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USDA Announces Implementation of Livestock Disaster Assistance Programs

(Post, TX) – Victor Ashley, Executive Director of USDA's Farm Service Agency in Borden and Garza Counties today announced that producers may now begin applying for benefits under the provisions of the Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees, and Farm-Raised Fish Program (ELAP) and the Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP). These permanent disaster programs, authorized in the 2008 Farm Bill, replace previous ad-hoc disaster assistance programs and are funded through the Agricultural Disaster Relief Trust Fund.

"USDA is committed to meeting the needs of producers after suffering devastating losses due to a natural disaster," said Ashley. "These programs ensure that producers who have suffered agriculture losses receive the critical disaster assistance needed to remain financially solvent and help them continue on in their operations."

LFP provides payments to eligible livestock producers that have suffered livestock grazing losses due to qualifying drought or fire. For drought, the losses must have occurred on land that is native

or improved pastureland with permanent vegetative cover or a crop planted specifically for grazing for covered livestock due to a qualifying drought during the normal grazing period for the specific type of grazing land in the county. For fire, LFP provides payments to eligible livestock producers that have suffered grazing losses on rangeland managed by a federal agency if the eligible livestock producer is prohibited by the federal agency from grazing the normal permitted livestock on the managed rangeland due to a qualifying fire.

Eligible livestock under LFP include beef cattle, alpacas, buffalo, beefalo, dairy cattle, deer, elk, emus, equine, goats, llamas, poultry, reindeer, sheep and swine. For losses due to drought, qualifying drought ratings are determined using the U.S. Drought Monitor located at <http://www.drought.unl.edu/dm/monitor.html>.

ELAP provides emergency assistance to eligible producers of livestock, honeybees and farm-raised fish that have losses due to disease, adverse

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New Football Field



The Borden County Coyote football team, coaches and fans are filled with excitement as the new turf football field is nearing completion. Crews have worked long hours this past week to finish the field in time for this Friday's Homecoming game against Sterling City. Come out and support the Coyotes!

CCI Announces Gildan Activewear to Join COTTON USA in the USA Licensing Program

by Shawn Wade

Cotton Council International (CCI) joins forces with Gildan, a leading global apparel manufacturer of T-shirts, sport shirts, fleece, underwear and socks, by licensing the company to begin using the internationally recog-

nized COTTON USA Mark on products sold in the United States and abroad.

"Not only does the COTTON USA Mark easily allow U.S. consumers to identify and purchase 100 percent U.S. cotton products, it also

symbolizes the U.S. cotton industry's leadership role and global commitment to sustainability in environmental, social and health initiatives," said CCI President

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Coyotes Defeat Cougars In Second Showdown

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Coyotes traveled to Klondike to take on a familiar foe in the Cougars. The Coyotes and Cougars have matched up 5 times in the last two years from scrimmages to regular season games to play-off contests.

The Cougars, a vastly improving football team decided to make the Coyotes their Homecoming opponent for 2009. Unfortunately for the Cougars, the Coyotes did not take to kindly to being billed for such a day as the scoring started early and ended late, as the 45 point mercy rule ended this game just in time for the halftime festivities as the Coyotes clobbered the home team 72 to 14.

Michael Cooley got things started in the first quarter as he rumbled in from 7 yards out to cap what would be the Coyotes longest drive of the day at 5 plays. Chapman converted the extra-point kick to give the visitors a quick 8 to 0 lead.

On the ensuing kick-off, Miles Valentine wrestled the ball away from a Cougar to give the Coyotes another great opportunity to increase their lead, but on the very next play, the Coyotes gave the ball right back on a fumble of their own. After the defense forced a 4 and out, the Coyotes wasted little time adding to their score when Valentine hit Chapman with a 40 yard scoring strike. Chapman kicked the extra-point from the snap of Karl Lamming and out of the hold of Tanner Richey to push the lead to 16 to 0.

The Coyote defense again was up to the challenge as good pressure by John Hensley and RT Shafer on a pass play allowed Lamming to make a leaping interception to give the Coyotes another scoring opportunity. Two play later a third Coyote scored as Richey scampered in from 17 yards out for the 3rd score of the quarter. Chapman again booted the

extra-point to extend the lead to 24 to 0. The defense again did not give up anything and forced another turnover when Lamming deflected a pass and Zach Telchik made a nice catch to out muscle a Cougar receiver for the ball. This time, Cooley was Valentine's target on the very first play, as he turned a short pass play into a 44 yard touchdown and with another Chapman kick the Coyotes had a commanding 32 to 0 lead with time still left on the clock for the first period.

The Cougars finally got on the board as they were able to convert 3rd and 30 into a 74 yard touchdown pass as a Coyote defender narrowly missed the 3rd interception of the quarter, but it allowed the Cougars to get on the board to cut the lead to 32 to 6. The Coyotes however, wasted no time as on the first play of the next possession, RT Shafer took the pitch from Valentine and ran around, and through the Cougar defense en route to a 47 yard scoring run and a 40 to 6 lead following Chapman's 5th straight kick.

The Coyote defense started the 2nd quarter much the same way the 1st quarter had gone, as the 2nd unit defense making their 2nd defensive possession much better than their first and forcing a quick 4 and out. The Coyotes however found themselves in the giving mood as they turned the ball over with an interception. The Cougars wasted no time making the Coyotes pay as they scored on the 2nd unit on the very first play with a 34 yard run.

With the score trimmed to 40 to 14 the Coyotes put their first unit offense in for one last possession, which turned out to one last play as Cooley scampered 50 yards on the first play to regain momentum for the Coyotes. Chapman's streak would end and the Coyotes had a 46 to 14 lead.

The 2nd unit defense stiff-

ened the rest of the evening giving up only one more first down the rest of the way. After forcing another turnover, a fumble recovery by Chapman, the Coyotes got their fifth player a score as Austin Fields zigged and zagged his way to a 44 yard touch down run and a 50 to 14 lead. After another stop, a sixth Coyote player scored as the Coyotes used 2 solid runs by David Rodriguez to set up a nice 15 yard strike form Lamming to Brendan Tarleton to push the lead to 58 to 14. Again, in the 2nd quarter after another defensive stop, the 2nd unit offense had another successful drive as Tony Soto got into the scoring action as he scampered in from 28 yards out for the score and a 64 to 14 lead with just a little over a minute left in the half. Three plays later, Soto got another score, this time on the defensive side of the ball as he stepped in front of a screen pass and rumbles 22 yards to pay dirt and a game capping touchdown with 3 seconds left in the half and the game. Chapman hit his sixth extra-point to give the Coyotes their final tally at 72 to 14.

Leading the way for the Coyotes was Michael Cooley with 7 carries for 110 yards and two scores, 1 catch for 44 yards and a score and was in on 3 tackles and a pass break up.

Miles Valentine returned to the quarterback position and managed to complete all 4 of his passes for 98 yards and 2 scores while making 6 tackles and recovering a fumble.

Flynn Chapman had a 40 yard reception for a score and was 6 of 10 on extra-points and was also in on 7 tackles, caused a fumble and recovered a fumble.

David Rodriguez had 3 carries for 27 yards and was in on 6 tackles and a pass break up.

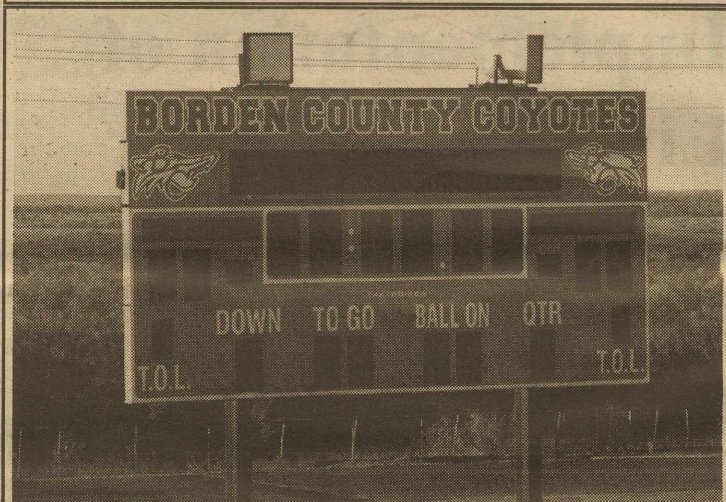
Skyler Dear had 2 pressures, Quint Shafer had a reception for 6 yards and was in on 4 tackles, 2 pressures and a pass break up.

Zach Telchik had 5 tackles and an interception.

RT Shafer had 1 carry for



Borden Coyotes, Derek Tatum (#28) and Austin Fields (#24) block for running back, Michael Cooley (#21) in Fridays game against Klondike.



With the construction coming to an end on the all new Coyote football field, workers erected the new scoreboard, shown above, last week. The Coyotes will play on the field for the first time Friday night against Sterling City.

47 yards and a score and was in on 2 tackles with 2 pressures and a tackle for loss.

Brendan Tarleton had a reception for 15 yards and a score.

John Hensley had 3 tackles a pressure and a tackle for loss.

Tanner Richey had 1 carry for 17 yards and a score and was in on 3 tackles and a pass break up.

Tony Soto had 1 carry for 28 yards and was in on 7 tackles, 2 pass break ups and an interception for a score.

Austin Fields had 1 carry for 44 yards and a score and 2 tackles with a pressure.

Karl Lamming was 1 of 4 passing for 15 yards and a score and was in on one tackle, 2 pass break ups, an interception and a blocked extra-point.

Derek Tatum had 2 tackles.

The Coyotes will next face

the Sterling City Eagles in a rematch of one of the more exciting games from a year ago.

The Eagles return almost all of their 2008 roster. This game will also be the Coyotes first home game, their first game on their new turf and will also be the Homecoming game of 2009. Please come out and support your Coyotes. I would also like to thank all of you for traveling to Klondike, our crowds have been amazing.

I would like to also thank all of you that were involved with the painting of the paws on the streets. This is has become a yearly tradition that is very time consuming and we appreciate all of you that were a part of this project. I would name you all, but I am afraid that I would leave someone out, thank you again, it looks awesome.

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Cross Country News

Cross-Country Meet at Plains

The Borden County cross-country teams traveled to Plains Saturday to run in the Cowboy and Cowgirl invitational. As usual, all divisions except for JV and Varsity Boys ran 2 miles; those in the JV and Varsity Boys' Division ran 3.1 miles. The top twenty runners in each division received medals, and the top two teams in each division received a plaque.

In the Junior High Girls' Division, Taylor Gass (15:05) and Tye Basquez (15:33) both placed among the top twenty runners, finishing 6th and 19th respectively. Sydnie Day (20:05), McKenna Campbell (20:40), and Rebecca Taylor (24:15) also ran well.

T.J. Basquez (14:59) and Tristen Benavidez (17:09) represented Borden County in the Junior High Boys' Division.

Hanna Forbes (14:59) finished 2nd among JV girls. Aubree Lester (16:21) and Kylie Voss (16:52) also placed among the top twenty runners—12th and 18th—in this division. These three, along with Brittany Day (17:50), Lexi Peterson (18:03), Stefanie Cooley (18:30), Taylor Richey (18:35), and Jordan Day (21:42), ran well enough to claim 2nd place in the team competition.

Tanner Richey (22:29) placed 17th in the JV Boys' Division. Collin Telchek (23:43), Zach Telchik (23:54),

and Joseph McConnell (27:18) also ran in this division.

In the Varsity Girls' Division, Olivia Key (15:42), Marla Crenshaw (17:22), and Teryn Soto (18:07) represented the Lady Coyotes.

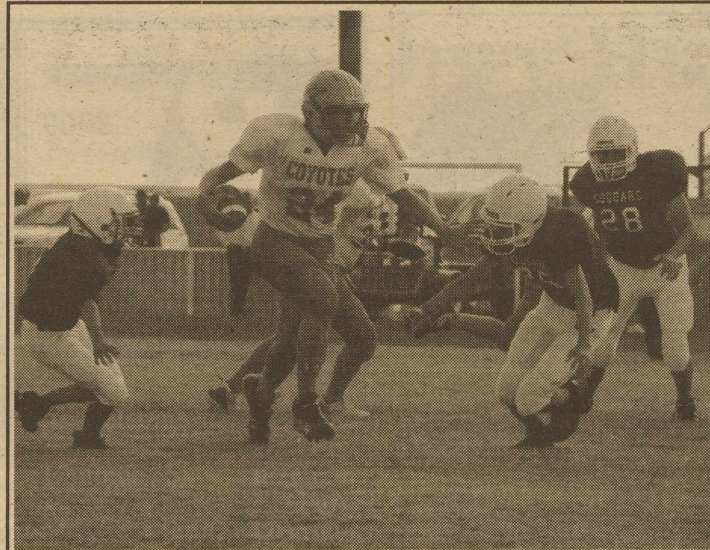
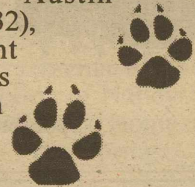
And in the Varsity Boys' Division, David Rodriguez (20:15), Karl Lamming (20:35), Eric Espinosa (21:59), and Brendan Tarleton (25:22) represented the Red, White, and Columbia Blue.

Way to run Coyotes!

Cross-Country Meet at Lbbock

The high school cross-country teams traveled to Lubbock this past weekend to run at the infamous Mae Simmons Park. Mae Simmons is one of the more difficult courses in this part of the state. Also, it is the host site for the regional meet.

Six girls and five boys represented Borden County at the meet. In the two-mile race, Hanna Forbes (14:30), Olivia Key (15:04), Kylie Voss (15:38), Marla Crenshaw (16:15), Shea Burkett (16:20), and Aubree Lester (16:31) ran for the Lady Coyotes. And in the three-mile race, Michael Froman (20:30), Luke Burkett (20:33), Tanner Richey (22:30), Austin Fields (22:32), and Brent Davis (25:09) ran for the Coyotes.



Coyote Pup, T.J. Basquez (#24) finds an opening in the Cougar defense to score a touchdown against Klondike.

Parents/Guests

Come enjoy a meal with your child in the Borden County Cafeteria.

\$3.00-Adult

Elementary Lunch-11:20-11:50

Jr. High Lunch-12:15

High School Lunch-12:30



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Players of the Week



Players of the Week for week 5 are (left to right) Tony Soto (running back/corner back), Quint Shafer (end), Collin Telchik (JV, quarterback/safety), Luke Burkett (end/cornerback) and Jared Smith (end) Great job!

School Lunch Menu

October 5-9, 2009

Monday - Breakfast: Pancake Pup, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Pizza, Corn, Salad, Pineapple and Milk.

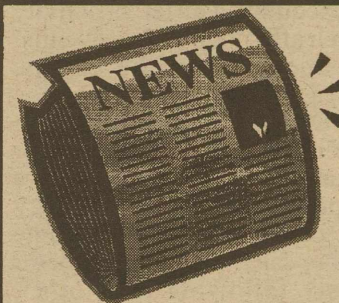
Tuesday - Breakfast: Muffin, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken Fried Steak, Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Fresh Fruit and Milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast: Biscuit w/Gravy, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken, Green Peas, Potatoes, Hot Roll, Mixed Fruit and Milk.

Thursday - Breakfast: Waffles, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Fish, Black-eyed Peas, Potato Salad, Hush Puppies, Rosie Applesause and Milk.

Friday - Breakfast: Oatmeal, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Cheeseburger, French Fries, Salad Cup, Chocolate Chip Cookie and Milk.

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Heart and Home ...

by Julie Smith
Borden County Extension Agent-Family and Consumer Sciences



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Balance School and Family Activities

Do you already have three places to go on Thursday night? Six already lined up for Saturday? Families with children enrolled in school can easily be overwhelmed. Few people can do it all, but most can learn to balance school activities with family life and enjoy it.

Connecting as a family needs to be a priority because the family itself can serve as the support system needed to make everything else work. Make a list of everything the family would like to do. Then make a list of everything the family needs to do. Include the must-haves that cannot be overlooked, like laundry, cleaning or the need to eat before school activities. Separate wants from needs.

The reality is that everyone-children and their parents-can do all they may want to do. Students should be encouraged to choose activities that support their interest, but should not necessarily be discouraged from trying new activities. The key is learning to choose. Scheduling a different activity each afternoon and/or evening is enough to make anyone tired.

Discuss the must-haves, but be open to compromise. For example, if music lessons are a priority for two children, try to schedule lessons at the same time, same place, or immediately following each other. Adults who accompany students can utilize waiting time with portable projects, or plan to relax.

Ask for help. Encourage children to develop the habit of helping at an early age by choosing age-appropriate activities that will help them develop self-confidence. For example, a three-year-old can help fold towels; a five-year-old can set the table; and eight-year-old can help clear the

table and help with the dishes. Make the need-bes wannados. Grocery shopping is a good example. Choose a time when the store is not crowded and ask a child to accompany you. Kids can learn about food and the family budget, but usually appreciate the one-on-one opportunity as much or more as the trip to the store.

Plan meals and snacks. Resolve to eat together, even if mealtime is brief. Limit distractions, turn off the radio or TV; take the phone off the hook and talk about the day's events. Snacks also are important because they can take the edge off the appetite and ease tension before mealtime. When they are planned, the family is less likely to pick and choose from foods that might be higher in calories and fat, or planned as part of another meal.

Be flexible. Plan down-time for everyone. Scheduling too many activities can mean that few, if any, are enjoyed. Pick a night and have an easy meal (or take-out if accessible), have a picnic in the backyard or bring out the family's favorite games. Allow time to read the paper, go for a walk or prop up your feet.

Whatever you do, take time for you and your family. Time passes so quickly, and you can never regain their years of growing up. After all, we are only here for one lifetime, let's enjoy it!

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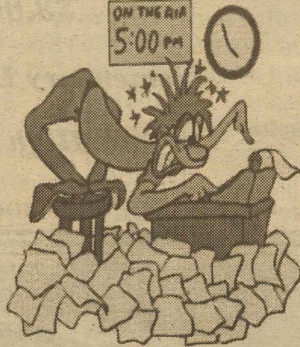
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Thought for the Day

Almost all men are affected with the disease of desiring to obtain useless knowledge.
--John Calvin

ON THE AIR
5:00 PM



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Flu Shot Clinic

October 23, 2009
9:30 am - 3:00 pm
in Nurse's Office
\$10

Medicare and Medicaid Accepted

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Borden County 4-H News





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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 28th and 5th! For more information, please contact the Extension Office at (806)756-4336.

October 4-H Meetings



Tuesday, October 6
Cool Clovers from 11:30-12:00
Jr High and High School from 12:35-1:05
Conference Room at School

Homecoming Dance

Immediately following the football game till 12:00 a.m.

October 2nd

At the County Showbarn

Free Admission

Everyone welcome

Come celebrate Coyotes!

Sponsored by the Borden County Booster Club

Join us monthly for
FUN WITH 4-H AFTERSCHOOL
to focus on a different project offered through 4-H.

Projects are a surprise each month!
Come join the fun and bring a friend!

Learn by doing!

Get involved in 4-H!
It's not just about animals and stock shows!

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning leadership and life skills.

Fun with 4-H Afterschool

WHEN:
From 3:45 to 5:30 p.m.
Monday, September 14
Monday, October 26
Monday, November 26
Monday, December 14

WHERE:
Show Barn in Gail

WOW!
4-H DOES THAT!

For more information, contact Texas AgriLife Extension Service-Borden County at (806)756-4336 or borden-tx@tamu.edu

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Obituaries

Jerry Gleghorn

Jerry Gleghorn of Gail, TX departed this life on September 23, 2009 at the age of 76 years. He was born in Gail, TX to Ernest Gleghorn and Marjory Fletcher. Jerry attended Lamesa High School and was also a graduate from Texas Tech University. Jerry served his country in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. Mr. Gleghorn was a retired off shore oil field rigger. Jerry is preceded in death by his parents Ernest Gleghorn and Marjory Fletcher, one brother; Paul Gleghorn, and two sisters; Juanda Reynolds and Beth Gleghorn.

Those left to cherish his memory are two daughters, Donna and Tracy Gleghorn of Denver, CO, and two sons Tyree and Sidney Gleghorn of Denver, CO and one sister, Hope Holderman of Wolfforth.

Memorial Services will be held at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, October 3, 2009 at First Baptist Church in Gail, TX.

Arrangements are under the personal care of White Funeral Home in Lubbock. To register or send condolences online, please visit www.whitefuneralhome.com

Vernon Wolf

On September 22, 2009, Vernon Wolf of Vincent passed from this life at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. He was born December 2, 1929, in Iraan to Vernon Henry

Wolf and Roxie Harding Wolf. The family moved to the Vincent area in 1942, where Henry Clay Wolf, Vernon's grandfather, raised cattle.

Vernon graduated from Coahoma High School in 1947. He then graduated from Texas Tech University with a bachelor of science degree. He farmed and ranched in West Texas his entire life. He was also a Borden County commissioner for 28 years.

He married Dolores Watts in Abilene in 1958. They were blessed with three children—a son, Troyce Wolf and two daughters, Rhesa Lang and Roxie Shorter. He was dearly loved by seven grandchildren—Blake, Gage, and Sadie Shorter; Mackenzie and Erin Wolf and Alex and Maddie Lang.

Vernon was preceded in death by his parents and his only sibling, Jack Wolf, also of Vincent. Vernon was a member of Vincent Baptist Church.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Saturday, September 26, 2009, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel I Big Spring, with the Rev. Walter McCall officiating. Special music was provided by Wayne Mitchell and Cheryl McCall.

Pallbearers were Armando Sosa, Jack Himes, Binie White, Larry Smith, Maxwell Barr and Mark Morgan.

Arrangements were under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Coyote Opry Huge Success

By Buddy Wallace

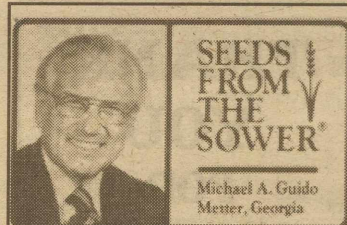
The 21st annual Coyote Opry took place this past Saturday night at the Borden County Show Barn in Gail. This event which is hosted annually by the Borden County Junior Livestock Association was filled with great talent, great food, an energized crowd and many quality pastries and other items for auction.

The format consisted of musical talent from numerous

local and area individuals and groups. Pastries and donated items were also auctioned off as fundraisers for the association as well as a penny and rifle raffle. When the dust settled, the BCJLA had raised some \$5300 for the Borden County 4-H and Gail FFA Stock Show youth. All proceeds will go to

show facility improvements and to the Borden County Livestock Show.

BCJLA would like to express a huge "thank you" to all who participated in the 2009 Coyote Opry and to those who purchased and donated items. All involved agreed that this event was a huge success.



SEEDS FROM THE SOWER
Michael A. Guido
Mayor, Georgia

A politician said to a newspaper editor, "You've insulted me."

"How's that?" he asked. "I printed your article of resignation as Mayor just as you wrote it."

"Yes," he said, "but look where you put it - under PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS!"

Everyone can do something to make the world better. You can improve yourself. And if you don't become better, you'll stop being good.

Concerning our Lord, the Bible says, "Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man."

Are you improving yourself daily by growing mentally, physically, socially, and spiritually?

If you're still breathing, you can improve.



Entertainment was plentiful at the annual Coyote Opry this past Saturday night. Pictured above is (left to right) C.W. Berryman, Buddy Wallace and Frank "Fiddler" Herridge.


Gold Star Award



Raylea Underwood presented Lacey Roberts with the prestigious 4-H Gold Star Award at the 2009 4-H is a Family Affair Project Fair and Picnic. The Gold Star Award is the highest honor 4-H'er may receive.

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Implementation of Livestock Disaster Assistance Programs...

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weather or other conditions, including losses due to blizzards and wildfires. ELAP assistance is for losses not covered under other Supplemental Agricultural Disaster Assistance programs established by the 2008 Farm Bill, specifically LFP, the Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP) and the Supplemental Revenue Assistance Payments Program (SURE). ELAP is being implemented to fill in the gap and provide assistance under other conditions determined to be appropriate.

For both programs, producers must have suffered losses that occurred on or after January 1, 2008, and before October 1, 2011. There is a total \$100,000 limitation per crop year that applies to payments received under ELAP, LFP, LIP or SURE. For the 2008 crop year, the \$100,000 limitation is per "person" as defined and determined under payment limitation rules in effect for 2008. For crop years

2009 through 2011, the \$100,000 limitation applies to payments received, both directly and indirectly, by a person or legal entity. Furthermore, individuals or entities are ineligible for payment under ELAP or LFP for 2008 if their average Adjusted Gross Income for 2005, 2006 and 2007 exceeds \$2.5 million. For 2009 through 2011, an average adjusted gross nonfarm income limitation of \$500,000 applies and is determined using the three taxable years that precede the most immediately preceding complete taxable year (for 2009, the applicable years are 2005, 2006 and 2007). For more information or to apply for ELAP or LFP and other USDA Farm Service Agency disaster assistance programs, please visit your local USDA Service Center or FSA county office. Information can also be obtained on line at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov>.

BORDEN COUNTY ISD PUBLIC NOTICE

The Superintendent's Office, on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District will sell the following vehicle at the Lubbock Auto Auction located at 1122 East 34th Street in Lubbock, Texas at 10:00 AM on Thursday, October 8, 2009:

1998 Chevrolet Pickup 3500 4-Door
Vin # 1GCGC33R1WF022211
Miles 106,492

This vehicle may be viewed at the above address through October 7, 2009. Please contact Jimmy Thomas at (806) 756-4313 no later than 5:00 PM on October 7, 2009, if you would like to submit a bid on this vehicle.

The Borden County I.S.D. 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 additional information shall be directed to Jimmy Thomas by writing: P.O. Box 95, Gail, Texas, 79738 or by calling (806) 756-4313. Transmissions by fax may be sent to (806) 756-4310.

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BORDEN
STAR**

Gail FFA Sponsors Clothes/Shoe Drive

By Buddy Wallace

The Gail FFA Chapter is once again sponsoring its annual "Give the shirt off your back" clothing and shoe collection drive.

The public is welcome to participate!

Categories: Clothing / Shoe Items

Items should be clean, folded and placed in a box or trash bag. (Shoes separate)

Items can be brought by the

Ag. Building or picked up by an FFA student right from your vehicle.

Final delivery date: Monday, October 5th.

All items to be delivered by Gail FFA to a needy area organization.

Gail FFA and Lone Wolf District ask you to help "Give the shirt off your back" or... out of your closet.... for a worthy cause.

Notice

The Borden County Tax Office will be closed Friday, October 2, 2009, for training. If there is an emergency please contact the Sheriff's Office at 806/756-4311.

PUBLIC NOTICE- FINANCIAL INTEGRITY RATING SYSTEM OF TEXAS BORDEN COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC MEETING 6:00 P.M.; OCTOBER 13, 2009

The Borden County Independent School District Will Conduct a public meeting as required by State Law to review the District's Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas which is referred to as the FIRST Rating. This meeting will take place in the Borden County School Cafeteria at 6:00 P.M. on Tuesday, October 13, 2009.

The 2009 School First Ratings were based upon an analysis of staff and student data reported for the 2007-2008 school year, and budgetary and actual financial data for the 2008 fiscal year.

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. 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 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

Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit
Tumbleweed Smith

A Return to the Amalfi Coast

When I was a soldier in Europe in the late fifties, I took a leave with some friends of mine to Italy. We went to Florence, Rome, Portofino, Milan, Naples and other places. At Sorrento my friends said they wanted to visit Pompeii. I decided to forego that excursion so I explored the coast further south, mainly so I could sing the song *Come Back to Sorrento*. Sounds silly now, but that was the real reason for going. Besides that, I wanted to cruise the curves and hills and see the sites along the famous Amalfi Drive. I saw buses have to back up to maneuver some of the tight squeezes. There are tunnels and bridges galore and you're lucky if you get on a straightaway that is as long as a football field.

I stopped in the little village of Positano. It was quiet, tranquil, beautiful, intriguing. I had some kind of spiritual experience there. The city sort of oozes down a mountain into the Mediterranean. I wandered up and down a few of the cobblestone streets admiring the bougainvillea, stone walls and cozy little hotels. It was July and the weather was perfect. I went down to a small beach where a man was making shoes in his little seaside stall. We visited. I practiced my Italian and bought a pair of shoes.

Italian incidents and feelings stay with most people longer than other places. It's sure that way with me. The images of those few hours in Positano fifty years ago are still as vivid now as they were when I was there. I felt so good. I vowed that when I met the girl

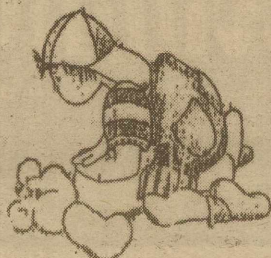
I would spend the rest of my life with, I would return to Positano with her.

I did not know it would be fifty years before that happened, but it did in August of this year. We cleared out some time, worked ahead and were able to find a cruise that would visit some cities along the Amalfi coast. At the city of Amalfi we hired a driver. This was a special trip and I did not want to take that route on a bus. The drive was even more magical than I remembered it. We traveled up and down it all day. During the past fifty years, people have found out about the Amalfi Drive and the charming little villages along it. The traffic was extremely heavy and in addition to the trucks, cars and buses on the road, our driver dealt with baby carriages, dogs and hordes of tourists, many of them lugging giant suitcases.

Positano was wall-to-wall people: in the bars, restaurants, on the beach, on the shaded walkways up and down the hills in the shopping district. I had thought I would buy a pair of shoes, but it was just too crowded. It was not the quiet, tranquil place I remembered. But my wife was there to experience it with me and it was special. I think I figured out that it wasn't just Positano that was so indelibly stamped in my brain, but the wonderful 28 mile winding route of dramatic coastline, past some of the most beautiful small towns in the world, smelling the flowers and seeing the lemon and olive groves. I do want to return, but in October or January or March.

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DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Term of Office and Qualifications

To be eligible for the office of county chair, an individual must meet these requirements:

- Be 18 years of age or older
- Be a qualified voter who has voted in the latest Democratic primary (not counting runoffs) in the voting year
- Be a resident of the county from which he or she is seeking election
- Not be a candidate for or holder of an elective office of the federal, state, or county government
- (Optional but highly desirable) have Internet and e-mail capabilities and basic computer skills

Filing for Office

The county chair is a publicly elected party official and is elected by precinct voters in the Democratic Primary Election (or in the runoff election, if no candidate gets a majority in the general primary). A qualified individual interested in running for county chair must do the following:

- Download a filing form, or obtain one from your county chair, the secretary of the County Party, or from the State Party
- Complete the application
- Sign the application before a notary public
- Have the filing form notarized
- Submit the application to the county chair in the period that begins in early December and ends at 6:00 PM on the first business day in January. The specific opening date is 30 days before the first business day in January of an election year.

The form may be submitted in either of two ways:

- Hand the completed, signed, and notarized application to the county chair; or
- Mail the completed, signed, and notarized application to county chair (*must be received by the filing deadline*)

REPUBLICAN PARTY

The qualifications to be a Republican Party County Chairman are:

- 1) be a qualified voter in that county [Election Code sec. 161.005],
- 2) not be a county, state, or federal public officeholder or candidate for such office, and
- 3) in a general election year, be affiliated with the Republican Party through voting in the GOP primary election or runoff or by oath of affiliation [Election Code sec. 162.001 162.012].

The Election Code provides two methods for becoming a County Chairman.

Election for two-year term

Candidates for County Chair run for office in the primary election each even-numbered year. A one-page notarized application must be submitted to the County Chair (yourself if seeking re-election) within a one-month filing period. Individuals may also run as write-in candidates.

If two or more candidates file, the winner is determined by majority vote of those voting in the Republican primary election. If no one files, there is to be a line on the ballot where voters may write in the name of someone to serve as County Chairman. Write-in candidates must win a majority of votes just like candidates actually listed on the ballot.

Appointment to fill vacancy

Any eligible person may be appointed to fill a County Chair vacancy at any time. Appointment is by majority vote of Precinct Chairs present at a properly called meeting with a quorum (in this case, fifty percent of filled positions) present.

CCI Announces Gildan Activewear to Join COTTON USA in the USA Licensing Program

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Clyde T. Sharp.
"The leadership position the U.S. cotton industry has taken mirrors Gildan's approach to Genuine Stewardship, with a focus on four critical pillars: (1) environmental sustainability, (2) labor practices, (3) community involvement and (4) corporate governance. Gildan is pleased to place the COTTON USA Mark on the products we manufacture, under the Gildan brand and private labels," said Garry Bell, vice president of Global Marketing for Gildan.

Cotton, a renewable and biodegradable resource, is the largest natural fiber source in the global fiber, textile and apparel economy, representing roughly 80 percent of all natural fibers consumed. In the U.S. marketplace, products with a minimum of 95 percent

cotton content and 100 percent U.S.- grown cotton fiber are eligible for licensing of the COTTON USA Mark.

"Gildan is one of the largest domestic consumers of U.S. cotton," Bell said. "With more than 1 billion units manufactured last year alone, Gildan recognizes the inherent value of the U.S. cotton supply. The economics and high quality of U.S. cotton have allowed us to develop our brand and to be competitive globally."

Sharp added, "Even if it is often impractical in today's world to have finished apparel and home furnishings fully manufactured in the United States, we are pleased to have companies like Gildan committed to ensuring the long-term viability of U.S. cotton products available to American consumers."

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