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## Dare to Live Without Limits

By Bryan Golden

### *Life is Messy*

Life is what happens while you are making other plans. I have devoted a lot of space in this column to planning and goal setting. Reality offers an endless barrage of diversions, detours, challenges, and obstacles. This fact doesn't negate the benefit of preparation. It simply requires an understanding of the type of forces at work.

A sailor would be remiss if he didn't understand how to handle storms, currents, tides, sandbars, fog, and darkness. Although the sailor has a clear destination in mind, the sea has its own characteristics that can't be avoided or overcome. Should a mariner deny its existence his time afloat is certainly limited.

Just as the seasoned mariner recognizes and comprehends the behavior of the ocean, you need to accept the existence of life's surprises. Once you do this, you will enhance your ability to successfully navigate the sea of life.

What should you do when your day becomes messy? How do you weather storms and avoid being derailed by obstacles. How do you respond when your plans fall apart? What strategy is appro-

priate when you feel things are going from bad to worse?

A messy day is no more unusual than waves on the water. Just go with the flow. Don't panic or despair. Problems will be resolved and pass. With time they will seem insignificant if they are remembered at all. Accept messy days as normal and a fact of nature. You can't stop or prevent them but you can ride them out.

Imagine walking down a bowling lane while people were bowling. You had no choice, you needed to get from one end to the other. What would you do? If you were to panic and stand still you would surely get hit by a bowling ball. To avoid injury you would need to keep moving while constantly changing direction to avoid oncoming balls. Yet you would always have the other end of the lane in sight.

Employing this strategy you would make it to the end of the lane unscathed. You begin each day at one end of the lane. The far end represents the end of the day. Some days there are no balls being thrown at you. Other days they are non-stop. You life is no more than many days lined up in a row. If you get through each one,

you get through life.

There are those days when everything feels like it's going down hill fast. One problem is followed by another. You barely have time to catch your breath. So be it. It happens. The challenge is to maintain your attitude in the face of this barrage. This isn't easy. But if you don't do it you risk becoming overwhelmed.

Separate the issues. Deal with each one independently. Choose a course of action for each, take it, and then move onto the next one. Don't analyze things to death. Make a decision. If you don't, someone or something will make it for you and it may not be one you are happy with.

All the problems together are like a big box filled with bricks. Trying to move the box while it's full is extremely difficult, if not impossible. Take one brick at a time and you can move any size box regardless of what it weighs when it's loaded to capacity.

These are just a few suggestions. Find the one that works for you and stick with it. You have to get through each day anyway, so you may as well be

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## Capital Farm Credit Announces \$50 Million Patronage Distribution to Customers

Snyder, Texas—The Capital Farm Credit Board of Directors recently approved a \$50 million cash distribution by retiring a portion of previously-allocated equities to be paid this fall.

This amount represents more than three times, or \$35 million, more than the 2010 retirement. Capital Farm Credit, a customer-owned cooperative, continues to demonstrate its financial strength and stability and longstanding tradition of sharing earnings with its customers.

Combined with cash patronage paid earlier this year, Capital Farm Credit has returned record cash distributions, totaling \$82 million in 2011. To date, we have returned more than \$400 million to our customers in capital through its patronage program and stock reductions, reinforcing our commitment to our customers' financial success.

"Our Board of Directors is committed to the cooperative principle of managing our capital for the benefit of our customers," said Ben

Novosad, chief executive officer. "This additional payment, when our customers are facing the worst drought in our history, reinforces our commitment to be the leading value provider for agriculture credit in the state of Texas."

Capital Farm Credit, part of the nationwide Farm Credit System, is the state's largest rural lender making loans to farmers, ranchers and other rural property owners for 95 years. It is headquartered in Bryan and has offices located throughout the state of Texas. For more information about Capital Farm Credit, its patronage and its office locations, visit [www.CapitalFarmCredit.com](http://www.CapitalFarmCredit.com) or call Tommy Henderson, Capital Farm Credit, at 325/573-3222.

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## Cross Country News

### Cross Country Tackles Lubbock Invitational

The Varsity Girls and Boys teams traveled to Lubbock September 24th to compete against some of the top cross country runners in Texas. There were 162 1A runners in the girls division as well as 20 teams. Taylor Gass finished 9<sup>th</sup> with a time of 13:17.2, 25<sup>th</sup> Tye Basquez 13:45.6, 54<sup>th</sup> Clair Shafer 14:28.8, 62<sup>nd</sup> Kayln Massingill 14:44.4, and 116<sup>th</sup> Shea Burkett 15:55.5. Hanna Forbes suffered a mild sprained ankle after stepping on a rock, but I am happy to report she is ok and is looking forward to the next race. The girls finished 9<sup>th</sup> overall in the team rankings. I was extremely proud of their effort and their commitment to improve their times from the previous race at Mae Simmons.

### Oil Patch Invitational

This weekend we didn't have everyone due to the open date, but we did have some runners due very well. The Junior High Girls had 7 girls running in this event. The top finisher was Tatum Richey 127<sup>th</sup> with a time of 17:39.21, Cheyenne Tucker 152<sup>nd</sup> 18:32.02, Zoie Key 171<sup>st</sup> 19:16.20, Krysten Rebeles 179<sup>th</sup> 19:26.74, Savannah Herridge 198<sup>th</sup> 20:38.49, Madison Benavidez 237<sup>th</sup> 25:12.77, and Hayley Gray 253<sup>rd</sup> 28:50.35. There was a ton of JH kids running in this division, and I am very proud of how we competed.

The Varsity Girls had 4 girls running, and the top finisher was Hanna Forbes 2<sup>nd</sup> 14:05.79, Kalyn Massingill 22<sup>nd</sup> 15:06.19, Mollie McMeans 95<sup>th</sup> 17:34.01, and Lexi Peterson 120<sup>th</sup> 21:55.02. I really think that next week will give us a great chance to see where we are getting ready for district on the 24<sup>th</sup> of October.

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On average the girl's team time dropped 2.23 minutes.

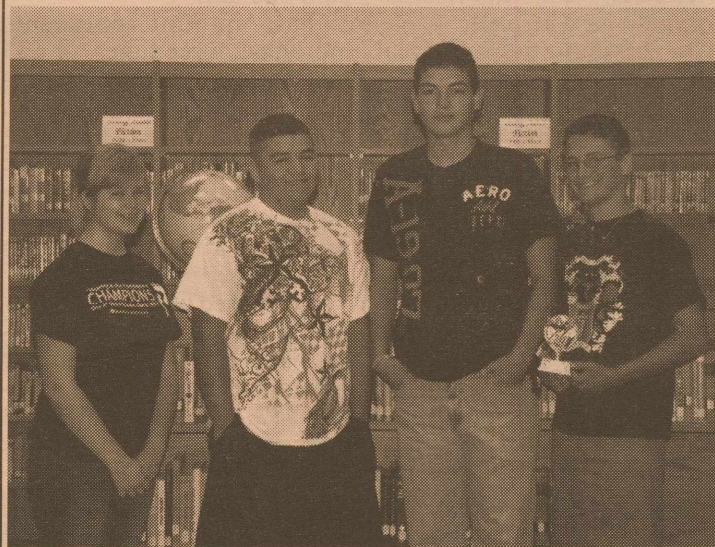
In the Boy's division there was 76 runners competing in the 1A division. The top runner of the day was Luke Burkett finishing 23<sup>rd</sup> with a time of 19:43.8, 40<sup>th</sup> Austin Fields 20:59.1, 42<sup>nd</sup> Collin Telchick 21:19.07, and 73<sup>rd</sup> Dalton Thuett 26:25.7. I don't think I can say enough how impressive it is for these young men to get up and go run on Saturday after playing football game the night before.

The next meet is in Sunday this coming Saturday, and we will have the JH competing as well, and on behalf of the kids thanks to everyone for coming out and supporting us this season.

On the boys side we had one lone warrior Dalton Thuett 55<sup>th</sup> 28:17.01.

This coming weekend we will be running in Lamesa JH Girls start at 9:00am, 9:30 for JH boys and JV boys and girls are starting at the same time 10:00 with the Varsity Girls heading out at 10:30 followed by the boys at 11:00.

### Muleshoe Speech Tournament



Three Borden County students recently attended the Muleshoe Speech tournament. Cassie Gaines competed in poetry, placing 2<sup>nd</sup> in one round and 6<sup>th</sup> in another. Tristen Benavidez also competed in poetry, placing 3<sup>rd</sup> in one round and 5<sup>th</sup> in another; Zach McMeans competed in Foreign Extemp, placing 4<sup>th</sup> overall. Michael Taylor attended the tournament to observe Cross-Ex Debate. Pictured (left to right) are Cassie Gaines, Tristen Benavidez, Michael Taylor and Zach McMeans.

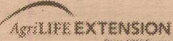


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### Dare to Live...

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an active participant. If you through your hands up in frustration, you throw away your rudder and make yourself vulnerable to drifting out of control.

Life is messy. Develop techniques to make the best of things and do what it takes to get the most from each day.

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## Making the Grade!

### 1<sup>st</sup> Six-Weeks Beta Achievement

**Senior:** Shaylie Boles, Austin Fields, Aubree Lester, Quinton Shafer and Collin Telchik; **Junior:** Shea Burkett, Jordan Day, Hanna Forbes, Tanner Richey, Matthew Roberson, Steelie Sanders and Riley Smith; **Sophomore:** Taylor Gass, Maeghan Herridge, Mollie McMeans, Matthew Proulx, Sydnie Rebeles and Kurt Shafer; **Freshman:** Tye Basquez, McKenna Campbell and Sean Tucker; **Eighth Grade:** Channing Miller, Samuel Raborn, Tatum Richey and Nathan Souder, Caelan Thuett, Cheyenne Tucker and Merik Valentine; **Seventh Grade:** Madison Benavidez and Kace Lott; **Sixth Grade:** Preslea Hall, Madison Matlock, Harley Merrill, Trace Richey, Ashlyn Tucker and Kaitlyn Wilson.

### 1<sup>st</sup> Six-Weeks Honor Roll

**Senior:** Luke Burkett, Stefanie Cooley, Chance Taylor and Austin Tyler; **Junior:** Jared Smith; **Sophomore:** Matthew Ham, Mallory McMeans and Zach McMeans; **Freshman:** Riley Herridge, Bessie Rhodes, Clair Shafer and Cayden Vaughn; **Eighth Grade:** Flint Roberts; **Seventh Grade:** Hayley Gray, Savannah Herridge, Hunter Jones, Sydnee Jordan and Avery Price; **Sixth Grade:** Nicholas Proulx;

**Fifth Grade:** Myka Blissard, Madison Cole, Katie Gray, Paige Holbrooks, Rayme Jones, Emma Key, J.W. Nix, Brooke Swaffar and Emily Todd; **Fourth Grade:** Maegen Bland, Fallon Forbes, Dymon Gomez, Kaitlyn Hamm, Anthony Lopez, Zeke Lott, Hailey Lowery, Makenzie Milhauser, O'Livia Reyes, Jason Robinson, Tatum Treadwell and Connor Wagner; **Third Grade:** Keigan Benavidez, Mason Cole, Sydnie Coor, Haddie Flanigan, Kaci Hudson, Klancey Kleck, Macy Matlock, Camree Miller, Erin Nix, Gunner Shofner, Gabriella Skelton, Kennedy Tucker, Justin Willborn, Miles

Wilson and Ashlyn Wulfjen; **Second Grade:** Haley Carpenter, Rae' Lynne Clement, Noemi Garcia, Brooklyn Gray, Tatum Harrison, Jaedyn Merrill, Shelby Milhauser, Lindy Miller, Gage Payne, Ryann Phillips, Charli Snell, Kelly Spencer, Ethan Stephens and Rachel Thomas.

### School Lunch Menu

Oct. 10 - 14, 2011

**Monday - No School**

**Tuesday - Breakfast:** Pancake Pup, Fruit Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Corndog, Western Beans, Carrots, Apple Slices, Pudding Cup and Milk.

**Wednesday - Breakfast:** Toast & Egg, Fruit Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Nachos Grande, Spanish Rice, Lettuce & Tomatoes, Orange Smiles, Cinnamon Sugar Cookie and Milk.

**Thursday - Breakfast:** Biscuit, Gravy & Sausage, Fruit Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Chili Potato, Carrot Dippers, Fruit Cup, Texas Toast and Milk.

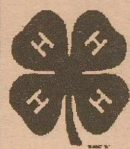
**Friday - Breakfast:** Cereal & Graham Cracker, Fruit Juice and Milk. **Lunch:** Pizza, Crunchy Broccoli, Corn Cobbette, Rosy Applesauce, Chocoleana Cake and Milk.

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## Borden County 4-H News



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### Borden County 4-H Honors

The 2010-114-H Achievement Picnic was held on Tuesday, September 27 in Bicentennial Park. Families and guests helped to celebrate the many projects offered through 4-H as well as the achievements of 4-H members in 2010-11. The meal consisted of hamburgers and hotdogs with the trimmings.

Various honors were given to 4-H youth, leaders and friends of the 4-H program. 4-H youth were recognized for their participation of project work in the swine, meat goat, beef, sheep, horse, leadership, shooting sports, food and nutrition, photography, citizenship and clothing and textiles project areas. Each 4-H member received an I love 4-H wristband as a participation award. Youth were also recognized for their achievement toward the Achievement Point System which was designed to recognize those youth that take the opportunity to participate in the many aspects that 4-H has to offer, from projects, club meetings, community service and fund raising activities, and District and State 4-H events, including contests and camps. There are four youth that achieved 60-69 points and they will receive a 4-H rechargeable flashlight. These youth are: Payton Merket, Rayme Jones, Riley Herridge and Robert Jordan. Four youth achieved 70 to 79 points and they will receive a 4-H backpack. These youth are: Dylan Murphy, Kaitlyn Ham, Madison Matlock and O'Livia Reyes. The two youth that achieved 80-89 points are Kable Kleck and Tatum Treadwell and they will be receiving certificate for a 4-H t-shirt. Savannah Herridge achieved 90-99 points and will be receiving a certificate for a 4-H sweatshirt. Ten 4-H'ers reached the 100 points required for a 4-H jacket

are Avery Price, Hayley Gray, JW Nix, Katie Gray, Kelby Kleck, Kenley Dean, Madison Cole, Sydnee Jordan, Tanner Harrison, and Thomas Nix.

These youth are being presented a certificate for a Borden County 4-H jacket. We are extremely proud of these youth for taking every opportunity to be involved in 4-H through a variety of activities and projects.

This year's Outstanding Leaders were also recognized for their dedication, hard work and assistance with various 4-H projects. This year, RayDon and Jana Underwood were honored as Outstanding Leaders. They will again be honored at the South Plains District 4-H Gold Star and Distinguished Leader Banquet in November.

We congratulate all 4-H youth, leaders and 4-H friends for their accomplishments and wish to thank everyone for their contributions to the Borden County 4-H program. We would also like to thank everyone for their attendance and say a special thanks to Glen Gray and Gerry Smith for cooking the hamburgers.

If you would like more information about how you and your family can become involved in 4-H, please contact Texas AgriLife Extension Service-Borden County office at (806)756-4336, visit our web site at <http://borden-tx.tamu.edu>, or join our Facebook page: Borden County Extension and 4-H.

### 4-H Food & Nutrition Project

4-H'ers interested in the Food and Nutrition project should make plans to attend the Food and Nutrition Workshop on Saturday, October 22 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Borden County Events Center. Please RSVP by Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup> so that we know

how many to plan for. There will be a cost of \$5 per participant to cover supplies and lunch.

This project is for all 4-H youth that are interested in learning about basic nutrition, eating healthy, basic food preparation skills, and much more. The County 4-H Food Show will be held on Tuesday, October 25 at 6:00 p.m. (Location TBD). The District 4-H Food Show will be held on Saturday, November 5 in Levelland. For more information about the Food Show, please contact the Extension office (entries will be due October 19<sup>th</sup>).

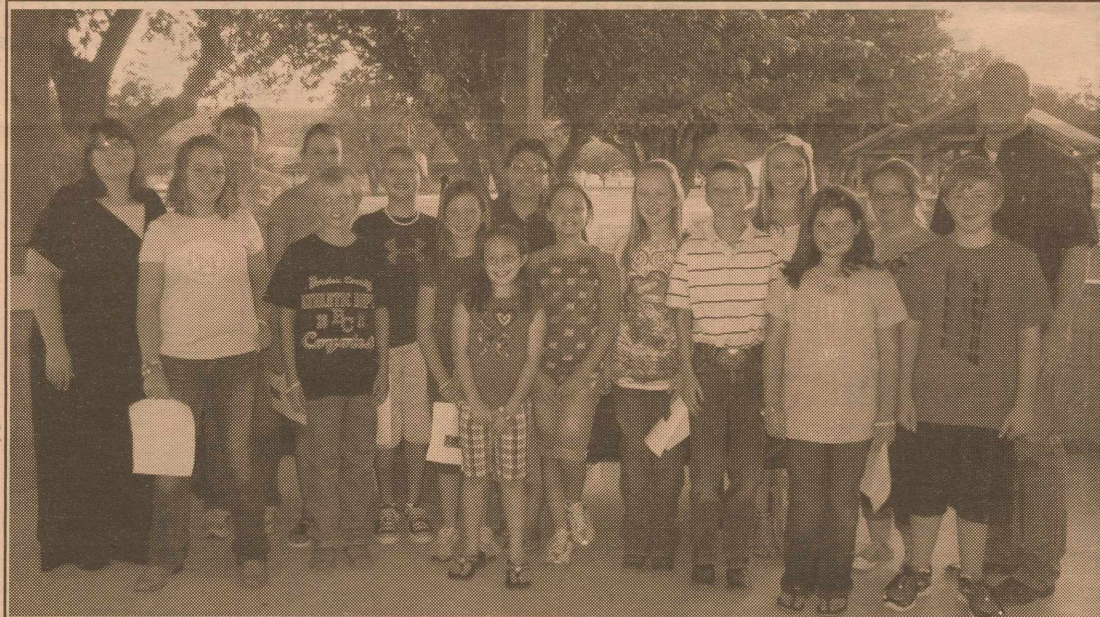
**Buy your chances to win a \$100 Wal-Mart Gift Card from any Borden County 4-H member!**



**\$1 per ticket**

**Raffle tickets will be on sale through October 29<sup>th</sup> (drawing to be held at the Fall Festival on 10/29 in the BC Events Center - you do NOT have to be present to win!).**

**Proceeds will benefit the Borden County 4-H club**



Borden County 4-H'ers attending the annual picnic are (left to right) Julie Smith-Borden County Extension Agent, Kenley Dean, Robert Jordan, Sydnee Jordan, J.W. Nix, Tanner Harrison, Katie Gray, Kaitlyn Hamm, Maddie Benavidez, Maddison Cole, Avery Price, Thomas Nix, Mattie Matlock, Kelby Kleck, Hayley Gray, Kable Kleck and Cody Hill-Extension Agent.

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## Legal Notice

### Voting Machine

The Constitutional Amendment Election will be held on November 8, 2011. Counties with a population of less than 2,000 are exempt from the requirement of the use of electronic voting systems in which a federal office is not on the

ballot (House Bill 556, passed 80<sup>th</sup> Legislature). A Voter with a disability may request an accessible electronic voting system (the Auto-Mark) by the 20<sup>th</sup> day before election day with Joyce Herridge, the early voting clerk.

### CALENDER FOR November 8, 2011 ELECTION

#### CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ELECTION

- September 9 First day to submit application for early voting by mail.
  - October 11 Last day to register to vote
  - October 24 Early voting by personal appearance begins. Early voting located in Clerks Office in Courthouse.
  - November 1 Last day to receive application by mail.
  - November 4 Last day to vote early by personal appearance.
  - November 8 **ELECTION DAY**
- Contact Joyce Herridge, County Clerk if you have a question.

## Fuzzy Ninny's

Opening Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>

At the Rock Station

11:00 - 2:00

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## Community Garage Sale

Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup>

9:00 a.m. till whenever

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## Thought for the Day

*If a man carries his cross beautifully and makes it radiant with glory of a meek and gentle spirit, the time will come when the things that now disturb will be the events for which he will most of all give gratitude to God.*

*-Unknown*



## Breast Cancer Awareness Symposium

Friday

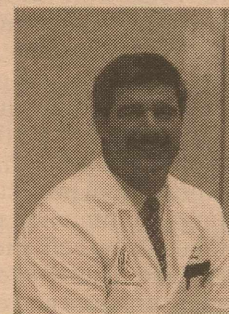
October 21, 2011

10:30am - 2pm

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