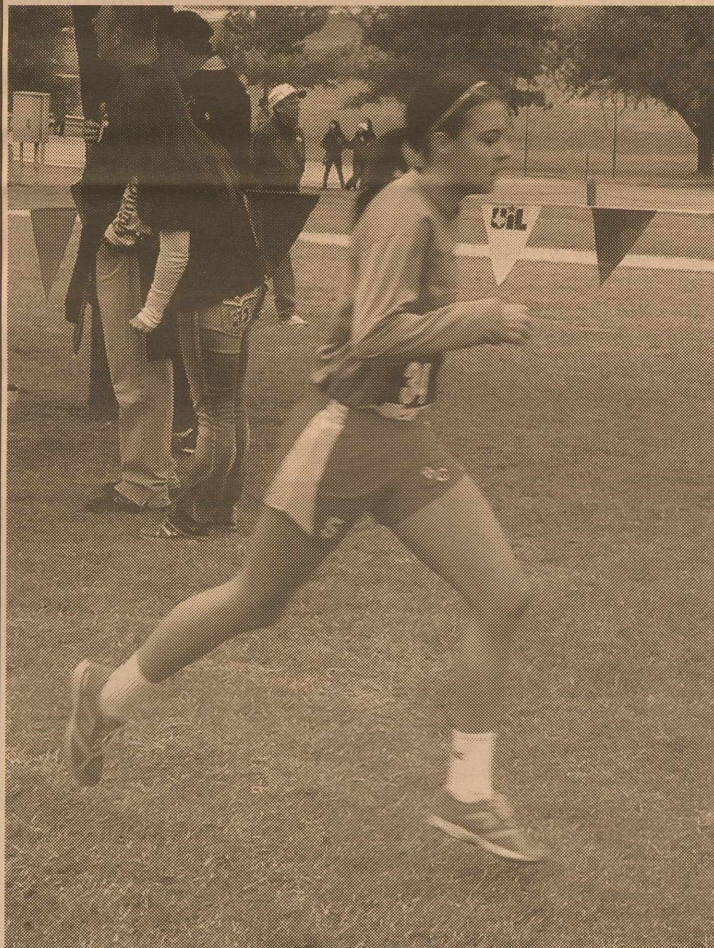
The Coyotes continued their dominant ways in the second half as they quickly added to the point total as Sumners raced 30 yards untouched :20 into the second half and after another Banman extra point kick Borden County was in complete control leading 41 to 12. The Eagles, however, would not go away quietly as they managed the final score of the evening on their next possession, but it would be the last of their success offensively cutting the score to 41-18. The Coyotes quickly answered as Sumners had his final score of the evening, this time from 39 yards out to push the lead back to 47 to 18 with 6:32 left in the 3rd quarter. After another defensive stop, the Coyotes continued their dominance on the ground as Jordan Martinez got into the scoring act from 22 yards out. Banman again split the uprights making the score 55 to 18.

The Borden County de-

fense, which found its groove, forced another 4 and out giving the ball back to the Coyote offense. The offense making some changes looked poised to add to the point total, but a fumble at the Eagle 5 yard line ended that drive, but the defense did not waver and they forced the Eagles to turn the ball back to the home team and this time the offense reached the endzone with senior, Jordan Martinez making a 21 yard run and a score making it 61-18. After another defensive stop, the Coyote offense got the ball deep in Eagle territory and on the first play of the drive which would result in the final play of the game, jv running back Nathan Souder got his first ever varsity points following the blocking of the seniors and the rest of the Borden County offense to reach pay dirt and close the game on his 23 yard run making the score 67 to 18, ending the game by the 45 point mercy rule and bringing a close to a perfect district record and capped 6 straight district championships and 6 straight years without a district loss.

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State Cross Country Meet



Borden County Senior Cross Country runner, Taylor Gass is pictured competing in the State Cross Country meet in Round Rock, Texas this past Saturday. She placed 39th in the meet Congratulations on a job well done, Taylor!

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Coyotes Win 6th District Title



The Borden County Coyotes won their 6th district title Friday night beating the O'Donnell Eagles 67-18. Members of the Coyote team are (back row left to right) Robert Jordan, Riley Herridge, Diego Bernal, Michael DeAx, Michael Taylor, Steven Carrillo, Thomas Harrison, Nathan Souder, Kace Lott, (middle row left to right) Dylan Murphy, Colby Pennell, Nathan Ham, Frank Banman, Hunter Jones, Kale Yarbrow, Hunter Huse, Jayton Lewis, Korbin Martinez, (front row left to right) Mason Coor, Jordan Martinez, Tristen Benavidez, Corbin Sumners and Braxton Coor.

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Enjoy the Nutrient Richness of Root Veggies

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When planning your Thanksgiving menu this year, don't forget to incorporate root veggies as a side dish. Most root vegetables don't get the nutritional respect they deserve. Carrots are one of the most popular vegetables in the United States. But many people forget about the other roots. It's a shame! Roots are low in cost and keep for a long time. They have important nutrients. And roots are tasty in a variety of dishes. Here are a variety of ideas you can use when setting the table this holiday season!

Carrots

Most people think of the bright orange version of this root vegetable. But carrots also come in purple, white, red and yellow! Raw carrots are delicious and crunchy. You can eat them whole or grate them into salads. Carrots are great in soups. They also add nutrition, color and sweetness to desserts. Try them in muffins, bread and cakes.

Beets

Beets also come in multiple colors - purple, gold and white. Small beets are usually the sweetest and most tender. Beet greens are perfect for salads, stir-fries and soups. You can store beet roots in the fridge for up to three weeks. They can be steamed in the microwave, roasted in oven or grilled outdoors (in thick slices or on a kabob stick).

Sweet potatoes

Looking for a vegetable that is nutritious, delicious, and versatile? Give sweet potatoes a shot. They are a best buy in any produce department. Peel them first, and then substitute sweet potatoes for white potatoes in almost any dish. Sweet potatoes can be baked, mashed, roasted or boiled. You can chop them for salad. You can also slice them, toss with a bit of oil and bake for sweet potato fries.

Turnips and rutabagas

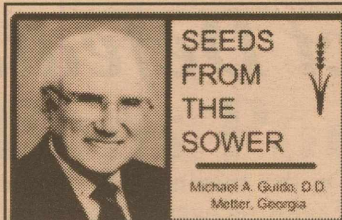
These roots are from the same family. Rutabagas are usually larger and sweeter. Turnips come in many shapes and colors. They can be round or cylindrical, and rose, black or white. You can cook these roots like potatoes. Try baked, boiled, roasted and mashed. You also can grate them like cabbage into slaw or stir-fry them with more colorful veggies.

Kohlrabi

Kohlrabi is a lesser known root vegetable. It comes from the same family as broccoli, cabbage and cauliflower. Kohlrabi tastes like a delicious, crunchy cross between a cucumber and mild broccoli. Look for purple or green kohlrabi bulbs. Both have white inner flesh. You can eat the flesh raw or cook it. Don't throw away the leaves!

For more ways to prepare and enjoy veggies check out www.myeatsmartmovemore.com.

Source: Eat Smart, Move More North Carolina newsletter



Some folk were called "Quakers" because they quaked at the presence of sin and the preaching of the Scriptures. David must have wished for a congregation of "quakers." He said in Psalm 4:4, "Stand in awe, and sin not." It means, "Tremble and sin not." But many have reversed the verse. They say, "Sin and tremble not."

Perhaps the greatest mistake in the world today is that men and women have lost their fear of sin. If you want to play with something dangerous reach into the heavens and play with forked lightning, or reach into the fireplace and play with fire, or reach into the forest and play with a rattlesnake, but don't play with sin.

Two boys poked a piece of copper wire around a live rail on the subway tracks. There was a bright flash and a loud cry as ten thousand volts of electricity passed through their bodies. Was that dangerous? Yes, but not as dangerous as playing with sin. So pay attention to Psalm 4:4, "Tremble, and sin not!" And remember, where sin is mighty, the Savior is almighty.

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Dare to Live...

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Just don't pay attention to their negative comments. You don't have to argue with them. You probably won't convince them anyway. It's not important they believe you. It is imperative that you don't listen to them.

The amount of resistance you receive will be proportional to how much you want to accomplish. The greater the goal, the louder the voices in opposition. One reason more people don't accomplish their goals is because they allow others to discourage them.

Your spirit helps drive you forward. Your spirit gives you the strength to get up should you trip and fall. Your spirit must be preserved as the great asset it is. In addition to protecting your spirit, you must recharge it on a regular basis.

Here are some things to think about to help you maintain your spirit.

You are unique. There is no need to be someone else. It's ok to incorporate positive character traits you observe in others into your own character. But you will still be you. The more secure you are with yourself, the stronger will be your spirit.

You don't need the approval of others. Although it's nice to get support from family and friends, it is certainly

not essential for you to attain your dreams. Most people who accomplish their goals do so in spite of the attempts of others to discourage them.

You don't need to impress anyone. Do what you need or want to do. Few people if any care about your opinions, so why should you be concerned with theirs. Besides, most people are so concerned with their own lives, they rarely pay attention to anyone else's.

You have the power and ability to solve problems and overcome adversity. Regardless of what challenges you face, you can find a way to get past them. Tap into your spirit when you need strength.

It's your life. Live it the way you want. Be considerate of others. Don't take any actions that cause harm to other people or yourself. Do what you can to help others. The best way to show others the power of their spirit is to maintain yours.

The greater your spirit, the more opposition you will experience. So if people are lining up to tell you how wrong you are, you are on the right track.

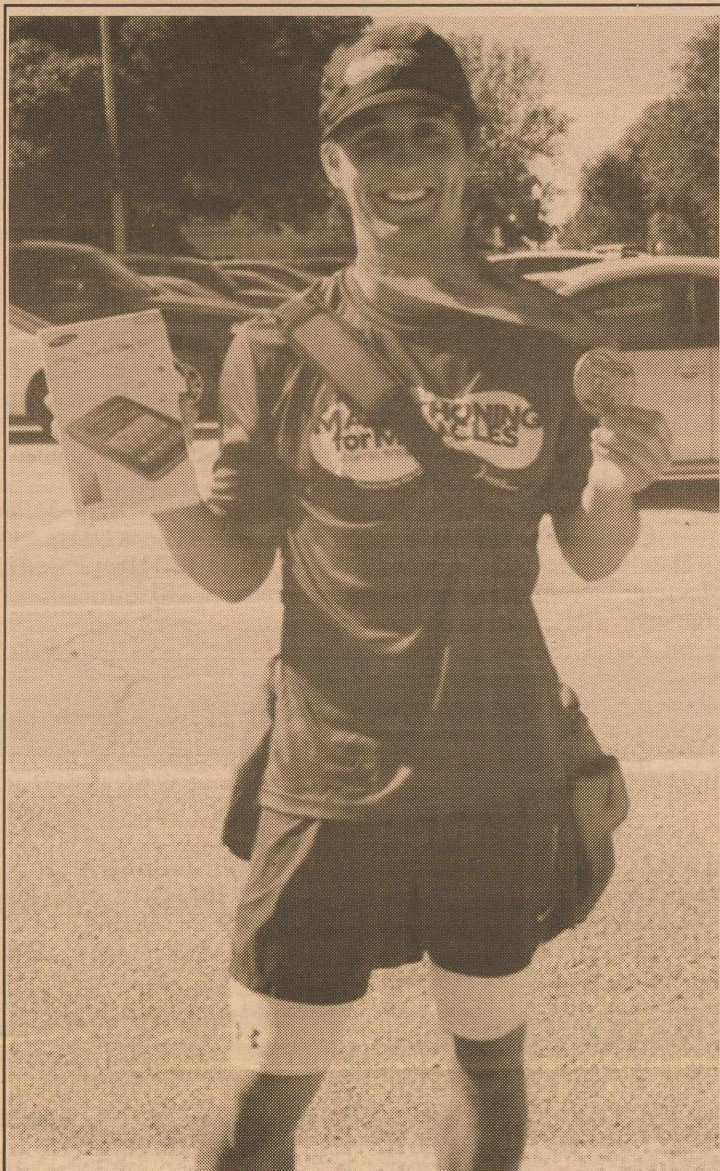
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Borden County Graduate Competes in Marathoning for Miracles

Austin Fields was one of nearly 300 people who competed in the 3rd Annual Marathoning for Miracles held last Saturday in Abilene, Texas at the Taylor County Expo Center.

Fields won the Half Marathon event (13.1 miles) with a time of 1:28:53.2.

Marathoning for Miracles benefits Hendrick Children's

Hospital, a Children's Miracle Network Hospital, in Abilene, Texas by raising funds and awareness for the hospital. It is a running event for the entire family, featuring a marathon, half-marathon, 5K and kid's fun run.

Austin is a 2012 Borden County graduate and is the son of John David and Sonja Fields of Post, Texas.

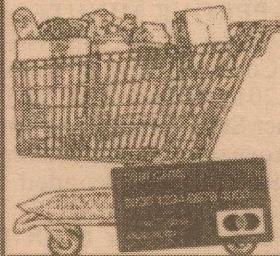
Thought for the Day

Too many of us have a Christian vocabulary rather than a Christian experience.

-Charles F. Banning

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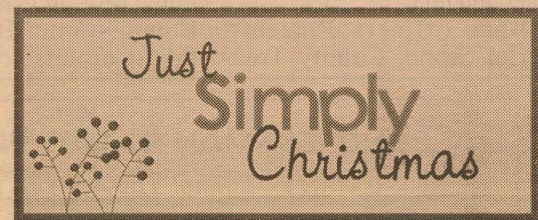
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at 6:00 p.m.

Borden County Event
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Join us for a fun and educational program focusing the Christmas season. We will have a tasting of several recipes and participants will make a decorative item to take home and will also receive a recipe booklet to take home. (Note that the project is always something that does not require a lot of creativity - so please to not let that intimidate you!)



Cost is \$15 per participant to cover supplies.

Please RSVP by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 19th so that we may purchase supplies. (Note - you may still attend if you do not RSVP by the deadline, but you may not get to make a craft to take home.)



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Commissioners' Court

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BORDEN

WHEREAS, On this the 31st day of October 2013, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Special Session in the Commissioners Court room in the courthouse of Gail, Texas, the following members of the court being present, to-wit:

ROSS D. SHARP, County Judge, Residing; **MONTE SMITH** Commissioner, Precinct No. 1; **RANDY ADCOCK** Commissioner, Precinct No. 2; **JOE BELEW**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 4; **JOYCE HERRIDGE** County Clerk and Ex-Officio of the Commissioners Court, with Ernest Reyes, County Commissioner Precinct No. 3, absent constituting a quorum, when the following proceedings were had, in accordance with the posted agenda.

Other officers Present:; Sharlot Stone, County Treas-

urer.

COMMUNITY INPUT

None

APPROVE MINUTES

Minutes of the Commissioners Court Meeting of October 22, 2013 were read. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve said minutes. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2014 COUNTY BUDGET

Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve the proposed 2014 County Budget. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Said budget to be filed for record in the County Clerk's Office. Motion carried

2014 TAX RATE

After notice and hearing, the following motion was offered by Commissioner Adcock "I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.34564, which is effectively a 31% increase in the tax rate." Motion was seconded by Commissioner Belew. Voting For: Commissioner Adcock,

Belew, Judge Sharp

Voting against: Commissioner Smith.

RATIFY PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

Commissioner Belew made a motion to ratify the Property Tax increase as reflected. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Voting For: Commissioners Adcock, Belew, Judge Sharp

TAX DISCOUNTS

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith to allow discounts for early payment of taxes of 3% for October, 2% for November, and 1% for December in accordance with Section 31.05 (b), Tax Code as stated: A taxing unit may adopt the following discounts to apply regardless of the date on which it mails its tax bills: (1) three percent if the tax is paid in October or earlier; (2) two percent if the tax is paid in November; and (3) one percent if the tax is paid in December. Motion was sec-

onded by Commissioner Adcock.

Motion carried.

CAPITAL CASES INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

Commissioner Smith made a motion to enter into the Interlocal Agreement between Lubbock County, Texas acting through the Regional Public Defender for Capital Cases and Borden County, Texas. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Belew. Motion carried.

FUTURE AGENDA

Date of December Special Meeting; December Salary Increment.

ACCOUNTS ALLOWED

The current accounts were examined and Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve and pay said accounts. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Adcock made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion and was approved unanimously.

THE FOREGOING MINUTES READ AND APPROVED THIS THE 12th day of November, 2013.

Legal Notice

The State of Texas
To: **MOLLIE EILEEN CASHMORE, MARILYN HARTCORN TORRITO, SUSAN MARTONE, TALISHA MAXWELL, VIRGINIA BERRY, REV. JAMES E. LEATH, DR. LOUIS AIELLO, DR. STANLEY GOODMAN, NORWALK YMCA ENDOWMENT FUND, MARGARET JEWETT, MID-FAIRFIELD HOSPICE, DONNA A. WALTERS, GERI MALONEY, BRYNN RANSLEY, PATRICIA HOGAN, and JOANN E. DAVEY**, and if deceased, the legal representatives of said Defendants and the unknown heirs of said named Defendants, the legal representatives of the unknown heirs of said named Defendants, if the unknown heirs of the said named Defendants are dead.

GREETINGS:

You are commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's petition at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from the date of issuance of this citation, the same being the 3rd day of December 2013, at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m., before the Honorable 132nd Judicial District Court of Borden County, at the Courthouse in Gail, Texas. Said Plaintiff's petition was filed on the 10 day of October, 2013, the File Number of said suit being No. 1234. The names of the parties in said suit are:

O'BRIEN RESOURCES, LLC, as Plaintiff, and MOLLIE

EILEEN CASHMOER, MARILYN HARTCORN TORRITO, SUSAN MARTONE, TALISHA MAXWELL, VIRGINIA BERRY, REV. JAMES E. LEATH, DR. LOUIS AIELLO, DR. STANLEY GOODMAN, NORWALK YMCA ENDOWMENT FUND, MARGARET JEWETT, MID-FAIRFIELD HOSPICE, DONNA A. WALTERS, GERI MALONEY, BRYNN RANSLEY, PATRICIA HOGAN, and JOANN E. DAVEY, as Defendants.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit:

Such suit is an Application for the Appointment of a Receiver to execute Ratifications of the effective Oil and Gas Leases covering the undivided non-participating realty interests owned by Defendants in the following-described tract of land situated in Borden County, Texas, to wit:

All of Section No. 519, in Block No. 97, of the H&TC Ry. Co. Survey, Borden County, Texas, containing 644 acres, more or less.

If this Citation is not served within ninety (90) days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

ISSUED this the 15th day of October, 2013.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and seal of said Court, at office in Texas, this the 15th day of October, 2013.

Joyce Herridge
DISTRICT CLERK, 132ND JUDICIAL

DISTRICT COURT OF BORDEN COUNTY, TEXAS

CONGRESSMAN **RANDY NEUGEBAUER**

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A Showcase of the Texas Spirit
Tumbleweed Smith

From Prison to Publishing

Troy Buck was raised in Andrews.

"My daddy was a horse trader and so it was obvious where I was gonna go. I joined the Texas Rodeo Association when I was nineteen, then moved into the professional ranks when I was twenty-two. I was a bull rider and calf roper for fourteen years."

He made it to the National Finals Rodeo in 1976, 77 and 78. When he retired from rodeo in 1978 he started driving a truck. In 1999, when he was fifty-five years old, he was sentenced to twelve years in prison for DWI. There was no accident involved, he was not a heavy drinker and the charges were thirteen years apart. He served the whole twelve years and was released on June first, 2011. While in prison he wrote ten books.

"When I would finish one, I would mail it out to some friends and they took care of them until I got out. They were all hand-written with a pencil and paper while I was in a nine by six cellblock. I'm working on three more books now, but while I was incarcerated I wrote westerns, rodeo stories, murder mysteries and adventure novels. I had to do something to keep my sanity. I did six years before I started writing. While I was out on the recreation yard one day I was telling a few guys about some of my rodeo stuff and one of them suggested that I write down some of those stories. My first novel was a rodeo story based out of Andrews."

Troy had always admired Elmer Kelton's writing and sent some of his rodeo stories to the famous author. Mr.

Kelton got two of them published in western magazines. The two became friends by mail and Mr. Kelton, who was born in Andrews County, encouraged Troy to write novels. Troy learned about the drug business in prison.

"There were four thousand men on the unit I was on in Huntsville. I would say eighty percent of those are drug related cases. Some of those guys would tell me they had never had a job. They just sold drugs."

Tiger Tale Publishing Company of Odessa is getting some of Troy's books on the market. The first title is *Vigilante Grannies*.

"It's about grandmothers who form a vigilante group. The drug dealers moved into their once peaceful community and started drug deals, so these grannies went and bought pistols to combat the drug dealers."

The book is available at Amazon, Barnes and Noble and tigertale.com. Troy says this writing experience has put him in another world and he is enjoying it.

"I make speeches to schools and talk to the kids about some of my experiences. I get interviewed by news media and get on talk shows. Even though I graduated from high school in another city, my class at Andrews High School invited me back for a reunion."

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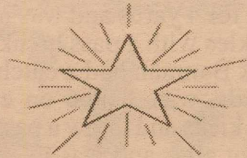
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Friday, November 29, 2013 (day after Thanksgiving)

The Courthouse and Museum will open at 5:30 p.m.
for viewing reminiscing, fellowship and refreshments

Santa Claus will be available to visit with the children
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Join us for Christmas Music provided by local musicians,
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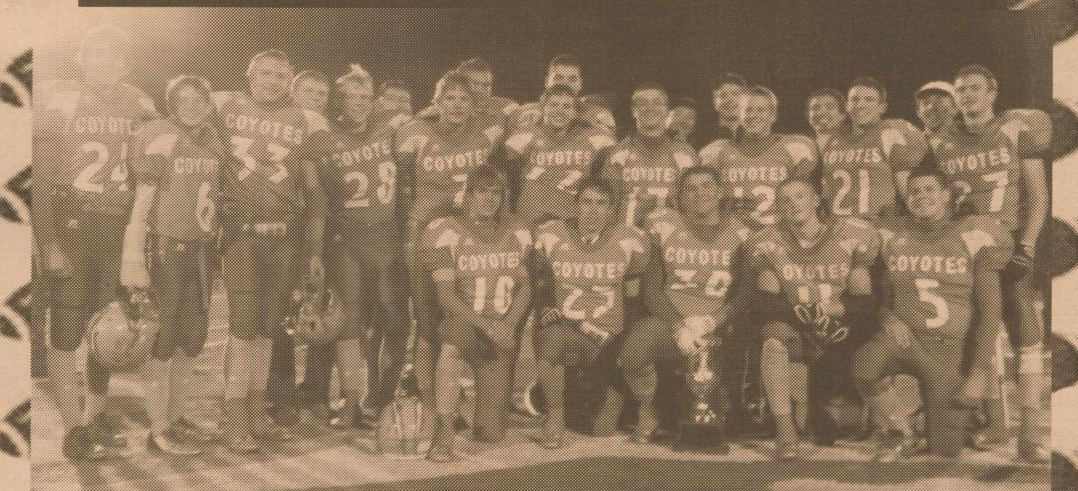
We look forward to seeing you and your family there!

Drop Off for "Christmas for Kids" (Buckner Children's Home) will be in the
Borden County Courthouse again this year.
Toys and gifts must be dropped off by December 10th.
Children's ages: Newborn - 18 years



For more information, please e-mail us at lightsforgail@yahoo.com.
Be sure to check out our Facebook page: *Lighting of the Star on Gail Mountain!*

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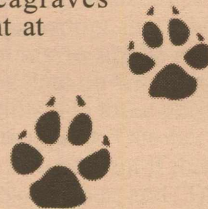
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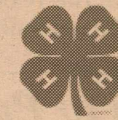
Leading the way for the Coyotes on Homecoming and Senior Night were the 3 seniors as Tristen Benavidez capped his 2013 regular season with another complete football game rushing 3 times for 28 yards, one catch for 18 yards and was in on 16 tackles with a tackle for loss and a caused fumble. Jordan Martinez had 6 carries for 73 yards and two scores and was in on 6 tackles. Michael Taylor blocked well, had 3 tackles and caught a point after attempt. Corbin Sumners had 224 yards and 5 scores on 15 carries and caught a pass for 24 yards and a score and was in on 8 tackles 1 for loss and an interception. Hunter Jones was 7 of 10 passing for 98 yards and two scores, had a

carry for 4 yards and was in on 8 tackles with a pass break up. Frank Banman had a catch for 8 yards, was 3 of 6 on extra point kicks and threw a pass for a point after and was in on 18 tackles with a sack. Colby Pennell caught 3 passes for 55 yards and a score and was in on 16 tackles with 2 sacks, a fumble recovery and a tackle for loss. Nathan Ham had 3 tackles and several great blocks. Korbin Martinez had a fumble recovery a couple of big hits and was in on 9 tackles. Jayton Lewis had a huge hit and was in on 8 tackles. Mason Coor who is the holder also played a few downs at quarterback and Michael Deax played on extra point kicks. Nathan Souder had a carry for 23 yards and a score.

Congratulations guys on an amazing regular season. You guys have grown up so much throughout this 2013 football season and you have made the entire coyote family proud. Thank you to everyone who has supported these young men thru good times and the bad this season. This has been an incredible journey and one that is not yet over. Good luck guys in the play-offs, fans please come out and support the 2013 district 4 champions as they take on the (9-1) Anton Bulldogs in Seagraves Friday night at 7:30.



NOVEMBER 4-H MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2013 @ 6:00 P.M.
BORDEN COUNTY COURTHOUSE



- We will be decorating the District Courtroom for Christmas, as well as reviewing upcoming 4-H opportunities.
- Refreshments will be provided.

4-H Pledge

pledge --
My head to clearer thinking, my heart to greater
loyalty, my hands to larger service, and my
health to better living, for my club, my community,
my country and my world.

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NOVEMBER 2013



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Coyotes @ Grady, 7:30*	2 Regional Cross Country @ Lubbock
3 Fall back to Standard Time	4	5 FFA Lone Wolf District Leadership Contest-WTC, 3:00	6	7 JH/JV Football @ O'Donnell 5:30/7:00	8 End of 2 nd Six Weeks Homecoming Pep Rally 5:00 Sr. Supper after Pep Rally Coyotes vs. O'Donnell 7:30*	9 WTAMU Debate @ Canyon
10	11 Beginning of 3 rd Six Weeks Elementary/JH Academic UIL @ Grady	12 Elementary/JH Academic UIL @ Grady BB @ Ropes, 4:00 gGbB	13	14	15	16 BB @ Ira, 1:00 gG
17	18 JH BB @ Grady-6:00	19 BB vs. Garden City 4:00 gGbB	20	21 BB @ Westbrook Tourney-G, bB	22 BB @ Westbrook Tourney-G, bB	23 BB @ Westbrook Tourney-G, bB Area II FFA Leadership Contest (Howard College, Big Spring)
24	25 JH BB @ Klondike-TBA	26 PROGRESS REPORTS Early Release @ 12:30 BB @ Midessa-3:00, GB	27 Thanksgiving Holidays	28 Thanksgiving Holidays 	29 Thanksgiving Holidays	30 Lighting of the Gail Star