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2008 DCP Sign-up Underway; USDA Reminds Growers of Other Sign-up Deadlines

By Shawn Wade

On June 25, Agriculture Secretary Ed Schafer announced that sign-up for the 2008 Direct and Counter-cyclical Payment Program (DCP) would begin immediately and continue until September 30, 2008.

Producers can fill out their 2008 DCP contract at any USDA Service Center. Producers can also sign-up online. Through the online sign-up process producers can choose payment options, assign crop shares and sign and submit their contracts from any computer with Internet access. They can also view and print submitted contract options for their records as well.

One important note for both growers and landowners to remember is that when signing up for the 2008 DCP landowners is that a new Power of Attorney form granting authority to the producer to act on behalf of the landowner may be required in order to sign-up for the 2008 DCP program.

Producers and landowners (grantors) who previously executed FSA-211 or other Power of Attorney, authorizing an attorney-in-fact to act on their behalf for anything other than "all current and

future programs," will need to execute a new FSA-211 or other Power of Attorney.

Under rules established for the 2008 DCP program, USDA will compute DCP payments using base acres and payment yields established for each farm. Eligible producers will receive direct payments at rates established by the Food, Conservation and Energy Act of 2008.

Under the 2008 DCP, eligible producers may request to receive an advance payment of 22 percent of the direct payment for each commodity associated with the farm. USDA will issue advance direct payments as soon as practical after enrollment. Final direct payments will be issued after October 1, 2008.

Growers can also elect to receive advance Counter-cyclical program payments when their availability is announced for a commodity whose estimated effective price is below its target price (which takes into account the direct payment rate, market price and loan rate).

The online, electronic DCP (or eDCP) service saves producers time, reduces paperwork and speeds contract processing at USDA Farm Service Agency offices. It is available

to all producers who are eligible to participate in DCP and who obtain eAuthentication accounts. The electronic service is available by going to <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/edcp> and clicking on "Access eDCP Service."

To access the service, producers must have an active USDA eAuthentication Level 2 account. To get a Level 2 account, producers must complete an online registration form at <http://www.eauth.egov.usda.gov> and then visit the local USDA Service Center to verify their identity.

FSA's eAuthentication service has strict security measures to protect participants' private information. Only authorized federal employees have access to information producers submit electronically.

2008 Crop Certification and Quality Loss Sign-up Reminder

In addition to the start of the 2008 DCP sign-up process, which will end September 30, FSA officials are also reminding growers to remember to complete their 2008 crop acreage certification before August 15, 2008.

FSA officials are en-

Vacation Bible School



Youth helping with Vacation bible school recently were (back row left to right) Matthew Proulx, Brendan Tarleton, Hannah McConnell, Stefanie Cooley, Krista Tarleton, (front row left to right) Michael Cooley and Teryn Soto.

couraging growers to go ahead and get their 2008 crop certifications out of the way while they are completing their 2008 DCP sign-up.


Given the fact that additional time has been granted to complete the certification process, growers are encouraged to make appointments with their county offices to complete these and any other outstanding business they may have down at their county FSA office.

For cotton producers some of that unfinished business may well include taking a look at their 2005 and 2006 production records to see if they might qualify for Crop Disaster assistance based on reduced lint quality for cotton produced during one of those


growing seasons.

FSA began taking applications for Quality Losses under the 2005-2007 Crop Loss Assistance program June 23. No end date was announced for the Quality Loss program, but growers with records available should be able to work with their county FSA office to determine if they might be eligible for assistance based on reduced lint quality during one of those production years.





 Texas A&M System

Heart and Home ...


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

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Unsafe Food Preservation Methods

The following canners and canning methods that should **NOT** be used by consumers! Please take the time to keep you and your loved ones safe by using proper food preservation techniques. These have changed over the past decade, so it is important that you make sure you are using the most current methods.

Steam Canners The steam canner was designed as a means to process foods using steam without the aid of pressure. The manufacturer claims this process uses less water, saves time and energy, and recommends identical processing times as those required for boiling-water bath treatments.

Studies have concluded that:

1. Atmospheric steam canners result in significantly lower product temperatures at the beginning and end of the scheduled process when compared to water-bath canning.

2. Use of steam canners as instructed by the manufacturer would result in under processing and considerable economic spoilage.

Micro-Dome Food Preserver - Micro-Dome Food Preserver Recalled Washington, DC—The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) in cooperation with Micro-Dome of San Ramon, CA, has warned consumers of certain safety hazards associated with the use of the "Micro-Dome Food Preserver" manufactured by Micro-Dome and sold and distributed to consumers after August 1987. The CPSC has also urged consumers to destroy all food that has been preserved using a Micro-Dome Food Preserver...[MORE]

Solar Canning The heat generated from captured sunlight is not a reliable method to process acid foods and should never be used to can low-acid foods. Picture of solar canner

Oven Canning Oven-canning is extremely hazardous. The oven canning method involves placing jars in an oven and heating. In oven canning, product temperatures never exceed the boiling point because the jars are not covered. It is, therefore, not safe to use for low-acid products (e.g. meats, most vegetables) which require temperatures higher than 212 F.

Because this process fails to destroy the spores of Clostridium botulinum, it can cause the food to become toxic during storage. Also, canning jars are not designed for intense dry heat and may explode resulting in serious cuts or burns.

Open Kettle Canning The open-kettle method involves placing hot food in jars and sealing with no further heat treatment. This method is NOT recommended for home canning because the amount of heat applied may not be sufficient to destroy bacteria and the product may spoil quickly or cause illness when consumed.

Microwave Processing Microwave oven cannot be used for home canning. Microwaved food reaches 212 F but heating is not uniform. There is also a danger of explosion of the jars within the microwave oven or as food is being removed from the oven.

Dishwashing Processing Processing canned foods in a dishwasher cycle is dangerous. The temperature of the water during the cleaning and rinsing cycle is far below that required to kill harmful microorganisms. Thus the product will be underprocessed and unsafe to eat.

If you would like more information about CORRECT food preservation methods, please contact the Texas AgriLife Extension Service-Borden County at (806)756-4336.

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Enjoying the fun of Vacation bible school at the First Baptist church in Gail are (left to right) Mattie Benavidez, Arin Nix, Nick Proulx, Thomas Nix and Keigan Benavidez. Each night was filled with praise and worship, crafts, games and bible story skits. This years theme was "Jesus is our forever friend".

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We request that you please RSVP by Friday, July 11th so that we know how many to plan for. Please note that there will be a minimal fee of \$10 for the entire series to cover supplies, materials and refreshments for the classes.

To find out how *you* can do well and be well with diabetes, contact the Texas AgriLife Extension Service-Borden County office at (806)756-4336.

Sponsored by the
Garza/Borden
Do Well, Be Well Coalition

The first class series will be held:

Monday, July 14

Thursday, July 17

Monday, July 21

Thursday, July 24

Monday, July 28

from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at

Community Room

(white building behind courthouse)

FM 669 and East Wilbourn in Gail.

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Agriculture News
by Cody G. Hill
Borden County Extension Agent –
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District 6 Invitational Shoot

Three members of the Gail Trap club traveled to Midland for the District 6 Invitational Shoot on July 5, 2008.

There were 15 competitors in the Jr. Division. Blaise Freeman placed 2nd in Trap with a total of 40 out of 50 targets and also competed in 5-Stand. He also received the First Year Shooter Award. Way to go Blaise!!

Matthew Roberson competed against 29 other shooters in the Intermediate Division and won High Overall. Matthew placed 2nd in Trap, 4th in Skeet and 3rd in 5-stand.

Raylea Underwood competed in the Sr. 1 Division and won 2nd High Overall. Raylea placed 4th in Trap, 5th in Skeet and 6th in 5-stand. The Sr. 1 Division had 27 shooters.

Others attending this shoot were Gary and Connie Stipe, Quinten Freeman, Dean Roberson, Ray Don and Jana Underwood.

Good luck to the shooters attending the San Angelo Texas Shotgun Shootout this coming weekend.

Gail Trap Club



Borden County 4-H'ers and their parents have met on Tuesday nights throughout the summer to practice trap and skeet at the Gail Trap Club shooting range. They have competed in many shoots throughout the state of Texas and will be attending the State 4-H Shoot later this month.

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Borden County 4-H News

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4-H Community Service Opportunity

Meet at 4:00 on Thursday, July 10th at the Extension Office to plant flowers to be placed around local establishments. We will have a rotation schedule of 4-H'ers taking care of the plants.

Food and Nutrition and Clothing Project Tours

Thursday, July 17th in Lubbock
Please RSVP by Monday, July 14

District 4-H Officer Training

Friday, August 1 from 9:30 to 12:30 at Tech in Lubbock
All 4-H'ers welcome to attend, but officers are strongly encouraged to attend.

Please RSVP for t-shirts by Monday, July 14

For more information on any of the above opportunities, please contact the Extension Office at (806)756-4336 or e-mail us at borden-tx@tamu.edu.

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Attention Football Players

The 2008 football season will kick off August 4th, at 4:30 PM. We will practice from 5:00 to 9:00 PM

Athletic Physicals Scheduled for Coming Year

Borden County athletes are scheduled to take athletic physicals **Saturday, August 2nd at 10:00 AM** in Abilene Texas.

Students will depart from Gail at **8:00 AM**. You will need to have your physical form signed and filled out before we leave. The doctor will not sign it if your parent or guardian does not sign it. You will need to wear shorts and a T-shirt for the physical.

The physicals will be at the Action Sports and Physical Therapy clinic in Abilene. The telephone number there is (325)676-5633. The address there is 1717 Pine Street. Easy directions are, as you come in on Interstate 209 you will take the Hardin Simmons exit. Stay on Pine Street and it will be on your left, just a few blocks past the hospital.

If you would like to meet us there so you can stay and shop in Abilene that would be fine. You will need to bring some money to eat lunch. We will try to be back in Gail by **3:00 PM**.

If you plan to play a sport this year of any kind during the upcoming school year, you are required by our school district to take a physical. The school furnishes the physical at this

time. If you can not make this date then you will need to get a physical on your own and at your expense.

Also you will find in this letter an **Acknowledgment of Rules form and a Steroid Form**, read them, have your parent read them, sign them both and bring all of the paperwork with you. The medical release, will allow us to seek emergency treatment for you if there is a need during the school year.

We are truly excited about the upcoming year and we look forward to seeing all of your smiling faces. If you have any questions, feel free to call me at home or on my cell. Trey Richey: (806)756-4417 home and (806)759-3335 cell. Take care and enjoy the remainder of your summer.

Thought for the Day

If everything is going your way, you are probably heading in the wrong direction.

Source: St. Louis Inspirational Christian Connection.

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American State Bank

American State Bank located at 3610 College Ave. in Snyder, is a member FDIC bank. A strong bank instills confidence in its community. Grow with your local bank. Our readers will find this bank a friendly bank, providing all of the facilities and services of a large city bank together with personal interest in every customer. So be prepared to take advantage of opportunity by depositing a reserve in this strong bank, when you are contemplating making an investment of any kind, it is a safe plan to consult the officers of this bank before you make that investment. A great deal of credit is due to the officers and directors of the **American State Bank**, who have done their best toward the developing of the farming, ranching and other interests of this area. The officers and directors of this bank are fine, public spirited men and women who believe in this area and feel that there are better days ahead for energetic persons who work with a plan backed by sound judgment and reasoning. We are pleased to recommend to our readers this outstanding bank. Phone 573-4041.

Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home

Time and service have honored the name of **Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home** located at 3101 College Ave. in Snyder, phone 573-5454. For years this reputable funeral home has served the people of this section of West Texas. They relieve you of all worry and responsibility and by sympathetic cooperation bring comfort in the hour of distress. Their service supplies the consoling through that the final tribute to your loved one has been beautiful and fitting. They have in their employee only those who have a natural fitness for this profession. When a funeral director must be called, may we suggest that you place this firm in charge. They will relieve you of all the many details that must be taken care of and at the same time see that everything is done according to your desires. In this Good Neighbor Review we, without hesitance, refer our readers to this reliable firm and suggest that you call them when in need of a funeral director.

Wilson Motors

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Your authorized Ford, Mercury & Lincoln dealer is **Wilson Motors**, located at 1101 Coliseum Drive in Snyder, phone 573-6351 or 1-800-545-5019. These automobiles and trucks have been in the past and still are recognized as one of the great motor values of this century. This is not only the opinion of their many satisfied customers but of the expert as well. For service, economy and reasonable prices the *Ford, Mercury & Lincoln* continue to reign supreme. Here you will find that the management and employees are courteous and accommodating and will be pleased to show you the advantage of owning one of these fine automobiles or trucks. **Wilson Motors** also have a maintenance shop for the servicing and repair of any and all cars or trucks. You will find that they carry a complete line of parts and are able to render complete service to their many patrons. Here you will find skillful and experienced workmen in charge who will do everything to guarantee satisfaction. We are pleased to compliment **Wilson Motors** on the efficiency of their service and products to the people of this section. Stop in anytime for a demonstration ride.

84 Truck & Trailer

Don & Laurie Chandler-Owners

Where does the smart truck driver take his rig for service in our area? **84 Truck and Trailer** has been repairing and maintaining trucks for years and the men who know quality keep coming back again and again! Located at 207 84 Bypass in Snyder, phone 325/573-1888, this outstanding service depot caters to the needs of the professional driver with lubrication, tune-ups, alignment, general welding, rear ends, transmissions and most any other repair needed. They are the acknowledged experts in the field! These skilled technicians know that downtime costs you money, and they make every effort to get you rolling again in a minimum of time. Don't let just anyone service your truck...See the experts and drive away with a perfectly repaired rig! We recommend them and suggest you become a regular customer. Many have.

Big Country Electric Cooperative
Owned by the members who use it's services

In this particular field of endeavor there is no organization more worthy of extended mention in this Review. Under the direction of men thoroughly conversant with every feature of electricity they furnish an abundant and dependable source of electric power to the people of this area. They have contributed much by furnishing low cost power and light to local and rural area for such purpose as residential, mill and shop operation, irrigation, refrigeration, pipeline pumping, water well pumping, ginning and many other types of uses. They are continually striving to find new and cheaper methods of helping you in your everyday needs. Because of their progress, they have become a most important industrial asset to this community of West Texas. We in this Good Neighbor Review wish to congratulate this firm located at 2100 College Ave. in Snyder, with the main office in Roby on the Snyder Hwy., on their efforts so serve the electrical needs of this area at a low cost, making this a better and more prosperous place in which to live. Phone 573-3161 in Snyder or 776-2244 in Roby for information or service.

Casa Olivarez Restaurant
Fine Mexican Food

This Mexican food restaurant is located at 1510 College Ave. in Snyder and is one of the finest and most popular in this section. They have gained a name that has spread over a large area as a place where both the local and traveling public can well satisfy their demands in good Mexican food. The menu consists of many tempting Mexican dishes served with courtesy and a pleasant smile. It is indeed refreshing to find such an up-to-date restaurant as this. It is unsurpassed by any eating place in the way of fast service and good food. When the manager went into business it was with the idea that a modern Mexican restaurant would be appreciated, and by reason of their over increasing patronage, this has proven to be true. Everyone will find this a pleasant place to visit while in Snyder, whether working or shopping for the day.

Circle M Welding & Serice, Inc.

Circle M Welding & Service located at 7393 W. Hwy. 180 in Snyder, phone 325/573-8005. This firm specializes in a complete welding service. their slogan is "Welding Anywhere Anytime". This company is one of this sections best equipped welding shops receiving work from all of the surrounding area and serving both industrial and agricultural interests in a most up-to-date manner. **Circle M Welding & Service** has been especially instrumental in helping to keep the wheels of industry moving. Many of the businessmen, farmers and ranches of this area offer the highest praise for the work done in their shop to receive their attention and service, for they are equipped with modern portable equipment and much of their work is handled right on your location. All work, whether large or small will always receive the same interest and courteous consideration. They also have a complete roustabout and backhoe service.

Cogdell Memorial Hospital

The residents of Scurry County recently voted in favor of a Hospital District for Cogdell Memorial Hospital. Located at 1700 Cogdell Blvd. Cogdell Memorial Hospital in Snyder, will continue to operate as a full service facility offering services in: **Emergency Room services** 7 days a week, 24-hours a day; **Air flights** are available when critical needs must be met at a larger facility; **Laboratory services** 7 days a week, 24-hours a day; **Obstetrical Services** using state of the art ultrasound and continuous fetal monitoring during labor; **Radiology services** available for Mammography's, Ultrasounds, MRI's and Nuclear Medicine; **Ambulatory services** for same day out-patient surgeries for Cataracts Endoscopies, Colonoscopies, Laparoscopic, Orthopedics and more; a new **Sleep Lab** is available to help patients who experience sleep problems-call 877-940-2727 for more information; an **Assisted Living Center** for individuals who need companionship and extra help; **Home Health Care** for those homebound with skilled needs; our **Cogdell Family Clinic** physicians located at 5009 College Ave. will continue to provide excellent primary health care. Phone 325/573-1300; **Rehab & Fitness Center** at 5301 Trinity Blvd., offers Occupational, Physical and Speech Therapy. It also has a fully furnished gym with cardiovascular and weight equipment. Phone 325/574-7259 for appointments and/or information; Specialists can be seen for treatment in the area of: Ophthalmology, Gynecology, Cardiology, Urology, Podiatry and Orthopedics at our **Specialty Clinic** located at 5206 Trinity Blvd. Phone 325/207-2133 for more information. Providing you health care for life...it's Cogdell Memorial Hospital. 325/573-6374.

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Friendly Flower Shop **Rodney & Theresa Dupree-Owners**

This firm located at 3203 College Ave. in Snyder is the place to go when you need flowers for any occasion. Phone 325/573-3851. Specializing in bouquets and arrangements for all occasions, potted plants, corsages and funeral designs, this modern floral establishment will help you select just the right flowers to make a fitting impression. For years flowers have been symbolic of the more delicate phase of human nature. Recent developments in the floral world make it fitting and proper for a man to send the particular message of his heart to his loved one with suitable flowers. When in need of flowers, don't fail to consult this prominent florist in Snyder for all types of flowers. Time and service have honored the name **Friendly Flower Shop**. This firm has been the leading flower shop in Snyder for 70 years and is now operated by the 3rd generation. This Good Neighbors Review suggests you contact them first whenever you plan to buy flowers or have them sent by wire. It is always proper for an occasion to "Say It With Flowers"

Dennis Quick Auto & Tire Service

This auto repair service is located at 811 25th St. in Snyder has been serving the people of this area for over 40 years in quality service and fair prices. Having equipped their garage with the latest tools and equipment enables this establishment to accurately and economically service your motor vehicle. Their repair service on all makes of cars or trucks will assure you of quality workmanship and at a reasonable price. Before you take your vehicles anywhere be sure to drive in and visit with Bubba Dennis or his team of service professionals and get their estimate on that repair or overhaul work. The mechanics here know their business and with their modern equipment can put your car or truck in first class condition and at a low cost. You will also find that they are the dealer for Goodyear, Hankook, Bridgestone, Michelin, B.F. Goodrich and Kelly tires along with a complete tire service department. For all your tire service needs, on the farm or on the road be sure to phone 573-2624 as they have three (3) tire repair service trucks on call 24-hours a day, 7-days a week. If you want to work done correctly and at a fair price, take all your automotive repair problems to **Dennis Quick Auto & Tire Service** and receive complete satisfaction in professional and courteous service.

E.D. Walton Construction Co.

This well-known firm is located on the old Lubbock Hwy, phone 573-0146. In this particular field of endeavor there is no company more worthy of extended mention in this review than this well known institution. Under the direction of men and women thoroughly conversant with every feature of this industry, it has become a very important asset to this area. By reason of the fact that the management has had wide experience in every area of this business and because of their comprehensive knowledge of every branch of the trade, this firm has continued to witness an increase in the number of their patrons. We in this Good Neighbors Review issue highly recommend **E.D. Walton Construction** as being an asset to this community. For over 50 years, they have added to the progress and prosperity of this entire section. The management and assistants are men and women of practical experience in this type of business.

Coventry Plumbing

Superior to this vast majority of plumbing shops, and surpassed by none, either in general excellence of work or superiority of materials used. **Coventry Plumbing** located in Snyder at 1311 College Ave. phone 573-3085, has continued their successful career for many years because the management and assistants are among the most efficient plumbing, craftsmen in this part of the state. If you are figuring on any work, let them help make up your plans. You will find that your consultation there will save you money. **Coventry Plumbing** has gained an excellent reputation for giving prompt and courteous attention to every job. So for all your plumbing installation and repair be sure to call on this firm and we are sure that you will be glad that you did. In this review, we are glad to compliment them and to refer them to all your readers when desiring work or information in this line.

Eddie's Heat & Air Conditioning **Formerly Snyder Heating & Air Conditioning**

Eddies Heat & Air Conditioning is located at 3202 25th Street in Snyder. They install air conditioning and heating units and are licensed, bonded and insured, phone 573-1753. Superior to the vast majority of air conditioning and superiority of materials used. This popular firm has continued its successful career for many years because the management and assistants are among the most efficient air conditioning and heating craftsmen in this part of the state. If you are planning on any work in their line let them help make up your plans. You will find that consulting them will save you money. **Eddie's Heat & Air** has gained an excellent reputation for giving prompt and courteous attention to every job. In this review we are glad to compliment them and to refer them to all our many readers when desiring work or information in this line.

G & G Glass

Glen Clarady & Gus Tovar-Owners

G & G Glass Company is located at 1300 25th Street in Snyder. This enables them to better serve the people of this area in all their glass needs. They feature a full line of glass for storefront construction, window, desktops, coffee tables and mirrors and have a complete installation service. Regardless of what item you have that needs glass, all you have to do is take the measurements and give them to **G & G Glass Company** and they will cut the glass to your exact specifications, or they will be glad to come by and take the measurements for you. If you have a desk that does not have a glass top, it is subject to scratches and stains. If you want to preserve it and have it keep that new look, have a glass top cut for it. A desk is only one of the many items that can be improved in this manner. So, look around your home or office and see what items could be enhanced by the addition of glass. Then on your next trip to Snyder, drop by and permit **G & G Glass Company** to give you a free estimate. Remember, for all your glass needs, from broken window, to furniture tops or new construction **G & G Glass Company** is the place to see. They invite you to come in and get acquainted. Phone 573-0149.

Hargrove Crop Insurance

For all you farmers throughout our area, you will find that **Hargrove Crop Insurance** located at 2701 College Ave. in Snyder is the firm to see for all your crop insurance needs. This firm is your representative for all types of crop insurance and is ready to serve you for all your needs. For many years they have served many farmers throughout this section of West Texas and are looking forward to serving this area for many more with a quality crop insurance service. There are so many things over which we have no control, weather wise, that you owe yourself and your family to insure against these things which can and do happen. When thinking of crop insurance, think of **Hargrove Crop Insurance**. Go over your needs with them and they will be able to assist you in selecting the right crop insurance to protect you adequately. Drop by the office or phone 573-8975 for an appointment. Once they have made a study of your needs, they will advise you on how you can meet that need at a minimum cost. In this Good Neighbor Review, no firm can receive a higher recommendation than **Hargrove Crop Insurance**.

The Bar-B-Que Barn

Lisa Rodriguez-Owner

For a meal that is tasty and delicious and a place that is clean and orderly arranged, go to **The Bar-B-Que Barn** located at 711 Ave. X, at the corner of Hwy. 84 and Huffman in Snyder. Here you will find courteous service that you will appreciate. They feature dinners of choice Bar-B-Que meats (sliced or chopped beef, smoked ham, turkey breast, German sausage and mouthwatering rib) served with two vegetables of your choice (pinto beans, potato salad, coleslaw, corn-on-the-cob or fried okra). Or if bar-b-que is not what you want, you will find some of the best chicken fried steak, steak fingers, hamburger steak or chicken strips, all served with salad, French fries, cream gravy and Texas toast. Also a shrimp plate served with French fries, coleslaw and hushpuppies. Or if you don't want a full meal they have bar-b-que sandwiches, hamburgers, cheeseburgers, bacon burgers, ham & cheese, grilled cheese or a three decker club. Every Thursday and Friday, they have all you can eat pork ribs or catfish. For take-out orders phone 325/573-1630. We in this Good Neighbor Review of Snyder give our highest recommendations to "**The Bar-B-Que Barn**". Try them once and we are sure you will want to return many times in the future for good eats!

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Spanish Inn

Authentic Mexican Food

For Mexican food, the people of this area visit the **Spanish Inn** located at 2212 College Ave. in Snyder, phone 325/573-2355 for reservations. Through the efforts of the management to serve only true Mexican dishes with real flavor of the country, as well as interesting Mexican décor, this restaurant has become a nice eating place. They employ chefs that know how to prepare authentic Mexican dishes that are sure to please you. Contrary to the belief that Mexican food is very hot, they serve all their dishes with the hot sauce and peppers on the side so that you can enjoy it the way you want it. For a place to eat authentic Mexican food in the same atmosphere that you are sure to enjoy and with friendly service, visit this fine Mexican restaurant. We're sure you'll want to return many times. When the management went into business it was with the idea that modern Mexican restaurant would be appreciated and by reason of their ever increasing patronage, this has proven to be true!

Snyder Lumber Company

Snyder Lumber Company is conveniently located in Snyder at 2109 25th Street, phone 573-3579. Here they feature building materials of every description and the highest quality at the lowest possible prices. This popular lumber concern carries a complete line of grade "A" building materials and through their fair dealings of doing business and the high quality and fair prices constantly offered they have won an enviable reputation throughout this section. The people of this territory, including contractors, building and farmers have come to know that they can depend upon **Snyder Lumber Company** for everything in building materials. It may be said that this firm is a valued asset to this community. One of the essential features of any house, store or any other structure is that it will stand the wear of the years. The same is true of the reputation of any business firm and that is why **Snyder Lumber Company** enjoys an ever increasing volume of business and popularity.

Snyder National Bank

This prominent bank is located at 1715 25th Street in Snyder and is a member FDIC, phone 325/573-2681. **Snyder National Bank** is an institution of financial strength and safety and may well be termed "The Friendly Bank". It was founded by men of character and integrity who were very prominent in business and commercial activities and have progressed as this district itself has grown and progressed. Under the management of efficient and capable men they invite accounts of businessmen, women, farmers, labors or all people who desire profitable connection with a modern banking institution. At this bank you will find strength, seasoned judgment, dependability, accuracy in handling details and breadth of vision—all to be applied to the management of your personal or commercial affairs. In making this review we wish to make the statement that at the **Snyder National Bank** you may at all times save with safety.

TRI-W Laundry & Dry Cleaners

Jay Wesson-Owner

Tri-W Laundry & Dry Cleaners is located in Snyder at 1900 Snyder Shopping center. Phone 573-2821, for any information. Here the finest of dry cleaning and laundry service is available. They use the best and latest processes and as a consequence, when your garments are returned, they are not only clean but fresh smelling and well pressed, which extends the life of your garments considerably. Here they specialize in all kinds of dry cleaning and laundry, both for men and ladies. The most delicate of materials are handled in a very careful manner at **TRI-W Laundry and Dry Cleaners**. Many people have learned that through a good dry cleaning and laundry service that many dollars can be saved on the cost of new clothing. Customers have found that the most sensitive fabrics are carefully handled and successfully cleaned when using the services of **TRI-W Laundry and Dry Cleaners**. They appreciate all their valued customers throughout Borden County and will continue with their quality service in the future. Jay Wesson invites you to visit them the next time you are in need of expert cleaning and finishing.

J.C. Roofing Co.

Jessie Carrisalez-Owner

Providing all types of roofs and repairing at 2211 College in Snyder. This firm features roofs that will last. Roofs are very important in the preservation of the beauty and durability of your home. Don't delay having that old roof repaired. This firm in Snyder can repair or re-roof your home at prices to suit your pocketbook. If your home needs a new roof, consult a firm that is reliable and **J.C. Roofing Co.** is just that firm. Many people do not know just what type of roof they should have on their house to add to its beauty. This firm will explain the various roofing materials and colors from which you may choose. These workmen have had years of experience and they give personal attention to every job. If you are in need of services of this kind, phone 573-6407 in Snyder. They will gladly give you free estimates and you will find their prices to be reasonable. We, in this review, wish to recommend this prominent firm for all you roofing needs.

King Carpet Cleaning & Floor Coverings

King Carpet Cleaning & Floor Coverings located at 3707 College Ave. offers you the best in floor coverings, carrying a large selection in brand names, such as Mohawk, Galaxy, Horizon, Aladden, Shaw, Philadelphia, Coronet, Cabin Crafts and Laura Ashley carpets; along with ceramic and vinyl tile, linoleum and hardwood flooring featuring such brands as Domco, Armstrong and Congoleum, all for residential and commercial as well as air duct cleaning and a remodeling and painting service. So, if you are needing any type of floor covering for your home or place of business call this reliable firm for free estimate and a friendly representative will be glad to consult with you, show you samples of different materials and colors and give you any advise that you may need on your floor coverings needs, either at your home or place of business, or you are welcome to come in and talk it over with them. They can also furnish you with expert installation by master installers that are guaranteed to please you. They also have a carpet cleaning service and carpet damage restoration from fire and water. They can remove water stains, pet odor, spot removal and do carpet repairs. They serve you with a 24-hour emergency service. Insurance claims are accepted. So far all your flooring needs call on this fully insured firm for guaranteed workmanship and free estimated. Phone 325/573-3032 or fax 573-9016.

John's Machine & Radiator Shop

This firm is located at 1604 College Ave. in Snyder. Phone 573-9710. They maintain a machine shop that is unsurpassed in service, workmanship and supplies and wish to extend to the people of this district appreciation for their patronage. They are the headquarters in this section for machine and radiator work. They employ machinists of outstanding accuracy and ability. This shop is noted for prompt and efficient service and in having work ready when promised. Their charges are reasonable for all work. If any article is beyond repair they will promptly tell you so. They also can be depended on to give you first class radiator service, having the equipment for cleaning, repairing and recoring any size radiator. For honest and dependable workmanship bring your machine and radiator work to **John's Machine & Radiator Shop** in Snyder. They welcome small jobs as well as those which may require several days work. Contact them for an estimate without obligation for any job you have.

West Texas Animal Clinic

Charles Church-DVM

Formost among the professional men is this popular veterinarian, located o the 84 Bypass. Phone 325/573-8586. In every community there are individuals who, because of specialized services are an indispensable factor in the community. Formost among these, especially in a rural community, is a good veterinarian, who saves thousands of dollars for the farmers or rancher. He has proven capable and is ready to serve those who call upon him. He has fitted himself with years of study and experience, and you may call upon him at any time and be assured of quality and dependable veterinary service. He will do everything that can be done for the pet or any other animal. So, in this review of reliable business and professional people of Snyder, we wish to compliment **West Texas Animal Clinic** and suggest that if you are in need of service of this kind that you get in touch with him. In this our Business and Professional Review of Snyder this veterinarian has our highest regards. You can tell he has to confidence of the rancher and farmer, in fact, all people in this are by the amount of business **West Texas Animal Clinic** is doing.

Business & Professional Good Neighbor Review Of Snyder

Texas Savings Bank

Texas Savings Bank is located at 4500 College Ave. in Snyder. This institution is one of the corner stones of the financial structure of Snyder. If you have money that you wish to save or invest you should investigate the advantages this saving bank can offer you. Along with their many other services such as checking accounts, IRA's, CD Investments, their Automated Clearing House Transactions (for direct depositing into your account of social security, pension, oil royalty or any other payments) and their ATM service, it is well known is this territory for their reliability and many have found their desired method of serving through them. They offer a way for reliable parties to secure loans in a business like manner without being imposed upon in any way. You will be more than pleased with this efficient and modern establishment through this widely known institution many people of Scurry and Borden County have progress of this section. If you plan to build, purchase or repair in the near future, be sure to see **Texas Savings Bank**. Phone 573-9305. They are a member of FDIC, whereby your deposits are insured. They are also an Equal Housing Lender.

Southern Electric True Value

Southern Electric True Value is conveniently located at 900 College Avenue, in Snyder, phone 573-4903. Here they feature building materials of every description of the highest quality at the lowest possible prices, including everything to go with it, hardware, tools, plumbing supplies, paint, kitchen cabinets, doors, windows, light fixtures, and a complete line of electrical supplies, as well as commercial cleaning supplies. The people of this section of West Texas including contractors, builders and farmers have come to know that they can depend upon **Southern Electric True Value** for everything in building materials. It may be said that this firm is a valued asset to this community. One of the essential features of any house, store or any other structure is that it will stand the wear of the years. The same is true of the reputation of any business firm and that is why **Southern Electric True Value** enjoys an ever-increasing volume of business and popularity. We in the Good Neighbor Review suggest you see them for all your building materials, hardware, cleaning and paper products and electrical supply needs.

McDonald Welding Supply, Inc.

McDonald Welding Supply is located at 1110 College Ave. in Snyder. They are distributors for all the well-known name brands of welding equipment along with a large line of hardware items and steel products for farm and ranch use. **McDonald Welding Supply** has a complete line of supplies for both light and heavy welders. Following is a partial list of supplies they offer you; complete line of industrial gases, gas welding torches, hoses, gauges, complete electric welding equipment, electrodes of any type, as well as all those other necessary supplies such as gloves, goggles, helmets, wire brushes, etc. If you are in the welding business, it is to your advantage to get acquainted with the reliable firm in Snyder. Here you will find a large line of hardware items for the farm, ranch and general public. Also they carry a complete assortment of steel for all purpose. Drop in at 1110 College Ave. and they will be happy to discuss your welding hardware and steel needs with you, or phone 573-5329. Also, remember that for all your hardware needs or for all farm and ranch steel products, **McDonald Welding Supply** is the place to go.

Mark's Paint Shop

Employees at this firm are specialists in body and fender work as well as auto painting. The place to have that car repaired is at **Mark's Paint Shop** in Snyder. They are located at 2103 25th Street, phone 573-4290 for any information. The owner of this firm fully understands body and fender repair. Because of their excellent workmanship and service it will be well worth your while to have this reliable firm take care for all your bodywork. Also, their automobile painting surpasses anything done in this area. They have the know-how that puts their work in a class all by itself. Be sure to see **Mark's Paint Shop** in Snyder and get free estimates for any work I auto body repair or auto painting. Mark has made it a point to furnish the people of this area with only quality work at the most economical prices. You will find that they have many satisfied customers throughout this area who will highly recommend their work to you.

Larry's Trucks & Stuff

This firm is one of the leaders of its kind in this district and they have built their reputation upon the service, satisfaction and good will extended to their many customers. They have a complete line of accessories for all types of cars, pickups, vans and sport utility vehicles, such as, bed liners, bed mats, goose-neck hitches, trailer wiring, bug shields, bed rails, running boards, cab steps, headache racks, tool boxes, grill guards, along with auto detailing and car washing and they are your dealer for spray-on Rhino Lining. Having been in this line for a number of years, the management provides the demands of his customers with quality service and merchandise at reasonable prices. The people of this area prefer trading with **Larry's Truck & Stuff** because they know they will be treated fairly, It has often been said "That business goes where it is invited and stays where it is well treated". Through constant vigilance and execution of this policy they have attained success and popularity among the people of this district. In this review of the reliable concerns in our trade territory we recommend **Larry's Trucks & Stuff** now at their new location just north of Big Country Autoland ant the intersection of Hwys. 208 & 180 in Snyder. Their satisfactory service to the public, quality merchandise and fair prices purvey the ultimate reason for their success. Phone 573-3188.

Tindol Insurance Agency

A proud past with a solid future

The reputation of **Tindol Insurance Agency**, representative for Germania, Progressive, Dairyland, and other insurance companies, has been built upon it's excellent service, the satisfaction a d good will toothier many satisfied policy holders. One of the leaders of it's kind in the area, this firm is under the management of a capable staff; who know that insurance business and the needs of their customers and furnish a quality insurance service at fair prices. If you will come by the office, Robbi Tindol will be glad to go over your coverage with you and advise you on nay new or additional insurance you may require. Or you may phone 573-8649 and they will be glad to visit with you at your home or place of business about your insurance needs and furnish them to you at the most economical price. At the present time they are serving a great number of people throughout this area of West Texas in their insurance requirements, whether for auto, life or property. In this review of the business and professional concerns of Snyder, we highly recommend. **Tindol Insurance Agency**, located at 1907 25th Street in Snyder. Phone 573-8649 for any information or for an appointment.

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Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit
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Waiting For A Train

I sat for an hour just outside the train station in Texarkana listening to train sounds. It was a quiet, still night and the sounds were clear and solid and carried well in the dark. I heard squeaks, groans, crashes, explosions as well as high frequency beeps, whistles and sustained whines as the train cars rumbled slowly over the tracks, getting ready to make their journeys across the country.

I was there waiting for my wife Susan, who had boarded Amtrak's Texas Eagle in Dallas that afternoon. The train was late, so rather than go back to the motel and wait, I decided to wait by the tracks. It was a pleasant hour. I had been interviewing all that hot day in Longview and Marshall and was ready to relax.

Texarkana's Union Station is

on Stateline Avenue, meaning the Arkansas-Texas border bisects the center of the railroad complex. When the Texas Eagle stops in Texarkana, the west end of the train is in Texas and the east end is in Arkansas.

The last time I was in Texarkana, I went there by train. I was in a group of travel writers who went round trip Dallas to Texarkana on a familiarization tour. We spent a couple of days learning about things the city has to offer, which is quite a lot. It is an extremely cultural city. Ross Perot is from there and has made some meaningful contributions to his hometown.

Train travel, to me, is the most civilized way to get from one place to another. I'm glad Amtrak is providing rail travel as an option to

cars, buses or airlines. Train ridership is up substantially since the price of gasoline has gone sky-high.

My wife was traveling with our five-year-old grandson Caleb, who is, at an early age, already a train nut. He has four or five sets of trains and all the things that go with them. When he comes to see us, we always take him to the train yard so he can see (or at least hear) trains. We've been real lucky. Most of the times we go there, we see a train either pull in to a stop or pass by within five minutes after our arrival. Only once have we not seen a moving train. Susan and Caleb had a compartment on the train and lived it up. They had dinner in the dining car. Caleb thought this was the very best thing that had ever happened to him. He kept telling Susan, "Amtrak is the best." While on board, they played with the closet, the curtains, the table and all the rest of the amenities in the compartment. They also put a Sponge Bob Square Pants puzzle together about a dozen times.

They met some interesting dinner guests and exchanged contact information with intentions of getting together with them again. When Caleb got sleepy after dinner, he climbed into his bed, which the porter had made ready. I was afraid he might not be awake when the train pulled

into the station, but he was fully alert and the first one off the train. He ran into my arms, giddy with his experience on the train. He did have fun. We'll have another Amtrak trip. Next time, I'll get to go, too.

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APPRAISAL REVIEW BOARD FOR THE BORDEN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT, TEXAS

Notice of Public Meeting of the Appraisal Review Board:

Notice is hereby given that a public meeting of the Appraisal Review Board of the Borden County Appraisal District will convene at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, July 11, 2008, at the meeting room in the county courthouse.

The board will hear and determine taxpayer and taxing unit appeals on all matters permitted by Texas Property Tax Code.

The Appraisal Review Board will be in session on other days, notice for which will be duly posted, until all timely filed appeals are heard and resolved.

This notice is given pursuant to the Open Meeting Act, Chapter 551, Government Code.

Jill Freeman, Chief Appraiser
Borden County Appraisal District
P O Box 298
Gail, TX. 79738
(806)756-4484

BORDEN COUNTY ISD BID REQUEST

The Superintendent's Office, on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Borden County Independent School District will receive bids and/or quotes for propane, diesel, and gasoline for the 2008-2009 school year.

Proposals shall be addressed to Jimmy Thomas; Borden County Independent School District; Box 95; Gail, Texas 79738, and shall be delivered in a sealed envelope marked appropriately as "Propane Bid" and/or "Gasoline/Diesel Bid". Proposals may also be submitted by fax and/or by e-mail to the numbers or address listed below. Proposals will be received up to but no later than 12:00 noon on Thursday, July 17, 2008. Bids will be opened and read as they are received. Proposals will be tabulated, researched, and selected by the Board of Trustees or its designee as appropriate. Bids received after the specified date will not be considered.

The Borden County ISD Board of Trustees or its designee reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposed bids, to waive any and all technicalities, and to accept the proposal that will best serve the needs of the District.

Questions regarding bid specifications and additional information shall be directed to Jimmy Thomas by writing the above address; by e-mail to jthomas@bcisd.net; or by calling 806/756-4313. Transmissions by fax may be sent to 806/756-4310.

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

Thursday,
July 17, 2008
Lubbock, TX

District 2 4-H Food & Clothing Tours

Food Tour

Food Bank Grub Farm 10:00—12:00
 Directions: From I-27 exit on 82nd. From East access road go to 77th Street and turn East. Take the first left, then turn right onto 76th Street. It will be at the end of 76th Street.
 Required: Closed-toe shoes, clothes you don't mind getting dirty.
 You will be performing gardening activities such as weeding, harvesting and other garden chores.

LUNCH FROM 12:00—1:30 ON YOUR OWN

Clothing Tour
 TOURS WILL BEGIN AT 1:30, 2:15 & 3:00 P.M.

| TOUR DESTINATIONS: | Tour Order: |
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| 1. USDA Classing Office 4316 Ironton (Behind Sam's) | Lubbock, Cochran, Bailey, Lamb & Yoakum: USDA Classing Office, Dillard's Cosmetics Counter, Rightway Medical Supply |
| 2. Dillard's Cosmetics Counter South Plains Mall | Hale, Castro, Crosby/Lynn, Farmer & Scurry: Dillard's Cosmetics Counter, Rightway Medical Supply, USDA Classing Office |
| 3. Foot Tech/Rightway Medical Supply 3411 82nd @ Indiana | Hockley, Swisher, Borden, Garza & Gaines: Rightway Medical Supply, USDA Classing Office, Dillard's Cosmetics Counter |

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