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## Timely Completion of Long Term, Comprehensive Farm Bill Critical

The National Cotton Council was joined by the Southern Peanut Farmers Federation and USA Rice Federation in expressing appreciation of the continued efforts of the leaders and members of the House and Senate Farm Bill Conference Committee to complete work on a new comprehensive, multi-year farm bill – but the groups reiterated their opposition to extending current farm law.

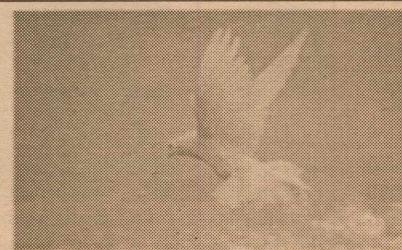
The groups stated they know the process of compromise is challenging and many of the differences in policy are deeply held but it is imperative for the Committee to make the tough decisions and complete work on legislation as soon as possible. It is necessary to our nation's farmers and rural communities so they both have the certainty necessary to make long term investments to remain competitive. New farm legislation also is needed to resolve a longstanding trade dispute with Brazil to end the trade retaliation threat that would adversely affect U.S. exports.

They said that although the differences are deep and

difficult to resolve, the option to abandon the process and extend current law, albeit with modifications, is not an acceptable alternative. That option would: 1) leave farmers without predictable policy, 2) affect the budget baseline and the ability to ever write new legislation and 3) likely provoke trade retaliation. Certainly every organization has the right to advocate for its position but establishing intractable demands is a recipe for failure and a tactic that many believe has led to gridlock on key legislation including the budget, appropriations and immigration.

The groups noted that agriculture has a long history of bipartisanship and legislative accomplishments. The Conference Committee has before them two pieces of legislation that have been years in development and subjected to rigorous independent analysis. That analysis has consistently verified that the two bills show only relatively small differences in aggregate impacts on commodity markets. With

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## Dare to Live Without Limits

By Bryan Golden

### *Do It Anyway-Part 1*

It is frustrating when you encounter those who react in an adverse manner to your actions. Even though your intentions are benevolent, there are people who will invariably find fault with your efforts. Ignore these naysayers. Don't allow them to dissuade you. You may have already encountered some of the following situations.

People may forget the good you do or how often you do it.

You do good things because it's the right thing to do and it is who you are. You do not follow this path because you are looking for praise or recognition. Therefore, it does not matter how others respond.

It is frustrating when the good you do is forgotten. It's even worse when your efforts are derided. Don't be deterred. People who feel guilty about not doing enough compensate by criticizing those who do more. This is human nature. Don't take it personally.

As you do more good, without expectation of reward or recognition, you will attract more good in your life. Doing good things is far more satisfying than being a spectator. Take the initiative without being asked. Look for ways to be of service. Surprise others

with compassion and consideration.

Although there will be those who forget what you have done, it doesn't matter. There will be others who do remember and appreciate your actions. Don't become jaded and alter your behavior just because someone doesn't react the way you think they should. Even though people may forget, do good things anyway.

When you succeed, some will be jealous and you may attract false friends.

Success is good. Yet, when you succeed, those that haven't will tend to be jealous. They may try to make you feel guilty. Just remember that success beats failure.

The approval of others is not a prerequisite for success. Success is a worthy pursuit. Failure offers nothing but disappointment. Everyone has their own definition of success. However you define success is up to you. Nevertheless, there is only one definition of failure; giving up.

Then there are individuals who will befriend you only after you succeed. People who were constant critics miraculously transform into cheerleaders as you reach your goals. True friends stay by

your side regardless of where you are. A true friend is one who was there for you before you became successful.

Positive people encourage others to succeed; negative people would rather see failure. Don't allow criticism to deter you from succeeding. Help others succeed, don't listen to those who don't want to. Regardless of how people will react, succeed anyway.

If you are kind, people may try to take advantage of you.

Kindness demonstrates concern and consideration for others. Kindness emanates from strength, not weakness. It's small minded, insecure people who are mean.

Unfortunately, there are those who view kind people as easily manipulated. Fortunately, they can't do this without your consent. Kindness is not synonymous with vulnerability. It is not necessary to be mean in order to protect yourself.

You can be kind without allowing others to take advantage of you. Kindness and assertiveness coexist well. Kindness attracts goodness. You can and should stand up for yourself when someone treats

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# Coyotes Step Into Season With Practice Game

By Coach Edwards

The Borden County Coyotes had just enough time to walk off the frozen tundra playing a playoff football game, getting into a cozy gym for a practice and playing a non-district game against undefeated 2A Colorado High School.

"We felt like the best practice is game time action," said head coach Bubba Edwards.

"Also by playing an actual game helps with conditioning."

Colorado came into the contest with four wins and no losses in the early season. The Wolves hit 3 of their nine shots beyond the arc in the first quarter to get a cushion early in the first quarter. The Coyotes managed to stick around and only trailed 20-14 after a quarter of play.

Colorado got up as many as 15 points in the second quarter, but a deep three made by Sean Tucker at the buzzer cut the Wolves lead 34-22 at the half.

Again in the third quarter, Colorado found a hot hand from deep range by hitting three more three point shots to give them their biggest lead and ending the third period, 55-

34.

Korbin Martinez found a hot hand in the final stanza scoring nine of his 13 points. The Coyotes managed to go toe to toe with Colorado by tying 14-14 in the quarter. The Wolves kept their season unblemished with a 69-48 victory.

"I was very pleased with our effort and the ability to score 48 points with very little practice and unconditioned bodies," Coach Edwards stated.

"The kids got after it and we are going to get better. We are going to continue to play teams like Colorado to help learn in game situations."

Korbin Martinez led the Coyotes in scoring with 13 points followed by Kurt Shafer with 9 points. Hunter Jones contributed eight points followed by Matt Proulx with six points. Corbin Summers chipped in four points while Sean Tucker and Jordan Martinez added three points. Ricky Torres scored two points.

The Coyotes will play in a bad weather tournament in Jayton on December 12 and December 14.

# Pups Get Big Win Over Mustangs

By Coach Edwards

The Borden Junior High Hoopsters continued their winning ways defeating the Sands Mustangs, 57-9.

The Pups dominated the first quarter scoring 16 points. The defense was stingy as well only allowing a single bucket.

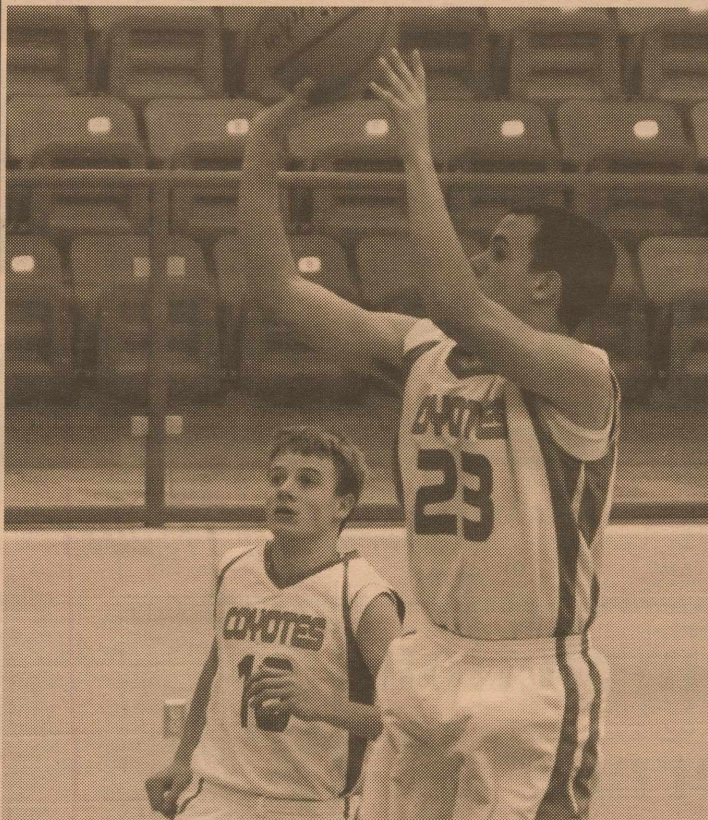
Borden out did their first quarter effort scoring 18 points in the second period and again holding the Mustangs to a single bucket extending their lead 34-2 at the half.

"We continue to talk about playing great defense which will help convert points on the offensive side," Coach Bubba Edwards stated.

"We were able to pressure in the full court and get ourselves some easy buckets."

The Coyotes continued their stifling defense allowing only seven points in the second half. Borden added 23 points in the second half to secure their second victory on the season.

## Pups Defeat Mustangs



Coyote Pup, Ryan Willborn, makes a jump shot and scores two points for the Coyotes.



Riley Lewis (#2) and Morgan Wilson (#14) guard the goal in last weeks game against the Sands Mustangs.

Trace Richey led all scorers with 16 points followed by Nick Proulx with 14 points. Braxton Barnes finished with eight points on the night and Brian Torres with seven

points. Morgan Wilson and Ryan Willborn both chipped in six points.

The Borden Junior High are 2-0 on the season.

## School Lunch Menu

Dec. 16-20, 2013

Menu subject to change

**Monday** - Breakfast: Pancake & Bacon, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken Quesadilla, Salsa, Garden Salad, Refried Beans, Applesauce and Milk.

**Tuesday** - Breakfast: Cereal & Toast, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Country Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Strawberry Cup and Milk.

**Wednesday** - Breakfast: Breakfast Parfait, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken Fajitas, Tortilla Chips (9-12 Grade only), Charro Beans, Corn, Salsa, Orange Smiles and Milk.

**Thursday** - Breakfast: Sunrise Sandwich, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Popcorn Chicken, garden Salad, Baby Carrots, Apple Slices, Breadsticks) and Milk.

**Friday** - Breakfast: Breakfast Burrito, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Fish Strips, Sweet Potato Fries, Cole-slaw, Sliced Peaches and Milk.

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**Merry Christmas from the Borden Star**

## Commissioners' Court

**WHEREAS**, On this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of November, 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; **ERNEST REYES**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3; **JOE BELEW**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 4; **JOYCE HERRIDGE** County Clerk and Ex-Officio of the Commissioners Court, with Commissioner Precinct No. 1, Monte Smith, absent, constituting a quorum, when the following proceedings were had, in accordance with the posted agenda.

Other officers present: Sharlot Stone, County Treasurer; Marlo Holbrooks, County Attorney; Benny Allison, sheriff, Tax-Assessor.

### CALL TO ORDER

Judge Sharp called the November 26, 2013 Special Session of Borden Co. Commissioner Court to order at 8:37 a.m.

### MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the Commissioners Court meeting of November 18, 2013 were read. Commissioner Reyes made a motion to approve said minutes. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### AIR EVAC LIFE TEAM INSURANCE

A discussion was held concerning flight insurance policy for residents of Borden County. No action taken.

### WEBSITE SERVICE AGREEMENT

Commissioner Belew made a motion to enter into a Service Agreement with the County Information Resources Agency (Texas Association of Counties) to provide website hosting and email services. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK

Commissioner Belew made a motion for revisions to the handbook as discussed. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion carried.

### PRE-APPROVAL OF FCS TRAVEL EXPENSE

Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve the proposed travel expenses occurring from December 3, 2013 to December 10, 2013 in the amount of \$389.85 as submitted by Julie Smith, County Extension Agent-Family & Consumer Sciences. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### JUSTICE OF THE PEACE BUDGET

Commissioner Smith made a motion to recind the October 22, 2013 Line Item Transfer in budget for the Justice of the Peace. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Reyes. Motion carried.

### BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve the 2013 Line Item Transfer for County Treasurer. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Reyes. Motion carried.

### PRIVATE ROAD CONSTRUCTION/ MAINTENANCE

No applications received.

### SOIL CONSERVATION

No applications received.

### ACCOUNTS

The current accounts were examined. Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve said accounts and Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion.

### DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE AGENDA

Air Evac policy and County Agent House.

### ADJOURN

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

**THE FOREGOING MINUTES READ AND APPROVED THIS THE 10<sup>th</sup> day of December 2013.**

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## Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit  
Tumbleweed Smith

### Art Works From Twigs

Janys Frazier of Waco started doing art when she was 57 years old. "My sister came to visit me and she brought some papier-mâché, took a piece of it, laid it on the table and said, 'make something.' And all of a sudden there was a face and instantly my whole being caught fire and I knew this was my real passion. I believe there's not a human being in the world that does not have artistic talent. They just don't know it until something brings it out. And who you are will emerge when you get into the arts."

Her sister in law asked her to create an elephant. "It was so difficult to do and took forever. I was ready to throw it away many times. But it has become my most famous piece. It has been cast in bronze and is now being sold through The Safari Club."

She did a large bronze statue of a woman with a baby that is in Waco's Providence Hospital. "It's inside the new mother and infant wing. It's three-quarters life-size, about five feet two. I made her because I wanted young mothers just walking into motherhood to realize the huge bond that forms between mother and child when a woman gives birth."

Janys does lots of whimsical art. She makes things from twigs and calls her creations twigsters. "I was out walking with my husband one day and I saw this cottonwood twig on the ground and I told him it looked like somebody on ice

skates. I took it home and made my first twigster. It was a Santa Claus on ice skates, skating along on a piece of bark that I made to look like ice. I made cowboy characters out of twigs and everybody loved them. They'd be sold before I could finish them. People would hear about them and come to my house to buy them. I gave a speech to a women's group once and had a twigster with me and before the meeting was over someone bought it. After that they were just buying them like hotcakes because they were fun. I love to laugh and find every way I can find to do it. The whole time I'm making these twigsters I'm laughing to myself."

Janys and her husband lived in the panhandle town of McLean for a while. "It was like being in a book. Everybody was a character. I liked that because it was real life with incredible depth. Watching the ranchers come in, all covered with mud and blood and torn up boots and hats really spoke to me about the energy of the place. I had to talk about it, had to sing about it." She composed music about whirling windmills on the prairie and played it for me on her piano. When I heard the music, I could imagine the fan blades on windmills turning in the wind. She has written both music and lyrics to songs about the west.

Janys told me she wanted to make a piece of whimsical art for me and asked me to send her some tumbleweed twigs.

My wife and I went out to a few country lanes and found some fine specimens. I put them in a box and shipped them to her. Can't wait to see my twigster.

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### Farm Bill...

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these two bills, the foundation for compromise and agreement has been laid.

The time for decisions is now – not next year or the year after that, the groups stated. Now is the time to resolve outstanding trade disputes. Now is the time to provide U.S. agriculture with the stability of a multi-year farm bill and let the extraordinarily competitive energy of the sector once again seek opportunities that ultimately serve this nation with the safest, affordable and secure food and fiber supply that is the envy of the world. Now is the time for a new farm bill. We believe the current leaders of the Agriculture Committees can meet the challenge of reaching compromise on long term policy and we urge them to ignore any calls to abandon their effort.

## Wolves Prove Too Much for Coyote JV

By Coach Edwards

The Colorado Wolves were just too much for the Borden County Junior Varsity season opener defeating the Coyotes 55-15.

The Wolves defense kept the Coyotes from scoring a single point in the first quarter and jumped out to a 16-0 lead.

Joel Andrade's three point bucket helped get Borden on the scoreboard in the second

quarter, but only managed to score one more bucket by Diego Bernal. The Wolves increased their lead at the half, 31-5.

Borden responded with some urgency in the third quarter as Bernal added four more points from the paint. Kace Lott also added two field goals in the quarter. However, the Wolves kept the hot hand add-

ing 18 more points to their lead ending the stanza with a 49-13 lead.

Bernal added one more basket finishing the scoring for the Coyotes and Colorado finished with six points in the fourth quarter to seal the victory.

Bernal led the team with eight points followed by Lott with four points. Andrade finished with three points.

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### Shopping Security: Don't Be A Victim

Living in a small town, we often forget that crime does happen. With the arrival of the holiday shopping season creates opportunities for thieves. Parking lots are where most mall-related crimes occur. It's up to us to reduce that threat.

The typical thief will look for an easy target; if you make it difficult for them to take advantage of you, they'll likely turn aside. Here are some precautions that will help protect you during the holidays and all year round:

1. Park in a busy and well-lit area. Avoid dark remote corners of parking lots.
2. Lock and stow. Lock your car doors and tuck prior purchases out of sight – in the trunk. Stash away other valuables, as well – GPS unit, laptops and tablets, e-readers, and more.
3. Stay focused. Avoid checking messages or otherwise being distracted by your phone or anything else. In-

stead, be alert to everything going on around you.

4. Assume you're watched. If you need to stash some purchases in your car partway through a shopping trip, then act as though you're leaving entirely. Get into your car, start it up, and move it to another parking spot out of sight of anyone who might have been watching you arrive at your car.

5. Don't dally. Have your car key in hand and walk like you know where you're going (even if you can't remember exactly where you parked).

6. Beware and react. If you are approached or chased by a stranger, yell loud to get attention, and consider going back to alert store security.

Nothing can guarantee the safety of our purchases (or ourselves), but appropriate precautions can certainly reduce the risk. Shop safe!

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## Borden County Resident Announces Candidacy for County Treasurer

Shawna (Vaughn) Gass of Gail is announcing her intent to run for Borden County Treasurer in the 2014 Republican primary election.

Shawna is a 1985 graduate of Borden High School and a lifelong resident of the county. Daughter Jami is a 2004 graduate of BHS, and daughter Taylor will graduate in May 2014.

For the past 11 years, Shawna has been employed with the Borden County Independent School District and prior to her service at BCISD, worked for Dawson County Farm Service Agency for eight years.

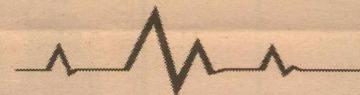
She would greatly appreciate your vote in the coming election.

### Notice

The Borden County Courthouse will be closed for Christmas Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, December 23-25

The Borden County Landfill will be closed Christmas Day, Wednesday, December 25, 2013

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O'Benco, Inc., P.O. Box 6149, Shreveport, Louisiana 71136-6149 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of Oil & Gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Wolfcamp formation, Gaylan Jane Collier 519 Lease, Well Number 1D. The proposed injection well is located 3 miles E of Fluvanna, Texas in the N. Myrtle (Wolfcamp) field, located in Borden County, Texas. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 5,948 feet to 5,966 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources

Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512-463-6792).

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THE STATE OF TEXAS  
TO: **FRIEDA MILLS and PATRICIA DOWNS**, 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 day after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from the date of issuance of this citation, the same being the 15<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2014, at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m., before the Honorable 132<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District Court of Borden County, at the Courthouse in Gail, Texas. Said Plaintiff's petition was filed on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December, 2013, the File Number of said suit being No. 1238. The names of the parties in said suit are:

O'BRIEN RESOURCES, LLC, as Plaintiff, and FRIEDA MILLS and PATRICIA DOWNS, 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 an oil, gas and mineral leases covering the undivided mineral interests owned by Defendants in the following-described tract of land situated in Borden County, Texas, to-wit:

All of the East 48 acres of the North 96 acres of the East 277.5 acres of Section No.

519, in Block No 97, of the H&TC Ry. Co. Survey, Borden County, Texas.

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

ISSUED this the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December, 2013

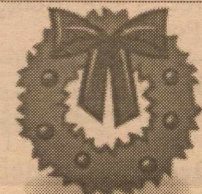
GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and seal of said Court, at office in Texas, this the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December, 2013.

Joyce Herridge  
DISTRICT CLERK, 132<sup>ND</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF BORDEN COUNTY, TEXAS

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# DECEMBER 2013



December 21, 2013 – January 5, 2014 Christmas Holidays

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 JH BB vs. Sands-6:00  OAP Practice-6:30	3	4	5 BC Tourney-GB	6 BC Tourney-GB  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">State Leadership Contest – Sam Houston State- Huntsville</div>	7 BC Tourney-GB
8	9 JH BB @ Wellman-6:00  OAP Practice-6:30	10 Picture Retakes  BB @ Wellman-4:00 gG BB @ Hamlin-5:00, bB	11	12 Christmas Concert 7:00	13 BB vs. Grady- 4:00 gG  BB vs. Irion County @ Sterling City-5:00 bB  Speech Tournament @ Abilene Cooper	14 Speech Tournament @ Abilene High
15	16 JH BB vs. O'Donnell-6:00  OAP Practice-6:30	17 BB vs. Loop, 4:00 gGbB	18 JH/Elementary UIL Awards Ceremony 2:30	19	20 End of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Six Weeks/Semester  Early Release 12:30  BB @ Klondike-4:00 gGbB	21 Work Day
22	23	24	25 	26	27 Jayton Tourney-GB	28 Jayton Tourney-GB
<b>CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS</b>						
29	30	31	<b>CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS</b>			