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## Precipitation Boosts Hopes for Good Start to High Plains Crop

By Mary Jane Buerkle

Planting time for the 2012 crop is approaching at a rapid pace, and many producers are more "cautiously optimistic" about the moisture situation going into this year, especially compared to what turned out to be a disastrously dry 2011.

Over the past couple of weeks, land on the High Plains has benefited from rains totaling anywhere from a few tenths to more than an inch in some areas.

Weather experts have noted that 2012 already differs from 2011 in that storm systems are dipping further south, creating more of an opportunity for precipitation.

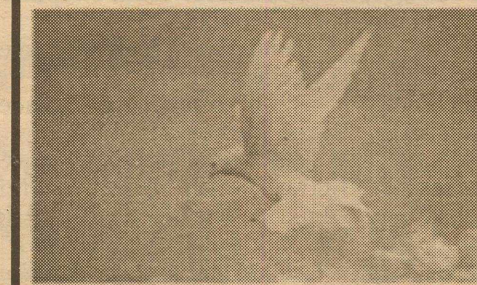
County Extension agents in the area report that some producers are applying pre-plant irrigation, pre-emergent herbicides and some fertilizer, preparing the ground for what they hope will be a more fruitful crop than last year.

However, even with recent

rain events, the High Plains certainly remains in a drought situation, especially with warmer temperatures and gusty winds causing what moisture does fall to dissipate more quickly. High temperatures around the area this past week have been as much as 15 to 20 degrees above normal, and precipitation forecasts are trending below normal.

According to the West Texas Mesonet, the 10-day average soil temperature at the 8-inch depth ranges anywhere from 50 in Hart and 51 in Pampa to near 60 in southern and eastern portions of the PCG service area.

"Some areas are in pretty good shape right now with regard to moisture," PCG Executive Vice President Steve Verett said. "But we've still got a little more than a month to go before the 2012 crop goes into the ground, and we'll keep praying for rain."



## Dare to Live Without Limits

By Bryan Golden

### Don't Cry Over Spilled Milk

The age-old proverb, "Don't cry over spilled milk" contains more wisdom than most people recognize. Although everyone has heard this saying, few apply it effectively to their lives. This deceptively simple adage has the power to alleviate a lot of stress and suffering.

Let's look at this proverb's literal meaning and then consider the wide ranging practical applications. Suppose you knock a bottle of milk over in the sink and all the milk runs down the drain. What are your options? The milk is gone. No matter what you do, you will never get it back.

A do-over is not possible, you can't go back in time. If the milk made a mess, you clean it up. You can learn to be more careful next time and not leave the bottle where it can be tipped over. In short, you can't change the past but you can influence the present and future.

As apparent as the above choices appear, they do not seem as obvious for life's mishaps. Why do people agonize over what can't be undone? No one likes to make mistakes. Although we all

would like to have everything be perfect, it just doesn't happen that way.

Everyone makes mistakes. Looking back, it's easy to identify things we would do differently if we could only do them over. We get caught up crying over the past as if our remorse has the power to change what has already transpired.

As futile as this may be, the

allure of doing so is irresistible to many. Every minute spent moaning over what you could have, should have, or would have done is lost from the present and gone forever.

But you have a choice when milk spills. You don't have to cry over it. You can learn from your experience and move for-

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## Pre-School Day

Pre-School Day will be Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup>. If your child will be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2012, he/she is invited to visit the kindergarten class, please go to the library to complete your child's registration packet. Please bring a copy of your child's birth certificate, social security card and immunization record.

**WE WILL BE HAVING AN EARLY DISMISSAL AT 12:30 ON PRE-SCHOOL DAY.**

Pre-School students will attend school from 8:05 - 12:30. The school will provide lunch. If your child would like to ride the bus, please contact the bus driver in your area.

If you have any questions, please contact the school at 806/756-4313.



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# Varsity and JV Track Teams Place 1st in Borden County Coyote Relays

Borden County hosted the Coyotes Relays this past Friday. Twelve teams and Borden County were represented. Those schools competing were Borden County, Ira, Sands, Klondike, Grady, Klondike JV, Balmorhea, Lubbock Christian, Kingdom Prep, Borden County JV, Ira Jv and New Home.

Borden County Varsity and JV teams placed first overall with Varsity boys racking up 168 points to 2<sup>nd</sup> place Ira with 118 points. The Varsity girls came in first with a total of 167 points with Ira coming in behind them with 164 points and the JV boys scored 212 with Ira 2<sup>nd</sup> only scoring 91 points.

The following are the results of the meet:

#### JV Boys

**100 Meter Dash:** Ricky Torres-12.51.

**200 Meter Dash:** 2<sup>nd</sup> place-Helio Rosales-26.91.

**400 Meter Dash:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-

Ricky Torres-59.22 and 5<sup>th</sup> place-Nathan Ham-1:08.78.

**800 Meter Run:** 6<sup>th</sup> place-Riley Herridge-2:52.28.

**1600 Meter Run:** 2<sup>nd</sup> place-Zach McMeans and 6<sup>th</sup> place-Riley Herridge-6:26.04.

**3200 Meter Run:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Zach McMeans-14:10.22.

**400 Meter Relay:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Frank Banman, Helio Rosales, Jared Smith and Matt Ham-48.40.

**800 Meter Relay:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Frank Banman, Helio Rosales, Jared Smith and Matt Ham-1:44.30.

**1600 Meter Relay:** 1<sup>st</sup> Matt Ham, Frank Banman, Ricky Torres and Jared Smith-4:18.56.

**110 Meter Hurdles:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Kurt Shafer-19.39 and 2<sup>nd</sup> place-Sean Tucker-19.78.

**300 Meter Hurdles:** 1<sup>st</sup> Kurt Shafer and 2<sup>nd</sup> place-Sean Tucker-51.50.

**Long Jump:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Ricky Torres-17'1".

**Shot Put:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Helio Rosales-39'4.5"; 4<sup>th</sup> place-Frank Banman-33'5" and 6<sup>th</sup> place-Michael Taylor-32'3".

**Discus:** 4<sup>th</sup> place-Helio Rosales-94'0" and 6<sup>th</sup> place-Frank Banman-78'4.5".

**High Jump:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Ricky Torres-5'4"; 2<sup>nd</sup> place-Kurt Shafer-5'2" and 3<sup>rd</sup> place-Sean Tucker-5'0".

#### Varsity Boys

**400 Meter Dash:** Matt Proulx-56.61.

**800 Meter Run:** 5<sup>th</sup> place-Matt Proulx-2:25.23.

**1600 Meter Run:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place-Luke Burkett-5:05.19.

**3200 Meter Run:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Luke Burkett-11:21.10.

**400 Meter Relay:** 3<sup>rd</sup> place-Riley Smith, Quint Shafer, Austin Fields and Collin Telchik-46.53.

**800 Meter Relay:** 3<sup>rd</sup> place-Austin Tyler, Quint Shafer, Austin Fields and Riley Smith-1:38.76.

**1600 Meter Relay:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Austin Fields, Riley Smith, Tanner Richey and Collin Telchik-3:40.08.

**110 Meter Hurdles:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Tanner Richey-15.48 and 2<sup>nd</sup> place-Austin Tyler-15.80.

**300 Meter Hurdles:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Tanner Richey-42.44 and 3<sup>rd</sup> place-Austin Tyler-45.92.

**Long Jump:** 2<sup>nd</sup> place-Austin Tyler-19'5".

**Shot Put:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Matt Roberson-46'7" and 2<sup>nd</sup> place-T.J. Basquez-44'11".

**Discus:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-T.J. Basquez-124'7.25" and 2<sup>nd</sup> place-Matt Roberson-123'0".

**Triple Jump:** 3<sup>rd</sup> place-Austin Tyler-40'7.25".

**High Jump:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Quint Shafer-5'10".

#### Varsity Girls

**100 Meter Dash:** 6<sup>th</sup> place-Teryn Soto-14.31.

**200 Meter Dash:** 4<sup>th</sup> place-Kalyn Massingill-29.29.

**800 Meter Run:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Tye Basquez-2:44.88.

**1600 Meter Run:** 4<sup>th</sup> place-Mollie McMeans-6:49.68 and 5<sup>th</sup> place-Claire Shafer-6:51.42.

**3200 Meter Run:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Taylor Gass-13:41.14; 3<sup>rd</sup> place-Claire Shafer-16:02.00

and 4<sup>th</sup> place-Mollie McMeans-17:08.36.

**400 Meter Relay:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Hanna Forbes, Teryn Soto, Kalyn Massingill and Aubree Lester-53.26.

**800 Meter Relay:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Aubree Lester, Teryn Soto, Kalyn Massingill and Stefanie Cooley-1:54.72.

**1600 Meter Relay:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Taylor Gass, Tye Basquez, Stefanie Cooley and Aubree Lester-4:34.94.

**100 Meter Hurdles:** 2<sup>nd</sup>

place-Hanna Forbes-17.35.

**300 Meter Hurdles:** 2<sup>nd</sup> place-Hanna Forbes-49.39.

**Long Jump:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Hann Forbes-15'7.5"; 2<sup>nd</sup> place-Aubree Lester-15'0.5" and 3<sup>rd</sup> place-Kalyn Massingill-14'8.5".

**Shot Put:** 3<sup>rd</sup> place-Raegan Belongia-27'9.75".

**Discus:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Raegan Belongia-82'8.75".

**High Jump:** 1<sup>st</sup> place-Teryn Soto-4'4".

## Coyotes Fall to Crosbyton

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Coyote baseball team traveled to Crosbyton Saturday where they fell to the Chiefs 11-2.

Crosbyton's pitchers couldn't stop Helio Rosales at the plate. Rosales went 1-3, drove in one and scored one run. He also tripled in the second inning.

Tanner Richey baffled Crosbyton, striking out nine batters. The Coyote pitcher allowed three earned runs on six hits and three walks over six innings.

Crosbyton's Jacob Escobar was perfect at the dish, going 3-3. Escobar singled in the second, third, and fourth innings.

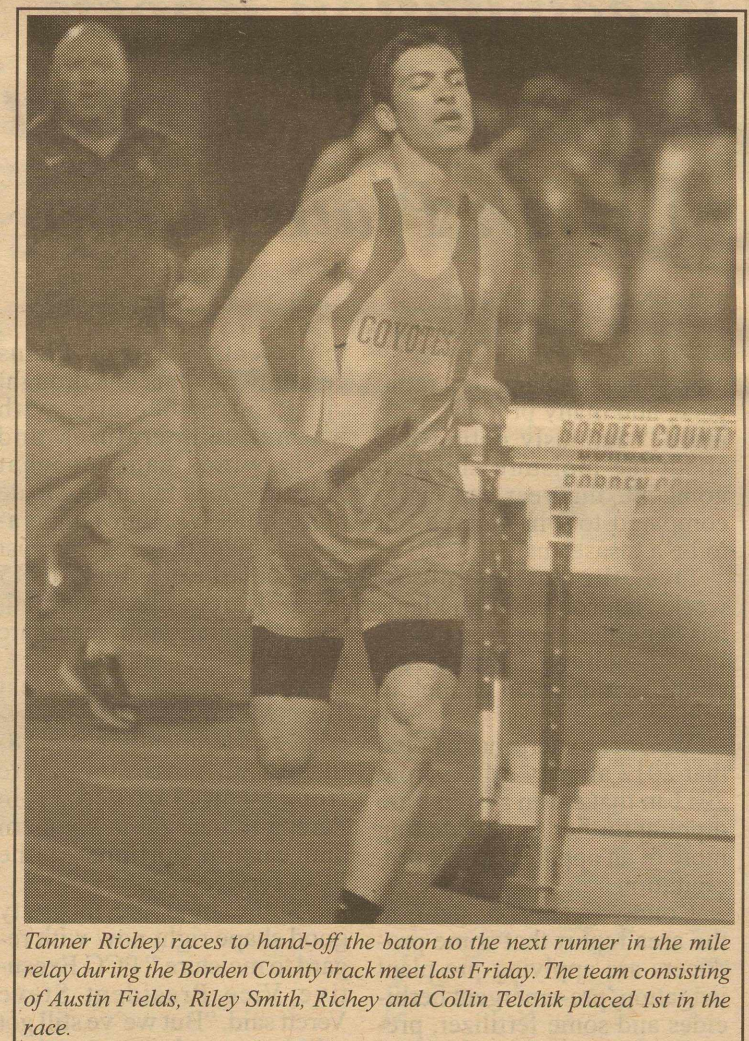
Isaac Bustamente handled the Borden Coyotes' lineup with ease, racking up 13 strikeouts. Crosbyton's pitcher allowed two earned runs, two

hits and four walks over seven innings.

In the bottom of the first, Crosbyton grabbed the early lead, 2-0. Rudy Garza got things going for the Chiefs with a single. Then a passed ball scored Matthew Schovajsa. Crosbyton pushed more runs across when Escobar scored.

Crosbyton piled on four more runs in the bottom of the third. An error scored Garza for the inning's first run. That was followed up by that scored Nevin Pena.

Crosbyton built upon its lead with four runs in the fourth. A ground out scored Garza to get the Chiefs on the board in the inning. That was followed up by a score by Austin Moreno.



Tanner Richey races to hand-off the baton to the next runner in the mile relay during the Borden County track meet last Friday. The team consisting of Austin Fields, Riley Smith, Richey and Collin Telchik placed 1st in the race.

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# Borden County Sluggers Get Outmuscled by O'Donnell, 10-4

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Coyotes lost 10-4 to O'Donnell on Wednesday at Gail, despite a total of six hits.

Collin Telchik led the Coyotes' offensive threat, as he got on base two times in the game. He scored two runs and had one RBI. Telchik tripled in the fifth inning.

Wade Gass racked up five RBIs on two hits for O'Donnell. Gass tripled in the second inning and homered in the seventh inning.

Austin Tyler kept the ball around the plate, throwing strikes on 69 of his 119 pitches. Tyler struck out nine and walked two for Borden County. O'Donnell never trailed after scoring two runs in the first on two ground outs.

A two-run fifth inning helped bring the Coyotes within two. An RBI triple by Telchik sparked Borden County's rally. The Coyotes threat came to an end when Landry Barton finally got Tanner Richey to ground out.

One Coyote run crossed the plate in the bottom half of the sixth, making the score 5-3. A groundout by Kurt Shafer gave the Coyotes life. Finally, Barton got Helio Rosales to ground out to end the threat.

O'Donnell piled on five more runs in the top of the seventh. A clutch error scored Brett Edwards to open the scoring in the frame. That was followed up by Chance Gardner's triple, bringing home Brady Furlow and Michael Rivas.



Merik Valentine leaps over a hurdle in the 300 Meter Hurdles in last Thursday's Jr. high district track meet held in O'Donnell.

## Jr. High Ends Track Season With District Meet in O'Donnell

The Borden County Jr.-high track season came to an end last Thursday at the District meet in O'Donnell. The following are the results of the meet:

### Girls

**100 Yard Dash:** 3rd place-Cheyenne Tucker-14.30.

**200 Yard Dash:** 2nd place-Karly Etheredge-29.21.

**400 Yard Dash:** 6th place-Kyrsten Rebeles-1:16.12.

**800 Meter Run:** 5th place-Kyrsten Rebeles-3:00.30.

**1600 Meter Run:** 3rd place-Zoie Key-6:47.20 and 7th place-Holly Bradbury-8:23.31.

**2400 Meter Run:** 3rd place-Zoie Key-11:13.34.

**100 Meter Hurdles:** 1st place-Tatum Richey-18.07.

**400 Meter Relay:** 2nd place-Kyrsten Rebeles, Kylee Dean, Sydnee Jordan and Karly Etheredge-58.12.

**800 Meter Relay:** 1st place-Kylee Dean, Tatum Richey, Cheyenne Tucker and Karly Etheredge-4:51.91.

**High Jump:** 6th place-Kyrsten Rebeles-3'10".

**Long Jump:** 1st place-Tatum Richey-14'2.25" and 3rd place-Cheyenne Tucker-14'.5".

**Triple Jump:** 1st place-Tatum Richey-31'1" and 2nd

place-31'.5".

**Shot Put:** 8th place-Kylee Dean-25'11.5" and 9th place-Holly Bradbury-25'7.5".

**Discus:** 8th place-Holly Bradbury-48'2" and 10th place-Kylee Dean-46'4".

### Boys

**100 Meter Dash:** 10th place-Samual Raborn-14.23.

**200 Meter Dash:** 9th place-Samual Raborn-30.84.

**400 Meter Dash:** 5th place-Colby Pennell-1:06.78 and 8th place-Samual Raborn-1:13.19.

**1600 Meter Run:** 4th place-Robert Jordan-6:09.78 and Dylan Murphy-6:42.03.

**2400 Meter Run:** 3rd place-Robert Jordan-10:07.65.

**110 Meter Hurdles:** 8th place-Colby Pennell-25.17.

**300 Meter Hurdles:** 3rd place-Thomas Harrison-51.56 and Merik Valentine-52.39.

**400 Meter Relay:** 4th place-Hunter Jones, Nathan Souder, Jayton Lewis and Merik Valentine-51.90.

**800 Meter Relay:** 3rd place-Hunter Jones, Nathan Souder, Jayton Lewis and Merik Valentine-1:51.82.

**1600 Meter Relay:** 4th place-Nathan Souder, Hunter Jones, Jayton Lewis and Robert Jordan-4:17.83.



Borden County's Collin Telchik crosses homeplate to score against O'Donnell. The Eagles defeated the Coyotes 10-4.

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## School Lunch Menu

April 9 - 13, 2012

**Monday** - NO SCHOOL

**Tuesday** - Breakfast: Pancake Pup, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Cheeseburger Mac, Garden Salad, Corn Cornbread, Fruit Bar and Milk.

**Wednesday**

Breakfast: Omelet & Toast, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Oven Crispy Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Roll, Fruity Gelatin and Milk.

**Thursday** - Breakfast:

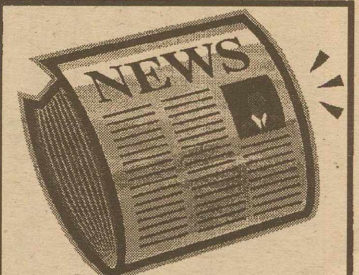
NutriGrain & Gogurt, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Corndog, Western Beans, Celery & Carrot, Pears and Milk.

**Friday**

Breakfast: Manager Choice, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Nacho Grande, Spanish Rice, Lettuce & Tomato, Orange Smiles, Cookie and Milk.

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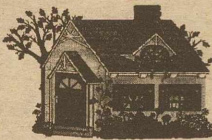
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Heart and Home ...  
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### Pack a Healthy Picnic

Spring is in the air and with the warmer temperatures comes a desire to be outside. What better time for a picnic than springtime?

Pack a picnic basket that is full of delicious, healthy foods by making over some picnic classics. Here's how:

- Replace chips with crunchy vegetables like carrots, celery, cucumber and asparagus.

- Rather than buying or making a fried chicken, pick up a roast chicken, or make oven "fried" chicken for your basket.

- Instead of traditional burgers, opt for homemade patties using lean (93/7) beef or turkey. Or even try veggie burgers. No matter which you choose, be sure to top them with plenty of vegetables!

- Grill up chicken and vegetable kebabs - skewer up fresh vegetables for a colorful, fun way to enjoy a healthy picnic.

- Replace mayonnaise based salads with lighter versions made with vinaigrette-style dressings instead (made with vinegar and oil). For example, instead of coleslaw made with high-calorie may-

onnaise, whip up broccoli slaw with a vinaigrette. You will save on calories and still get in a serving of vegetables. Check out this month's recipe for a delicious vinaigrette-dressed salad.

- Swap out white pasta for whole-wheat pasta and white potatoes for sweet potatoes in starchy salads; try a salad made with other whole grains such as quinoa, barley, whole-wheat couscous or brown rice.

- **Instead of brownies or cookies, which are loaded with fat, reach for lighter sweet treats such as berries or melon North Carolina grows plenty of fresh fruit in warmer months. Fresh strawberries, anyone?**

Source: *Eat More, Move More North Carolina April 2012 E-newsletter*

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# Dare to Live...

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ward. In your life milk will spill. You can act to minimize the spills but they will occur. Some of the most successful people have had the biggest spills.

It's virtually impossible to live a spill free life. Spills will occur, so you may as well make the best out of each situation. Each spill is simply another lesson and opportunity to learn.

What should you do when milk spills? First prevent any more milk from spilling. Then clean up the mess. Next, identify what caused the spill so you can avoid repeating the same deleterious actions. Few things are more frustrating and disheartening than repeating the same mistakes.

Change is the key to avoiding the same mistakes. You must change the way you act and the way you think. Different results require different behavior. If you consistently blame others for your spills you will never be able to deal with the root cause — you.

A person's spill response contributes to their quality of life. One can not attain peace of mind if they are consumed by guilt and remorse. Granted, some spills are bigger and messier than others, but life and time march forward. There are no do-overs, or time outs and you can't sit on the sidelines.



Although some spills will occur, you do have the ability to reduce their frequency and severity. There are those spills that can't be anticipated or prevented. But there are many more that can. You should try to anticipate future spills so you can take action to avoid or minimize them.

Do what you can to avert spills but don't cry when they occur. Clean up the mess, pick yourself up, and keep moving forward. Learn from your experiences and you will be all the wiser.

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Borden County 4-H News

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## County Educational Presentation Contest, Share-the-Fun and Public Speaking Project

4-H'ers and parents interested in learning more about the Public Speaking Project should contact the Extension Office as soon as possible. Information is available to assist 4-H'ers and their parents in writing, presenting and preparing visuals for educational presentations (method demonstrations); as well as covering information about the public speaking contest and share-the-fun's. Share-the-fun categories include: Celebrate 4-H, choreographed routines, poet, vocal, band and musical. This project provides youth an excellent opportunity to develop public speaking skills, even if they hate to talk in front of others. 4-H'ers will present their prepared presentations at County 4-H Roundup. Participants will advance to District 4-H Roundup, which will be held on May 5<sup>th</sup> at Levelland Middle School in Levelland. **The deadline for entering a Public Speaking Contest is Wednesday, April 11.** For more information contact Julie Smith at the Extension office at (806)756-4336 or e-mail at [julie.smith@agnet.tamu.edu](mailto:julie.smith@agnet.tamu.edu)

### 4-H Record Books

Record keeping is an important skill for living that is developed through 4-H project work. It is not an extra task, but an integral part of any 4-H project. All 4-H members should integrate some basic record-keeping skills into each project. Record keeping should be tailored for each individual 4-H'er and their project work, leadership, and community service.

The 4-H record keeping system helps youth: develop goal-setting skills by setting individual, project and group goals, foster communication skills through writing and interpretation of 4-H project work, organize and create personal histories, develop a comprehensive 4-H Members Achievement Plan (M.A.P.) by identifying the steps needed to accomplish their goals, and reflect on and understand the value of their learning experience.

By using the record-keeping system, youths develop positive record-keeping habits, have an adequate measurement of what has been learned, have a basis for planning 4-H projects and programs, can interpret information and details, have a greater ability to help or assist leaders and/or agents, and understand the personal value of record-keeping. Any youth interested in completing a 4-H Recordbook should contact the Extension Office for current information and assistance. **We will hold a record book workshop on Monday, April 18 at 6:00 p.m. in the Extension Office Conference Room. Please note that County Record Books will be due to the Extension Office on Monday, June 27 by 5:00 p.m.** District Record Book Judging will take place on July 13.

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# Borden County EMS Upgrades Communication to Meet New Mandate Local farmer directs \$2,500 through America's Farmers Grow Communities

GAIL, Texas (March 27, 2012) – Borden County is not in a 911 service area. Because of that, all emergency calls from the 960 square miles that Borden County EMS covers go through a private tower service to the EMS volunteers' radios. Those radios provide life saving communication and are an integral part of what keeps the community safe. By 2013, the FCC is mandating a change from wideband to narrowband operation, and the Borden County EMS is required to purchase new radios to meet the new law. Thanks to a local farmer and America's Farmers Grow Communities<sup>SM</sup>, the EMS will now be able to purchase some of the needed radios.

Grow Communities, sponsored by the Monsanto Fund, gives farmers the opportunity to win \$2,500 for their favorite local nonprofit organizations. Barry O'Brien was the winning farmer in Borden County, and he directed the donation to the EMS.

"The EMS is made up of all volunteers, so I know they can use the extra funds," O'Brien said. "Grow Communities is an outstanding program for allowing me to give back to my rural community."

The EMS needs 10 new radios that cost \$800 each, as well as a \$12,000 receiver/repeater.

"The new radios are very costly for a volunteer organization that charges nothing for its services," said Mike Valentine, president of the EMS. "This donation will be very helpful in purchasing these radios."

In a ceremony held on

March 27 at the Gail Court House, O'Brien got the chance to present the Borden County EMS with the \$2,500 donation.

Through America's Farmers Grow Communities:

- Farmers in 1,245 eligible counties have the chance to win \$2,500 for their favorite community nonprofit organizations.

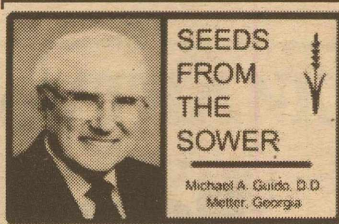
- The Monsanto Fund has invested more than \$3.1 million to rural communities this year alone.

- More than \$352,500 in total has been donated to nonprofits in Texas.

- A list of all winners and more information can be found at [www.growcommunities.com](http://www.growcommunities.com)

Grow Communities is part of a broad commitment by the Monsanto Fund to invest in farm communities such as Borden County. It aims to highlight the important contributions farmers such as O'Brien make every day to our society.

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## Borden County EMS Receives \$2,500 Grant



Borden County EMS is the recipient of a \$2,500 grant that was directed the the service by local farmer, Barry O'Brien. O'Brien won the money from America's Farmers Grow Communities sponsored by Monsanto. Pictured with the check are (front left to right) Monsanto representative, Paramedic 'Buddy' Wallace, Paramedic Mike Valentine, Barry O'Brien, Randy Adcock, (back left to right) Commissioner Monte Smith, Commissioner Ernest Reyes and County Judge, Ross Sharp.

## Legal Notice

### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

#### CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)

Dist/Div: Abilene

Contract 6240-07-001 for ON CALL MBGF CONTRACT in HOWARD County, etc will be opened on April 10, 2012 at 1:30 pm at the District Office for an estimate of \$286,597.50

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.txdot.gov. and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 39595

State Office  
 Constr./Maint. Division  
 200 E. Riverside Dr.  
 Austin, Texas 78704  
 Phone: 512-416-2540

#### State Office

Abilene District  
 District Engineer  
 4250 N. Clack  
 Abilene, Texas 79604-0150  
 Phone: 325-676-6800

#### Dist/Div Office(s)

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

## Help Wanted

### Texas Department of Transportation

JOB TITLE: General Transportation Tech II

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS: One (1) year experience maintenance, construction, heavy equipment operation, transportation-related or roadway maintenance work. (Experience requirements may be satisfied by full-time experience or the prorated part-time equivalent.)

SALARY: \$2,094.33 - \$3,246.25/month

LOCATION: Borden County Maintenance Office, 400 E. Wasson Ave., Gail, Texas, 79738. Phone (806)756-4491.

To apply for a position as a General Transportation Tech II, call 806/756-4491 or apply in person at the above address. Applications may be picked up at any TxDOT office and mailed to the above address (online application cannot be accepted). Applications will be accepted through 5 p.m. Monday, April 16, 2012. Applications will be limited to the first 10 received.

"An applicant needing an accommodation in order to apply for this job my call the phone number of the Human Resources Office (325)676-6842.

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Applications for Lawn Care Service

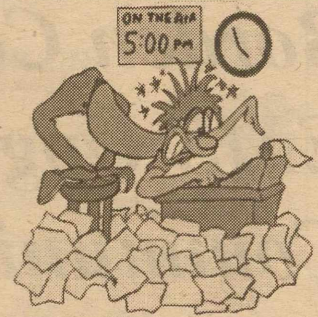
## Applications for Lawn Care Service

Borden County is now taking applications for lawn care services. The successful applicant must provide all tools and lawn equipment. Applications may be submitted to the County Judge's office at 117 E. Wasson, or PO Box 156, Gail, Texas, 79738. Borden County is an equal opportunity employer.

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### RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 8A  
 DATE OF ISSUANCE: Mar 14, 2012  
 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Apr 25, 2012  
 Address: Railroad Commission of Texas  
 ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit  
 P. O. Box 12967  
 Austin, Texas 78711-2967  
 Fax: (512) 463-6780  
 Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SHARP IMAGE ENERGY, INC., [RRC Operator No. 770731] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 9, Bk. 30 T5N, T&P RR CO Survey, A-196, ROMAC (ELLENBURGER) Field, BORDEN County, being 5 miles NE direction from GAIL, TX, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protester should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848.

If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 (512)463-6751.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY **Apr 25, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.** IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

#### THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:  
 FIELD: ROMAC (ELLENBURGER)

Lease/Unit Name : GAIL 9  
 Lease/Unit Well No. : 1PU  
 Lease/Unit Acres : 80.0  
 Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 473.0  
 Lease Lines : 855.0 F W L, 608.0 F S L  
 Survey Lines : 1132.0 F E L, 55.0 F N L

As part of this application, applicant also seeks permit authority in 4 additional fields: (1) RAFTER CROSS (ELLENBURGER), (2) GAIL, SOUTH (STRAWN), (3) GAIL, SOUTH, (4) WILDCAT. No rule exception is necessary pursuant to the field rules for these fields. Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

ROMAC (ELLENBURGER) : OIL Special Rules 660/1200, 80.0 acres.  
 RAFTER CROSS (ELLENBURGER) : OIL Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.  
 GAIL, SOUTH (STRAWN) : OIL Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.  
 GAIL, SOUTH : OIL Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.  
 WILDCAT : Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 9500 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Kyle Grant, at (512)4783456.

## Borden County ISD Board Meeting

### Regular Board Meeting March 26, 2012

The Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District of Gail, Texas, met in regular session at 7:00 P.M. in the Board Room of the Borden County I.S.D. 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. No guests were present.

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:25 P.M. by John Anderson.

2. There was no community input.

3. A motion was made by Joel Dennis Poole and seconded by Randy Hensley to approve the minutes of the February 20, 2012, board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

4. A motion was made by Joe Harding and seconded by Mike Valentine to approve the March 2012 bills. The motion carried unanimously.

5. A motion was made by Carol Lewis and seconded by Dennis Poole to approve a request to the Texas Education Agency for a maximum class size exception waiver. The motion carried unanimously.

6. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Randy Hensley to amend the 2011-2012 Borden County I.S.D. Budget. The motion carried unanimously.

7. A discussion pertaining to taking action to approve the sale, removal, and/or abandonment of ownership to allow enactment of reverter clause as stated in Burrus Estate Property Deed 3406 associated with the houses presently located at the Plains Community Center was conducted. No action taken.

8. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Randy Hensley to adopt a resolution to suspend the application of 15% rule for 2011-2012 school year for end of course

exams as approved by Texas Commissioner of Education allowing this option as related to EIA local board policy and add, revise, or delete local policies as recommended by TASB Policy Service and according to instruction sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 92. The motion carried unanimously.

9. A motion was made by Carol Lewis and seconded by Joe Harding to take action to enter into a Carl Perkins Grant Shared Services Arrangement With Hedley, Jayton-Girard, Kress, Motley County, Paducah, Patton Springs, Silvertown, Spur, and Turkey-Quitaque Independent School. The motion carried unanimously.

10. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Carol Lewis to take action to renew the contracts of all professional personnel for the 2012-2013 school year. The motion carried unanimously.

11. A motion was made by Mike Valentine and seconded by Carol Lewis to set the regular April board meeting for April 16, 2012, at 7:00 P.M. The motion carried unanimously.

12. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Joel Dennis to approve the senior trip for the class of 2012 and to allow the senior class to go to New York on their Senior Trip. The motion carried unanimously.

13. Mr. Thomas reported that 213 students were enrolled as of March 21, 2012, gave a financial report, gave a personnel report, gave a construction report, and a student failure and honor roll report for the fourth six week reporting period. A motion was made by Dennis Poole and seconded by Joe Harding to approve the superintendent's report. The motion carried unanimously.

14. A motion was made by Joel Dennis and seconded by Dennis Poole to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

**THANK  
YOU  
FOR  
READING  
THE  
BORDEN  
STAR**

*Thought  
for the  
Day*

*Come, my children,  
listen to me; I will  
teach you the fear of  
the LORD. Whoever of  
you loves life and  
desires to see many  
good days, keep your  
tongue from evil and  
your lips from speaking  
lies. Turn from evil and  
do good; seek peace  
and pursue it.*

*Psalm 34:11-14  
NIV version*

## Jr. High Tracksters...

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**High Jump:** 6th place-Hunter Jones-4'2".

**Pole Vault:** 1st place-Robert Jordan-8'6"; 2nd place-Thomas Harrison-8' and 3rd place-Hunter Jones-8'.

**Long Jump:** 5th place-Colby Pennell-15'9".

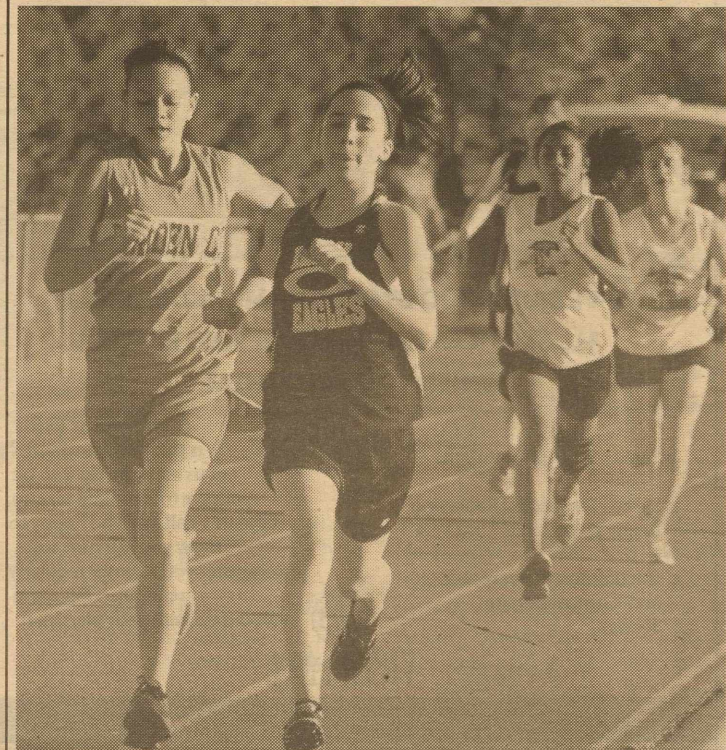
**Triple Jump:** 2nd place-Jayton Lewis-32'4" and 4th

place-Colby Pennell-29'8".

**Shot Put:** 1st place-Joel Andrade-39'5.75"; 2nd place-Nathan Souder-36' and 12th place-Thomas Harrison-29'5".

**Discus:** 1st place-Joel Andrade-114'5"; 2nd place-Nathan Souder-94' and 6th place-Merik Valentine-79'7".

## 800 Meter Run



Borden County trackster, Kyrsten Rebeles runs the 800 M Run in the District track meet last Thursday. She placed 5th with a time of 3:30.

**Booster Club Annual Pre-K Egg Hunt  
Children Age 5 yrs. and younger**

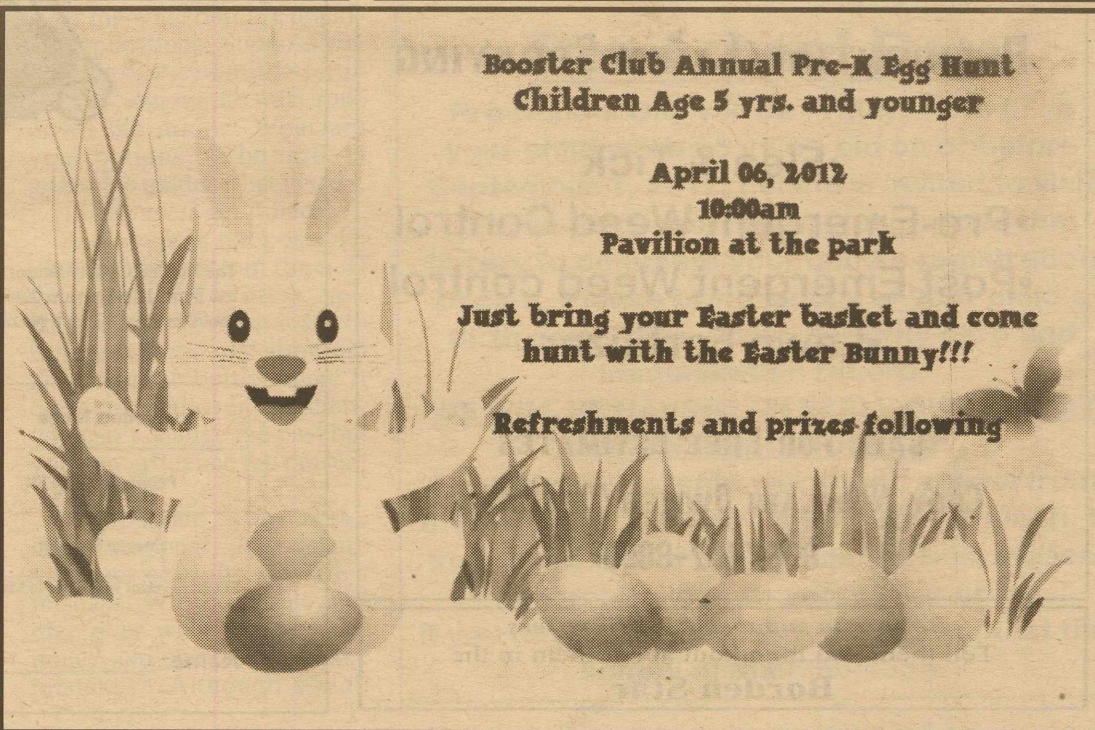
**April 06, 2012**

**10:00am**

**Pavilion at the park**

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**Refreshments and prizes following**

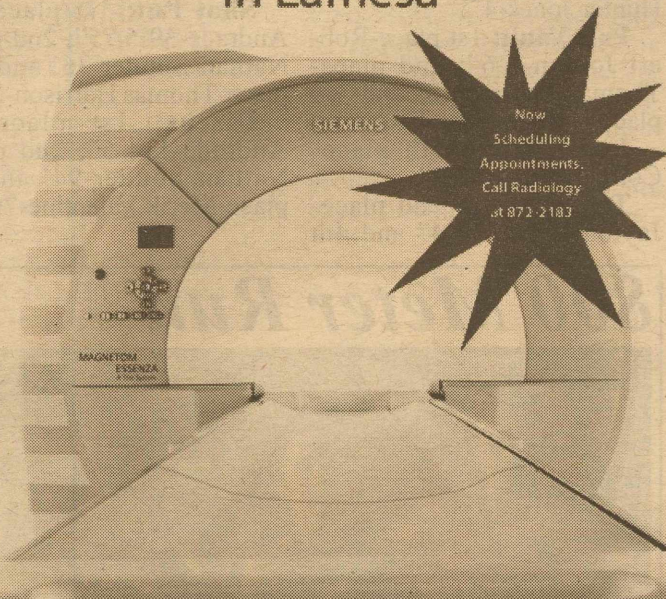


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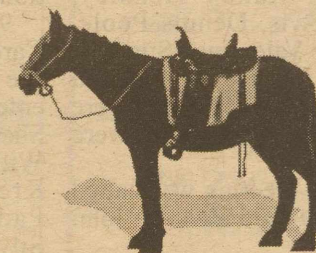
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## Borden County Youth Horse Club Fundraiser Barrel Race

May 19th, 2012 @ Lamesa Texas Rodeo Arena

- B0: 9:00 am
- Exhibitions: 10-12:30 (\$4)
- 1:00 pm 10&Under Youth 3D (full second splits)
- \$500 added Open 4D immediately following youth (1/2, 1/2, 1 second splits)
- Youth Entry Fee \$15
- Open 4D Entry Fee \$30
- Equal Payout
- Books close at last 25 runners.

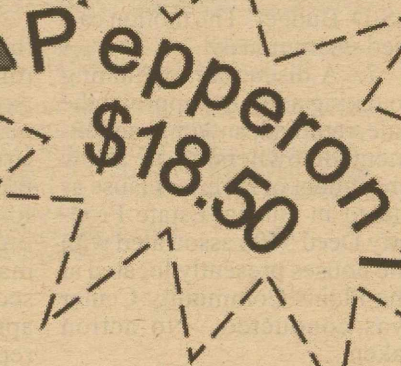


FMI- Cassidy Carpenter 806-786-6796

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**Pizza Kits**



The Borden County Senior Class has Pizza Kits for sale. Each kit contains three 12 inch pizzas.

Product Name	Item Cost	Number ordered	Total Cost
Pepperoni Pizza Kit	\$18.50 each		
Cheese Pizza Kit	\$18.00 each		

Return payment with order to Ms. Phillips. Orders will be filled immediately while supplies last.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Paid: \_\_\_\_\_