

2011 SURE Program Benefit Estimator Updated; Sign-Up **Dates Still Unknown**

By Shawn Wade

Even though no information has been released by USDA about when it will begin sign-up for the 2011 Supplemental Revenue Assistance (SURE) Program, interest is growing in the program and the assistance it might provide to producers finishing up their second drought-impacted growing

In order to help producers determine if they could qualify for the 2011 SURE program, and estimate their level of assistance, the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service has released an updated version of the SURE Benefit Estimator for the 2011 crop year. The new SURE Benefit Estimator can be downloaded at http://agrilife.org/ southplainscotton/?p=234.

Like all previous versions, the 2011 SURE Benefit Estimator is a Microsoft Excelbased spreadsheet. A copy of Microsoft Excel is required to view and use the estimator.

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service developed the original SURE Benefit Estimator soon after passage of the 2008 Farm Bill with assistance from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. The goal of the

spreadsheet is to provide farmers with a tool that they can use to make preliminary determinations about SURÉ program eligibility on their operations.

It is important to note that final regulations governing the 2011 SURE program, including the state and national level crop prices that will be used to estimate benefits, have not been released by FSA and any benefit calculated by this version of the Texas AgriLife Extension SURE Benefit Estimator could still vary from the official calculation a producer obtains from FSA during the sign-up process.

Going forward, the availability of additional 2011 program details, as well as inclusion of final 2011 market year average prices, will prompt an updated version of the SURE Benefit Estimator. PCG will report on the availability of all updates as soon as they are re-

This SURE benefit estimator is provided specifically to help producers calculate possible SURE payments. It does not calculate an exact actual payment due to the lack of a final set of program rules and price tables.

The SURE benefit estimator utilizes Direct and Counter-cyclical Program data and Federal Crop Insurance information for an eligible producer or entity to estimate the possible benefits that might be available

through the SURE program.
Complete instructions for using the estimator and explanations of the various program parameters used to calculate the estimated SURE payment are included as well.



Dare to Live Without Limits

By Bryan Golden

Don't Become a Failure Expert-Pt. 2

It's easy to locate people I have bad luck who can enumerate many reasons why failure is certain. Consult them about any ambitious goal you may have, and you will face a barrage of negative opinions and perhaps even ridicule. These predictors of doom and gloom are failure experts. To continue from the last column, here are some more excuses that don't have to apply to you. You can be a success expert.

Things never work for me Have you ever observed a child trying to prove they can't do something? The child will make a halfhearted attempt that invariably fails. Their reaction will then be, "See, I told you I couldn't do it." Since they tried and failed, the results proved the child's premise.

Adults behave in the same way. Perhaps a person has had a bad experience. They will then purport to predict their destiny: since a failure oc-curred in the past, nothing will work in the future.

When something doesn't work as planned, it provides lots of knowledge on what to adjust before moving forward. Anyone who is successful has persisted despite numerous experiences with undesirable

My timing is never right and

Failure experts are big believers in chance. They feel providence provides successful people with an edge. These experts are convinced they are not destined to succeed. Therefore, there is no point for them to even try. They resign themselves to accepting their lot in life. Their energy is devoted to complaining rather than changing what they don't

Although it's always nice to be fortunate, luck occurs when preparation meets opportunity. Lucky people don't wait for opportunity, they create it. Don't wait for your ship to come in, swim out to find it.

I'm not success oriented

There are those who avoid success under the guise that it is evil as well as a bad influence. They will point to so called successful people who are ruthless, underhanded, or take advantage of others. They claim avoiding success allows them to avoid the cause of so much misery.

Success doesn't change people; it simply allows them to advertise who they really are. Truly successful people are kind and considerate and derive their success from be-

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Coyotes Crush the Cardinals

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Coyotes traveled to Hermleigh Friday to take on the Cardinals. The Coyotes got off to a very fast start and made very short work of the Cardinals. In fact, the first team offense ran 4 running plays, scoring on 3 of them and threw two passes completing one of the two and it was for a touchdown. The second team offense played the rest of the game and scored twice using only 8 offensive plays. In the end, the Coyotes needed only two quarters to come away with their third straight win on the season to push their record to 3-1 on the 2012 season.

ing on all three touches. After a quick 3 and out for the home team Cardinal, Richey got his first carry and score from 47 yards out. Helio Rosales made 5 of 6 extra point attempts and with this attempt Borden County had a quick 8-0 lead. The Coyote defense got another quick stop and two plays later they were in the endzone,

behind some nice blocks by Matt Roberson, Rosales, Jared Smith, Basquez and rotating ends Kurt Shafer and Matt

On the next defensive possession, TJ Basquez pressured the quarterback and deflected the pass which was tipped by the QB and then caught in the air by Basquez and he returned the ball 20 yards for another Borden County score and a commanding 24 – 0 lead. On the next defensive possession, Richey intercepted a pass and two plays later crossed the goal line for his third score on another 47 yard run and a com-Tanner Richey had 3 carries manding 32 – 0 lead. The Coyon the night for 114 yards scorotes put their second defense otes put their second defense in, as starters, Richey, Basquez, Jared Smith, Rosales, and Shafer found themselves watching the rest of the game on the defensive side as backups got their opportunity to play. They took advantage of their time as a heavy rush by Ricky Torres and Matt Proulx forced a pair of sacks, the latter coming in the endzone after a nice 15 yard run by full-back TJ Basquez, Richey hit recovered by a Cardinal player

paydirt again from 20 yards out to give Borden County two points for a safety. On the ensuing free kick, Ricky Torres scooped the ball up and dodged and darted his way to the endzone and another Coyote touchdown pushing a 34-0 lead to 40 to 0 at the end of one quarter of play.

Matt Ham got a sack on 4th down for the Coyote defense which gave Borden County the ball deep in Cardinal territory to begin the 2nd quarter. The Coyote first team got one more offensive play and they made quick work of it scoring from 20 yards out on a Jared Smith to TJ Basquez pass play. Rosales made the kick to increase the lead to 48-0. The Cardinals managed their initial first down of the game on their next possession, but again the Coyote defense stiffened and force a turnover on downs. The second unit offense got nice runs by Korbin Martinez and Steven Howard to get deep in Cardinal territory and then Matt Ham did the rest as he captured his first career touchdown from 12 yards out to push the lead to 54 to 0. Howard scampered in for the point after to push the lead to 55 to 0. Another defensive stop for the Coyotes gave the ball back to the second unit and again the visiting team made quick work as Torres broke loose on a nice 30 yard run which was followed by Jordan Martinez first touchdown as a Coyote as he reached paydirt from 14 yards out to push the lead to 61 - 0. Sean Tucker found Kurt Shafer in the corner of the endzone for the point after and the final tally of the game at 62 - 0. The Coyote defense continued their dominating play as Korbin Martinez grabbed the first of what should be many interceptions in this freshman's career to give Borden County the ball one more time with 1:30 left. The Coyotes now decided to get into victory formation with this second unit to secure their

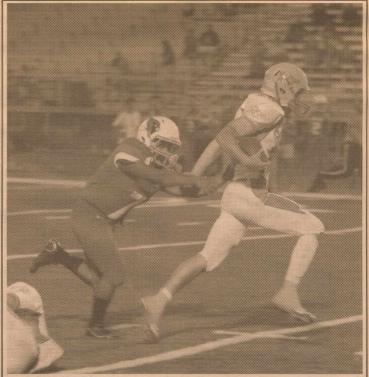
third victory.

The following are the stats for the Coyotes in this contest: Tanner Richey 3 carries 114 yards and 3 scores an interception and a tackle. TJ Basquez had a carry for 15 yards and a

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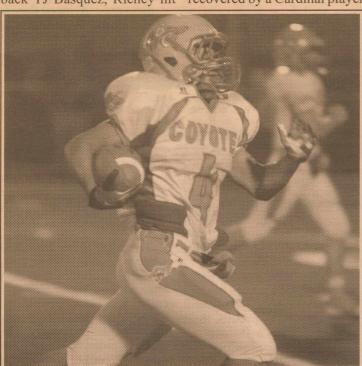


Matt Proulx (#25) sacks a Cardinal and causes him to fumble the ball during last Fridays' game in Hermleigh.



Borden County running back, Tanner Richey narrowly escapes the grips of a Hermliegh player. The Coyotes took a big win over the Cardinals with a final score of 62-0. This gives them a 3-1 season.

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Borden Coyote, Ricky Torres makes his way to the endzone to score another touchdown for the Covotes.

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Borden County JV Coyotes Ground the Cardinals

By Coach Benavidez

The Borden County JV hosted the Hermleigh Cardinals last Thursday at Coyote Den Stadium. The young Coyote team proved to be a bit too much for the Cardinals to

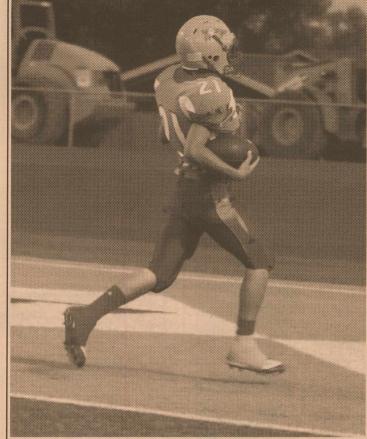
The Coyotes started the scoring for the night with Riley Herridge returning the opening kickoff 70 yards for a touch-down. The PAT failed. After a great defensive stand by the defense which included Michael "Wild Bill" Taylor, Hurrikane Richter, Jaden Huse, and Flint Roberts at defensive end positions, Caden Vaughn, Riley Herridge, and Rhaeden Bland at the corner position, Colby Pennell and Thomas Harrison at the linebacker and Mason Coor at the safety position. In fact, the combination of these players in various tandems did such a great job on defense that they held the Cardinals to no points and posted a shut-out.

On the next Coyote possession, Cayden Vaughn took off on a 20 yard touchdown run. The PAT, again, was not good. The Coyote defense again stood firm and denied the Cardinals anything. The Coyotes took over. Riley Herridge found an open Mason Coor for a key 8 yard pass on the home sideline. This set up Cayden Vaughn, once again, for a 19 yard touchdown run with some great blocking by our offensive line. The PAT failed. This brought the score to 18-0. Hermleigh needed to get something rolling on offense but

found it impossible against the Coyotes. Cayden Vaughn added another rushing touchdown from 8 yards out which was first set up by a Riley Herridge to Colby Pennell 17 yard toss and catch. Herridge then connected with Thomas Harrison on a pass for the PAT. The score at halftime was 25-

The offensive domination by the Coyotes continued in the 3rd quarter with Vaughn breaking loose for a 16 yard touchdown run with 6:01 left in the 3rd. Herridge then connected with Flint Roberts for the PAT making the score 32-0. The next score for the Coyotes came on a 77 yard run by Colby Pennell with 1:52 left in the third quarter. The PAT failed making the score 38-0. The last score for the night came in the form of Rhaeden Bland finding the edge on a sweep for a 26 yard touchdown. Herridge connected with Mason Coor for the PAT making the score 45-0. The game was called on the mercy

The young men from Borden County came out ready to play in their home opener of the season. These guys improve weekly and show it on the field on Thursdays. Caelen Thuett, Robert Jordan, Nathan Souder, and Merik Valentine were on the injured reserve for this game as they work to get healthy and return. Please keep these young men in your prayers as they continue to do



Cayden Vaughn sails into the Borden County endzone to score for the Coyote JV. The Coyotes played host to the Hermleigh Cardinals. The Coyotes scored

Pups Improve to 2-0 With a Victory Over the Cardinals

By Coach Richey

improved to 2-0 with a con-vincing victory over the turn, but a Borden County pen-Hermleigh Cardinals. The alty gave the visitors a first Pups wasted very little time in down and allowed the Cardithis game as 7th grader Trace Richey raced 35 yards to paydirt on the 2nd play from scrimmage to give the Pups a quick 6 to 0 lead. Trace Richey joined the second offense of a down and allowed the Cardinals to run more clock and ultimately run the quarter out leaving the score 7-0 for the home team Pups.

On the very first play of the 2nd quarter, Hunter Jones finextra point which was successful as Richey hit Murphy for the point after and a 7-0 lead with 5:18 left. After the starting defense of Hunter Jones, Kace Lott, Kale Yarbro, Corbin Sumners, Wilborn, Riche, Braxton Coor and Jayton Lewis created a quick 4 and out a quick turnover kept the Pups from adding to their lead. Moments later it appeared that Corbin Sumners gave the Pups

The Borden County Pups a defensive touchdown with a

Braxton Barnes, Hunter Huse, Dylan Murphy, Ryan Wilborn which he carried four consecuand Nick Proulx to attempt the tive plays and with his final touch from a yard out put the Pups up 13 to 0. Richey and the 2nd offense, this time joined by new Pup Diego Bennal at the end position in place of Murphy added another point after as Richey Hit Hunter Huse in the endzone to push the lead to 14 to 0 with 5:57 left in the quarter.

On the next defensive pos-

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School Lunch Menu

Menu Subject to Change October 1-5, 2012

Monday - Breakfast: Pancake Pup, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Beef & Cheese Chalupas, Salsa, Garden Salad, Refried Beans, Applesauce, Tortilla Chips (grades 9-12 only) and Milk.

Tuesday

Breakfast:Suasage & Biscuit, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: County Fried Steak. Whipped Potatoes w/Gravy. Savory Green Beans, Roll. Strawberry Cup and Milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast: Breakfast Burrito, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken Fajitas w/ Peppers & Onion Garnish, Tortilla, Charro Beans, Seasoned Corn, Orange Smiles, Salsa, Tortilla Chips (grades 9-12 only) and Milk.

Thursday - Breakfast: Kolache, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken Spaghetti, Garden Salad, Apple Slices, Breadstick, Baby Carrots and

Friday - Breakfast: Pizza Bagel, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Fish Taco, Corn Tortilla. Sweet Potato Fries. Coleslaw, Salsa, Sliced Peaches and

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Worried? 10 Ways to Soothe Your Fears

Whether you worry about can't shake a worrisome ur career, your kids, or your thought, take a brisk walk or your career, your kids, or your personal safety, here are effective ways to ease your mind.

Think Constructively Worrywarts tend to automatically assume the worst will happen in any situation. You can head off the cascade of negative thoughts by challenging them with logic. Ask yourself questions like How do I know the situation is bad? What are other possible outcomes? Is there a more positive way to see the situation? Say you have a falling-out with your spouse. Instead of spending the rest of the day in a panic, convinced your relationship is doomed, remind yourself that the two of you have fought many times before, that your spouse loves you, and that fights are a normal part of all relationships.

Make a Plan Action is a powerful antidote to anxiety. After that argument with your spouse, make a list of what went wrong and how you could deal with it better the next time, or call a friend to discuss the spat. Likewise, you'll have less fodder for worry if you start addressing the situations that cause you stress. Come up with three specific changes you want to make that address specific worries, such as making a will if you're concerned about your estate, seeing your dentist if you fear gum disease, or cleaning out the attic if you're afraid it has become a fire hazard. Next to each item write down how and when you are going to tackle it. Once these are done, give yourself can also help, though be sure three more tasks.

Get Organized Many everyday worries grow out of disorganization. Every bit of structure you add can reduce the time spent in useless worry. For example, get in the habit of making lists or keeping a daily schedule, or set a basket by the door to hold your keys so you can avoid that frantic

play a game with your kids, pull a few weeds or read the paper. Anything that requires some concentration is helpful. A 10-minute break is all it takes to shut off the negative cycle of rumination. Another trick: Wear a rubber band around your wrist and when the train of "what ifs" starts gathering steam, snap the band hard and tell yourself to stop. The experts say such thought-stop-

ping techniques really work.

Schedule Your Worries Set aside a time and place — not the bedroom or anywhere else you like to relax — where you can spend 10 to 30 minutes every day worrying. That's right, just worrying. During that time, let all your worst fears rip. For the rest of the day, if a concern pops up, tell your-self to set it aside until your worry time. You can also postpone worrying into the future. If you're nervous about giving a presentation that you've been preparing for days, tell yourself to set those fears on the back burner for 20 minutes to two hours. When that time comes, either let yourself worry about it or postpone it again. This technique will help keep you more relaxed and in the moment.

Write Your Worries Away Keep a pad by your bed to jot down that vexing problem that jolts you awake at 2 A.M. You'll be able to get back to to use it as a dumping ground and not a place to endlessly recycle the same concerns. You can also use a journal to work out answers to troubling prob-

Worry with a Friend Nothing brings your troubles down to size more quickly than sharing your concerns with someone else. Along with sympathy, you'll get a clearer perspective Distract Yourself If you and help in brainstorming pos-

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sible solutions.

Tame Your Tension Tension and worrying go hand in hand, but if you can relax your body, your mind will follow. Try deep breathing to unwind and root yourself in the present. (Your abdomen should go out when you breathe in, and in when you breathe out.) Or practice tightening and then releasing your muscles from head to toe to teach yourself the difference between feeling tense and feeling relaxed. Seek calm through prayer, meditation, or yoga.

Treat Yourself Well You know the drill — a good night's sleep, a warm bath, regular exercise, healthy eating, limited caffeine. Add them all up and your anxiety decreases. Although some of these techniques may feel awkward or artificial, stick with them and you'll find they

Let Go Easier said than done. However, many people who make a habit of worrying often become convinced their vigilance is keeping bad things - like the whiteknuckle flyer who is certain her anxiety is keeping the plane aloft. The truth is, we don't have control over many situations in our lives — whether it's the safety of the airplane we're riding in our ability to have children. Try turning your worry over to God, or to fate if you don't believe in God. Accept that your worries won't make the world any different; they will only make you more unhappy. How? Try praying; try writing the worry down and putting it in a box; try anything that helps you let the worry go.

Dare to Live...

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ing of service to others. A successful person can do more to help others than one who lives far below their potential.

Other people will laugh at

Fear of ridicule stops failure experts from achieving their goals. They avoid criticism by never sharing their dreams with friends or family. Instead, they suppress any aspirations. They would rather conform to what others consider the norm than risk condemnation. Acceptance is far more important to then than

All successful people have been criticized along their journey. Discouragement jealous if you succeed while they don't. You should share your goals only with people who offer encouragement. Ignore any negative sentiments. Although there is always an abundance of opinions, your life is your responsibility. Don't be deterred by others.

Other people have failed

Examples set by other failures are more relevant to failure experts than success stories. For them, one example of failure is all they need to justify their decision to not even try. Why someone else failed is immaterial. All that matters is that it proves success is not guaranteed.

You want to follow the path of people who succeed. Those who fail, demonstrate what mistakes to avoid but are not a deterrent to success. Seek examples that encourage you, not

dissuade you.

If you follow the guidance of failure experts, you will experience the same negative refrom those who are closest to sults they achieve. There are you is common. People are always reasons why you can succeed. Find them and concentrate on them.

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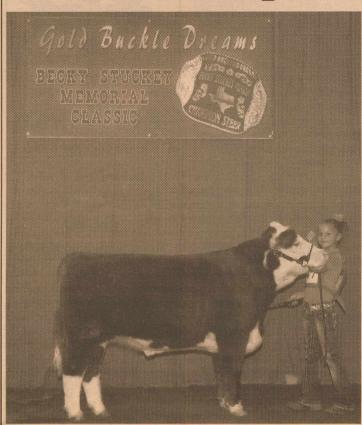


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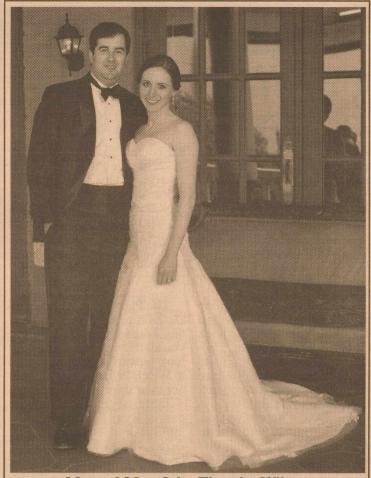


Borden County 1st grader, Aubree Blissard was recently awarded grand champion Mini Hereford Prospect steer at the West Texas Fair in Abilene. This was the first year for a Mini Hereford show at the fair. Aubree will be entered in the Texas State Fair in Dallas on September 30. She is the daughter of Mike and Amanda Blissard of Big Spring and little sister of Myka, a sixth grader at Borden County.

Every time we pray, our horizon is altered, our attitude to things is altered, not sometimes but every time, and the amazing thing is that we don't pray more.
-Oswald Chambers

Booster Club Meeting

The Boden County Booster Club will be holding a meeting on October 9, 2012. It will be held at the Borden County **Event Center** at 6:00 p.m.



Mr. and Mrs. John Timothy Wilson (nee..Leslie Sara Dyke)

Wilson, Dyke Wed in Austin

Leslie Sara Dyke, the Gregory, and the ringbearer was daughter of Dr. Lester Maris Charlie Giraud. Ushers were thy Wilson, Jr., the son of John Timothy Wilson and Carol Clayton Wilson, of Gail, Texas. Getten, and Margo Cardwell. Clayton Wilson, of Gail, Texas.

The ceremony was performed at Central Presbyterian Church by Pastor Greg McDonell. A reception followed at the Driskill Hotel.

Glassian States and Iviargo Cardwell.

The couple met at Harvard University, where they graduated in 2009, Mrs. Wilson with a degree in government and Mr. Wilson with a degree in eco-

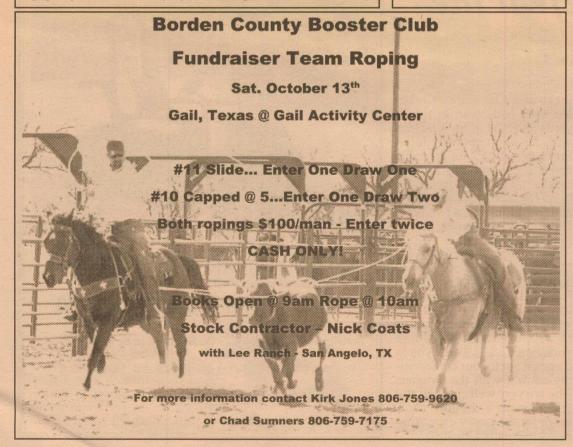
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daughter of Dr. Lester Maris
Dyke III and Marie Theresa
Dyke of McAllen, Texas, was
married on August 11, 2012, in
Austin, Texas, to John TimoAustin, Texas, to

The matron of honor was nomics. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Katherine Chapel, and the graduated from The University maid of honor was Elizabeth of Texas School of Law this Dyke. Bridesmaids were past May. Mrs. Wilson will Rachel Wilson, Emer start work this fall at Bracewell Wilson, Emer start work this land at Blace.

an, Kathleen & Giuliani LLP in Houston, Demers, Christina Namikas, where she will be joining the Kara Culligan, and Kim Prock. trial group as an associate. Mr. Best man was Riley Catlin, and Wilson will start work this fall groomsmen were Jeffrey at Hogan Lovells LLP in Hous-Dyke, David Dyke, Andrew ton, where he will be joining the

The couple honeymooned in



Pups Capture the Cardinals...

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away with a fumble recovery this time from 4 yards out. The 2nd team again added a point as Nick Proulx went around left end for the PAT and a 21 lead to 45 -7. This would be the final tally as the Pups impact their 2012 record to 2score heading into the locker

room at half.

Murphy, Brian Torres, Nick Proulx, Morgan Wilson, Tho-mas Nix, Kable Kleck, Thadd Basquez and Clayton Addison in Welch as the pups try to garscrimmaged with the younger ner their third win. Cardinal players for 10 plays each. On the defensive side, Murphy, Barnes and Torres made several tackles while givmade several tackles while giving up only a few yards. Then when this group of young Pups had the ball, they scored on 3 consecutive plays. Brian Torres and 6 tackles, Braxton Coor had 3 tackles, Thadd Basquez had two tackles and a fumble recovery and a Nick Proulx followed suit from 12 tackles and a fumble recovery and a 2 tackles and an intercention 60 out before Torres had another 60 yard jaunt. This group Hunter Huse had a tackle and scored one more time, after a couple of nice runs by Thomas Nix and one from Murphy set Borden County up in great shape, Morgan Wilson hit Thadd Basquez in the endzone for the final tally and a total dominating halftime scrimmage beating the Cardinals 4

The 2nd half started with the Pups and Jayton Lewis recovering another Cardinal fumble the next defensive possession, Richey intercepted a Cardinal pass and rumbled 40 yards to the endzone and extended the lead to 33 to 0. The Pups played all three offensive and game, which stalled a couple of Borden County drives but after a nice fumble recovery by Hunter Huse set the Pups up in good shape. Jayton Lewis sprinted around the end a couple of plays later and gave the home town team a commanding 39-0 lead. The Cardinals were able to get on the to break up a pass. Matt Proulx lenge for the vastly improving board with 3:12 remaining in had 4 tackles including two Borden County Coyotes.

session Kale Yarbro came the contest to make the score 39-7, but the Pups rotating ofand a few plays later Hunter
Jones was in the endzone again

solution of the state this time from 4 yards out. The took their turn. Lewis had his

During halftime, the group of Braxton Barnes, Dylan

The Pups will next travel to Dawson to take on the Dragons Thursday at 5:30. Thank you all for your support and we look forward to seeing you all

Defensive stats for the game: Ryan Wilborn had 8 tackles and two pressures, Brian Torres had 6 tackles, tackles and an interception. had 5 tackles and two pres- also had a tackle.



Borden Pup, Kale Yarbro (#10) makes a tackle on a Hermliegh player last Thursday as the Pups hosted the Cardinals.

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sures, Trace Richey had 8 tackles, Hunter Jones had 3 tackles, Jayton Lewis had a fumble recovery and 6 tackles, Thomas Nix had a tackle, Nick Proulx had two tackles, Kable Kleck had a tackle, Clayton Addison a fumble recovery. Morgan had a tackle, Braxton Barnes Wilson had a tackle. Kace Lott had 6 tackles and Diego Bennal

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2 yard reception for a score, an interception for a score and 5 Martinez had 2 carries for 28 tackles including 2 sacks. yards and was in on 4 tackles interception for a score and 5 tackles including 2 sacks. and two plays later Trace Richey reached pay dirt for a commanding 27 to 0 lead with 5:07 left in the 3rd quarter. On and 7 tackles including two sacks and a tackle for loss. Steven Howard had two carries for 11 yards and a point after and was in on 5 tackles with a tackle for loss. Matt Ham had the 12 yard touchdown run and defensive groups for the re-mainder of the quarter and the Banman had 4 tackles a pres-4 tackles and a sack. Frank sure and a pass breakup. Kurt Shafer had the catch for the point after and was in on 2 tackles, one for a loss. Sean Tucker had a tackle and the point after completion. Jordan Martinez had the 14 yard scoring run, and was in on 3 tack-les, one for a loss and a big hit

with an interception. Jared Smith was 1 of 2 for 20 yards and a score and was in on 2 tackles including a tackle for loss. Helio Rosales was 5 of 6 and had a sack in his two tackles. Cat had several big blocks tonight as well.

The Coyotes next host the Dawson Dragons for home-coming 2012. Thank you all for your support so far this season, we appreciate all of you who have made these long trips to support these awesome young men and we urge you to come on out for our homecoming contest with the Dragons who are very well coached and will present a definite chal-

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A Showcase of the Texas Spirit Tumbleweed Smith

Fun at Summer's End

"No booster chair, no crayons, no children's menu and tell the waiter not to call me little man." Pretty astute for a nine year old. I think it would be a good idea to have a t-shirt made that carried the phrase Caleb mentioned. The wearer could make sure the waiter saw it and was sensitive to the needs of a boy just entering the fourth grade.

We were in Dallas to visit with Caleb's big brother Jackson who was getting ready to return to college for his senior year. He is majoring in English and Drama and has already had

a book of his poetry published.
We went to Oakland, California to visit with our son BZ and his family.

We took our grandsons (nine year old Max and six year old Aiden) to Alcatraz, which was a maximum-security federal prison from 1934 to 1963 and housed criminals who really made names for themselves, like Al Capone and Machine Gun Kelley. Max, who has a gentle soul and is a quiet boy, had to have an item from the gift shop that contained biographies of several of the bad guys. Neither Max nor Aiden wanted to have their pictures taken behind bars.

To cap off the summer season, we had a visit from our Minnesota friends, Jim and Judy Mans. Jim and I joined the Army at the same time and went through basic training in Fort Carson, Colorado and Morse Code school in Fort Devens, Massachusetts. We developed a strong friendship. One night Jim and I went to a hotel in Boston that was supposed to have a USO dance. It had been canceled, but we didn't know that until we got to the hotel ballroom. We had had a few whiskey sours and felt pretty silly. We went up on stage, grabbed the American flag and marched around the ballroom humming The Stars and Stripes Forever. We kept on marching out in the hallway, down the stairs and out the front door carrying the

We were in a Dallas restau- flag. The doorman looked the rant, just sitting down with our son Kevin and his family when little nine year old Caleb announced to the table:

The doorman tooked the down with our other way. We decided to make that flag a token of our friendship. He kept the eagle on top of the pole and I kept the flag.

Although we kept in touch after Devens, fifteen years passed before we saw each other again. Our first reunion was in Dallas. My wife Susan and I walked into a hotel lobby and there were Jim and Judy. Susan knew they were there, but I didn't. Susan opened her briefcase and pulled out the flag. Jim pulled out the eagle. We posed for a photograph while standing behind the flag

and holding the eagle.

Jim and I have been together on numerous occasions since then, either in Minnesota or Texas or someplace in between. We always have the flag and the eagle with us and always take a picture. The flag now has a few holes in it and the eagle has a bent wing, but to us they are symbols of a strong friendship that has flourished and deepened since that night in Boston in 1958.

Commissioners' Court

WHEREAS, On this the 18th day of September, 2012, 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 SHARP, County
Judge, Residing; MONTE SMITH, Commissioner, Pre-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 constituting a quorum, when the following proceedings were had, in accordance with the posted

Other officer Present: Treasurer Sharlot Stone. Visitor: Joel Ackerman, Representative of Bear Graphics

CALL TO ORDER

Judge Sharp called the September 18, 2012 Special Session of Borden Co. Commissioners Court at 8:09 a.m.

MINUTES APPROVED

sioners Court Meetings of September 11, 2012 were read. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve said minutes. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion car-

2013 ARCHIVE PLAN PUBLIC HEARING

Reyes made a motion to recess the Commissioners Court Meeting and to open the Public Hearing for Borden County Clerk's Archive Plan as advertised. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion the Public Hearing and to recarried.

Joyce Herridge, Borden County Clerk presented the Archive Plan. No interested person was in attendance.

At 8:45 a.m., Commissioner Archive Plan Public Hearing and to open the Commissionseconded by Commissioner ried. Smith. Motion carried.

CLERK'S ARCHIVE

a motion to adopt the proposed Clerk's Archive Plan. Commis-

Minutes of the Commis- sioner Reves seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2013 BORDEN COUNTY BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

At 9:00 a.m., Commissioner Smith made a motion to recess the Commissioner's Court Meeting and to call the Borden County 2013 Budget Hearing to At 8:15 a.m., Commissioner order as advertised. Commissioner Belew seconded the motion. Motion carried.

No interested party in atten-

At 9:15 a.m., Commissioner Adcock made a motion to close convene the Commissioner's Court Meeting. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2013 BUDGET

Commissioner Reyes made Addock made a motion to close Archive Plan Public Hearing and to open the Commissioners Court Meeting. Motion was missioner Adcock. Motion car-

2013 TAX RATE

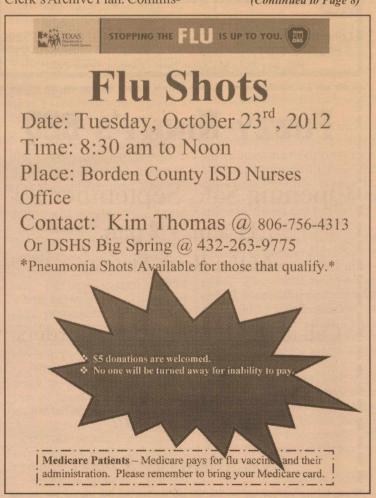
After notice and hearing, the PLAN following motion was offered by Commissioner Belew "I

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Pictured is Jim Mans (left) with Tumbleweed and the flag and eagle they obtained early on in their friendship





Commissioners' Court

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move that the property tax rate be decreased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.26360, which is effectively a 21.87% increase in the tax rate." Motion was seconded by Commissioner Adcock. Motion carried

RATIFY PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

Commissioner Smith made a motion to Ratify the Property Tax Increase as reflect in 2013 Budget. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

TAX DISCOUNTS

A motion was made by Commissioner Belew to allow discounts for early payment of taxes of 3% for October, 2% for November and 1% for December. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Reyes. Motion carried.

TAXES-SPLIT **PAYMENTS**

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith to NOT **ALLOW SPLIT PAYMENTS** OF TAXES. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Adcock. Motion carried.
TEXAS FORESTRY

SERVICE

Commissioner Smith made a motion to enter into Interlocal Cooperation Contract between Borden County and Texas A & M Forest Service. Contract is to begin September 18, 2012 and to terminate December 31, 2012. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Smith excused himself for the remain-

der of the meeting. COURTHOUSE ROOF

Mr. Danny Weatherman with Weatherman Roofing Co. of Lamesa was present and presented options for the Courthouse roof. Commissioner

Belew made a motion to accept the TPO bid as submitted by Mr. Weatherman. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Adcock. Motion

DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE AGENDA NO new items presented. ADJOURN

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

THE FOREGOING MIN-UTES READ AND AP-PROVED THIS THE 25th day of September, 2012.

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