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## Borden Coyotes Wallop the Wellman-Union Wildcats *Improve Record to 3-0 on the Season*

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Coyotes were forced to postpone their home season opener while waiting on the new Coyote stadium to be completed. The Coyotes were forced to play their third straight road game as they traveled to Wellman to take on the Wellman-Union Wildcats.

The Coyotes were coming off of a very exciting victory the Saturday before and the fear of starting our or playing a little flat after that contest came true as the Coyotes lost the ball on a successful outside kick by the home town Wildcats. The Coyotes however did not allow the momentum last as they quickly forced the Wildcats to a 4 and out to take the ball over. After taking over at their own 25 yard line, Michael Cooley behind the blocking of center Derek Tatum, guard RT Shafer, end Flynn Chapman, fullback Austin Fields and making his first career start Karl Lamming replacing the injured all-state quarterback Miles Valentine, skirted 55 yards untouched for a Coyote score and an early 6 to 0 lead. Flynn continued his very solid extra-point kicking to put the Coyotes up 8 to 0 with 8:08 left in the opening period. The Wildcats an-

swered back as they would use an 8 play drive to get their only score of the night to even the game at 8.

The Coyotes would waste little time in regaining the lead as Cooley again raced untouched to the endzone, this time from 44 yards out. Again, Chapman made the kick to regain the 8 point lead at 16 to 8. The first defense rebounded from their previous defensive series and would put up 3 consecutive 3 and out defensive possessions.

Meanwhile, the Coyote offense would continue their one play possessions, the first of these possessions saw Cooley scoring from 57 yards out to push the lead to 22 to 8. Flynn Chapman got into the touchdown act as he rumbled 52 yards on his first carry of the game and then added the extra-point kick to give the Coyotes a 30 to 8 lead after one period of play.

The next series actually took 3 plays as the Coyotes were unsuccessful on two pass plays before Cooley had his final play of the game cover 50 yards to pay dirt and after another successful kick the Coyotes had a very comfortable 38 to 8 lead. This time, Brendan Tarleton helped on the play as

he made his first appearance of the 2009 season playing shotgun center, Tanner Richey also helped on the play blocking out of the backfield. The 2<sup>nd</sup> team defense took over from their and continued the defensive theme of the last few series as they forced another 3 and out for the home town Wildcats. Flynn Chapman moved to Tailback in the Jaybird and used only one play to extend the lead to 44 to 8.

The Wildcats finally put together another drive, as they converted two 4<sup>th</sup> down conversions to move the ball deep into Coyote territory, in fact, a forced fumble by Richey and Zach Telchik and then another forced fumble on the same play by Quint Shafer as he knocked the ball out of another Wildcats hands hoping to regain possession for his team before RT Shafer jumped on the loose pig skin to give the ball back to the Coyotes.

The Coyotes used two plays to cover 60 yards, which was capped by a 30 yard scoring strike from Karl Lamming to Brendan Tarleton. This marked the first touchdown of

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### Look Out!



Borden Coyote, John Hensley (#19) readies to sack the Wellman quarterback who's looking for an open teammate. The Coyotes came away with a 56-8 victory over the Wellman Wildcats. They will next take on Rule Friday at 7:30 following the Jr. High game at 5:30.

## Borden County vs. Rule

Friday, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>

Jr. High - 5:30 p.m.

Varsity - 7:30 p.m.

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Tarleton varsity career. This touchdown came with only 9 seconds left in the half to give the visiting Coyotes a comfortable 50 to 8 halftime lead.

The third quarter started with Wellman-Union receiving the kick from Quint Shafer and the rest of the Coyote kick off team. The Wildcats converted 3 more 4<sup>th</sup> down plays to use over 5 minutes off of the clock. The Wildcats moved the ball inside the Coyote 1 yard line, but back to back huge plays by John Hensley, playing linebacker with the 2<sup>nd</sup> team and Skyler Dear, and Quint to stuff a couple of runs inside before Zach Telchik teamed up with Hensley and Richey to stop a third down play all leaving the ball at the one yard line.

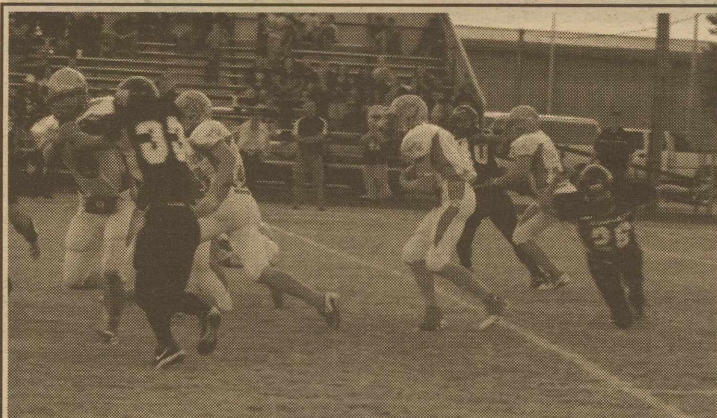
On the fourth 4<sup>th</sup> down play of the drive, Telchik grabbed the Wildcat runner trying to get around the outside and was helped by Richey to keep the Wildcats out of the end zone, also helping during this series was David Rodriguez, Tony Soto and Derek Tatum.

The Coyote 2<sup>nd</sup> team offense could not convert their own 4<sup>th</sup> down play and the Wildcats had the ball in great position, hoping to improve on their 8 points. But, the Coyote second group continued their stubborn ways as yet another 4<sup>th</sup> down play was thwarted as Telchik jarred the ball loose from a Wildcat runner that was forced back against the grain by Quint and Soto, Richey was Johnny on the spot to pick the ball up in stride and he sprinted 76 yards

to the other end for a defensive score and a final score of 56 to 8 as the game came to an end on this final play of the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter because of the 45 point rule.

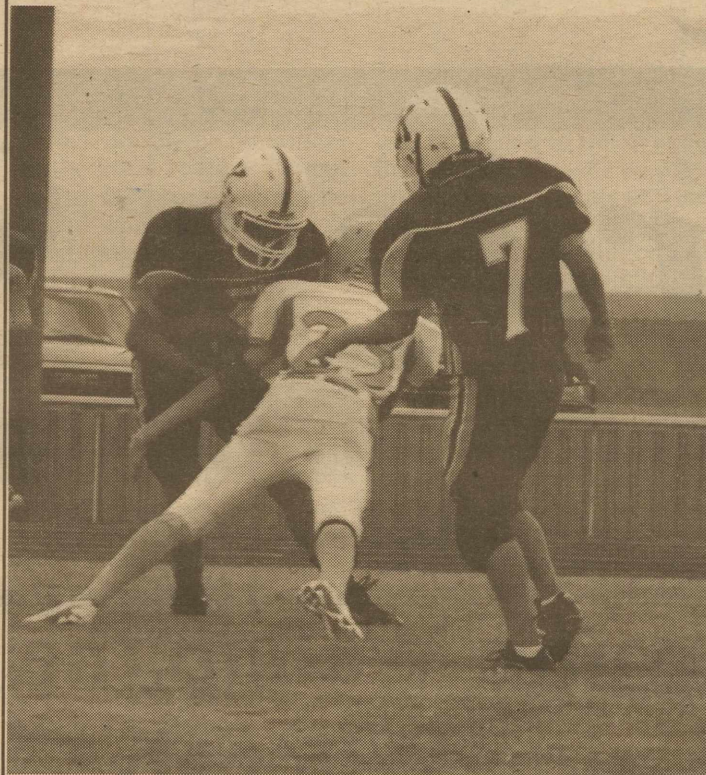
With the victory, the Coyotes improved to 3-0 on the season and will again take their show on the road as they travel to Rule next Friday.

Leading the way for the Coyotes was Michael Cooley with 4 touches for 206 yards and 4 touchdowns, Mike also had 4 tackles. Flynn Chapman had 3 touches for 127 yards and 2 scores and was 5 of 7 on extra points, Flynn also had 9 tackles. Karl Lamming was 1 of 1 passing for 30 yards and a score. Karl also had 3 tackles. Brendan Tarleton had the touchdown catch covering 30 yards and was in on 2 tackles. John Hensley had a tremendous day on the defensive side of the ball as he set a career high for sacks in a game at 4 while also causing a fumble and 16 tackles and had a carry for 6 yards. David Rodriguez had 1 tackle. Skyler Dear had 7 tackles and 2 sacks, Quint Shafer had 6 tackles a caused fumble and 2 sacks, Zach Telchik had 13 tackles and 2 caused fumbles, RT Shafer had 4 tackles and a fumble recovery. Tanner Richey was 1 of 1 passing for 2 yards and was in on 12 tackles, a caused fumble and recovered a fumble for a score. Tony Soto was in on 6 tackles and had 2 carries for 9 yards. Austin Fields had 2 tackles, but left the game early with a strained back. Derek Tatum had 4 tackles and a sack.



Coyote teammates block for running back, Michael Cooley to score in Fridays game against the Wildcats.

## Coyote Attack



Luke Burkett (#23) tackles a Cougar in last Thursday's match against Klondike. The Coyotes took a win against the Cougars with a final score of 36-0. Great job!

## JV Coyotes Halt the Cougars

By Coach McCook

The Coyote JV football team traveled to Klondike Thursday, and for the second time this season the Coyote defense shut out their opposition.

Early in the ballgame the Coyote offense was clicking on all cylinders, scoring on two long runs in the first quarter. But the Cougar defense made the necessary adjustments and held the Coyotes scoreless in the second quarter. In the third, the Coyotes extended their 16-0 halftime lead with a touchdown pass and a fumble recovery in the end zone. After a couple of goal line stands, the Coyotes scored on another touchdown strike in the fourth quarter to bring the final score to 36-0. With this win the Coyote JV moves to 2-1 on the season.

Individual standouts on offense included Austin Cope

and Steven Howard who rushed for more than 100 yards apiece. Kobie Benham and Brady ByBee rushed for 45 and 22 yards respectively from the fullback position. Collin Telchik and Austin Tyler teamed up to throw for 95 yards. And Helio Rosales and Michael Froman led the Coyote receiving core.

On defense, Kobie Benham led all tacklers with 14. Michael Froman, Helio Rosales, Luis Andrade, and Brady Bybee controlled the line of scrimmage with a combined 20 tackles from the defensive end position. And Luke Burkett, Austin Cope, Steven Howard, Jared Smith, Collin Telchik, and Austin Tyler rounded out the Coyote secondary which has allowed only 32 points in three games this season. Good job guys!

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## Cross Country

The junior high and high school cross-country season began Saturday at Slaton. All divisions but the high school boys ran a two-mile course; the high school boys ran a three-mile course. The top fifteen finishers in each division received medals.

Borden County medal winners were Taylor Gass (3<sup>rd</sup> - Junior High Girls' Division; 15:30), Tye Basquez (7<sup>th</sup> - Junior High Girls' Division; 16:03), and Marla Crenshaw (3<sup>rd</sup> - Junior Varsity Girls' Division; 15:50).

Other runners in the Junior High Girls' Division included Kalyn Massingill (44<sup>th</sup>; 18:32), Clair Shafer (68<sup>th</sup>; 20:04), Mallory McMeans (69<sup>th</sup>; 20:04), McKenna Campbell (95<sup>th</sup>; 22:05), Sydnie Day (102<sup>nd</sup>; 22:59), and Rebecca Taylor (DNF).

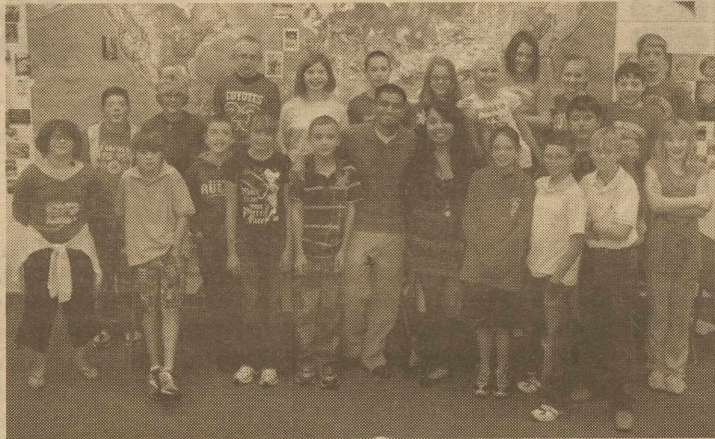
T.J. Basquez (16<sup>th</sup>; 14:40), Zach McMeans (21<sup>st</sup>; 15:17), Matthew Ham (25<sup>th</sup>; 15:34), and Ricky Torres (52<sup>nd</sup>; 18:48) represented the Coyotes in the Junior High Boys' Division.

Aubree Lester (16<sup>th</sup>; 16:58), Shea Burkett (22<sup>nd</sup>; 17:46), Kylie Voss (25<sup>th</sup>; 18:04), and Taylor Richey (32<sup>nd</sup>; 18:45) joined Marla in the Junior Varsity Girls' Division.

And Eric Espinosa (43<sup>rd</sup>; 23:20), Michael Froman (44<sup>th</sup>; 23:22), Steven Howard (65<sup>th</sup>; 28:44), Skyler Dear (66<sup>th</sup>; 29:29), and Joseph McConnell (68<sup>th</sup>; 32:43) competed in the Varsity Boys' Division.

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## Haitian Mission Trip



BHS and Midland College graduate Raul Rodriguez visited Borden County schools last week, talking to Mr. Wallace's Vo-Ag classes and to Mrs. Mayes's Sixth Grade class.

Rodriguez, the son of Delfino and Mary Rodriguez, recently spent a week in Haiti with a group from the Midland/Odesa area. While there, Rodriguez had the opportunity to work with young people, many of whom were orphans.

Students watched a slide show of photographs which Rodriguez took while in the Caribbean country and then took questions from the students.

Rodriguez will graduate from University of Texas Permian Basin in 2010 and hopes to coach and teach.

## Pups Streak to Twenty-Eight Straight With Win Against Wellman-Union

By Coach Richey

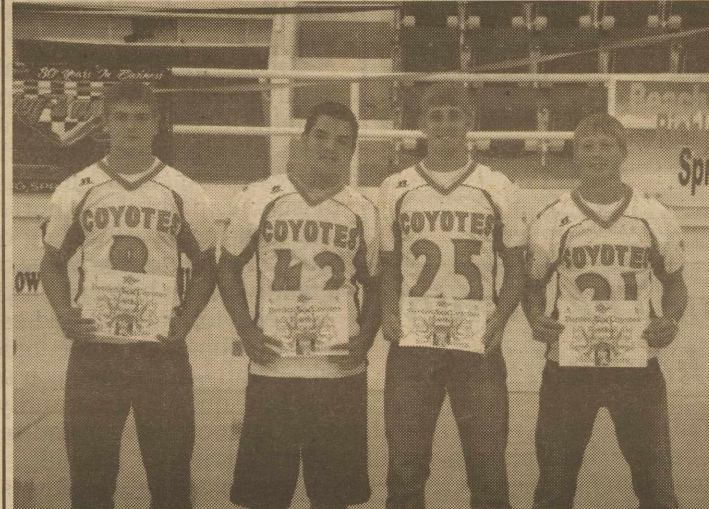
The Borden County Pups opened the 2009 football season by traveling to Wellman to play the Wellman Union Wildcats. The Pups wasted little time starting the new campaign just like the previous three seasons as they easily garnered their 28<sup>th</sup> straight victory, outscoring the home team 43 to 13. One of the few mistakes the Pups would make during the course of their opening day victory was a holding penalty that brought back a 70 yard kick-off return by 8<sup>th</sup> grader TJ Basquez. This did not faze the young Pups as they put together a sharp and quick 3 play drive, starting with a nice play-action pass play from Matthew Proulx to fellow 8<sup>th</sup> grader Tristen Benavidez with a nice one-handed catch that resulted in a 40 yard gain. On the next play, 8<sup>th</sup> grader Matthew Ham carried the ball for 15 yards. On the 3<sup>rd</sup> play of the series, TJ got his touchdown back on a 10 yard run that he strolled into the end zone untouched behind the blocking of 8<sup>th</sup> grade ends Brady Dowds and Zach McMeans, center Benavidez

and fellow back Ham and rotating quarterbacks Proulx and Kurt Shafer. On the extra point attempt, the 2<sup>nd</sup> team offense of quarterback 7<sup>th</sup> Grader Sean Tucker was unable to connect with center 8<sup>th</sup> grader Michael Taylor. Other members of this group are 8<sup>th</sup> grade end Michael McClain, 7<sup>th</sup> grade end Caden Vaughn, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Backs Ricky Torres and Frank Banman. Players that rotate in with this group are 7<sup>th</sup> graders Hurrikane Van Kirk, Jaden Huse and Nathan Ham, these young men rotate in on the front line.

On the Pups opening defensive series the group of Dowds, Benavidez at the ends, Shafer at one corner and McMeans and Proulx at the other corner and linebackers Matthew Ham and Basquez gave up only two first downs during their entire time together. After forcing the ball over on downs, the Pups wasted little time getting their second score as Shafer moved to the line for a pass play and he caught the pass from Proulx

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## Players of the Week



Players of the Week for week 3 are (left to right) R.T. Shafer (end), Helio Rosales (JV end), Karl Lamming (quarterback/cornerback) and Michael Cooley (running back/safety). Great job!

## Gail FFA Begins Cookie Dough Sale

The Gail FFA Chapter has officially started its first fundraiser of the year with a pastry / candle sale. The sale began on September 4th and will conclude on September 24<sup>th</sup>. The following items and flavors will be available:

**Cookie Dough** : 3 lbs. 4 doz. 1oz. Cookie portions in flavors of Chocolate Chunk, Oatmeal Raisin, Snicker Doodle, Chocolate Chunk Pecan, Peanut Butter, White Chocolate Macadamia, Chunky M&M Delights, Sugar Cookie, one dozen Cinnamon Rolls, Pecan Cobbler (2lb.), Pumpkin Roll (22oz.)-new item and Baked Pretzels-6-4 oz. (heat and serve)-new item.

**Candles:**  
15 oz. Blended candles to liquefy across entire diameter of the Jar:

Flavors include Caramel Apple, Creme Brulee, Fresh Gardenia, Lemon Cream Cake, Pound Cake, Pumpkin Pie, Sizzling Cinnamon, Sweet Magnolia, Sparkling Rain (deodorizing candle), Texas Pomegranate, Warm Vanilla Sugar and Very Mulberry.

All items are priced at \$14.00 and customers may pay upon delivery in early October. Anyone wishing to purchase these items may contact a Gail FFA member or Buddy Wallace at 806-756-4478 (Home) 806-756-4313 Ext. 7

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The Gail FFA Chapter wishes to express a big "Thank You" to those who have supported their sales in the past and we look forward to working with our community in the future.

Gail FFA Members 2008-2009.

**Seniors:** Eric Espinoza, Kagan Benham, Raylea Underwood, Chellsie Pigford, Shylo Rinehart, Lacey Roberts, Annie Stribling, Jacie Eveland, Skyler Williamson and Drew Tyler.

**Juniors:** Michael Froman, Kerianne Howard, Mandi Hudson, Kimberly Proulx, David Rodriguez, Phyneshia Rutherford, alvin Scheller, Krista Tarleton, Miles Valentine, Haley McDaniel, Derek Tatum and Mabelle Barr.

**Sophomores:** Kobie Benham, Luke Burkett, Seleste Herridge, Aubree Lester, Chance Taylor, Collin Telchik, Dalton Thuett, Austin Tyler and Quinton Shafer.

**Freshmen:** Luis Andrade, Shea Burkett, Brady Bybee, Austin Cope, Jordan Day, Kaylyn Dean, Hanna Forbes, Celina Guerrero, McLayne Hall, Steven Howard, Lexi Peterson, Tanner Richey, Matthew Roberson, Heloi Rosales, Steelie Sanders, Jared Smith, Rylee Smith, Teryn Soto and Kylie Voss.

## School Lunch Menu

Sept. 21 - 25, 2009

**Monday - Breakfast:** Oatmeal & Toast, Fruit Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Chili con Carne w/beans, Crackers, Salad, Peaches and Milk.

**Tuesday - Breakfast:** Muffin, Fruit Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Popcorn Chicken, Potatoes, Corn, Hot Roll, Apple Slices and Milk.

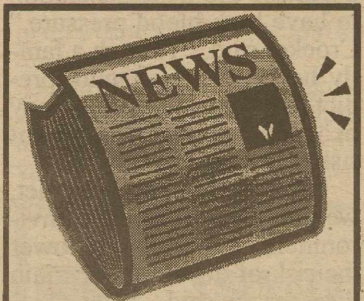
**Wednesday - Breakfast:** French Toast, Fruit Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Fajitas, Salad, Pinto Beans, Pear and Milk.

**Thursday - Breakfast:** Ham, Egg & Biscuit, Fruit Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Meat & Gravy, Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread, Cobbler and Milk.

**Friday - Breakfast:** Breakfast Pizza, Fruit Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Cheeseburger, French Fries, Salad, Yellow Cake w/ Frosting and Milk.

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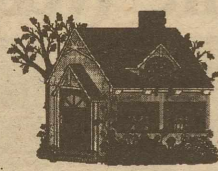
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**Heart and Home ...**

by Julie Smith  
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## Know More Than The Family Tree; Know the health history

Granny Raye has high blood pressure; Granddaddy had a heart attack at age 63; and Aunt Kathleen has diabetes. It is important to know more than just the family tree.

Knowing the family health history, including information about diseases, causes of death and other health information, can be necessary for proper treatment by health providers, said Andrew Crocker, AgriLife Extension gerontology health-program specialist.

"Americans know that family history is important to health," Crocker said. "A recent survey found that 96 percent of Americans believe that knowing their family history is important; however, only one-third have tried to gather their family's health history."

Health professionals know that some common diseases such as heart disease, cancer and diabetes, and more rare diseases like hemophilia, cystic fibrosis and sickle cell anemia, run in families, he said.

"If one generation has high blood pressure, it is not unusual for the next generation to have high blood pressure," Crocker said. "Though a family health history cannot predict your future health, it may provide information about risk."

Other factors, such as diet, weight, exercise and the environment, may raise or lower the risk of developing certain diseases, he said.

Health providers may use family health history to assess risk of certain diseases, recommend changes in diet or other lifestyle habits to lower the risk. They also may use it to determine diagnostic tests to order and recommend treatments, and determine the type and frequency of screening tests.

A family health history should include at least three

generations, Crocker said. Compile information about grandparents, parents, uncles and aunts, siblings, cousins, children, nieces and nephews and grandchildren.

"Gather as much accurate information as possible, and do not expect to find answers to all your questions," he said.

For each person, try to gather sex, date of birth, diseases or other medical conditions and age of onset, diet and exercise habits. Also look into smoking habits or history of weight problems, and if it is the case, age at the time of death and cause of death, Crocker said.

Include information about race and ethnicity because the risk of a particular disorder may be greater in one group than in others, he said.

Crocker advised asking about the occurrence of diseases and medical conditions often associated with genetics, including but not limited to: cancer, heart disease, high blood pressure, high cholesterol and/or stroke, diabetes, mental illness, kidney disease, alcoholism or other substance abuse and birth defects.

"Give your health provider a copy of your family health history and ask him or her to review it with you," he said. "Your health provider may ask you questions for clarification and may help you interpret the

relevance of certain patterns. Update your family health history every couple of years and provide your health provider with a revised copy."

Crocker warned that not all family members may be comfortable disclosing personal medical information for various reasons, including feelings of shame, painful memories and lack of understanding of medical conditions or value of a family health history.

"Look for ways to address this sometimes sensitive topic with family members such as wording questions carefully, being a good listener and respecting privacy," he said.


Because a family health history is such a powerful screening tool, the Surgeon General has created a computerized tool to help make it fun and easy to create.



My Family Health Portrait provides a template in both English and Spanish for inputting information and generating a family health history. It helps users organize information and then print it for their health provider. This free tool may be accessed at <http://familyhistory.hhs.gov>.

"Your family may want to work together on developing your family medical history," Crocker said. "Holidays and reunions may provide a good opportunity to gather information, fill in gaps and talk to those who may remember details about the health of deceased family members."

Each year since 2004, the Surgeon General has declared Thanksgiving to be National Family History Day. Over the holiday or at other times when families gather, the Surgeon General's office encourages Americans to talk about and write down the health problems that seem to run in their family.

For more information, visit Web site of the Office of the Surgeon General: <http://www.surgeongeneral.gov>.


  
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## Food and Nutrition Project

The 4-H Food and Nutrition project meetings will be held on Monday, September 28 and Monday, October 5 from 3:45 to 5:00 p.m. in the Home Economics Room. Youth interested in learning about nutrition, health, food safety and basic food preparation skills are encouraged to attend. There are multiple competitive events available for youth to enter related to Food and Nutrition - Food Show, Nutrition Quiz Bowl, Food Challenge and Educational Presentations. We hope to see you there on the 28<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>! For more information, please contact the Extension Office at (806)756-4336.

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*We would also like to express our heartfelt gratitude to the Borden County EMS for the quality of care he received.*

*Ray Don is doing good, but please keep us in your prayers for the up coming treatments that we may have to under go.*

*Once again, thanks  
 Ray Don, Jana and Raylea*

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## Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit  
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### Treasures of Bosque County

I was in Bosque County in May and got to travel along the small winding roads up and down the hills and valleys full of wildflowers and the new green of early spring. Something in the atmosphere seems to embrace you, give you a hug.

The Bosque County Museum in Clifton had invited me down to entertain at its annual meeting. I arrived a day early to meet some people, do some interviews and explore the area. It should have seemed familiar to me, since I grew up in Waco just down the road about 40 miles.

Clifton is a city that personifies something I've always thought about Central Texas: it's where you discover the truly refined ladies and gentlemen of the Lone Star State. The people I met in Clifton are sophisticated, educated, well traveled and have a deep appreciation for being able to live where they do. They were most anxious to show me their town and the countryside around it. The hills around Clifton offer magnificent views of the limestone bluffs and waterways in the county. Cedar and live oak trees decorate the yards and pastures. I was privileged to see some magnificent homes built to take advantage of the panoramic vistas. I stood on a hill at one place and looked out at Lake Whitney. The scene reminded me of Hawaii. Both the Brazos and Bosque rivers flow through the county. We stayed in a home on the Bosque and got to see some of the birds and wildlife that thrive there. We put feed out for birds and a flock of male cardinals swooped across the river in a flash of red. Flat-

topped hills in the northwestern part of the county have names like Bee Mountain, Sugar Loaf Mountain and Johnson Peak. The highest elevation in the county is 1,200 feet.

The county had some permanent residents by the mid 1800's. Some of the early settlers were from England and established a colony called Kent. Norwegian immigrants were numerous and said the area reminded them of Norway. They established the community of Norse, which has an annual smorgasbord in November. The county promotes its Norwegian heritage. The King of Norway even paid a visit years ago. The state legislature named Clifton the Norwegian capital of Texas.

Culturally, Clifton is ahead of most communities with a population of less than four thousand. It has the impressive museum, which features a burial site dating back 12,000 years and the largest display of Norwegian artifacts in the southwest. The city also has a fully staffed art complex featuring a permanent photography exhibit, an art gallery, and a performing arts group. It used to be called the Bosque Conservatory of Fine Arts but has lately changed its name to simply THE BOSQUE ARTS CENTER. Some folks thought the previous name was a little too high-fallutin'. It recently had a two million dollar renovation. Clifton has been named one of the 100 best art towns in America. Some extremely well known artists live in the area. If you're looking for charm, beauty and friendly people, visit Bosque County.



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## Opry Talent Sign Up

By Buddy Wallace

The famous Coyote Opry is just around the corner! We are searching for those hidden local talent acts to perform on stage during this big event! Anyone wishing to perform should contact Buddy Wallace by Friday, September 25th. Rehearsals and sound tests will be from 12:00 - 4:00 on Saturday at the Borden County Show Barn. Singers with back up CD or Tape are encouraged to use background music only. Due to the full schedule, we will not take drop in performers on the day of the Opry unless time permits.

Make the Call!! 806/756-4313 or 806/756-4478. Email bwallace@bcisd.net or bwallace@pokacom.

The Opry date will be September 26th. The meal starts at 5:00 p.m and the music starts at 6:00 p.m.

See you there!

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### Beef & Chicken Fajitas, Fresh Tamales and Taquitos



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### Lights For Gail Meeting

There will be a "Lights for Gail" meeting  
Wednesday, September 30, 2009 at 7:00  
p.m. in the Commissioner's Courtroom at  
the Borden County Courthouse.

We will be planning the activities for the  
upcoming "Lights for Gail" celebration.  
Everyone is invited to attend.





**On the Wild Side of Life**  
by Cody G. Hill  
Borden County Extension Agent -  
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### Rolling Plains Quail Field Day

Dr. Dale Rollins, Texas AgriLife Extension Service wildlife specialist at San Angelo, wants anyone interested in quail to come out to "the ranch" on Sept. 25 for a day of learning devoted entirely to the pint-sized dynamo.

The ranch is the Rolling Plains Quail Research Ranch located 11 miles west of Roby on U.S. 180. The field day will run from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m..

Topics to be addressed include various experiments with quail and their habitat management. There will also be a discussion on forming a Western Rolling Plains Prescribed Burning Association for area landowners interested in using prescribed fire as a management tool.

Rollins, who is the 4,700-acre ranch's director, said that since 1993 he and his graduate students have been tracking quail across much of West Texas using radio telemetry. But since 2007, however, most of the efforts have been cen-

tered on the Fisher County property.

Their findings will be on the field day's agenda.

"Before we proved otherwise by using radio telemetry, most students of quail believed bobwhites were the monogamous 'Ozzie and Harriets' of the bird world," Rollins said. "But through the use of this technology we've learned that their mating system is, shall we say, a bit more 'flexible' than once thought. We've documented hens 'double-clutching,' or laying more than one nest incubated by different males."


But quail aren't the only animals being fitted with radio telemetry on the ranch. Rollins said there are also some "high-tech" coyotes and raccoons roaming the ranch.

"We had four coyotes and eight raccoons wearing GPS collars this summer," he said. "The GPS collars stay on for five weeks then fall off. The collars record a way-point every five minutes at night so we can evaluate how thoroughly these predators search for quail nests."

"Knowing this will help us evaluate various habitat types to see if any offer any better protection against predation than others."

Three Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units will be offered to private applicator license holders.

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## Commissioners Meeting

**WHEREAS**, On this the 21st day of August, 2009, 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:

**VAN L. YORK**, County Judge; **MONTE SMITH**, Commissioner, Precinct N. 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 Monte Smith, Precinct 1, absent, constituting a quorum, when the following proceedings were had, in accordance with the posted agenda.

Ross Sharp, Deputy Tax Assessor/Collector and Chief Appraiser was in attendance.

### MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the Commissioners Court Meeting of August 11, 2009 were read. Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve said minutes. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### DIVISION ORDER

After consideration of the Division Order for the Permanent School Fund, Commissioner Reyes made a motion to approve the Division Order from DCP Midstream, LP and authorize Judge Van L. York to sign Order. Commissioner Belew seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Permian Basin Regional Planning Commissioner for E9-1-1 Automatic Location Information Maintenance Service as Required by the Commission on

State Emergency Communication. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Adcock. Motion carried.

### ROAD CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE

An application for Road Construction was received from Van L. York for road construction in Precinct No. 4. Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve the application. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### SOIL CONSERVATION CONSTRUCTION

Two applications for Soil Conservation Construction of Fireguards were received from Dewayne T. Robert, in Precinct No. 2 and Joel Dennis in Precinct No. 4. Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve the applications for at the rate of \$35.00 for a motor grader and 465.00 per hour for a dozer. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Reyes. Motion carried.

### 2010 BUDGET

Budget work session was held.

### 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.

### 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 MINUTES READ AND APPROVED THIS THE 8th day of September, 2009.



Who exactly is a child with "special needs"? We know that all children have needs and that every child is special. However, the needs of some children are greater than or different from those of the "typical" child. The special need might be in the area of mental, social, emotional, or physical development. If you are the parent or a friend of a child that might qualify for individual services, call Becky Nix, Special Education Director of Borden County ISD, Dawson ISD and Klondike ISD at 806/756-4313 ext. 269, or contact the Child Find Coordinator at the Education Service Center at 806/792-4000.

## Thought for the Day

Our Lord has many weak children in his family, many dull pupils in his school, many raw soldiers in his army, many lame sheep in his flock. Yet he bears with them all, and casts none away.

Happy is that Christian who has learned to do likewise with his brethren.

—J.C. Ryle

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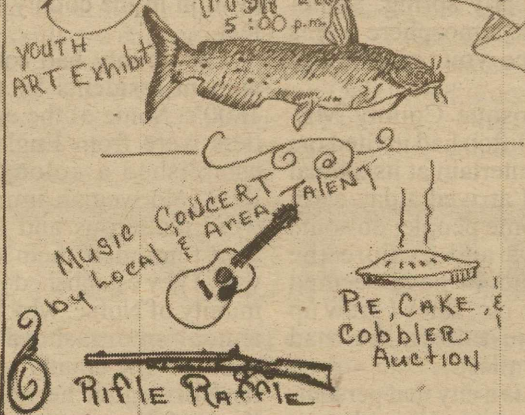
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### BORDEN COUNTY ISD HOUSE BID REQUEST

The Superintendent's Office, on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District will receive bids to sell a school house and have it demolished or moved from the school campus. The party receiving the bid will be required to demolish and/or remove the house from school property no later than 60 days after the bid is accepted by the Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District. All bids will be considered.

Proposals shall be addressed to Jimmy Thomas; Borden County Independent School District; Box 95; Gail, Texas 79738, and shall be delivered in a sealed envelope marked "HOUSE BID" or sent via e-mail to [jthomas@bcisd.net](mailto:jthomas@bcisd.net). Proposals will be received up to but no later than 12:00 noon on Friday, October 2, 2009. Bids will be opened and read as they are received. Proposals will be tabulated, researched, and presented to the board of trustees for their consideration at the next scheduled meeting. Bids received after the specified date will not be considered.

The Borden County ISD Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposed bids, to waive any and all technicalities, and to accept the proposal that will best serve the needs of the District. Questions regarding bid specifications and additional information shall be directed to Jimmy Thomas by writing the above address; by e-mail to [jthomas@bcisd.net](mailto:jthomas@bcisd.net) or by calling (office 806-756-4313) (cell 806-759-5467) (fax 806-756-4310)

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

## Borden County ISD Board Meeting

### Special Board Meeting August 17, 2009

The Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District of Gail, Texas met in special session at 7:00 P.M. in the Borden County Independent School District Cafeteria. Board members present were John Anderson, Joel Dennis, Joe Harding, Randy Hensley (arrived at 7:11 p.m.), Carol Lewis, Dennis Poole (arrived at 7:31 p.m.), and Mike Valentine. Visitors present were Bob Dyess and Erick Macha. Superintendent, Jimmy Thomas and principal, Bart McMeans were also present.

1. The meeting was called to order by John Anderson.

2. Bob Dyess met with the board to express his concern about the amount of money that was being spent by the school district and the amount of money that was being spent on a per-pupil basis for the proposed 2009-2010 budget.

3. The proposed 2009-2010 Borden County Independent School District Budget and proposed tax rate were reviewed.

4. A motion was made by Carol Lewis and seconded by Joel Dennis to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

### Regular Board Meeting August 17, 2009

The Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District of Gail, Texas met in regular session at 8:03 P.M. in the Borden County I.S.D. Board Room. Board members present were John Anderson, Joel Dennis, Joe Harding, Randy Hensley, Carol Lewis, Dennis Poole, and Mike Valentine. Superintendent, Jimmy Thomas and principal, Bart McMeans were also present. Guests present were Erick Macha (First Southwest Company), Joan Marshall, Larry Allen (Peoples Bank), Jon Drake (Peoples Bank), and Jack Gorman (Community Bank of Snyder).

1. The meeting was called to order by John Anderson.

2. There was no community input.

3. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Randy Hensley to take action

to approve an order authorizing the issuance and sale of the District's unlimited tax school building bonds, series 2009; providing for the engagement of a paying agent and bond counsel approving a bond purchase agreement; providing for the levy of a tax to secure payment of the bonds and resolving other matters pertaining thereto. The motion carried unanimously.

4. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Joe Harding to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2009 and August 3, 2009 Board Meetings. The motion carried unanimously.

5. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Joel Dennis to approve the August 2009 bills. The motion carried unanimously.

6. A motion was made by Carol Lewis and seconded by Joel Dennis to amend the 2008-2009 Borden County I.S.D. budget as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.

7. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Joe Harding to adopt the 2009-2010 Borden County I.S.D. proposed Budget. The motion carried unanimously.

8. A motion was made by Randy Hensley and seconded by Mike Valentine to adopt the 2009 Maintenance and Operations Tax Rate of \$1.04 and Interest and Sinking Tax Rate of \$.28. The motion carried unanimously.

9. A motion was made by Randy Hensley and seconded by Dennis Poole to allow Mr. Thomas to secure quotes and purchase a Ford Pickup for the Agriculture Science Department. The motion carried unanimously.

10. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Randy Hensley to approve the land purchase from Borden County at a price of \$1,200,000 to obtain a site to construct the new school facility with the understanding that the shooting sports range would need to be moved to a new location. The motion carried unanimously.

11. A motion was made by Carol Lewis and seconded by Joel Dennis to set the regular

September 2009 meeting for September 21, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. The motion carried unanimously.

12. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Carol Lewis to approve the 2009-2010 Borden County I.S.D. Code Of Conduct. The motion carried unanimously.

13. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Randy Hensley to appoint Carol Lewis as the delegate to the 2009 TASA/TASB Convention. The motion carried unanimously.

14. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Dennis Poole to take action to order a Trustee Election for November 3, 2009. The motion carried unanimously.

15. A motion was made by Carol Lewis and seconded by Dennis Poole to approve the 2009-2010 teacher appraisal calendar as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.

16. A motion was made by Randy Hensley and seconded by Joe Harding to approve the 2009-2010 bus routes and drivers as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.

17. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Carol Lewis to take action to approve the Bi-County Special Education Cooperative Board Of Management salary recommendations for support staff and professional Staff in association with HB 3646 and to give a salary increase of \$1,000 to Vivian McMeans and Florence Schooler in addition to any amounts previously approved. The motion carried unanimously.

18. Bids for the Borden County Independent School District Bank Depository were reviewed. No action was taken.

19. Mr. Thomas gave a year to date financial report and a report of the status of the current construction projects. A motion was made by Randy Hensley and seconded by Mike Valentine to approve the Superintendent's Report. The motion carried unanimously.

20. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Carol Lewis to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

### Special Board Meeting August 24, 2009

The Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District of Gail, Texas met in special session at

7:00 P.M. in the Borden County I.S.D. Board Room. Board members present were John Anderson, Joel Dennis, Randy Hensley, Dennis Poole, and Mike Valentine. Superintendent, Jimmy Thomas was also present. Joe Harding and Carol Lewis were absent.

1. The meeting was called to order by John Anderson.

2. There was no community input.

3. The Borden County I.S.D. Investments and Investment Policy were reviewed.

4. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Randy Hensley to approve the bid submitted by Peoples Bank of Lubbock to serve as the Depository for the Borden County Independent School District to begin September 1, 2009 and conclude on August 31, 2011. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Mr. Thomas reported that 215 students were enrolled as of August 24, 2009; the status of the current construction project was discussed; and it was reported that school board training would be conducted on September 1, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Joel Dennis to approve the superintendent's report. The motion carried unanimously.

6. A motion was made by Randy Hensley and seconded

by Dennis Poole to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

### Special Board Meeting September 1, 2009

The Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District of Gail, Texas met in special session at 7:00 P.M. in the Borden County I.S.D. Board Room. Board members present were John Anderson, Joel Dennis, Joe Harding, Randy Hensley, and Carol Lewis, Dennis Poole, and Mike Valentine. Superintendent, Jimmy Thomas was also present.

1. The meeting was called to order by John Anderson.

2. School Board Training was conducted via the instructional television network by the Region 17 Education Service Center.


3. There was no community input.

4. A motion was made by Randy Hensley and seconded by Carol Lewis to approve a resolution to allow checks to be signed by two authorized signatures by Jimmy Thomas, Joan Marshall, and Terri Buchanan. The motion carried unanimously.

5. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Joe Harding to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

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# Pups Streak to Twenty-Eight Straight...

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and covered the land of green grass 58 yards to pay dirt and a 12 to 0 lead for the pups. The 2<sup>nd</sup> team again failed to convert the extra point.

On the next defensive series, Proulx pushed an offensive player out of the way and scooped up a Wildcat fumble and rumbled 20 yards for a score of his own for the visiting pups and a 18 to 0 lead in the first quarter. The 2<sup>nd</sup> team again missed on the extra point scoring opportunity. The pups began rotating some players into the first unit defense, but the results did not change. After another stop, Ricky Torres stepped in with the first unit offense in place of TJ and got the opportunity to carry the ball on a sweep. Torres wasted no time with his opportunity as a scampered and juked his way to end zone from 26 yards out to push the lead to 24 to 0. Tucker and Vaughn almost connected for the extra point, but were unable to come away with the pass and catch and the score remained 24 to 0. The Wildcats got on the board on their next drive against the 2<sup>nd</sup> team defense and managed a extra point run to cut the lead to 24 to 7. The Pups however wasted no time getting the touchdown back as Proulx hooked up with Basquez on a well executed screen play that covered 60 yards and another score to push the lead back up to 30 to 7.

In the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter, the Pups pushed their lead to 29 points as Matthew Ham got into the scoring action covering 40 yards untouched behind some very nice blocks by the first team offense. Wellman-Union again scored against the 2<sup>nd</sup> team defense just before the end of the quarter, but on their kick-off, they kicked it to TJ and he followed some nice blocks and then out ran the rest of the Wildcats for the 70 yard kick-off return. The 2<sup>nd</sup> team finally had some luck on their extra point attempt as Tucker hooked up with Taylor for the point after play and pushed the lead to 43 to 13 with a few seconds left in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter.

The Pups played various groups together the rest of the way on both sides of the ball and they played with a lot of fire as they kept the home town Wildcats out of the end zone

the rest of the way. The Pups got close to getting on the board as another nice Torres run put the pups inside the 20 yard line, but a turnover ended the scoring threat and the score would remain 43 to 13 and that would be our final.

I would like to congratulate

all of the Pups on the big victory and wish them the best of luck during the remainder of the 2009 season. Thank you all for your support. The crowd was big and very excited, great support.

Up next for the Pups will be the Rule Bobcats. Be-

cause of the construction of the new field turf, the pups will be forced to travel again this week. We will be playing the Rule Bobcats at Rule, but we will play on Friday not on Thursday. The junior high will play Friday at 5:30 and the varsity will begin at 7:30.

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## **PUBLIC NOTICE** Brief Explanatory Statements of Proposed **Constitutional Amendments** Special Election November 3, 2009

### **PROPOSITION 1**

HJR 132 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to allow a municipality or a county to issue bonds and notes to finance the purchase of buffer areas or open spaces adjacent to military installations. The buffer areas would be used to prevent encroachment or to construct roadways utilities, or other infrastructure to protect or promote the mission of the military installation. The municipality or county may pledge increases in ad valorem tax revenues for repayment of the bonds or notes.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the financing, including through tax increment financing, of the acquisition by municipalities and counties of buffer areas or open spaces adjacent to a military installation for the prevention of encroachment or for the construction of roadways, utilities, or other infrastructure to protect or promote the mission of the military installation."

### **PROPOSITION 2**

HJR 36 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to provide for the taxation of a residence homestead solely on the basis of the property's value as a residence homestead, regardless of whether the property may have a higher value if it were used for other purposes.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for the ad valorem taxation of a residence homestead solely on the basis of the property's value as a residence homestead."

### **PROPOSITION 3**

HJR 36 would amend the constitution to require the legislature to provide for the administration and enforcement of uniform standards and procedures for appraisal of property for ad valorem tax purposes.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for uniform standards and procedures for the appraisal of property for ad valorem tax purposes."

### **PROPOSITION 4**

HJR 14 would amend the constitution to establish the national research university fund to provide a source of funding that will enable emerging research universities in this state to develop into major research universities. The amendment would require the legislature to dedicate state revenue to the fund and to transfer the balance of the existing higher education fund to the national research university fund. This amendment would further require the legislature to establish the criteria by which a state university may become eligible to receive and use distributions from the fund.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment establishing the national research university fund to enable emerging research universities in this state to achieve national prominence as major research universities and transferring the balance of the higher education fund to the national research university fund."

### **PROPOSITION 5**

HJR 36 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to allow for a single appraisal review board for two or more adjoining appraisal entities that elect to provide for consolidated reviews of tax appraisals.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to authorize a single board of equalization for two or more adjoining appraisal entities that elect to provide for consolidated equalizations."

### **PROPOSITION 6**

HJR 116 would amend the constitu-

tion to authorize the Veterans' Land Board to issue general obligation bonds, subject to certain constitutional limits, for the purpose of selling land and providing home or land mortgage loans to veterans of the state.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the Veterans' Land Board to issue general obligation bonds in amounts equal to or less than amounts previously authorized."

### **PROPOSITION 7**

HJR 127 would amend the constitution to allow an officer or enlisted member of the Texas State Guard or other state militia or military force to hold other civil offices.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to allow an officer or enlisted member of the Texas State Guard or other state militia or military force to hold other civil offices."

### **PROPOSITION 8**

HJR 7 would amend the constitution to authorize the state to contribute money, property, and other resources for the establishment, maintenance, and operation of veterans' hospitals in this state.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the state to contribute money, property, and other resources for the establishment, maintenance, and operation of veterans hospitals in this state."

### **PROPOSITION 9**

HJR 102 would define what is a state-owned public beach. The public, individually and collectively, would have an unrestricted right to use and a right of ingress and egress from a public beach. The amendment would authorize the legislature to enact laws to protect these rights.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to protect the right of the public, individually and collectively, to access and use

the public beaches bordering the seaward shore of the Gulf of Mexico."

### **PROPOSITION 10**

HJR 85 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to provide that members of the governing board of an emergency services district may serve terms not to exceed four years.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to provide that elected members of the governing boards of emergency services districts may serve terms not to exceed four years."

### **PROPOSITION 11**

HJR 14 would amend the constitution to provide that the taking of private property for public use ("eminent domain") is authorized only if it is for the ownership, use, and enjoyment of the property by the State, its political subdivisions, the public at large, or by entities granted the power of eminent domain, or for the removal of urban blight. The amendment would prohibit the taking of private property for transfer to a private entity for the purpose of economic development or to increase tax revenues. The amendment would also limit the legislature's authority to grant the power of eminent domain in the future unless it is approved by a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to each house.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to prohibit the taking, damaging, or destroying of private property for public use unless the action is for the ownership, use, and enjoyment of the property by the State, a political subdivision of the State, the public at large, or entities granted the power of eminent domain under law or for the elimination of urban blight on a particular parcel of property, but not for certain economic development or enhancement of tax revenue purposes, and to limit the legislature's authority to grant the power of eminent domain to an entity."

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