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How It All Began, The History of Borden County Schools The School

By Dorothy Austin
Dennis

Editors Note: Dorothy Dennis was a long time resident of Borden County. She and her husband Bert arrived in the county in 1942. They operated the Flying D Ranch. Bert was the first rancher in the county to use a plane for ranch work. Dorothy and Bert raised three children: Steve, Joel and Lisa. This story about the consolidation of school districts comes from Dorothy's book, "In Pursuit of Happiness".

The Lamesa-Snyder highway was in the process of being paved when we arrived in Borden County in 1942. The ranch and farm roads were in terrible condition. When it rained it was almost impossible to move a vehicle through the mire. Ask Shirley Newton or Barbara Farmer to tell some of their experiences of getting to school during that era. At this time all high school and some elementary students were driven in buses to surrounding counties.

Since I had been reared in San Angelo I had some difficulty adjusting to the austere life I now led. World War II was at its height-everything

was rationed- and I can remember going into Gail about every two weeks for the mail.

This was the highlight of my social life, as I always chat-
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Borden County School Dedication

*The Board of Trustees and
Administration of the Borden County
JSD would like to extend an invitation to
the Borden County School community
and friends to attend the new school
dedication to be held on
Friday, March 8th, 2013
at 10:00 a.m.
in the school auditorium.*

*After the ceremony, guests are invited to
tour the school and eat lunch in the
school cafeteria. There will be no charge.*



Dare to Live Without Limits

By Bryan Golden

You'll See It When You Believe It

A typical expression of skepticism is "I'll believe it when I see it." This statement is a challenge to have a claim proven before it is believed. Whereas this approach may be effective with regard to scientific principles, it fails when working with the power of the mind.

We are constantly barraged with numerous claims about virtually every topic. Each product claims to be the best. There is an endless array of drugs claiming to cure all maladies. Trades people and professionals all claim to be the best in their respective fields.

Unfortunately, we are disappointed more often than we would like when products and people don't perform as advertised. Understandably, our real life experiences leave us cynical. Therefore, when claims are made as to the impact the power of your mind has on your life, you may be doubtful and want proof.

In order to personally experience all of the benefits discussed in these columns, you have to believe it before you will see it. Your mind does not discriminate. It operates on whatever thoughts you put into it.

If you don't believe some-

thing is possible then your mind won't even attempt to make it happen. If you believe something is possible, your mind will work nonstop to figure out a way to make it reality.

Mike has worked as a salesman for the same firm for ten years. He wanted to get a job with another company. Mike didn't believe that someone else would hire him, but he decided to look anyway just to see what happened.

Although Mike told himself he could get another job, he didn't fully believe it. Whenever Mike went on an interview, his lack of belief detracted from his enthusiasm. Even though Mike really wanted a new job, he came across as lackluster and never got a job offer.

Debbie, just out of college, had worked for six months as an accountant for a large international financial firm. Two weeks into the job she realized she didn't like working for such a big organization.

Debbie wasn't deterred by the fact that she only had six months work experience. She felt she had a lot to offer any employer. She radiated confidence and determination at her

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High School Track Gets Off to Great Start at Klondike

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Track teams got off to a very good start to the 2013 season as the Borden County Girls won the varsity girls division with a 156 points. The JV boys won their division with 183 points and the varsity boys won their division by two points winning the final event of the evening scoring 126 points to Meadow's 124 points.

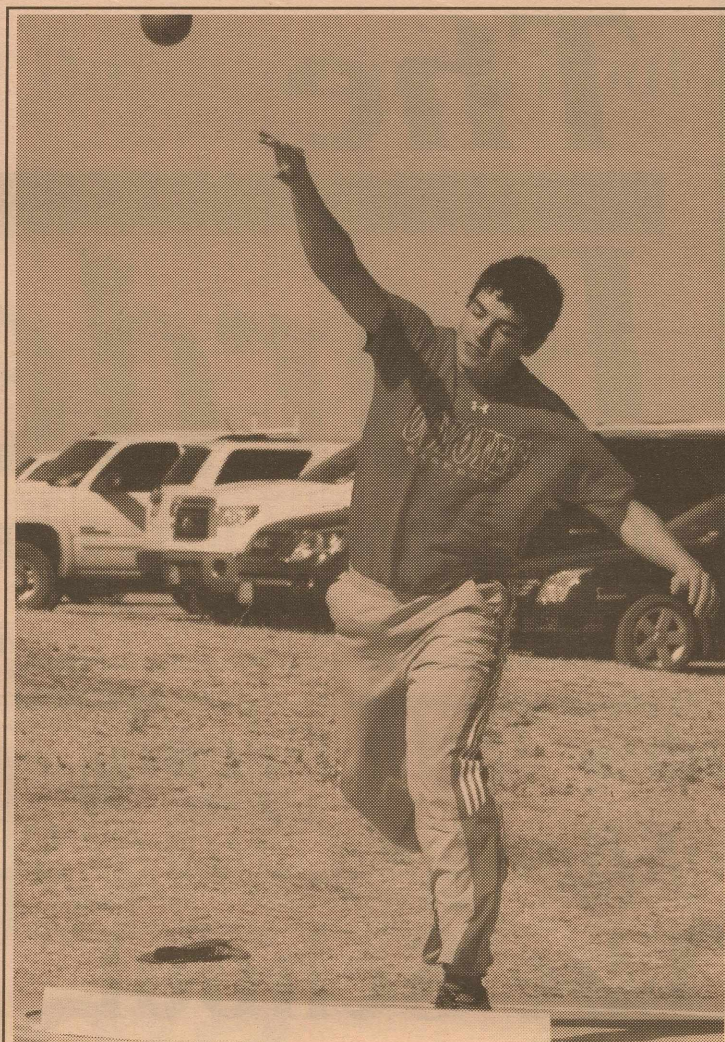
The Varsity girls got gold medal performances from Zoie Key in the 3200 meter run and the 1600 meter run with times of 14:52.15 and 6:42.80. Zoie also helped the girls out by stepping in and replacing an injured Kalyn Massingill in the Mile Relay and ran a very solid anchor leg to help the quartet of Lady Coyote runners win the relay in a time of 4:47.2. Other members on that relay were fellow freshman Cheyenne Tucker, Tatum Richey and sophomore Tye Basquez. Cheyenne had a nice day running a leg on the 400 relay that finished 2nd and ran a 14.08 in the 100 to place 4th. She also finished 4th in the long jump with a 13'7" jump and 2nd in the triple jump with a 29'5" leap. Tatum Richey ran a leg on the winning 800 relay, finished 2nd in the long jump with a leap of 14'1 1/4" and won the triple jump with a leap of 29'9 3/4". Tatum qualified 2nd for the finals of the 100 hurdles but jumped the gun. At the request of the coach, she was allowed to run the race anyway but not allowed to receive points or a medal and she promptly ran a 18.09 to cross the line first in convincing fashion for some very valuable experience. Tye Basquez joined the 800 relay team of Richey, Massingill and Teryn Soto for the victory in a time of 2:02.62 and then finished 2nd in the 800 with a 2:43.82. Teryn Soto won the high jump with a leap of 4'8" then ran a leg on both the 400 relay and 800 relay before qualifying with the fastest time in the 200 with a nice time of 28.91 before faltering a bit in the finals to finish 5th. Another freshman Karly Etheredge ran a leg on the 2nd place 400 relay with a time of 55.88 and then

finished 6th in the 100 falling short of her best time of 13.78 in the prelims, running a 14.59 in the finals. Kalyn Massingill ran on the 400 and 800 relays and then won the long jump with a leap of 14'4" in spite of never hitting the board on her take-off. Bailey Robinson competed in the discus and shot put, finishing 4th in the discus with a throw of 62'9". Clair Shafer finished 5th in the shot put with a put of 27'8 1/4" and Kalyn Dean finished 2nd with a put of 29'1".

In the JV boys division the Coyotes did not let a disqualification in the 400 relay slow them down as they still amassed 183 points. Helio Rosales won the JV shot with a throw of 36'8 1/2" and was 2nd in the discus with a throw of 88'10" and ran two great legs on the 400 relay and the winning 800 relay. Rosales was joined on the 800 relay with Ricky Torres, Riley Herridge and Tristen Benavidez. Torres high jumped and long jumped, finishing 3rd with a jump of 15'8" and ran great legs on the 400 relay and the 3rd place 1600 relay. Benavidez ran solid legs in all three relays running the anchor in all three. In the sprint relay Tristen came from way back to catch the leader at the line but the coyotes had a baton exchange out of the zone for the DQ. Riley Herridge ran on the 3rd place 1600 relay and finished tied for 2nd with teammate Thomas Harrison in the pole vault with a jump of 8'0". Harrison turned in a great day as well adding a silver in the 100 meters with a time of 13.11 and a gold in the 200 with a time of 26.60. Colby Pennell joined Benavidez, Herridge and Torres on that 3rd place 1600 relay and then also competed in the long and triple jumps. Colby finished 2nd in the long with a jump of 16'0" and another 2nd in the triple with a jump of 34'4". Colby also took silver medals in the 400 meters and the 800 meters with a time of 63.3 and 2:33.28. Rhaedan Bland competed in the high jump, the 100 meters placing 6th with a time of 13.87

and 200 meters placing 5th with a time of 29.10. Robert Jordan also had a nice day winning the pole vault with a vault of 9'0" and then added a silver in the 3200 meters in a time of 12:51.75 and a gold in the 1600 meters with a time of 5:49. Cayden Vaughn finished 4th in the long jump with a leap of 14'10 1/4" and ran a leg on the 400 relay before injuring his leg. Michael Taylor threw the shot and discus, finishing 2nd in the shot with a 35'8 1/2" and 3rd in the discus with a throw of 73'3". Joel Andrade won the discus with a throw of 91'4" and was 4th in the shot put with a put of 31'2". Joel also ran the 100 with a time of 15.53. Caelan Thuett also competed for the coyotes in the JV division throwing the shot and discus not receiving no marks and then ran the 100 in a time of 15.28.

In the varsity boys division, the Coyotes used an tremendous effort in the mile relay to come from behind to grab the team championship away from Meadow by a score of 126 to 124. The relay team of Matt Ham, Jared Smith, Korbin Martinez and Matt Proulx ran a solid time of 3:49.20 to win the relay and help capture the team title. Proulx added the 400 meter gold winning in a time of 55.90. Matt Ham ran the lead leg on all three relays and Smith ran a leg on all three relays as well as the coyotes finished 4th in the 400 relay with a time of 47.45 and 3rd in the 800 relay with a time of 1:41.12. TJ Basquez who had a good day throwing the shot and discus joined these two along with Steven Howard in both relays. Basquez threw the discus 101'1" to finish 2nd and the shot put 45'11 1/2" to grab the silver. Steven Howard ran the 100 in a time of 11.56 to finish 7th and also long jumped 17'5 1/2". Kurt Shafer added a 3rd place finish for the coyotes in the 110 high hurdles with a 19.31 and 3rd in the triple jump as well with a jump of 37'4 1/2". Korbin Martinez and Jordan Martinez competing in their



JV trackster, Michael Taylor places 2nd in the Shot Put with a throw of 35'8 1/2".



Hurdler, Tatum Richey, qualifies for the finals at the Cougar relays last Thursday.

Junior High Tracksters Begin Season in Klondike

By Coach Richey

The 2013 Borden County track season got underway Thursday for the Borden County Pups and Lady Pups in Klondike. The Pups got off to a very good start running away with the team title scoring 187 points. The Pups entered two teams in this meet and the second team scored an additional 16 points. The Lady pups finished 8th place scoring 34 points. Below are the results of the young men and women who competed in the first junior high track meet of the season.

Boys Team:

Blue Team – 187 points – 400 relay runner-up 50.67 – 800 relay champion – 1:47.15 – 1600 relay champion 4:03.52.

Hunter Jones: Pole Vault-7'6"-1st place; 110 Hurdles-20.84-2nd place; High Jump-5'0"-3rd place; 800 M Relay-1st place and 1600 M Relay-1st place.

Jayton Lewis: Long Jump-14'9½"; Triple Jump-33'2"-2nd place; 400 M Dash-62.68-1st place; 400 M Relay-2nd place and 1600 M Relay-1st place.

Diego Bernal: Shot Put-36'5"-1st place; Discus-94'0"-2nd Place and 100 M Dash-14.56.

Ryan Wilborn: Long Jump-14'0"; 100 M Dash-12.84-3rd place and 400 M Relay-2nd place.

Corbin Summers: Triple Jump-31'11"-5th place; High Jump-4'8"-4th place; 200 M Dash-26.59-2nd place; 400 M Relay-2nd place and 800 M Relay-1st place.

Kace Lott: Shot Put-no mark; Discus-no mark; 200 M Dash-28.78-5th place; 400 M Relay-2nd place and 800 M Relay-1st place.

Trace Richey: High Jump-5'4"-1st place; Long Jump-16'11"-2nd place; 300 M Hurdles-50.46-1st place; 800 M Relay-1st place and 1600 M Relay-1st place.

Nick Proulx: 110 Hurdles-22.05th place; 300 M Hurdles-53.85-3rd place and 400 M Re-

lay-2nd place.

Morgan Wilson: 2400 Meter Run-9:52-5th place and 1600 M Run-6:29.09-3rd place.

Dylan Murphy: 800 M Run-2:49.81-6th place and 1600 M Run-6:29.99-4th place.

Red Team: 400 M Relay 55.44-5th place and 800 M Relay- 1:59.65-5th place.

Hunter Huse: 100 M Dash-14.87; Shot Put-no mark and Discus-no mark.

Thomas Nix: 110 Hurdles-26.93.

Kale Yarbro: Shot Put-32'5"; 200 M Dash-28.58-4th place; 400 M Relay-5th place and 800 M Relay-5th place.

Braxton Coor: Discus-no mark; 400 M-74.25; 400 M Relay-5th place and 800 M Relay-5th place.

Braxton Barnes: 100 M Dash-15.88; Shot Put-no mark and Discus-no mark.

Brian Torres: Long Jump-13'5½"; 400 M Relay-5th place and 800 M Relay-5th place.

Clayton Addison: 200 M Dash-37.12; Shot Put-no mark and Discus-no mark.

Mikel McCarty: 800 M Relay-5th place and 800 M Run-2:48.21-4th place.

Thadd Basquez: 100 M Dash-15.55; Shot Put-no mark and Discus-no mark.

Kable Kleck: 200 M Dash-37.90; Shot Put-no mark and Discus-no mark.

Girls Team: 800 M Relay-2:08.18-3rd place and 1600 M Relay-5:07.18-4th place.

Sydney Jordan: Long Jump-12'2¾"; 800 M Relay-3rd place and 1600 M Relay-4th place.

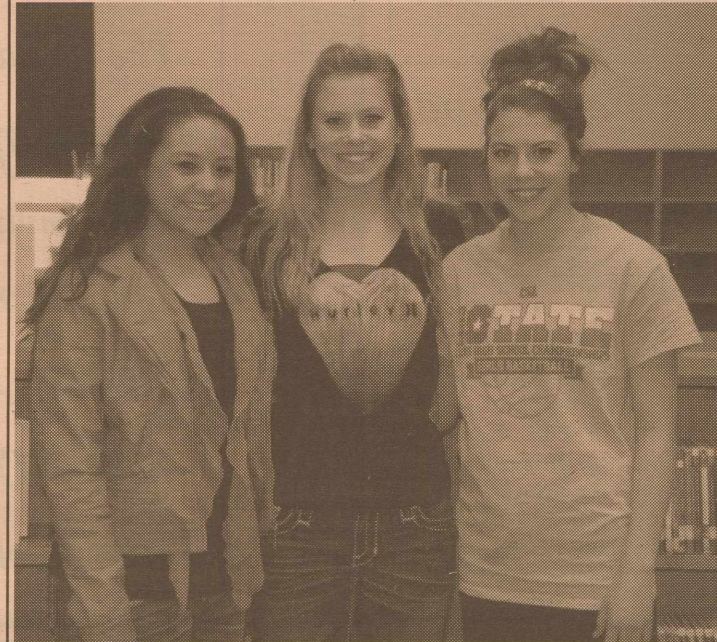
Braylee Walker: Long Jump-10'9¾"; 800 M Relay-3rd place and 1600 M Relay-4th place.

Avery Price: Long Jump-9'6½"; 800 M Relay-3rd place and 1600 M Relay-4th place.

Preslea Hall: Long Jump-11'5¾"; 800 M Relay-3rd place and 1600 M Relay-4th place.

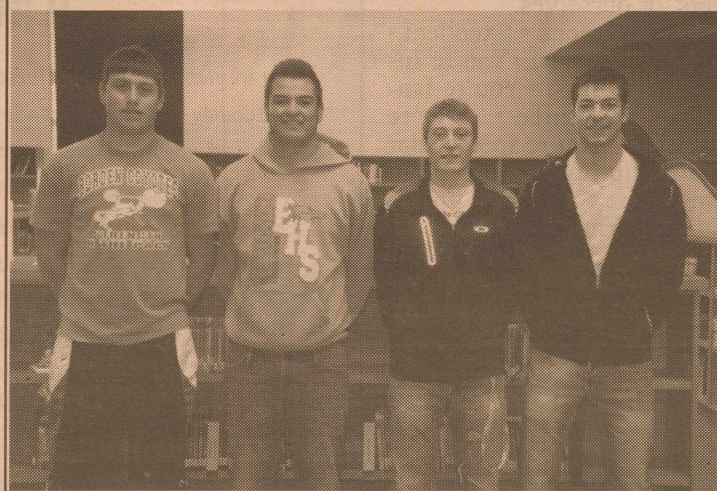
Madison Benavidez: Shot Put-21'3¾"; Discus-no mark; 100 M Dash-16.50 and 200 M

Lady Coyotes Receive District, Region and State Honors



With a successful season for the Lady Coyotes, three members were named to the All-District list. Those members are (left to right) Tye Basquez-1st team, Clair Shafer-2nd team, Taylor Gass-Defensive MVP and Kylie Voss (not pictured)-1st team. Making the Six-Man All-Region list were Gass-1st team and Voss-2nd team. Gass received All-State honors being named 2nd team.

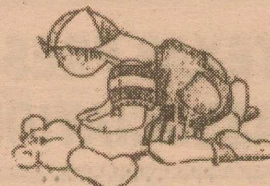
All-District Honors



Several members of the boys Borden County basketball team were recently named to the All-District team. Pictured are (left to right) T.J. Basquez-2nd team, Helio Rosales-1st team, Jared Smith-Honorable Mention and Tanner Richey-Offensive MVP.

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School Lunch Menu

Mar. 18-22, 2013

Menu Subject to Change

Monday -Breakfast: Pancake Pup, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Toasted Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Broccoli Bites, Garden Salad, Orange Smiles, Baked Potato Chips and Milk.

Tuesday - Breakfast: Kolache, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch:Crispy Taco, Spanish Rice, Garden Salad, Charro Beans, Salsa, Cinnamon Applesauce and Milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast: Omelet & Toast, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Strawberries & Bananas, Hot Roll and Milk.


Thursday -Breakfast: Sausage & Biscuit, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Spaghetti & Meat Balls, Garden Salad, Breadstick (9-12 grade only), Green Beans, Peaches, Pudding Cup (9-12 grade only)and Milk.

Friday - Breakfast: Pizza Bagel, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Turkey & Cheese Wrap, Sweet Potato Tots, Cucumber Dippers, Fresh Fruit, Chocolate Chip Cookie (9-12 grade only) and Milk.


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Helping Your Child Feel Good

One of my favorite quotes is 'Parents need to fill a child's bucket of self-esteem so high that the rest of the world can't poke enough holes to drain it dry...' by Alvin Price. In this fast paced world we live in, we often neglect to take the time to fill those buckets. We are not necessarily draining them, but we are not filling them to overflowing as we should...

Many of us are concerned with how our child is received by his peers and his teachers, but do we concern ourselves with how our child feels about himself/herself? Often, we don't realize that they are having problems with self-esteem. Self-esteem is important for your child to grow to be the best that they can be. As a parent, it's important to help your child have a positive self-esteem. We want them to be happy and like themselves.

You can tell if your child has a positive self-esteem by how they refer to themselves. Are they confident? Do they tell you how they feel? Do they put themselves down or praise themselves for a job well done? Does he/she get along with his friends? Do your child's friends respect him/her? All of these questions can serve as indicators of how your child views himself/herself. Your child will be responsive and eager to tell you about their accomplishments when they have a positive self-esteem.

In order to encourage a positive self-esteem in our child, we should praise them, not put them down. Do *not* use words like, "I cannot believe that you didn't listen to me *again!* You are so stupid. You'll never learn!" Instead of becoming angry and insulting your child, use positive words like, "I am sorry that you did not follow my instructions. Next time, you should listen and you won't have to be punished." Of course they are not perfect. We

all make mistakes, but the way to handle them is to make a lesson out of it. What did you learn from this mistake? How will you do things differently next time?

We must continually make an effort to be positive role models for our children. It is very difficult to do, especially if we do not think highly of ourselves. As adults, we can often lose our self-esteem to our spouse, our peers, our boss, our co-workers, etc. Follow the same ideas above to help strengthen your self-esteem. It is ok to praise yourself and feel good about *you!* After all, we should all be happy and enjoy the person we are. [NOTE: Even if you don't have children, these "rules" can still be applied to your everyday life.]

WAYS TO PRAISE A CHILD

Here are a few words to help us in praising our children, peers, or ourselves.

Wow • Special • Excellent • I'm proud of you • You're incredible • Bravo • You're fantastic • How nice • You're beautiful • You're spectacular • Hip, hip hurray • You are responsible • What an imagination • What a good listener • You're growing up • You tried hard • You mean a lot to me • You brighten my day • You mean the world to me • You're wonderful • You made my day • Way to go

Remember, a smile is worth 1000 words!

Taken from: *101 Ways to Praise a Child*


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Borden County One-Act Play

The cast and crew of
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At 7:00 p.m.

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into Simple...

You are invited to join us on **Tuesday, March 19th** at 6:00 p.m. in the Borden County Event Center for a Spring program focusing on simplifying your life through meal planning, budgeting and home organization.

Enjoy a sampling of a few simple recipes and make an easy take-home project (for even the least creative people).

Cost is \$15 per person (will cover supplies and recipe/idea booklet).
Please RSVP by **Friday, March 15th** (to allow for enough supplies) at 5:00 p.m. to (806)756-4336, via Facebook or julie.smith@agnet.tamu.edu

[The date has been changed due to the rescheduling of District 4-H Food Challenge Contest from February 25th to March 4th because of inclement weather.]



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Dare to Live...

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interviews. In short order, Debbie had three good job offers. Debbie truly believed in herself and results followed.

There are numerous examples throughout history that prove beyond a doubt the power of the mind when it is fed proper thoughts. You need to take inspiration in and be motivated by what others have accomplished only after they believed.

Thomas Edison invented the light bulb after 9,999 attempts. Without a belief that he could do it, Mr. Edison would not have been driven to success. When Mr. Edison started, light bulbs didn't exist. He had to believe in the possibility of an electric light before he could invent one.

If you want to see your goals achieved, here is what you do. Believe in yourself. Believe in your ability to do whatever is necessary. Believe you can do it. Believe in your goal. Believe your goal is worth achieving.

Believe in the unlimited power of your mind. Believe your brain will work 24 hours a day to find the solutions you need. Believe that, with the appropriate attitude, you will attract the people and circumstances you need.

You can and will see it when you believe it. All who have gone before you have harnessed the power of this law of nature. It's there for you also.

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The School...

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ted with Mrs. Cathey at the post office and couldn't pass up a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Dorward in the drug store. After the boys were big enough we began attending the Methodist Church in Gail

I truly had misgivings about the boys attending school at Gail. The old building left a lot to be desired and I felt it was a sorry place in which to entrust small children. It certainly was unsafe, with old, creaky wooden floors that shook every time you walked over them, and there was a strange, unpleasant odor permeating everything. There were no inside toilet facilities.

The school consisted of four large rooms with sufficient lighting and a mammoth hall in the middle. There was a basement where we all gathered for school plays, Christmas parties and community suppers. Upstairs in the large hall I noticed that all the children put their lunches in wire cages and fastened them. One day I asked Mr. Harris why they did this and he said, "to keep out the rats!" Needless to say I nearly had a nervous breakdown and vowed to move to San Angelo as soon as possible. Every summer I thought about this more seriously, always torn between separating our family and the worry over doing what was right for the boys' education. I did realize Mrs. Harris was an excellent teacher. She was patient and kind and I must have turned it all over to God and Mrs. Harris, as I became so involved with taking care of the boys, feeding men at the ranch and constantly painting and papering the old ranch house that time began to rush by.

The first week Steve attended school was a nightmare! It had rained at least seven inches. There were no buses so we drove him in, a fourteen mile round trip and it took at least forty-five minutes to drive one way. I no more had arrived back home and prepared lunch than it was time to start back for him

The next year, Joel began school. A few years later we permitted them to drive an old pickup to the outside gate

where a bus picked them up. When they left in the pickup, all I could see were the tops of two coonskin caps. Each of the boys could write a book on their mishaps, such as knocking down gate posts, not putting on the brakes soon enough and going through the gates, and I am sure many happenings I don't even know about.

Bert began serving on the school board in 1948. It was soon evident that Borden County would have to do something about their school situation. O'Donnell and Coahoma had notified us that neither wanted our students any longer. Luckily in the late 40s the Reineke and Good oil fields were developed, giving hope to evaluation that would permit the consideration of building a school. So the Borden County Rural School District was formed.

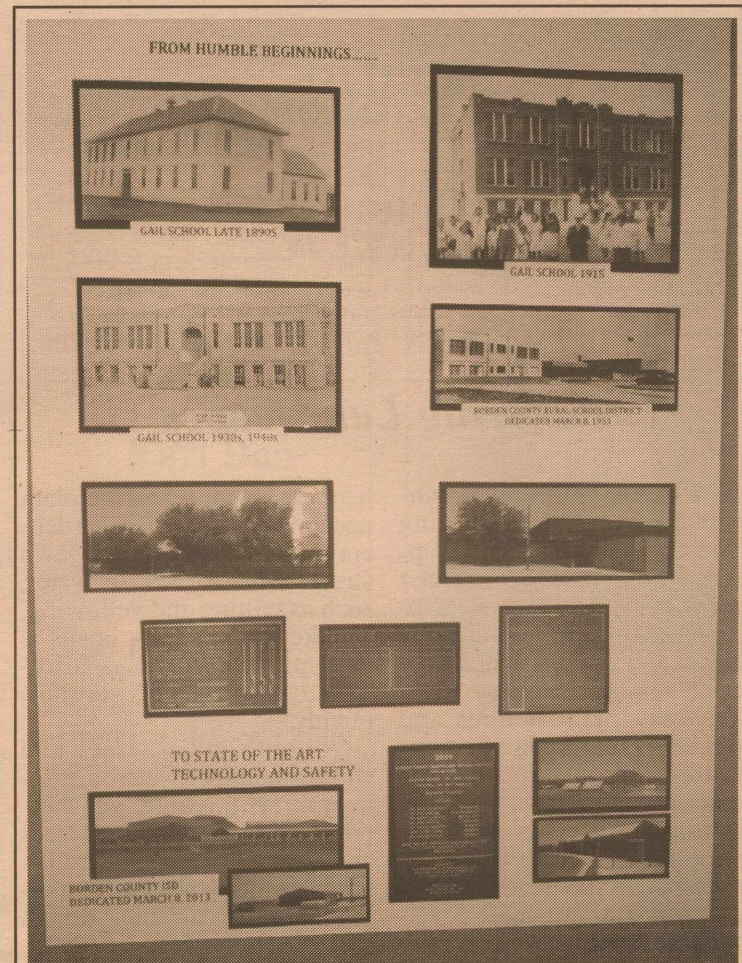
These men were appointed to the county school board: Lloyd Murphy, who moved to New Mexico soon after his appointment. Melton Davis succeeded Mr. Murphy. Mr. Davis, a farmer, represented the Murphy district. Frank Beaver, rancher, represented the Glen Creek district. J.D. Shephard, stock farmer, represented the Willow Valley district. E.S. Kingston, farmer, represented the Mesquite district. Roy Burdett, farmer, represented the Plains district. Bert Dennis, rancher, represented the Gail district. S.P. Stewart was school superintendent and C.S. Harris was County Judge and County School Superintendent.

After the consolidation of the districts, the board had to vote bonds for construction of a school building. On June 1, 1951 bonds amounting to \$500,000 were voted for this purpose. Another bond election had to be held May 31, 1952 for \$150,000. This latter bond was needed in order to finish the school. The Korean Conflict had begun and prices soared, making it impossible to complete and furnish the school properly. The school opened in the fall of 1952 but there was much yet to be done. There were no doors on classrooms, for example, and many

details needed finishing.

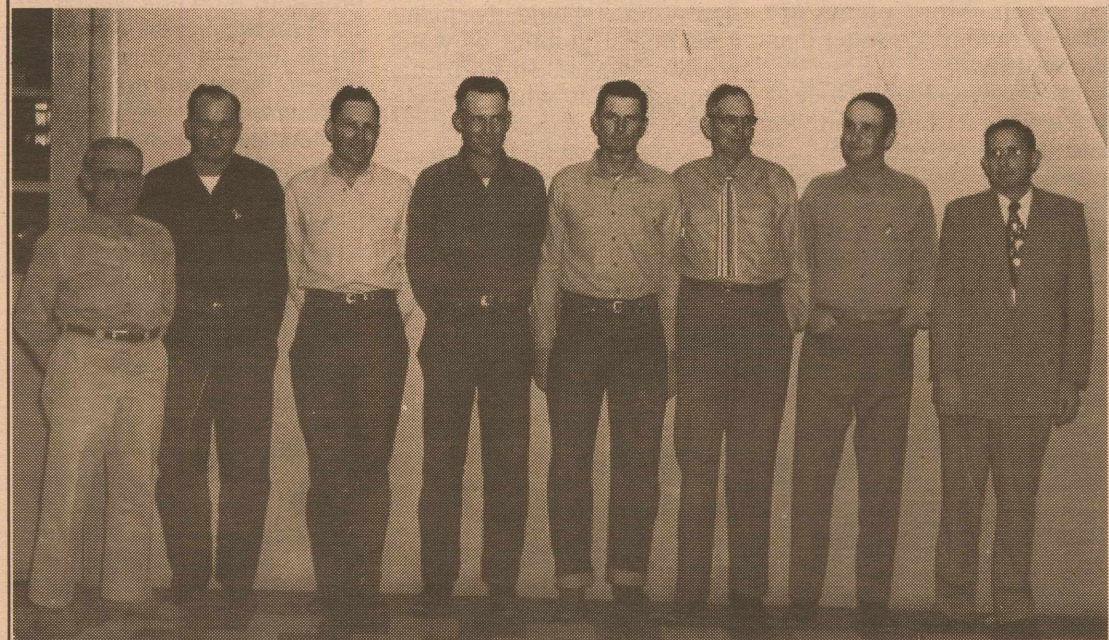
During the planning and construction of the school plant there was a tremendous strain put on everyone as well as the board members. Each member traveled many miles for meetings every few days. Since communications were bad (the only phone in Gail was at Dorward Drug), Bert would fly over the home of each member and announce meetings over the loud speaker. Mr. Shephard told Doris Beaver an amusing story about the first time Bert flew over his home with a meeting announcement.

"I was in the kitchen having my coffee early one morning when I heard this voice coming from the ceiling saying 'Mr. Shephard, come to a board meeting this evening at 7,'" he said. "I never questioned it. I felt we'd had so many requests to come for meetings that now they were

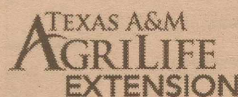


Pictured is a storyboard created by Lisa Dennis Mahler depicting the Borden County Schools from the late 1890's to present. The board will be displayed at the School dedication this Friday, March 8th.

1950's Borden County School Board



Pictured are members of the first school board to serve Borden County. Members included were (left to right) E.S. Kingston-representing Mesquite community; H.D. Williams-representing Berry Flat community; Milton Davis-representing Murphy community; Roy Burdett-representing Plains community; Frank Beaver-representing Glenn Creek community; J.C. Shepard-representing Willow Valley community; Bert Dennis-representing Gail and S.P. Stewart-Superintendent of Schools.



Borden County AG News
By Cody G Hill

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Watering Landscapes

Probably the most important concept in Earth-King landscaping is to water properly. Knowing when to water and for how long is fundamental to maintaining a quality landscape that is water efficient.

Newly planted trees and shrubs will need more frequent watering from the planting time until they are well-rooted. During this establishment period, plants can be gradually weaned to a smaller amount of water. Proper weaning develops deep roots and makes plants "drought enduring".

Of the tremendous amount of water applied to lawns and gardens, much of it is never absorbed by the plants and put to use. Some water is lost to runoff by being applied faster than the soil can absorb it, and some water evaporated from exposed, unmulched soil before it can be used by the plant. Yet the greatest waste of water is when too much is applied too often. More plants are killed by too much water than by too little.

Most lawns receive twice as much water as they require for a healthy appearance. It is best to not water by the calendar, for example, once a week. It is

better to water when the plant needs watering. Most gardeners can readily recognize lawn stresses due to lack of water, such as wilting and yellowing. The key to watering lawns is to apply the water as infrequently as possible, yet thoroughly.

As with lawns, trees and shrubs should be watered infrequently as possible, yet thoroughly. Most established trees and shrubs will benefit from a twice a month thorough watering during the growing season in the absence of adequate rain. Normal lawn watering is no substitute for thorough tree and shrub watering.

There are two types of irrigation systems for use in landscapes—sprinkler and drip irrigation. With a Earth-King landscape, it is recommended to use a combination of both systems in watering turfgrass, trees, shrubs, ground covers, flowers and vegetable gardens. When properly utilized, irrigation systems should give plants a sufficient amount of water without waste. In addition, planting areas which have a higher water requirement can be watered separately from lower-water-use plants by zoning the irrigation systems.

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**Borden Track Teams
Off to Great Start...**

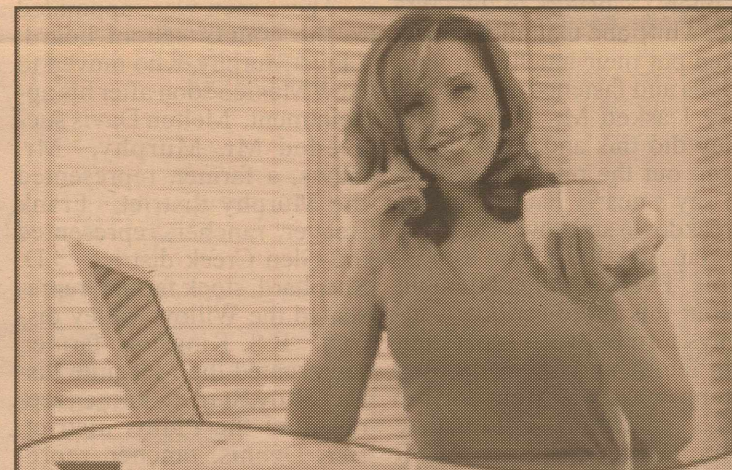
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first meet as Coyotes had a great debut for the Coyotes. Korbin finished tied for 3rd in the high jump with a jump of 5'2" and then finish 3rd in the 800 2:20.43 and then followed that with a runner-up finish in the 300 hurdles in a time of 46.50. Jordan won the 3200 meter run in a very solid time of 12:14.58 and then followed that with a 2nd place finish in the 1600 meter run in a time of 5:33.40. 'Big Cat' Matt Roberson rounded out the day winning the discus and shot put. Cat's winning throw in the discus was 130'7" in some very difficult conditions and then followed that fronting a school record, besting his previous record by 5 inches putting the shot 49'6 1/2".

All in all, what a great start to the 2013 Coyote and Lady

Coyote track season. Thank you guys and gals for your hard work and dedication. The sky is the limit for what this season's track teams can accomplish. Best of luck next week as the Coyotes and Lady Coyotes travel to Sweetwater.

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Junior High Track...

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Dash-36.12.
Savannah Herridge: 100 M Hurdles-24.36 and 200 M Dash-34.55.

Ashlyn Tucker: Long Jump-11'5 1/4"; 100 M Dash-15.06-6th place and 200 M Dash-31.58-4th place.

Chelsea Steen: 100 M Dash-16.22 and 200 M Dash-36.18.

Hayley Gray: 100 M Dash-19.28; Shot Put-no mark and Discus-no mark.

MJ Van der Bank: 100 M Dash-15.50 and 200 M Dash-32.74.

Carly Bell: 2400 M Run-10:45.65-2nd place.

Harley Merrill: 800 M Run-3:25.52 and 1600 M Run-7:32.11.

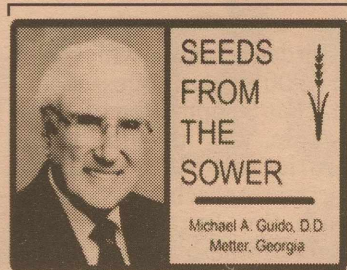
Candace McCarty: 800 M Run-3:09.87.

Brooklyn Cheatham: Shot Put-21'7 1/4" and Discus-no mark.

Jamayleigh Gray: Shot Put-no mark and Discus-no mark.

I was extremely proud of all of these young men and women that represented the red, white and Columbia blue. Each and everyone of these young coyotes competed and represented Borden County extremely well. These young men and women will next travel to Ackerly, America to participate in the Mustang relays on Thursday. Thank you all for working so hard. Good luck this week and have a very enjoyable spring break. Thank

you to all the parents for your support as well. Take care and God bless you all.

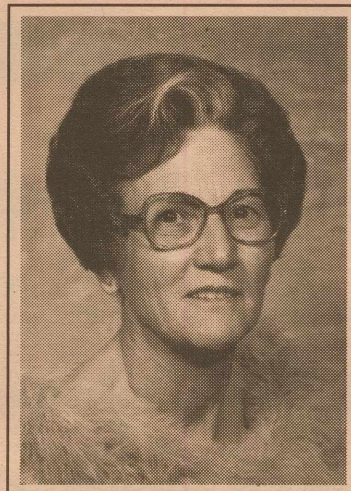


A centipede lived a happy life until he met a toad. Noticing all of the centipede's legs he asked, "How do you keep all of those legs working together with no problems?"

This disturbed the centipede so much that he rolled over on his back and his legs fell limp at his sides. He was so confused that he became paralyzed.

This can happen to any Christian at any time. We begin to stress about everything that is going on in our lives and let our simple, God-given faith escape us. We begin to look at the small pieces instead of the great God who is at work in every small detail. We fail to "run the race with patience, looking at Jesus." But trusting in Him as our Savior and believing that His strength will sustain us, we can overcome life's difficulties that would discourage us or the problems that would paralyze us. God will enable us to run confidently, work successfully and live victoriously as we look to Him in faith believing.

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Willie Faye Burrus
1919 - 2013

Willie Faye Burrus of O'Donnell departed this life on February 26, 2013, at the age of 93 years. She was born in Nolan County, Texas on September 19, 1919 to L.D. and Jessie Elinor (Estes) Monroe. Willie married Dee George Burrus on August 31, 1941 in Granbury, Texas. They raised their family in Borden County. Willie was a member of Mesquite Baptist Church which was disbanded.

Those left to cherish his memory are her daughter Jeanna Love of Lamesa; Sons, Bobby Glen Burrus of Miles, TX and Tommy Lee Burrus of Bronco, TX; six grandchildren, Janna Love, Dough Love, Sally Doherty, Dean Burrus Gera Brunner and Clint Burrus; twelve great-grandchildren, Sally Doherty, Will Doherty, Meredith Doherty, Grandon Burrus, Grace Burrus, Doc Brunner, Dee Brunner, Sunny Brunner, George Love, Samuel Love, Charlie Burrus and Evie Burrus; sisters, Jessie Lou McReynolds of Sweetwater, Minnie Ruth MacCloud of New Orleans, LA, LaNelle Cogdell of San Angelo, Yvone Lister of Blum, TX, Annette LeCompte of Hitchcock, TX; brother, J.B. Monroe of Blackwell, TX.

Willie was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Dee George; two brothers, one sister, and one grandchild, John Willy Burrus.

Visitation was held 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Friday, March

Obituaries

1, 2013 at Combest Family Funeral Homes, Tahoka, TX and 10:00 a.m. until service time Saturday, March 2, 2013 at Gail Community Center. Graveside Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, March 2, 2013 at Gail Cemetery.

Please join us in celebrating Willie life by visiting www.combestfamilyfuneralhomes.com.

Karl Don Massingill
1958 - 2013

Karl Don Massingill, age 54, of Eastland, Texas, died Wednesday, February 20, 2013 at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene, Texas after a lengthy illness.

Services for Mr. Massingill were held on Friday, February 22, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. at Bell-Cypert-Seals Funeral Home with Brother Benny Little and Brother Robert Burton officiating. Interment followed at Gail Cemetery under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

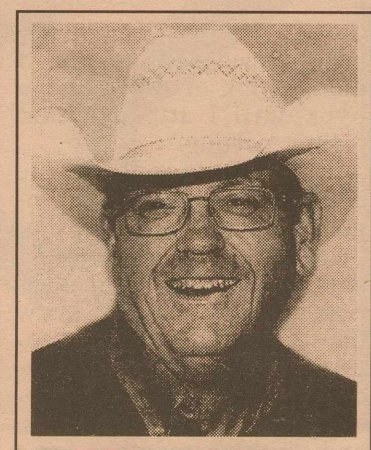
Mr. Massingill was born on July 15, 1958 in Loraine, Texas to Don Roscoe and Velma Ruth (Van Dyke) Massingill. He married Penny Lynn Stockton on May 3, 1992 in Brownfield, Texas.

He is survived by his wife, Penny of Eastland, Tx; a daughter, Shahala Massingill of Snyder, Tx; a son, Kevin Massingill of Eastland, Tx; a step-son, Jesse Bell of Fort Leonardwood, MO; his mother, Velma Massingill of Snyder, Tx; four sisters, Donna Kubena & husband, Randy of Hamlin, Tx; Barbara Massingill of Snyder, Tx; Jeanette Pritchard & husband, Don of Snyder, Tx and Anita Turnbo & husband, Don of Snyder, Tx; one brother, Roscoe Massingill & wife, Cindy of Fluvanna, Tx; and two grandsons, Cody Tatum of Snyder, Tx and Daniel Guerra of Snyder, Tx.

He was preceded in death by his father and one brother, Terry Dale Massingill.

Memorials can be made to: The American Cancer Society-Scurry Unit, c/o West Texas State Bank, Attn: Sheila

McCormick, PO Box 1396, Snyder, Texas, 79550-1396 or Hendrick Hospice Care, 1682 Hickory, Abilene, Texas, 79601.



D. M. Parks
1956 - 2013

Age 57, loving husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend, left us to be with the Lord at 7:53 a.m. on Thursday, January 24th of 2013, due to a sudden illness.

D.M. was a lifelong resident of Borden County. He served as a member of the Borden County School Board, the Livestock Association Board and was a volunteer for the Borden County EMS. He will be sorely missed.

Services were held on Monday, January 28, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. at the Word is Life Deliverance Church in Snyder, Texas.

The family requested that donations in his honor be made to Word Is Life Deliverance Church, Borden County EMS or Griffin Mortuary and Chapel in Lubbock, Texas.

Thank You

The family would like to thank everyone, for their kind thoughts prayers and loving deeds. Your help and friendship made this time so much easier for our family.

The D.M. Parks Family

THANK YOU FOR READING THE BORDEN STAR

How It All Began, the History of Borden Co. Schools

The School...

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being issued from heaven. I didn't think of Bert's flying over until I attended that night's meeting."

Since the people in the county had never worked together on anything many of them looked at one another with distrust. The board members realized this and knew they had to get their act together. They began by appreciating and respecting one another, listening to problems, and working together for a common goal. They put in long hours and sometimes had to meet as often as four times a week. This on top of their regular work on their ranches and farms proved to be quite

taxing on them physically and mentally. Besides the plans for the school, each member had to convince families in their district that it was necessary for them to send their children to school in Gail, whereas up to now these children had been attending other schools. It was decided to build small schools at Glen Creek {Miller}, Murphy and Plains in addition to the school at Gail. The Murphy and Glen Creek Schools had to close after a while due to the lack of children attending. The Plains school lasted a long time but finally closed and the building was converted to a community center. Now all children in

Borden County are brought to the centrally located modern school facility in Gail.

It was understandable how tough it was on children to change from their old schools and come to Gail, especially hard on high school students when friendships are so important. It was the most difficult to get the necessary four seniors required by state law, but these four did agree to come and we will always be grateful: Brent Murphy, Margaret Sexton, Bill Staggs, and James Worley.

Dedication of the new school was held at 3 p.m. on March 8, 1953. The write up in the Snyder paper read:

"Borden County, which covers 900 square miles of land and has a population of 1, 106 people, and its rural school district are being used as a model rural school system by both the Texas Education Agency and by national education organizations. There are 30 students enrolled in the sixth and seventh grades and

there are 124 pupils in the first six grades of the four schools in the system. The high school was built to accommodate more than 100 students but has only 35 at present. Three conventional school buses, two Jeep station wagons and two Chevrolet station wagons are used to transport students."




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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Cougar HS Relays @ Klondike	2 BC Baseball Tourney UIL Meet @ Plains
3	4 TAKS Exit Level ELA OAP Practice-6:30	5 JV Baseball vs. Tahoka-There 4:00	6	7 Sands Mustang JH Relays @ Ackerly HS Tennis @ Levelland OAP Festival @ Post	8 Sands Mustang HS Relays @ Ackerly School Dedication-10:00 PROGRESS REPORTS Early Release @ 12:30	9
10 Daylight Savings Time Begins	11	12	13	14 Baseball vs. Levelland JV-There, 12:00	15 Baseball vs. Ira-There 12:00	16 Piper HS Relays @ Hamlin
Spring Break !!!!						
17	18 JV Baseball vs. Crosbyton- Here, 4:00 OAP Community Performance-7:00	19 OAP Zone @ O'Donnell	20 Rolling Plains JH Relays @ Jayton	21	22 Rolling Plains HS Relays @ Jayton WTAMU Judging @ Canyon	23 JV Baseball vs. Ralls-There, 5:00 Judging Contest @ Clarendon
24	25 Baseball vs. O'Donnell-Here, 4:00	26 District OAP @ BC Early Release @ 12:30	27 HS District UIL @ Meadow	28 HS District UIL @ Meadow	29 JV Baseball vs. Tahoka-Here, 4:00 Double Mountain HS Relays @ Aspermont	30
31 	Double Mountain JH Relays @ Aspermont	Staff Meeting				