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June Weather May Force Replant Decisions

By Mary Jane Buerkle

When the skies opened up Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning over some portions of the PCG service area, they produced a weather event not seen in some time, leaving anywhere from a few tenths to more than 5 inches in rain gauges.

Rainfall totals varied widely across the area over the past week, but sources say that it rained in Idalou, just east of Lubbock, for seven hours straight after midnight Tuesday, flooding fields and even closing down highways for a short time.

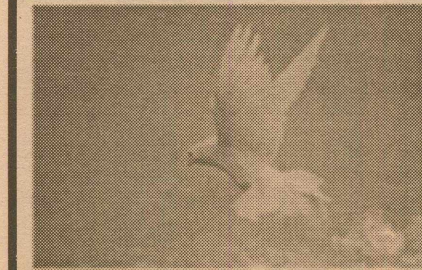
According to Texas Tech Mesonet data, rainfall amounts for the month of June so far range from .06 in O'Donnell to 5.22" at White River Lake. Others with heavy rainfall for the month include Abernathy with almost 5", Tulia with about 4" and Ralls with 3.63".

Limited hail and wind damage has been reported in some

areas. Between that and the heavy rainfall, some producers may be facing decisions of whether or not to replant. A helpful resource for producers is a publication by Drs. Randy Boman and Robert Lemon addressing this issue. This publication, Making Replant Decisions in Cotton - 2007 can be found at <http://lubbock.tamu.edu/files/2011/1/0/makingreplantdecisions07.pdf>

or on Texas AgriLife Extension's Cotton Resource DVD at http://cotton.tamu.edu/cottonDVD/content/cottondvd/General%20Production/Making%20Replant%20Decisions_2007.pdf.

Overall, cotton conditions across the High Plains are certainly better than they were at this time last year, but additional moisture is needed, especially on dryland acreage in parts of the PCG service area.



Dare to Live Without Limits

By Bryan Golden

Dealing with People You Don't Like

Why do you have an aversion to certain people? Even if you are a saint, not everyone will be in harmony with you. There are various reasons why you may dislike a particular person.

It may be because someone dislikes you, treats you rudely, disagrees with you, takes advantage of you, is inconsiderate, has different opinions, is mean, acts unfriendly, is manipulative, is deceitful, or is malicious. Although the causes are virtually limitless, the effects are typically the same; stress and anxiety.

Never waste a minute thinking about people you don't like. This is the ultimate goal but yet it seems difficult to achieve. Why? What compels people to fixate, and sometimes obsess, on those they dislike?

Should you believe a person has mistreated you in some way, you probably feel some emotional pain. It's normal to want to eliminate the source of distress. Since you view the offending person as the cause of your discomfort, he or she becomes the target of your ire.

In addition to wanting to stop the offending behavior, you can harbor a desire to get

even or give someone a taste of their own medicine. You want to teach the other person a lesson. This destructive obsession with someone will drain your energy and detract from the positive aspects of your life.

The first principle when dealing with someone you don't like is that you don't have control over the behavior or attitude of another person. All you can control are your own actions and emotions. You ultimately decide what your reaction will be.

One of the worst reactions you can have is harboring hate and anger. These emotions are far more destructive to you than the person they are directed at. Anger is a poison to you. For the most part, the offending person doesn't care how you feel anyway. Some people are even encouraged if you exhibit any kind of negative reaction.

So what can you do in response to someone you don't like? Whenever possible, don't spend time with or speak to them. At the very least, minimize your interaction with them as much as possible. It's surprising how much time some people will spend with

those they don't like.

Don't allow someone to get a rise or reaction out of you. An adverse reaction on your part indicates a sensitivity that may encourage additional aberrant behavior. It's normal for you to be affected by the actions of another, just don't advertise your emotions.

Many people will have opinions that are at odds with yours. You don't have to change your mind nor do you have to change theirs. You may not care for a person whose beliefs are radically different from yours. It's a big world. There are more than enough people with whom you will feel comfortable. Spend your time with them.

What if you dislike a person because they took advantage of you? As much as it may be unethical for someone to treat you this way, no one can do so without your permission. You might get taken advantage of once, but you don't have to allow it to happen again.


Although someone may be inconsiderate, mean, unfriendly, manipulative, deceitful, or malicious, more often than not you can just walk



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Borden County 4-H News


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North Region 4-H Junior Leader Lab

Ten youth represented Borden County during the North Region 4-H Junior Leader Lab held May 29-31 at South Plains College in Levelland. Myka Blissard, Kaitlyn Cribbs, Paige Holbrooks, Kable Kleck, Kelby Kleck, Erin Nix, JW Nix, Thomas Nix and Kennedy Tucker enjoyed learning about leadership, teamwork, character education, as well as participated in many different sessions, activities and games. There were 130 4-H'ers that attended this camp from across the South Plains and Panhandle area.



Nowlain Earns Applied Science Degree

Cody Nowlain, son of Jibber and Cindy Herridge of Gail, graduated from Wayland Baptist University on Friday, June 8th with a Bachelor of Applied Science degree.

Cody and his wife, Emily, live in Lubbock. He has been working full-time and taking night classes through Wayland's Lubbock campus. Cody's parents and family are so very proud of his accomplishment and the support and help he received from Emily he received to make this happen.

Dare to Live...


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away. You can chose not to interact with them. It's up to you how you spend your time. Why not focus your energy on friends and relatives you like. It's much more enjoyable and productive.

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Drive Safely.

Watch for our playing children.



SEEDS FROM THE SOWER

Michael A. Guick, O.D.
Metter, Georgia



A student ran to his teacher, shouting, "Please hold my glass eye. There's a fight outside, and it will get in my way."

Life is a fight. God and evil are in eternal conflict. The greatest battles that have ever been fought haven't been fought on some no-man's land but on the battle fields of human lives. The greatest defeats haven't been when men have lowered the flag of their country and surrendered to the enemy but when men have lowered the flag of their souls and surrendered to the devil.

If you'd defeat the devil, you must commit your life to Christ, and you must cast aside everything that would get in the way.

You'll make that commitment and casting now, won't you?

Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit
Tumbleweed Smith

A Military Museum Like No Other

We arrived at the National WW2 Museum in New Orleans at 9 AM just as it was opening for the day. There was still some lingering excitement from the previous day when the three millionth visitor walked through the doors.

Helpful volunteers, who were the age of WW2 veterans, greeted us. As soon as we entered the display floor, we realized we would probably spend the day there because there were so many things to see and hear. We took time out for lunch at the Stage Door Canteen where we listened to three women sing Broadway songs from the war years. We returned to the displays and left just before 4 PM.

Visitors soon learn it is not a place to rush through. Small plaques on the wall contain excerpts from wartime letters written by servicemen or little tidbits about the war. Numerous oral histories are available with the touch of a button. Small rooms show short movies about the experiences of men who fought the war. Glass cases hold everything from ammunition and weapons to uniforms, packs and equipment. All battles of both the European and Pacific fronts are documented.


The glamour attraction is a 45-minute film, *Beyond All Boundaries*, narrated by Tom Hanks and directed by Steven Spielberg. It is shown in a 4-D theater where audiences experience the smell of gunfire, a snowstorm, come face to face with a large cannon, get caught in the spotlight of a POW prison guard tower and feel the rumble of a tank during fighting in Africa. The theater has sound coming from 27 speakers. The 250 seats are equipped with full oscillating vibration. The film shows 305 archival photographs and more than 500 film clips. Some 6,000

hours were spent searching through photographs and films.

The museum, which opened in June of 2000, is in New Orleans primarily because of Andrew Higgins and novelist Stephen Ambrose (*Band of Brothers*). Ambrose taught history at New Orleans University and Higgins had a boat manufacturing facility in New Orleans that built the landing craft used in most of the amphibious landings during the war. Eisenhower said the Higgins boats won the war.

Congress has designated the facility in New Orleans as the Official WW2 Museum. It is affiliated with the Smithsonian and is in the midst of a 300 million dollar expansion on its six-acre campus. The museum was closed for three months after Katrina. During the storm the gift shop was looted. I asked one of the volunteers what the D stands for in the phrase *D-Day*. He told me that is the second most frequently asked question at the museum, just behind "Where are the restrooms?" Historians and etymologists are still trying to figure out the answer. Some say it just stands for *Day*: any important invasion or military operation. There were several D-Days all during the war in the Atlantic and Pacific. Other suggestions are disembarkation and decision. General Eisenhower said it stands for departure date, shortened to *D-Day*.

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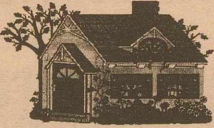
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Heart and Home ...

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Children and Sun Safety

A Brief Summary

Skin cancer is the most common form of cancer in the United States. Excessive and unprotected exposure to the sun's ultraviolet radiation (UV light) is the primary risk factor for skin cancer. However, skin cancer is one of the most preventable types of cancer! The damaging and cumulative effects of UV light begin when an infant's or toddler's unprotected skin is exposed to sunlight. Protecting the skin from ultraviolet radiation can prevent approximately 80% of skin cancers. You, as a parent, are important to helping prevent skin cancer! Teach your children early about sun protection to decrease their potential for future skin cancers.

UVA and UVB Are Two Types of Radiation that Damage Skin

It's important to shield your children's skin from the damaging effects of the sun. No matter what they're doing or what time of year it is, if they're outside, your children need to be protected.

The sun's rays can penetrate deeply into skin and damage the skin's lower layers. It can cause sunburn, wrinkles, freckles, sun-tans, precancerous skin conditions, and skin cancer.

One severe sunburn early in life **doubles** the chances of future skin cancer!

Build Safe Sun Habits

Build safe sun habits into your family's daily routine. Lead by example—children will respond better when they see you protecting your skin. Begin by teaching them to:

- Use sunscreen.
- Wear protective clothing.
- Wear sunglasses.
- Wear a hat that shades the face, neck, and ears.
- Reduce time outdoors between 10 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Sun Screen

Children and adults should use sunscreen every day—even on cloudy days. Seventy to 80% of the sun's damaging rays can penetrate through clouds and water.

Sunscreens work in two ways. The chemicals in most sun-

screens absorb ultraviolet radiation before it can damage the skin. Some sunscreens block ultraviolet rays by scattering or reflecting them away from the skin.

Apply a sunscreen and lip balm with an SPF of 15 or greater every day!

Apply sunscreen at least 30 minutes before going out in the sun to allow time for it to work. Use broad-spectrum sunscreen products that block out both ultraviolet-A and ultraviolet-B rays.

Use waterproof sunscreens that will not be washed off through perspiration, and to be sure you're protected, **reapply sunscreen every two hours if swimming or sweating.**

Sunglasses

Overexposure to the sun can cause short- and long-term damage to the eyes. Protection of the eyes is especially important for young children since the lens of the eye is not able to completely protect the retina from the harmful effects of ultraviolet radiation.

Buy sunglasses that block 99 to 100 percent of UVA and UVB radiation.

Darker sunglasses are not necessarily better because UV protection comes from an invisible chemical applied to the lenses—not from the color or darkness of the lenses.

Buy large-framed wraparound sunglasses with velcro adjustable headbands to protect your child's eyes from all angles.

Clothing and Hats

Clothing can block out the sun's harmful rays and should be one of the first lines of defense against sun exposure.

Fabric is full of tiny holes that can allow ultraviolet light through. The fewer the number and the smaller the size of the holes in the fabric, the more it blocks ultraviolet radiation.

Lighter colors may feel cooler, but darker colors actually absorb ultraviolet light and promote more protection for the skin.

Written by: Courtney J. Schoessow, MPH, Texas AgriLife Extension Program Specialist Health Education



Jaylee Poole would like to announce the birth of her sister

Jozee May Poole

Jozee was born on June 1, 2012. She weighed 7 lbs 11.7 oz. and was 21 inches. Jozee was welcomed by cousin, Sawyer May and her "favorite" aunts & uncle, Kalli Poole, Kelsi Howard and Kaci and Slate May.

She is the daughter of Tanner & Candice Poole of Snyder.

Grandparents are Dennis & Sheri Poole of Gail, Lee Howard of Tarzan and Tim & Celia Gibbs of Midland.

Great-grandparents are Laurie Eubanks of Abilene, Gay Howard of Ballinger, Corky Berry of Tulia and Darwyn Mecalf of Amarillo.

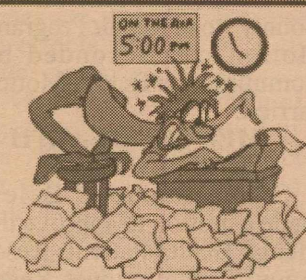
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CITATION BY PUBLICATION - CIVIL THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JOSEPH LLOYD BOWEN, DECEASED, Defendant.

Defendant Greeting:
NOTICE

You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 AM on the Monday next following the expiration of forty-two (42) days after the date of issuance of this Citation, default judgment may be taken against you."

Said Plaintiff's Petition in Condemnation was filed with the 132nd District Court of Borden County, Texas on May 17, 2012, the file number of said suit being Case No. 1218.

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition in Condemnation at or before ten o'clock AM of the Monday next after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from the date of issuance of this Citation before the Honorable 132nd District Court of Borden County, Texas at the Courthouse of said County in Gail, Texas.

The names of the parties in said suit are:

Wind Energy Transmission Texas, LLC (Plaintiff)

v.

Sandra Brown, Donald Bowen, Allen Dale Bowen and **The Unknown Heirs of Joseph Lloyd Bowen, Deceased (Defendants).**

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: **Eminent Domain / Condemnation** as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition in Condemnation on file in this suit in connection with property described as follows:

A 2.428 acre transmission line easement out a 40 acre tract of land out of the Texas and Pacific Railroad Company Survey, Section 21, Block 32, Township 3 North, Abstract 291, Situated in Borden County, Texas.

Plaintiff is represented by: Clark Aspy of NAMAN, HOWELL, SMITH & LEE, P.L.L.C. whose address is 8310 N. Capital of Texas Highway, Suite 490, Austin, Texas 79731 and

Danny M. Needham of MULLIN HOARD & BROWN, LLP whose address is 500 S. Taylor, Suite 800 Amarillo, Texas 79101.

Said Condemnation Hearing to be held on July 30, 2012 at 9:00 AM in the Commissioners Court in Borden County, Texas.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Gail, Texas, this the 6th day of June, 2012.

Joyce Herridge, Clerk of the Court
DISTRICT COURT, BORDEN COUNTY, TEXAS
P. O. Box 124
Gail, Texas 79738

**CAUSE NO. 393
ESTATE OF DON A. JONES, DECEASED
IN THE COUNTY COURT OF BORDEN COUNTY, TEXAS**

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF DON A. JONES, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of DON A. JONES, were issued March 29, 2012, in Cause No. 393, pending in the County Court of Borden County, Texas, to:

NELVA RUTH JONES
The residence of such Independent Executrix is in Borden County, Texas. The address for purposes of presenting claims is:

4601 FM 612
Fluvanna, Texas 79517

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED this the 29th day March, 2012.

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Commissioners Meeting

WHEREAS, On this the 27th day of March, 2012, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Special Session in the Commissioners Court room in the courthouse of Gail, Texas, the following members of the court being present, to-wit:

ROSS SHARP, County Judge, Residing; **MONTE SMITH**, Commissioner, Precinct N. 1; **ERNEST REYES**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3; **JOYCE HERRIDGE** County Clerk and Ex-Officio of the Commissioners Court with Randy Adcock, Commissioner Precinct No. 2 absent, constituting a quorum, when the following proceedings were had, in accordance with the posted agenda.

Other officer Present: Ben Smith, County Attorney and Sharlot Stone, County Treasurer.

CALL TO ORDER

Judge Sharp opened the May 22, 2012 Special Session of Borden Co. Commissioners Court at 8:40 a.m.

MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the Commissioners Court Meetings of May 8, 2012 were read. Commissioner Reyes made a motion to approve said minutes. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

COUNTY ROAD REPAIR PROGRAM

After consideration, Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve Commissioners Court Resolution for County Road Repair Program. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Belew. Motion carried.

MENTAL HEALTH RESOLUTION

Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve the Mental Health Patients Resolution. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

TRASH ISSUES

Buster Taylor visited with the Court concerning trash and litter issues. No action taken.

BORDEN COUNTY WATER

Commissioner Smith made a motion to declare a Stage 2 Designation for the Drought Contingency Plan. Commis-

sioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

WIND TEX ENERGY

Mr. Steve DeWolf gave a presentation of the Wind Tex Energy Project.

PUBLIC HEARING

Commissioner Belew made a motion to recess the Special Commissioner Court Meeting and to open the Reinvestment Zone Public Hearing at 9:30 a.m. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Interested persons attending were: Steve DeWolf, Kenny Hensley, Larry Smith, Clifton Smith and J.P. Hensley.

Commissioner Belew made a motion to close the Public Hearing and to open the Commissioner Court Special Meeting. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion carried.

STEPHENS RANCH WIND ENERGY REINVESTMENT ZONE

Stephens Ranch Wind Energy Reinvestment Zone was discussed. No action taken.

TAX ABATEMENT AGREEMENT

The Tax Abatement Agreement with Wind Energy, L.P. and Stephens Ranch Wind Energy, LLC for the Wind power project in the northwestern part of Borden County was reviewed. No action taken.

BURN BAN

After discussion, Commissioner Smith made a motion to remove the Burn Ban. Commissioner Belew seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE SOIL CONSERVATION

No applications received. **FACILITY MAINTENANCE EMPLOYEE**

The position of Facility Maintenance Employee is vacant. No action taken.

EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK

Commissioner Reyes made a motion to approve the additions and revisions to the Employee Handbook by adopting the Fair Labor Standards Act Safe Harbor, the Retiree Re-hires Policy and the FMLA Policy. Commissioner Relew seconded the motion. Motion carried.

WATER SYSTEM

A discussion was held. No action taken.

ACCOUNTS ALLOWED

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

DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE AGENDA

Reinvestment Zone Rules, Reinvestment Zone, Interlocal Agreement with the School.

ADJOURN

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

THE FOREGOING MINUTES READ AND APPROVED THIS THE 12th day of June, 2012.

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