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Dare to Live Without Limits

By Bryan Golden

Have an Attitude of Gratitude

Focus on and be thankful for the good things in your life. Take nothing for granted. Every morning recharge your gratitude. Be grateful for everything you have, not upset over what you feel is missing.

Goals shouldn't diminish your appreciation for the present. If all you do is concentrate on what you want, you sacrifice living and enjoying today. What others do or have has no bearing on you.

If you have enough to eat, a place to live, a way to get around, people who care about you or people you care about then you are wealthy. If you lack any of these elements, you must still be grateful for what you do have, while striving to obtain whatever is absent.

People tend to feel bitter or resentful for a variety of reasons. They feel that something is missing from their life, things aren't going their way or they have been treated unfairly. These people frequently ask, "why do these things always happen to me?"

Life's problems tend to take hold of your mind and turn your focus to what you feel is wrong. You may start to resent those who appear to be better off. You're apt to dwell on things that you think would make your life better if you had

them. If only you had more money, more time, a bigger house, a different car, a different job, a different boss, had picked a different career, etc.

Once your attitude becomes one of deficiency instead of abundance and appreciation, you can become controlled by feelings of frustration and feel like a victim. As this happens, a vicious cycle starts which feels all consuming.

Being bitter or resentful makes things worse. People who are bitter frequently find that their situations deteriorate and their mental and physical health decays.

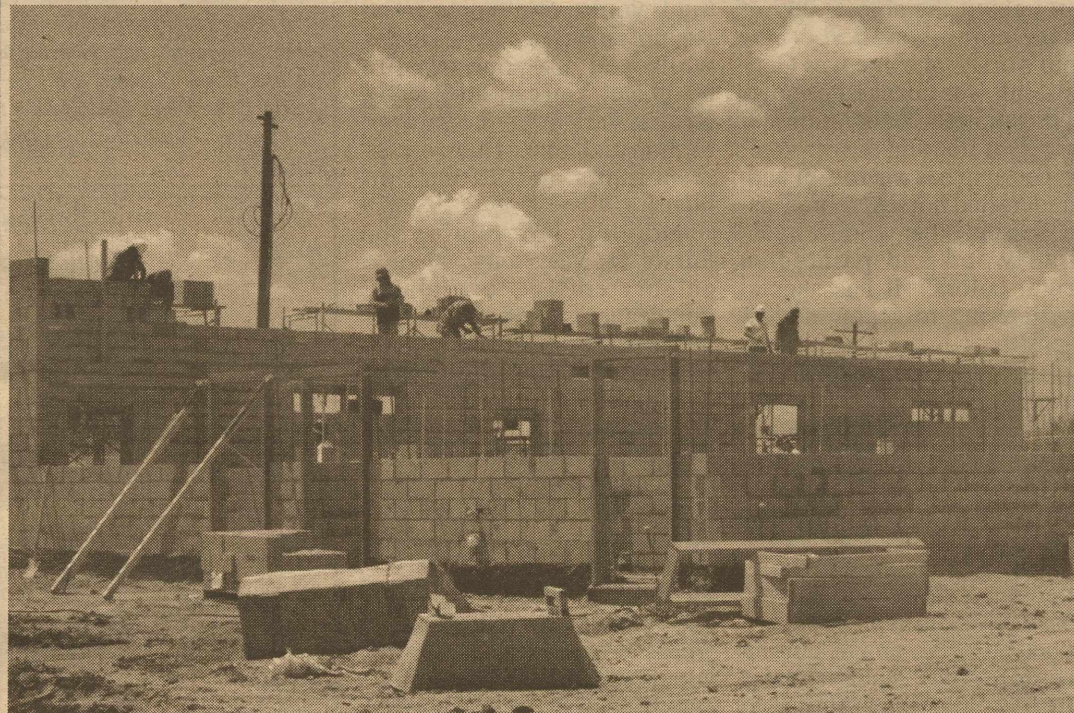
It's difficult, if not impossible, to achieve your goals while you are bitter or resentful. Regardless of what challenges might befall you, bitterness makes finding solutions much more elusive.

There is no point to feeling bitter since it accomplishes nothing, harms you and makes things worse. One way to avoid bitterness is to fill yourself with gratitude on a daily basis.

Begin your practice of gratitude every morning as soon as you wake. Every day that you wake is a great day. If you have any doubts, try missing one.

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New Field House



The landscape in Borden County continues to change with the construction of the new field house well underway.

2009-Crop Average Price Received Still Inching Up

By Shawn Wade
Cumulative 2009 Upland cotton marketings through the month of June 2010 now total 9.238 million-bales according to information released July 30, 2010 by the USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service.

USDA estimated June 2010 cotton marketings at 299,000 bales with an aver-

age selling price of 67.60 cents per pound. The preliminary mid-month price reported for July 2010 was 67.50 cents per pound.

The 2009 Upland cotton Weighted Average Price calculated through June 2010 now stands at 62.10 cents per pound with only one month of data to be added before computing the final marketing year aver-

age price.

Currently the estimated 2009 Upland cotton Weighted Average Price is 10.10 cents above the 52-cent threshold where the Upland cotton Counter-cyclical payment rate begins to drop below the statutory maximum rate. Based on the current numbers the esti-

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Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit
Tumbleweed Smith

Cruising on the Big Ship

I went cruising the other day with some of my friends, about 6,200 of them to be more specific. In addition there were some 2,500 crewmembers to make our trip enjoyable. We were on Royal Caribbean's Oasis of the Seas, the largest cruise ship in the world, nearly four football fields long.

The ship has nearly everything you can imagine. It's a combination of big city sophistication and Disneyland. It was built at a cost of one billion dollars and has 9,000 pieces of art displayed throughout the ship, 7,000 of them commissioned. The ship's original name was Genesis, but was changed because of its religious connotations. It is truly a floating oasis.

The ship has a carousel with handcrafted horses, zebras, ostriches and other wildlife made from wood and painted in bright colors. It has special engineering to accommodate the ship's movement, even though the ship moves smoothly through the water and we had a hard time realizing we were on a ship. Steady she goes.

The ship's ice rink offers ice skating to passengers and quality entertainment by extremely talented athletes and artists. The lights, music and costumes make for an enchanting evening. The Aqua Theater offers productions similar to acts by Cirque du Soliel. Some of the divers have been in the Olympics and won national honors both in collegiate and professional competition. They show incredible strength and some dive into the small pool from a perch seven stories above the water. It is a thrilling spectacle. The Aqua Theater is also the location of

the belly flop competition, one of the best attended attractions on the ship. The Opal Theater offers Broadway-style entertainment. We saw the musical Hairspray. Late night opportunities include a comedy club and dancing to live music.

The spa, climbing wall, zip line, surfing area, jogging track, miniature golf course and a dozen hot tubs and swimming pools (some salt water, some fresh water) are among the diversions offered. A parade moves through the Royal Promenade that makes you think you're at a circus. The Rising Tide Bar rises 2 stories while you sip your favorite beverage. You can stroll along Central Park or the Boardwalk to shop and dine. There are 24 restaurants and 20 bars on board.

Nobody got hungry or thirsty for very long. People celebrated birthdays, quinceaneras, weddings, anniversaries and family reunions, with plenty of activities for kids.

We cruised in the Caribbean with stops in Nassau, St. Thomas and St.

Maarten. Passengers had the opportunity to go to a beach or take a tour. Shopping Shelby, the shopping consultant, offered suggestions about where to buy diamonds, black coral, tanzanite and ammolite. For the most part, though, people took the trip to experience the ship.

Seventy-five countries were represented. We talked to people from Rome and Rio who flew to Florida to board the ship in Fort Lauderdale for the week-long trip. Royal Caribbean is building another ship like the Oasis. We just might have to try it.

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Summer Basketball



Several Borden County junior high girls participated in the the AAU summer basketball league. They traveled to Lubbock and Amarillo playing with the NikElite team. Pictured are (top row l to r) Brooklyn Courtney, Krissa Martin, Kylee Dean, (middle row l to r) Tatum Richey, Coach Lizette Parmer, Tye Basquez, (botto row l to r) Dakota Whalen, Marissa Urrutia and Callie Martin.

Borden County Football Junior Varsity 2010 Schedule

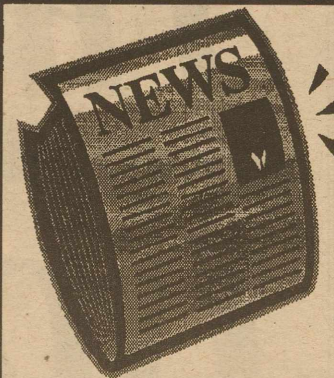
Week #	Date	Day	Opponent	Site	Time
Scrimmage	Aug. 14	Saturday	Ropes/Loop	Ropes	10:00
Scrimmage	Aug. 19/20	Thurs./Fri.	Klondike	Gail	6:00
#0	Aug. 26	Thursday	Looking for a game	There	6:30
#1	Sept. 2	Thursday	Looking for a game	TBA	TBA
#2	Sept. 9	Thursday	Wellman-Union	There	7:00
#3	Sept. 16	Thursday	Meadow	Here	7:00
#4	Sept. 23	Thursday	Petersburg	There	7:00
#5	Sept. 30	Thursday	(Open) Looking for a game	TBA	7:00
*#6	Oct. 7	Thursday	Garden City	Here	7:00
*#7	Oct. 14	Thursday	Klondike	There	7:00
*#8	Oct. 21	Thursday	O'Donnell	Here	7:00
*#9	Oct. 28	Thursday	Grady	There	7:00
*#10	Nov. 5	Friday	Sands	Here	7:00

Coaches: Trey Richey
Peter Benavidez
Fernando Baeza
Colt McCook

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Ext: 275
Email:
kdean@bcisd.net

Booster Club Meeting

8:05 a.m.
Monday,
August 23rd

We will elect
officers, assign
room parents and
make plans for the
school year.

If you are unable to
attend and wish to
be a room parent,
please contact
Tammy Simmons
ASAP at 806/759-
9131.

ALL Coyote Parents
welcome and neded,
so hope to see
everyone on August
23rd!!

Borden County Independent School District 2010-2011

SECONDARY SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

Please realize that teachers may add to their list on the first day of school...
College classes will receive instructions that day as well.

Mr. Baeza – Social Studies (8th), World History (10th)

- Notebook paper
- Pens
- Red pens

Mr. Benavidez – Spanish I, Spanish II, & Spanish III

- 1½" Notebook
- Dividers
- Notebook Paper
- Red pens
- Plenty of 3"x 5" note cards

Elementary P.E.

- Gym Shoes (if your child cannot tie his/her shoes, please provide Velcro snaps)

Mrs. Bradbury-Science (7th & 8th) Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics

- 1½" 3 Ring Binder
- Set of Tab Dividers (5)
- Map Colors
- Pens/pencils
- Physics-Box of Gallon sized zip baggies
- 7th & 8th-Box of quart sized zippered baggies
- Freshmen (Biology) & Sophomores (Chemistry)-Container of Clorox Wipes

Mrs. Herridge – English I, English II, English III, English IV, Science (6th)

English Classes

- 1½" 3-Ring Notebook
- Dividers (At least 10)
- 5-Subject Spiral
- Blue or Black Pens
- RED pens
- Loose-leaf notebook paper
- 3X5 Index Cards

Science Class (6th)

- Spiral notebook (5 Subject)
- Homework Folder
- 1½ inch 3 ring notebook
- Dividers (At least 10)

Mrs. Key – Math (6th, 7th, & 8th), Algebra I, Geometry, Technology Applications (7th)

- Notebook paper
- Spiral notebook (5-Subject)
- Folder
- Plenty of pencils
- Red pens

Mr. Marshall – Band (6th-12th)

- Good attitude and a willingness to work

Ms. Mayes – Reading (6th), Social Studies (6th) English (6th) English (7th)

- Two Inch 3-Ring Notebook (No zippers or flaps) Notebook Paper
- Dividers
- Map pencils
- Blue or black ink pens
- Pencils
- Red pens

Mr. McCook – Social Studies (7th), World Geography (9th) (11th), Government/Economics (12th)

- 1 Inch 3 Ring Notebook
- Pens-Blue or Black
- World Geography: Map pencils
- Dividers
- Red Pens

Mrs. Phillips – Algebra II, Pre-Calculus, Math Models

- Notebook paper
- 3 Ring Binder
- Dividers
- Plenty of pencils

Mrs. Poole – Good Attitude

Mr. Richey – Math (6th & 8th), Geometry, Algebra I

- Notebook paper
- Spiral notebook
- Dividers (5 or 6)
- Pencils
- Red pens (No other colors needed)
- Highlighter
- Dry erase marker (2 or 3)
- Compass-optional
- Protractor-optional
- 7th & 8th Grades: Inexpensive calculator

Mrs. Soto – Reading (7th & 8th) English (8th)

- 1.5 – 2 inch hard cover 3 ring notebook
- 6 dividers
- notebook paper
- Black or blue pens
- Red pens
- 3 holed pen pouch (dedicated to reading only)
- composition book-like the black and white covered ones
- NO SPIRAL NOTEBOOKS
- Smiling Face-Good Attitude!

Mr. Wallace – Agriculture Science (8th-12th)

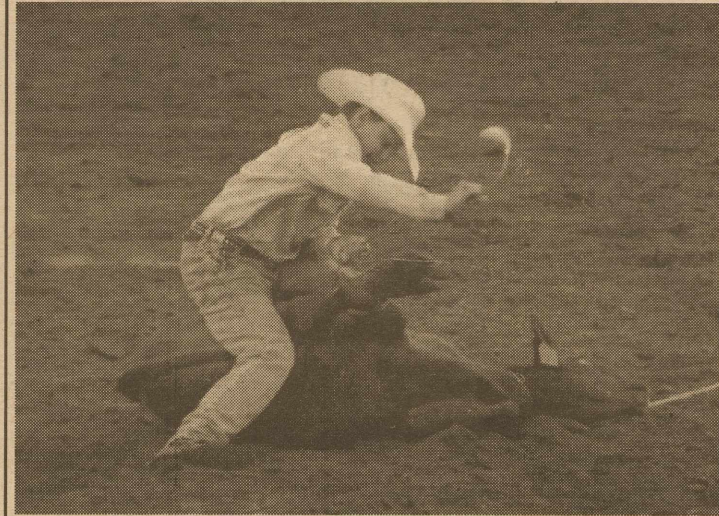
8th Grade:

- 3-Ring Notebook
- 9 Dividers with labels
- Pens
- Pencils
- Notebook Paper

9th-12th Grades:

- 9 Dividers with labels
- Pens
- Pencils
- Notebook Paper

Lamesa Rodeo

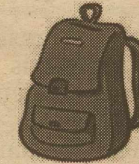


Sean Tucker, a Borden County ISD eighth grade student, placed second in the tie-down calf roping during the Thursday night performance of the Lamesa Rodeo Association's membership roping.

Borden County Elementary Supply Lists 2010-2011

Kindergarten: Elmer's school glue (not past), 2-glue sticks, 2-boxes of 16 Crayons, Scissors (Fiskars for kids), 4-#2 pencils, 2-Folders w/pockets, Big eraser, Supply box (cigar box size), Towel for nap time, Baby wipes/wet wipes (1 box), 1 box-Kleenex, Gym Shoes.

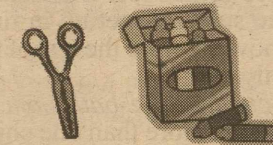
First Grade: 2-Boxes of 16 Crayons, 12-#2 Pencils, Supply box, Scissors (Fiskars for kids), 2 Medium sized bottles Elmer's Glue, 2-Glue sticks, 1-One subject spiral notebook (wide ruled), 2-Boxes Kleenex, Pink eraser, Gym shoes.



Second Grade: 12-#2 Pencils, Crayons, Colored Pencils, 2 Bottles Elmer's Glue, 4 Glue sticks, Notebook paper (wide ruled), Scissors, Eraser, Ruler, Small supply box, 1-Red pocket folder (no brads), 3-pocket folders of choice (no brads), 2 Boxes Kleenex, Gym shoes.

Third Grade: 1-Wide ruled spiral notebook, 1-Ruler (metric & standard), 4-Red

pens, 1 Bottle school glue, 2-Glue sticks, 3-Pocket folders (no brads), 24-#2 Pencils, Large supply box, Crayons, Colored pencils, Scissors, 1 Box Kleenex, 1 Box wipex, 1 Pkg. notebook paper (wide ruled), 1 Pkg. 3X5 index cards, Gym shoes.



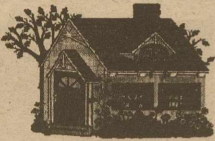
Fourth Grade: Crayons, 1 Box #2 Pencils, 3-Red grading pens, 3-pocket folders (no brads), Notebook paper (wide ruled), 1-Ruler (metric & standard), 2-Glue sticks, 1-Eraser, Scissors, 1-Bottle Elmer's school glue, 1-Box Kleenex, 1-Large, inexpensive box-baby wipes, Index cards, Gym shoes.

Fifth Grade: 1-Box #2 pencils (may be mechanical), 1-Pkg. wide ruled notebook paper, 1-Pkg. colored copy paper, 4-Red grading pens, 1-Black sharpie, 2-Large glue sticks, 1-Bottle Elmer's school glue, 1-Box 24 Crayons, Colored pencils, 2-Highlighters, 2-Boxes of Kleenex, 1-Box of baby wipes, Gym shoes.

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Heart and Home ...

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



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Rise and Shine Timesavers

It is hard to believe that school is beginning in only 10 days! Now is the time to start preparing yourself and your children to get ready for back to school so that on that first day back there aren't as many groans about getting up early and heading off to learn!

Organization is even more important when your child is not a morning person (do we hear sympathetic groans?). Here are tried-and-tested tips to get kids up in the morning and out the door!

Wake Them Up! Raise the blinds About 10 minutes before the kids need to wake up, go into their bedrooms and quietly raise the blinds so they can slowly get accustomed to the light.

Play upbeat music. Set the radio alarm for a station with energetic music your children can wake up to. Or play a CD of your own selection, especially one they like and that gets their bodies moving. It's hard to stay in bed when the tempo is fast.

Get Them Dressed! Shower before the troops. If possible, make sure you get up in time to shower before the rest of the family.

Schedule the bathroom. If you have more than one child, or only one bathroom, set a monthly schedule of who uses it when. (Schedule some children to take their bath/shower at night, others in the morning, and specify the exact time each child has to be out of the bathroom.) Do ask your child for his or her preference. Warning: this plan won't always work, but knowing you have a plan may give you some peace of mind!

Prep the gym clothes weekly. Like taxes, dirty gym clothes are inevitable. So every weekend wash and dry your children's dirty gym clothes and put them back in each child's gym bag. Then hang the bag on the doorknob of their respective bedrooms. In the morning, all they have to do is snatch the bag on their

way out. Depending on the child's age (e.g., high schooler) and the weather, gym clothes may need to be washed more than once a week. (Note that this can also be applied to younger children's nap blanket/pillow or other special items they need in school.)

Kid-proof the closet. Have two closet rods for hanging clothes in your child's closet (if you only have one, lower extension bars can be found at your local mass merchandise store or online); Shirts go on top, pants/skirts on the bottom. Shelves are not so practical for children because they are hard to reach and stuff just starts to pile up in multiple layers! If possible, store off-season clothing on these shelves.

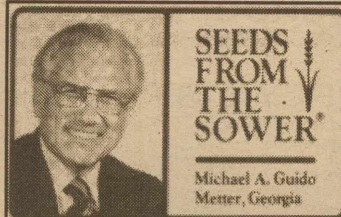
Label everything. Remember our moms sewing name labels into every piece of our clothing when I was a child. Today, most elementary schools ask parents to label each individual marker, crayon, glue stick and plastic supply as well! The easiest way is to mark everything (including non-clothing) with a fine point permanent marker or a permanent marker laundry pen. You can either write directly on the item or write on adhesive address labels and cut them to fit the item.

Get Them Fed! Make lunches the night before and set the breakfast table the night before.

After the kids are in bed and the kitchen table is cleaned, put out plates and cutlery for breakfast. That way, the table is ready in the morning. That's one less last-minute morning chore.

Bake cookies for the week. One Sunday each month, bake a couple of batches of your children's favorite cookies and freeze them in individual freezer bags. They can keep them in the freezer up to three months.

Give a choice of breakfast foods. In most houses, nobody wants the same breakfast. So offer two choices: for instance,



At the summit meeting in Vienna, Jimmy Carter gave Communist Brezhnev a pair of porcelain "Doves of Peace." They were passing an olive branch from one to the other.

But sometimes the "Doves of Peace" turn out to be white washed ravens.

All of us are for summit meetings. But greater than a summit meeting is a Savior meeting.

It was Herbert Hoover who said, "Peace isn't made at the council tables, or by treatise, but in the hearts of men."

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cereal or eggs on one day; oatmeal or frozen waffles (the ones with no trans fat) on another. If they don't like the choice, they can get a granola bar from the cupboard or toast a frozen waffle.

Get Them Packed! Check the school folder nightly. Every night check your children's school folders (where they keep teacher notes, announcements, etc.) to make sure that permission slips are signed and you are not expected to bake three dozen cookies by the next morning!

Program and recharge your child's cell phone (IF they have one). If your child has a cell phone, make sure you program it with emergency numbers (work and cell numbers of both parents/caregivers, other relatives, adult family friends, hospital, taxi, etc.). And make sure the phone is charged every night.

Repack backpack the night before. Make sure all homework, books, pens, etc. are packed in the backpack the night before. Then leave it right next to the front door or in the same place, every day.

Source: SC Johnson Company's Right at Home web site <http://www.rightathome.com>

WEATHERING THE STORM



Borden County Fun with 4-H Day

Who: Youth entering Kindergarten—3rd Grade
When: Monday, August 16 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Where: Community Room in Gail
Cost: \$5 per child to cover supply costs
Activities: It will be filled with many fun activities related to weather! We will be making crafts and playing fun games.
Info to know: Please bring a sack lunch—drink and dessert will be provided

For more information, or to let us know that you will be able to attend, please call or e-mail the Extension Office at (806) 756-4336 or borden-tx@tamu.edu.

NOTE: You do not have to RSVP to participate, but it helps let us know how many to plan for.



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The Fun with 4-H Day is sponsored by Texas AgriLife Extension Service—Borden County and Borden County 4-H.



Do Well, Be Well with diabetes.

Do Well, Be Well with Diabetes is an educational program for people with type 2 diabetes. The primary goal is to help participants learn how to manage their meal plan and self-care to maintain their blood glucose in the ranges recommended by the American Diabetes Association. The message is that, if you do well, you can be well with diabetes!

Classes will begin Tuesday, August 17 at 5:30pm and will be held in the Borden County Community Room located in the white building behind the Courthouse. The course will be five two hour sessions. Classes will be held twice a week on Tuesday and Thursday (8/17, 19, 24, 26, and 31). For more information or to sign up, call Julie Smith at the Borden County Extension Office at (806)756-4336.

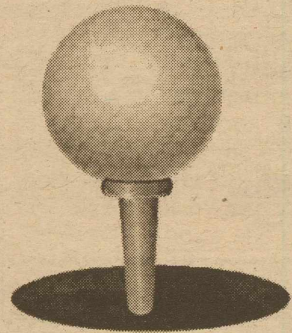
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Back-to-School Borden County Open Golf Scramble



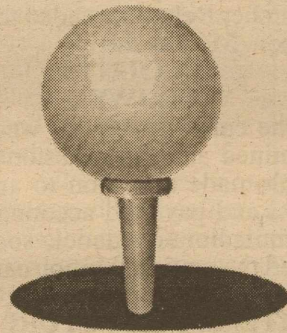
Saturday, August 21st

7:30 a.m.

\$15 9 holes, cart

WTC Golf Course

In Snyder



Obituary

T. L. Griffin II
1924 - 2010

T.L. Griffin II, long time Borden County Rancher, died August 1, 2010 at his home at the age of 85. He was born December 7, 1924 in Olney, Texas.

Tee married Gloria Watson on April 1, 1951. He was a dedicated husband, who adored his wife of 59 years. They were inseparable friends and worked diligently to operate the T2 Griffin Ranches, as well as rear an upstanding and God-fearing family. T.L. was the proud father of 3 children: Lane Griffin and his wife, Dian, of Borden County; Gay Ann Griffin Potter and her husband, Bill, of Bartlesville, OK; and Talley Griffin Brown and her husband, Rob A., of Stinnett, TX. He was also a proud grandfather of 14 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

Never one for elaborate ceremonies, T.L. had always wanted to live, die, and be buried at home on the ranch. His wishes were honored by having a family wake, burial and celebration of his great life. The commemoration was conducted by his children and grandchildren followed by burial on August 2, 2010 at the Griffin Family Ranch Cemetery.

The family asks any memo-

rials be given to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center, 4601 Hartford Street, Abilene, TX 79605, which was T.L. and Gloria's favorite charity.

Thought for the Day

*A child's life is like a
piece of paper on which
every passer-by leaves a
mark.*

--Chinese proverb

50's Get Together

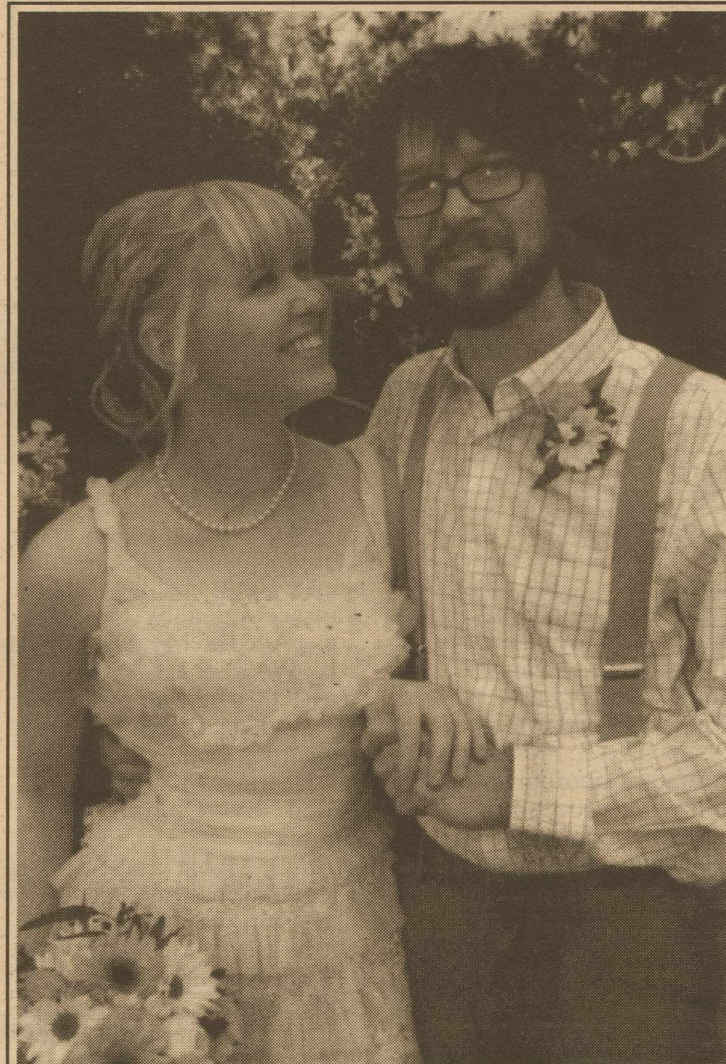
After the wonderful Friday and Saturday reunion at Gail, there was a group of the classes that graduated in the 50's that met at Lamesa for more visiting. Those present — class of '53—Whistle Worley and wife, Tommye, Bill Dawson Staggs and wife, Karen—Class of '54—Rosa Lee (Franklin) Crow—Class of '55—Larry David Smith, Wanda (Cunningham) Smith, Shorty Farmer, Barbara (Miller) Farmer, Kenneth Williams—Class of '56—E.L. Franklin—Class of '58—Little Jerry Reddell and wife, Betty; Mary Lynn (Staggs) Williams, Doris (Franklin) Henderson, Virginia (Henderson) Vandegriff, Judy (Doyle) Kingston and teacher—Clara James. We had a wonderful time visiting and remembering old, wild tales about our younger years.

Looking forward to next time,
Judy Kingston



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3rd & 4th generations still serving this area.



Mr. & Mrs. Clint Miller
(nee Shawna Branham)

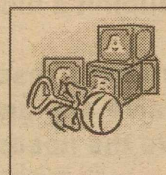
Miller, Branham Exchange Nuptials

Tammy Branham of San Angelo and Ben and Paula Miller would like to announce the marriage of their children, Shawna Branham and Clint Miller, on May 1, 2010.

A beautiful outdoor ceremony was performed at the Miller Ranch by Jimmy Valdez of Post.

The couple will make their home in Lubbock, Texas.

Come and Go Baby Shower



for

Aden Mujica

Born July 4, 2010

8 lbs.

son of Cesar and Leslie Mujica of Lubbock

Sunday, August 15

2 p.m.-3 p.m.

home of Sue Jane Mayes

second house on left, teacher row, south of football field

Commissioners Meeting

WHEREAS, On this the 27th day of July, 2010, 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:

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, Van L. York, County Judge, absent, with Ernest Reyes, Commissioner Precinct No. 3, Presiding, constituting a quorum, when the following proceedings were had, in accordance with the posted agenda.

Present were Ross Sharp, Don Nunnally.

MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the Commissioners Court Meetings of July 13, 2010 and June 29, 2010 were read. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve said minutes. Commissioner Adcock seconded the

motion. Motion carried.

EMPLOYEES HEALTH CARE

After examination of the policy, Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve the Health and Employee Benefits with the Texas Association of Counties Benefits Pool for Employees. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING

Commissioner Belew made a motion to close the Commissioners Court meeting. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Adcock. Motion carried.

WATER HEARING

At 9:00 a.m., Commissioner Belew made a motion to open the Borden County Water System Hearing. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Frank Menix and Sharion Windum were in attendance. A discussion was held concerning the Borden County Water System. Commissioner Smith made a motion to close the hearing. Commissioner Belew seconded the motion. Motion carried.

COMMISSIONER COURT MEETING

Commissioner Smith made a motion to reopen the Commissioners Court. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

INDIGENT HEALTH CARE

Indigent Health Care Case #002 was reviewed. Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve Case #002. Commissioner Belew seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ACCOUNTS ALLOWED

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

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

No new items were presented.

ADJOURN

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

THE FOREGOING MINUTES READ AND APPROVED THIS THE 10th day of August 2010.



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, August 12, 2010:

2002 Ford 16 Passenger Bus
Vin # 1FDXE45F52HA28039

This vehicle may be viewed at the above address through August 11, 2010. Please contact Jimmy Thomas at (806) 756-4313 no later than 5:00 PM on August 11, 2010, 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.

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

Notice of Effective Tax Rate

50-214 Rev. 05-06-05

2010 Property Tax Rates in Borden County

This notice concerns 2010 property tax rates for Borden County. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

	General Fund	Farm in Market/ Flood Control Fund	Special Road/ Bridge Fund
Last year's tax rate:			
Last year's operating taxes	\$1,694,438	\$ 0	\$ 0
Last year's debt taxes	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Last year's total taxes	\$1,694,438	\$ 0	\$ 0
Last year's tax base	\$65,159,167	\$ 0	\$ 0
Last year's total tax rate	\$.25863 \$/100	\$ 0 \$/100	\$ 0 \$/100
This year's effective tax rate:			
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$1,599,972	\$ 0	\$ 0
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 643,999,580	\$ 0	\$ 0
+ This year's effective tax rate for each fund	\$.24844 \$/100	\$ 0 \$/100	\$ 0 \$/100
Total effective tax rate	\$.24844 \$/100		
(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)			
If one first year a county collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, it must report the following rates unless its first adjustment were made last year:			
- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$ 0 \$/100		
+ Effective tax rate	\$.24844 \$/100		
This year's rollback tax rate:			
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$1,599,972	\$ 0	\$ 0
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 643,999,580	\$ 0	\$ 0
+ This year's effective rate	\$.24844 \$/100	\$ 0 \$/100	\$ 0 \$/100
+ 1.0% = 20% year's maximum operating rate	\$.26832 \$/100	\$ 0 \$/100	\$ 0 \$/100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ 0 \$/100	\$ 0 \$/100	\$ 0 \$/100
+ This year's rollback rate for each fund	\$.26832 \$/100	\$ 0 \$/100	\$ 0 \$/100
This year's total rollback rate	\$.26832 \$/100		
A county that collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, including one that collects the tax for the first time this year, must report the following rates:			
- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$ 0 \$/100		
+ Rollback tax rate	\$.26832 \$/100		
For a county with additional rollback rate for pollution control, report the following rates:			
+ Additional rollback rate for pollution control	\$ 0 \$/100		
+ Rollback tax rate	\$.26832 \$/100		

Statement of Increase/Decrease

Property Tax Form 50-179

Borden County adopts a 2010 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$.24844 per \$100 of value. Taxes would decrease compared to 2009 taxes by \$ 91,098.

Schedule A - Unencumbered Fund Balances

Fund	Amount	Precinct #	Amount
Jury	\$ 23,358.	Precinct #1	\$184,104.
General	\$857,658.	Precinct #2	\$ 61,525.
Officer's Salary	\$ 1,600.	Precinct #3	\$271,535.
Permanent Improvement	\$ 9,829.	Precinct #4	\$237,388.
Road & Bridge	\$ 54,569.		

Schedule B - 2010 Debt Service

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment To Be Paid From Property Taxes	Interest To Be Paid From Property Taxes	Other Amounts To Be Paid	Total Payment
No Debt	\$	\$	\$	\$

Schedule C - Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax
N/A

Schedule D - State Criminal Justice Mandate (For Counties)
The Borden County Treasurer Borden County certifies that \$ 0 in the previous 12 months beginning June 2009 for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice Borden County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

Schedule E - Transfer of Department, Function or Activity
N/A

Schedule F - Enhanced Indigent Health Care Expenditures
N/A
This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at:
Insert address: Borden County Courthouse
Gail, Texas
Name of person preparing this notice: Van L. York
Title: County Judge
Date prepared: August 5, 2010

Upper Colorado SWCD Informs Landowners of Election Eligibility

The Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District would like to make it known to eligible landowners on Zone 1 and 2 that they are able to run for election to serve as a director of the District.

Legal qualifications state that a candidate for the office of a soil and water conservation district must own land in the subdivision he or she represents, be 18 years of age or older and be actively engaged in farming and ranching. The candidate must also live in a county all or part of which is in the district. Soil and water conservation district directors serve four-year terms of office.

Zone 1 includes all of Scurry County lying south of U.S. Highway 84 and east of State Highway 208.

Zone 2 includes all of Scurry County lying west of State Highway 208 and south of U.S. Highway 84 to the

Colorado River.

Qualified individuals can pick up a form for candidacy between August 1st-31st, 2010 at the Upper Colorado SWCD office at 5309 Big Spring Highway between the hours of 8:00am-4:30pm, Monday-Friday.

Current members of the Board of Directors of the Upper Colorado SWCD are Jimmy McMillan, Chairman; Ted Crenwelge, Vice-Chairman; Myron Calley, Secretary; Max Jones, Member; John Anderson, Member.

The purpose of the Upper Colorado SWCD, with headquarters in Snyder, is to promote sound soil and water conservation programs on agricultural lands within the district and to serve as a voice for farmers, ranchers and local community entities on conservation matters.

The District Board of Direc-

tors coordinates the conservation efforts of various local, state and federal agencies and other organizations. The District has the authority to enter into working agreements with these governmental agencies and private concerns to carry out its purposes.

All conservation programs managed by the district are of a voluntary nature to the landowner or operator or other potential users of the SWCD's programs.

For additional information, contact the Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District at 5309 Big Spring Highway or by calling (325) 573-6317 ext.3

Dare to Live...

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Take inventory of everything, no matter how small or seemingly insignificant, that is good in your life.

If it helps, make a written list of everything that you have to be grateful for. Read this list every day. As you do this, you will build and reinforce your attitude of gratitude. Don't give any thought to what you think you don't have.

Keep things in perspective. Consider all the people who have overcome difficulties far worse than yours. Don't be consumed by your problems, there is always a solution. Maintaining an attitude of gratitude allows your mind to devise a resolution for your circumstances.

The first step to changing and breaking out of a negative cycle is to focus on all of the things you have to be thankful for.

NOW AVAILABLE: "Dare to Live Without Limits," the book.

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Cotton Prices Still Climbing...

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ated marketing year-end Counter-cyclical payment rate has now fallen to 2.48 cents per pound.

Producers who received the 1.03 cent 2009 advance Counter-cyclical program payment could see a final payment rate equal to 1.45 cents per pound if there are no significant revisions in the preliminary monthly data already reported.

With such a small difference between the 2009 CC advance payment amount and the projected final payment rate it is entirely possible for revisions in preliminary data to alter the calculated Weighted Average Price that will determine the final CC payment rate.

Based on provisions of the 2008 Farm Bill, the Upland cotton Counter-cyclical payment rate goes to zero when the Weighted Average Price Received hits 64.58 cents per pound. Accordingly, any increase in the 2009 Weighted Average Price Received above 63.55 cents means the USDA Farm Service Agency would have to seek repayment of some portion of the 2009 advance CC payment as well.

With only one month of data remaining to be reported it seems unlikely that the calculation based on preliminary data will move above 63 cents.

Unfortunately, recent history proves that USDA revisions to previously released figures published in the monthly Agricultural Prices report can have a significant impact on the final calculation.

Since future revisions could substantially impact the final payment rate calculation the current 1.45 cent difference between the estimated Weighted Average Price Received and the FSA-paid advance CC payment rate is narrow-enough that it could be erased with the right combination of revised data and unreported marketing and price information.

The following table shows

the average price received each month by farmers and the associated weighted average price based on prices and cumulative marketings from August 1, 2009 through June 2010.

The 2009 Counter-cyclical payment rate authorized under the 2008 Farm Bill will be based on the 12-month Weighted Average Price Received by growers. For cotton the 12-month Weighted Average Price will reflect price and marketings for the 2009 marketing year. The 2009 cotton marketing year began August 1, 2009 and ends July 31, 2010.

Average Price Received For 2009-crop Upland Cotton* (Weighted by Marketings)

	Marketings (000's of Running bales)		Prices (cents/Lb.)	
	Monthly	Cum.	Monthly	Weighted
August 09	30	30	47.70	47.70
September 09	225	255	55.00	54.14
October 09	271	526	56.70	55.46
November 09	1,611	2,137	58.50	57.75
December 09	2,536	4,673	62.80	60.49
January 10	1,618	6,291	60.60	60.52
February 10	1,262	7,553	65.00	61.27
March 10	570	8,123	63.90	61.49
April 10	465	8,588	66.20	61.75
May 10	351	8,939	66.00	61.92
June 10	299	9,238	67.60	62.10
July 10	n/a	n/a	67.50*	n/a

Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service; * = preliminary

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The newly built Bi Cennental Park is nearing completion and located just south of the school.

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Your consideration, vote and support will be greatly appreciated.

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Agent
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<h1>AUGUST 20 10</h1>					
1	2 Registration: JH High 9:00-5:00 Two-A-Days start @ 4:30	3 Registration: High School 9:00-5:00	4 Registration: Late Registration 9:00-5:00	5	6 Deadline for ACT Registration (September 11 th Test)	7
8	9 Bus School- 20 hrs 8:30 - 5:00	10 CSCOPE Workshop @ BC 9:00 - 4:00 Bus School - 20 hrs 8:30 - 5:00	11 Bus School- 20 hrs 8:30 - 12:00 Bus School - 8 hrs 1:00 - 5:00	12 Bus School- 8 hrs 8:00 - 12:00	13 CPR/First Aid Workshop- 9:00-1:00	14 Varsity Football Scrimmage vs. Ropes/Loop @ Gail - 10:00 JV Scrimmage vs. Ropes/Loop @ Gail - 10:00
15	16 Staff Development	17 Staff Development	18 Staff Development	19 Staff Development	20 Work Day Varsity Football Scrimmage vs. Dawson @ Dawson-6:00 JV Scrimmage vs. Dawson @ Dawson-6:00	21
22	23 First Day of School Issue Books No schedule changes	24 Teacher request for Textbooks due to Principal	25	26 JV Football vs. Grady @ Gail 6:30	27 Staff return paperwork to Superintendent's office	28 Varsity Football vs. Rankin @ McCamey-5:30
29	30	31				