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## Two Questions Help Determine If Updated FSA Power of Attorney Forms Are Needed in 2009

By Shawn Wade

With the start of sign-up for the 2009 Direct and Counter-cyclical Program (DCP), some High Plains cotton producers are learning that they might have to obtain updated Power of Attorney forms before they can get the process started.

According to the Farm Service Agency, changes made by the 2008 Farm Bill may require some producers and landowners (grantors) who previously executed FSA-211 or other Power of Attorney (POA), authorizing an attorney-in-fact to act on their behalf to redo this important paperwork.

While not every producer or landowner will have to go through this process before they can complete their 2009 DCP sign-up, others will. The difference between needing to complete a new FSA-211 POA and having what you need already in place boils down to the answers you give to two simple questions.

**What does your current POA authorize?**

Question one involves how the grantor checked two key boxes on the POA form that is currently on file with FSA. Many producers and landowners were asked to complete new POA forms prior to signing up for the 2008 DCP. Some of these POA's were filed just a few months ago.

At that time FSA explained to growers and landowners updating their POA's why the POA they had on file needed to be updated and advised them to complete the new forms by checking the option granting authority to their attorney-in-fact for "**All current and all future programs**" and also checking the box granting that person authority to perform "**All Actions**" in stead of limiting their authority to only specific activities.

Growers who can answer question one with a "**Yes**" that both the "**All current and all future programs**" and the "**All Actions**" options were selected are clear to act on the grantors behalf for purposes of the 2009-2012 DCP pro-

## Up, Up and Away!



Borden County's Kindergarten through second grade classes release helium filled balloons with attached messages on the 100th Day of School. The balloons floated towards Colorado City.

grams as well as activity related to the Commodity Credit Corporation loan program.

Unfortunately, even though the old POA form will work fine for DCP purposes, the designated attorney-in-fact may not have the ability to act on the grantors behalf for Conservation Programs provided through the Natural Resources Conservation Service or certain other actions.

USDA recently revised the FSA-211 form, which previously authorized action under FSA and CCC programs, to add NRCS program authority and new certification actions required by the 2008 Farm Bill to the list of covered activities.

**Do you need NRCS authority?**

That brings us to the second question that a producer

or landowner (grantor) needs to answer: Does the attorney-in-fact currently need authority to deal with programs administered through the NRCS? If the answer to that question is "No" then a new FSA-211 POA form is not required at this time.

If the answer to that question is "Yes" then a new FSA-211 form needs to be filled out and put on file.

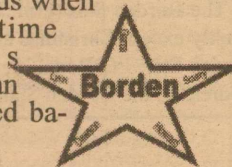
Don't forget that if, at a future date, the grantor of the POA needs to add authority for their designee to act on their behalf with the NRCS a new FSA-211 can be executed as necessary.

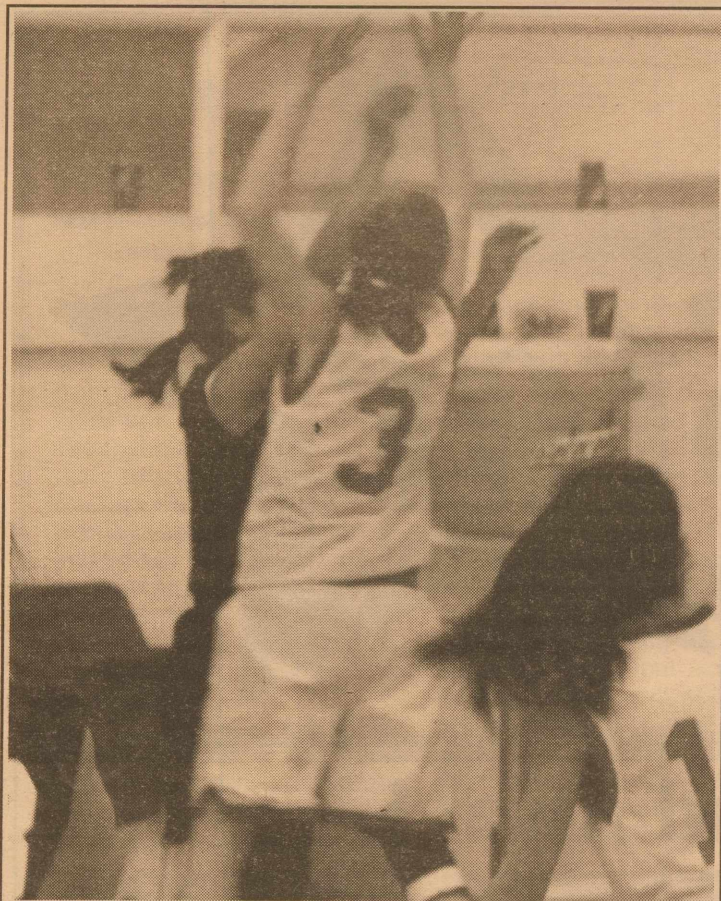
While it is clear that not every producer or landowner will need to redo their POA's, it is a good idea to double-check with the local Farm Service Agency office to verify whether or not the form currently on file allow

them to do everything they need them to do. Some offices may strongly suggest that a grower go ahead and get updated POA forms completed "just to be safe," when in fact they may not be absolutely necessary.

If the process of getting new POA's done is not too onerous a grower may choose to go this route. If however, the current forms handle everything that needs to be handled and getting new forms from far-flung landowners is difficult to accomplish in a timely manner, it may be best to deal with future needs when

the time comes and on an as-needed basis.





Missy Coyote, Lexi Peterson (#3), guards a Klondike opponent. The Coyotes fell to the Cougars with a score of 23-18.

## Missy Coyotes Fall to Klondike Cougars

By Coach McCook

The Missy Coyotes faced Klondike Monday for the third time this year. In their first two meetings the Missy Coyotes came out on top, but this time the Cougars came ready to play. After jumping out to a 7-2 first quarter lead, the Missy Coyotes were held scoreless in the second quarter and went into halftime down 11-7. They were never really able to recover and get anything going offensively in the second half. The Cougars extended their lead in the third quarter to 19-11. And though the Coyotes made a valiant effort to come-back in the fourth, they fell short 23-18. With this loss the

Missy Coyotes record fell to 5-6 on the year and 4-5 in district play. With a win against Sands in their final game of the season, they will finish third place in the district.

Kalyn Massingill scored 5 points. Sydnie Day added 4. Taylor Gass, Lexi Peterson, Teryn Soto, and Kayla Pepper scored 2 points each. And Molly McMeans had 1. Kylie Voss, Shea Burkett, Mallory McMeans, Sage Wheatley, Maeghan Herridge, Kaylyn Dean, Mindy Tyrrell, and Kassie Gaines also played hard and contributed to the team effort.

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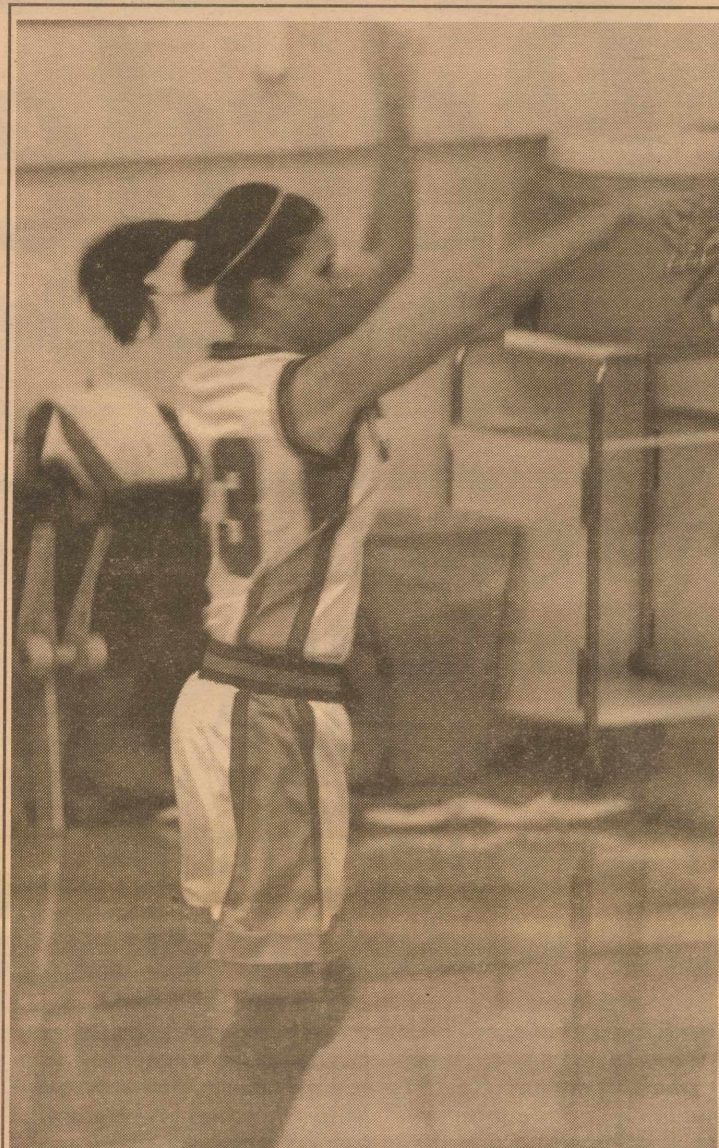
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# Lady Coyotes Defeat Loop For Another District Win

By Coach McCook

The Lady Coyotes traveled to Loop last Friday night in search of another district win which would put them one step closer to a playoff berth. As opposed to the last two games in which they started slowly and had to come from behind in the second half, this time the girls began the game playing well and continued to play well all four quarters. After leading at halftime 26-20, the girls extended their lead in the third quarter and early in the fourth until the game was well in hand. When the final buzzer sounded the Lady Coyotes won the game 62-45 and improved their record to 22-7 and 6-1 in district play.

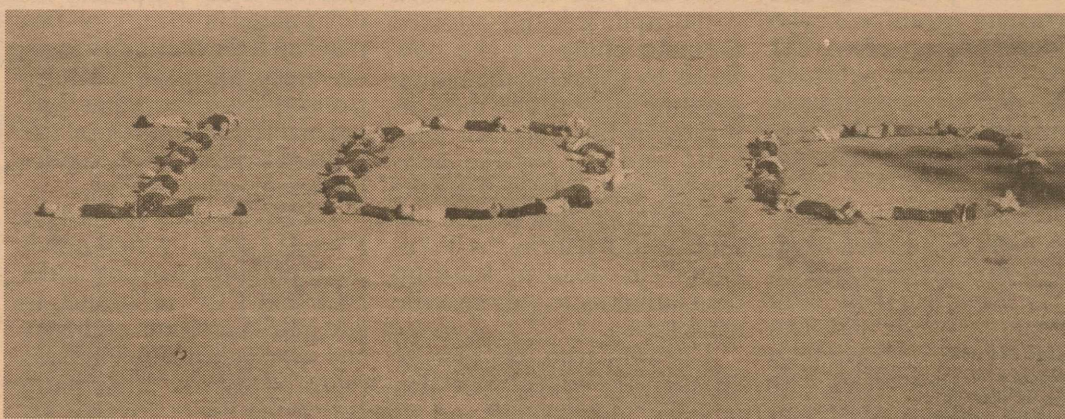
Taylor Richey led all scorers with 27 points, 7 rebounds, 2 assists, and 3 steals. Olivia Key had 10 points, 3 rebounds, and 2 assists. Bailey Anderson had 8 points, 2 rebounds, 2 assists, and 3 steals. Krystal Hobson had 6 points, 10 rebounds, and 2 steals. D'Nae Johnson had 4 points, 5 rebounds, and 3 assists. Krista Tarleton had 4 points and 2 rebounds. And Stefanie Cooley had 3 points and 3 assists.



Lady Coyote, Stefanie Cooley (#23) shoots for 3 points against the Dawson opponents. The Coyotes defeated the Dragons 62-45 and improved their district record to 6-1.

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## 100th Day of School



Borden County elementary students recently celebrated 100 days of school. At the end of the day the students were placed on the football field in the formation of the number 100.



Borden County elementary students kindergarten through 2nd grade celebrated the 100th day of school this past Friday. They brought a collection of 100 things of their choice and enjoyed a day of fun.

## Students Celebrate 100th Day of School

The long awaited day arrived, and Kindergarten, First & Second Grades were ready. They brought a collection of 100 things, and the expectation of having a great day. IT WAS THE 100<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SCHOOL!

The day began with something out of the ordinary – breakfast in the classroom!

While eating breakfast, the students showed off their 100 collections. There were quite a few different ones such as pennies, candy, rocks, noodles, and buttons.

There were winners in many categories.

Most Useful – Kenley Dean, Tanner Harrison, & Russell Wilks – Paper Clips  
Tiniest – Madison Cole – Popcorn Kernals

Heaviest – Alex Humphreys – Cars

Most Unusual – Michael Brady – Math Problems, Brinlie Webb – Sticky Frogs

Tastiest – Miles Wilson, Kaci Hudson, Susie Neufeld – Cereal, Dymon Gomez, Mason Cole – Pasta Shells, Emma Key – Walnuts, Christian Torres – Pecans

Sweetest – Camree Miller – Starburst, Kelby Kleck – Raisins, Maegan Bland – M&M's, Kodie Dowds – Smarties

Most Fun – Alex Humphreys – Cars, Gunner Shofner – 100 Piece Puzzle, Keigan Benavidez – Cards

Saltiest – Madison Petty – Peanuts, Klancey Kleck, Rayme Jones – Pretzels, J. W.

Nix – Sunflower Seeds, Brad Thomas – Goldfish

Most Colorful – Kaitlyn Hamm – Markers, Katie Gray – Pipe Cleaners, Brooke Swaffar – Buttons

Hardest – Anthony Lopez, Corbin Alexander – Rocks, Kennedy Tucker, Jaci Slover, Olivia Reyes – Pennies, Gage Magby – Bullets

Sharpest – Will Yarbro – Safety Pins

Darkest – Erin Nix – Coffee Beans

Fuzziest – Morghan Oaks – Cotton Seeds

Later that afternoon students participated at three dif-

ferent stations, where they made 100's link chains, 100 sticker's posters, and worked in their 100 day book. They listened to a story about a student's 100<sup>th</sup> day of school. The celebration continued outdoors where they released helium balloons with messages attached. The balloons quickly floated toward Colorado City. Afterward, the group headed to the football field where they were strategically placed to form the number 100.

It was a fun day for all. The One Hundredth Day of School was a success.

## Lady Coyotes Defeat Dawson Dragons

By Coach McCook

The Lady Coyotes came out sluggish in their opening game of the second round of district play.

Dawson, a team the Coyotes had previously beaten by 31 points, led at the end of the first quarter 16-12 and at halftime 33-28.

The girls began the second half with renewed energy and intensity, and outscored the Dragons in the third quarter 25-4. This outstanding effort game the Coyotes the comfortable lead they needed and they coasted to a 64-53 victory. The

win brought the team's record to 21-7 overall and 5-1 in district.

Krystal Hobson and Stefanie Cooley led the Coyote attack with 17 points apiece. Krystal also had 8 rebounds, and Stefanie had 4 rebounds and 3 steals. Taylor Richey had 14 points, 5 rebounds, 4 assists, and 6 steals. Olivia Key had 12 points and 2 assists. D'Nae Johnson had 1 point, 5 rebounds, and 5 assists. And Krista Tarleton had 1 rebound and 1 assist.

## Borden County Jr. High Beats Tough Grady Team

By Coach Baeza

The Borden Junior High boys hosted the Grady Wildcats on Jan. 19 and won a hard fought game 41-30.

The Coyote offense started slowly as they were only able to put six points up in the first quarter. Riley Smith, Matt Roberson and Steven Howard were the lone scorers for the Coyotes in the first but the Coyotes did play excellent defense and only allowed Grady four points.

Matt Roberson was the lone Coyote to score in the second quarter adding four points while the Wildcats went on a little offensive run before the half ended putting the Coyotes trailing by two.

The Coyotes knew that they would have to pick up the pace in the second half and they did as Tanner Richey and T.J. Basquez responded in the third by leading the Coyotes on a 14-4 run.

Excellent defense was played by Zach McMeans, Matthew Ham, and Matthew McClain in the third to allow the Coyotes to take a 24-16 third quarter lead. The offensive surge continued into the fourth as Kurt Shafer was able to convert three of four free throws while Riley Smith was able to add a jump shot also. Tanner Richey also added eight more in the fourth and Helio Rosales made his first points of the year just as time expired to give the Coyotes a 41-30 win.

Allowing the Coyotes to hold off the Wildcats was excellent defense played in the last two quarters of the game led by Austin Cope, Matthew Proulx, and Troy Copeland.

Also handling the pressure defense by the Wildcats was Jared Smith, Tristin Benavidez, Tyler Menard, and Luis Andraded which allowed the Coyotes to not turn the ball over in the critical parts of the game. Good Job Coyotes!

Scoring for the Coyotes: Tanner Richey 12, Matthew Roberson 10, T.J. Basquez 8, Riley Smith 4, Kurt Shafer 3, Steven Howard 2, and Helio Rosales 2.

### School Lunch Menu

Feb. 9 - 13, 2009

Monday - NO SCHOOL

Tuesday - Breakfast: Pop Tart, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken, Potatoes, Corn, Hot Roll, Fresh Fruit and Milk.

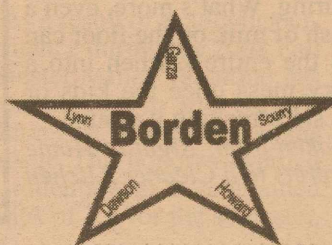
Wednesday - Breakfast: Ham, Egg & Biscuit, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Cheeseburger Mac, Green Beans, Carrots, Corn Bread, Mixed Fruit and Milk.

Thursday - Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Polish Sausage, Baked Potato w/Ham & Cheese, Steamed Broccoli, Crackers, Ice Cream and Milk.


Friday - Breakfast: Cinnamon Pastry, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken on a Bun, French Fries, Salad, Cup, Brownie and Milk.

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Heart and Home ... 

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## Secrets To A Cleaner Kitchen

These simple tips are your key to a cleaner, tidier kitchen. Everyone has one of those friends, neighbors or relatives whose kitchen is always spotless, no matter what. How do they do it? We can't answer that, but we can share the some secrets for keeping a kitchen shipshape.

1. *Accomplish a little each day.*

Schedule a small amount of tidying each night as you're cleaning up the dinner dishes. For instance, on Wednesdays you could clean the stove, and on Sundays you could check the fridge for leftovers that should be thrown out. This kind of daily routine helps keep your kitchen in good shape, without having to spend hours at a time.

2. *Use your dishwasher.*

These days, it seems like everything is dishwasher safe. So take advantage of it! Stove drip pans and burner covers, small refrigerator shelves, plastic drawer organizers and other plastic or metal items can probably go in the dishwasher—just make sure to load plastic items onto the top rack.

Some experts believe that dishwashers use less water than hand washing, so as an added benefit, you could potentially conserve resources and save on your water bill while saving time and energy. If possible, run the dishwasher only when it is fully loaded. To see if something is dishwasher safe, check your product manual, the manufacturer's Web site or a customer service number.

3. *Get a new perspective.*

As you're cleaning your kitchen, stand on a step stool or a chair and take a look around. From the higher perspective, you'll be able to see spots you might have missed or areas that need attention, such as the tops of cabinets. Conversely, if you sit or kneel on the floor, you'll probably see lower cabinet doors that need washing or crumbs that should be vacuumed up.

4. *Work top to bottom.*

When you're doing a deep cleaning of your kitchen, it makes sense to take it from the top: start by dusting cabinet tops; then wash cabinet doors (and wipe out cabinet interiors as needed); move on to wiping countertops, then under-counter cabinets and finally the floors. As dust and crumbs fall while you're working, they're not falling onto areas you've already cleaned—so you'll avoid having to clean an area twice!

5. *Get creative with your cleaning tools.*

When your sponges and cleaning brushes won't work for certain tasks, look around your house for an ad-hoc tool that can help. The tip of a chopstick or pencil wrapped in a piece of paper towel is just the right size to clean the crevices in an unplugged countertop grill or waffle maker, while a retired toothbrush with some All Purpose Cleaner can scrub away debris around handles and knobs and gunk from your sink drains. And a plastic knife can scrape baked-on spills from the stove or even chip away debris in the space between the stove and the countertop.

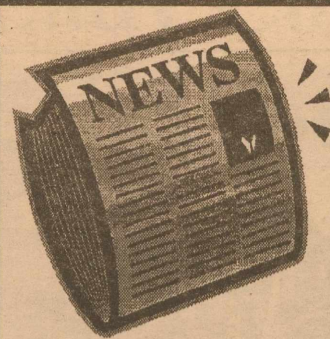
6. *Take it outside.*

If your kitchen is small, it can be hard to maneuver when you're cleaning it. Wash bulky items such as refrigerator shelves and oven racks in the bathtub or even outside, in a basin of water. You'll have more room, and you'll be less likely to splash water on the floor.

7. *Wipe up spills right away.*

Grab a paper towel or a Multi-Surface Wipes to wipe up spills and drips as soon as possible. It's much easier to get rid of them while they're fresh than after they dry and need scouring. What's more, even a splash of milk on the floor can turn the entire kitchen into a sticky mess once the kids or pets start tracking it around.

*Taken from: Right at Home 8 Secrets to a Cleaner Kitchen*



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### Thought for the Day



*Every time we pray, our horizon is altered, our attitude to things is altered, not sometimes but every time, and the amazing thing is that we don't pray more.*

-Oswald Chambers

Source: [ThisDaysThought.org](http://ThisDaysThought.org)

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 Borden County 4-H News 

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### 4-H Clothing Project

Youth interested in learning about fashion design, clothing selection, care, and basic construction techniques are invited to participate in the Clothing Project. We will be constructing 2 project this year. Please bring \$5 for supplies (all materials will be provided). We will be meeting Tuesday, February 3, Thursday, February 5, Tuesday, February 10, and Wednesday, February 11 from 3:45 to 5:30 p.m. in the Home Economics Lab.

### 4-H Photography Project

Youth interested in participating in the 4-H Photography project should plan to attend the project meeting on Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup> from 3:45 to 5:00 p.m. in the Community Room in Gail.

### County Educational

### Presentation Contest, Share-the-fun and Public Speaking Project



4-H'ers and parents interested in learning more about the Public Speaking Project should contact the Extension Office as soon as possible. Information is available to assist 4-H'ers and their parents in writing, presenting and preparing visuals for educational presentations (method demonstrations); as well as covering information about the public speaking contest and share-the-fun's. Share-the-fun categories include: drama, Celebrate 4-H, choreographed routines, poet, comedian, vocal and musical. This project provides youth an excellent opportunity to develop public speaking skills, even if they hate to talk in front of others. 4-H'ers will present their prepared presentations at County 4-H Roundup. Participants will advance to District 4-H Roundup, which will be held on May 2<sup>nd</sup> at Levelland Middle School in Levelland.

The deadline for entering a Public Speaking Contest is Wednesday, April 1.

If you have any questions, would like further information on any of the above projects, please contact the Extension office at (806)756-4336 or e-mail at [borden-tx@tamu.edu](mailto:borden-tx@tamu.edu).

### Cool Clover's Meeting

Cool Clovers 4-H Club Meeting - Tuesday, February 10 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Conference Room at school  
Junior High 4-H Club Meeting - Tuesday, February 10 from 12:30 to 1:00 p.m. in the Conference Room at school  
High School 4-H Club Meeting - Wednesday, February 11 from 12:35 to 1:05 p.m. in the Conference Room at school

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*Christina Soto*

## Borden Co. Graduate Named to Dean's List

As a result of academic performance during the 2008 Fall semester Christina Soto has been named to the Angelo State University's Dean's List. To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must be enrolled full-time and maintain at 3.25 grade point average on a 4.0 scale. She is currently a junior and majoring in Early Childhood. Christina is a 2007 graduate of Borden County and the daughter of Tommy and Charla Soto of Gail.



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## A Chocolate Affair to Remember

The Scurry County Museum's Fourth Annual Wine and Chocolate Pairing Event is scheduled for Saturday, February 14, 2009, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Following the event will be an added attraction: The Ritz Theatre will be presenting the movie "Chocolat," starring Johnny Depp at 9:00 p.m. the same evening and will be showing the movie again the following day (Sunday, February 15) at 2:00 p.m. Ticket price for both showings is \$7.

Additionally, we are excited to include a new venue for this wonderful event. The Big Apple Deli will be joining the Manhattan Coffee House and the Ritz Theatre. All three locations are located on the south side of our historic downtown Square. At these three locations, guests will be invited to pair an excellent variety of chocolates with wines that are


perfectly paired for each chocolate flavor. In addition to the pairing, information on the wines, as well as the chocolates, will be provided. We believe this event will be a lovely and memorable way to spend what is globally known as the most romantic holiday of the year.

The Scurry County Museum first began this event in 2006 with the Ritz Theatre hosting a fresh and exciting twist on wine ... pairing it with decadent chocolate. Since its inception, the chocolate and wine pairing has drawn return

participants, as well as new faces with each year's event!

The cost for this evening of fun, romance and chocolate and wine education is only \$20, payable in advance at several locations or at the door the evening of the event. The proceeds from both events will go to benefit the Scurry County Museum.

We hope you will join us for "A Chocolate Affair to Remember" and we hope this event truly is an experience you will remember and carry with you for many years to come ... at least until next year's event!



**SEEDS FROM THE SOWER**

Michael A. Guido  
Metter, Georgia

Flowers and hours soon fade away.

If you're average, you'll spend 157,000 hours getting an education. That leaves you 412,000 hours from age 18 to 65.

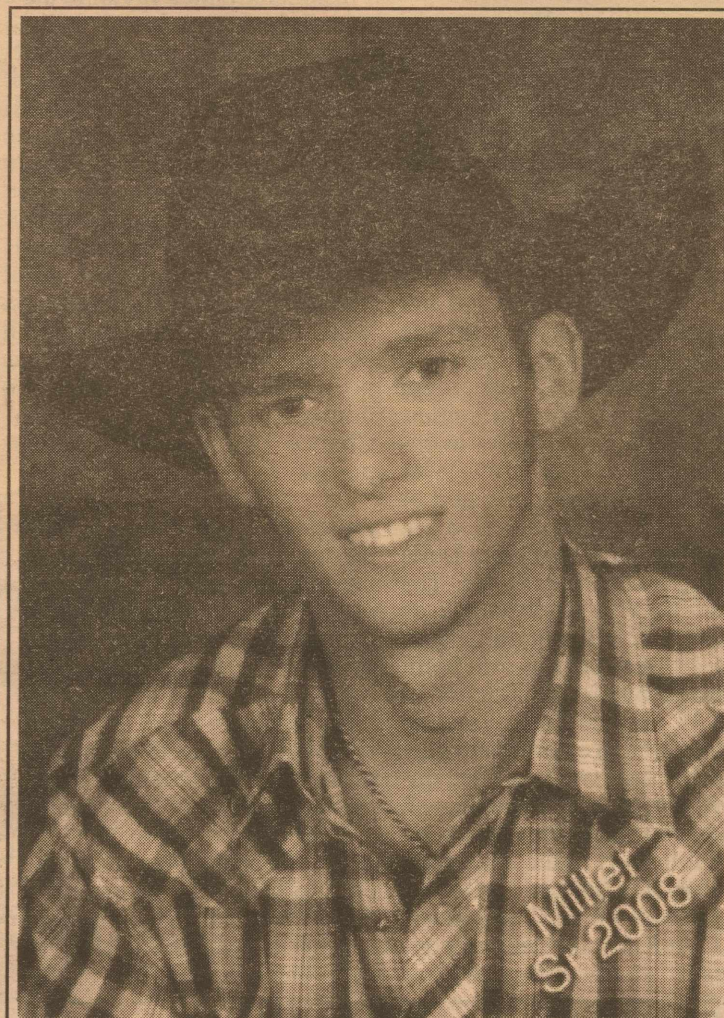
You'll spend eight hours of every day sleeping and eight hours eating and relaxing.

You're left eight hours a day to work in. If you live to be 65, you'll have only 134,000 hours in which to work.

No matter how rich you are, you can't buy more time. No matter how poor you are, you won't receive less time. You'll be given sixty minutes to an hour.

No wonder the Living Bible says, "Don't be fools; be wise: make the most of every opportunity for doing good."

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*Miller Valentine*

## Former BC Student Named to Dean's List

As a result of academic performance during the 2008 Fall semester Miller Valentine has been named to the Dean's Honor List at Western Texas College. This honor is awarded to students who have attained a GPA of 3.5 for the semester.

Miller is majoring in Agriculture and will receive his Associates Degree in May. He plans to attend Texas Tech University in the fall.

Miller is a 2008 graduate of Borden County and is the son of Mike and Tammy Valentine.

# Borden County Jr. Varsity Ball Season Underway

By Coach Baeza

The Borden County Junior Varsity of Sophomore, David Rodriguez, Junior Drew Tyler and Freshman's Collin Telchik, Austin Tyler, Luke Burkett and Austin Fields got underway just before the Christmas Holidays. The Coyotes traveled to Wink to take on the Wildcats. The Coyote JV got off to a slow start and could never recover as they came up on the short end of a 48 to 13 final score. Collin Telchik led the team with 8 points while Austin Tyler scored 4 points and Drew Tyler had the final point.

The JV boys did not play another game until the Forsan tournament. The Coyotes opened the tournament with the Sterling City Eagles. The Coyotes were now without the services of Drew Tyler so this team now consisted of David Rodriguez, Collin Telchik, Austin Tyler, Luke Burkett and Austin Fields. The coyote JV was down by as many as 20 points going into the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, but a 3 point barrage by Collin Telchik in the 4<sup>th</sup> enabled the coyotes to cut the lead to 6 points and they had the ball with another opportunity to trim the lead even more, but the tremendous effort fell short in the end as the coyote JV dropped to 0-2 on the season with a 37 to 26 loss.

Collin Telchik led the coyotes with 12 points, Austin

Tyler had 7 points, David Rodriguez added 6 points and Luke Burkett had 1 point.

The Coyote JV added another Freshman on next day as the coyotes took a break from the tourney to travel to Dawson to open up district play. The coyotes welcomed Freshman Chance Taylor to the team which now had 5 freshmen and one sophomore. These six young men all managed to score in their district opener which resulted in their first win of the young season. The coyotes used an aggressive pressing defense to outscore the hometown Dawson Dragons 45 to 22. David Rodriguez had 16 points in the victory, while Collin Telchik added 14 points. Austin Tyler scored 8 points, Luke Burkett added 3 points and Austin Fields and Chance Taylor each scored 2 points.

The Coyotes then traveled back to Forsan to take on the Wink Wildcats again in the tournament. This time the coyotes played much more competitive as they only trailed by 4 points at half, 12 to 8. But, the cold shooting the coyotes have experienced at times reared its ugly head again and in then end the coyotes found themselves on the short end of a 28 to 13 final score.

The coyotes next traveled to Grady to take on the Grady Wildcats in their second game of district play. The Coyotes continued their cold shoot-

ing which found themselves on the short end of a 41 to 11 final. Collin Telchik and Austin Tyler each had 4 points and Austin fields added 2 points, Chance Taylor added a free throw to finish the scoring.

The Coyotes next traveled to Ackerly to take on the Sands Mustangs. A rough 1<sup>st</sup> quarter set the tone for this game as the Mustangs used a run and gun style mixed with full court pressure to build an early 22 to 5 lead. In the end, the coyotes found themselves on the short end of a 59 to 23 score and dropped the JV'ers to 1 and 5 on the season. Austin Tyler led the coyotes with 9 points. Collin Telchik added 6 points, David Rodriguez scored 4 points and Chance Taylor and Luke Burkett each scored 2 points.

The Borden County JV played their first home game of the season as they hosted the Dawson Dragons. The Dragons, who were without their best player last time, which made for a different opponent this time around. The coyotes again found themselves in a shooting slump, but played some very good defense to come away with their 2<sup>nd</sup> win of the season. An 11 to 0 fourth quarter gave the coyotes a comfortable 25 to 10 victory. Chance Taylor had a season high 15 points to pace the coyotes, while Austin Tyler added 5 points, David Rodriguez scored 3 points and Austin Fields contributed 2 points.

The Coyotes welcomed Drew Tyler back to the mix as the coyotes traveled to Loop to take on the Loop Longhorns. The coyotes did not play extremely well, but managed to stay in the game to the bitter end, but in the end the coyotes could not hit the big shot to push them over the hump and as a result the coyotes fell to 2 and 5 on the season with the loss. The coyotes fell to the Longhorns 25 to 20. Austin Fields led the coyotes with 7 points, while David Rodriguez, Chance Taylor and Drew Tyler all added 3 points and Austin Tyler and Collin Telchik contributed 2 points.



Borden County Pup, Luis Andrade (#43) goes up for 2 points in last weeks game against the Klondike Cougars. The Pups pulled away with a 40-17 victory over the Cougars.

## Pups Cage Cougars

By Coach Baeza

The Borden Junior High hosted Klondike on Jan. 26 and dominated the Cougars 40-17.

The pressure defense by the Coyotes allowed the Coyotes to take an early 15-2 lead as Tanner Richey led all scores in the first with five points. Steven Howard, T.J. Basquez, and Matt Roberson all were able to contribute offensively in the first quarter also. Kurt Shafer, Matthew Ham, and Riley Smith all handled the ball for the Coyotes in the first quarter making good decisions with the ball and making many assist.

The Coyotes played excellent defense during the first half as they held the Cougars to only four points. Zack McMeans, Matthew McClain, and Austin Cope did an excellent job of holding the Cougars

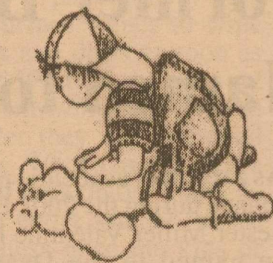
defensively.

In the third quarter the Coyotes came out kind of cold but Luis Andrade found his first basket of the year and Matthew Roberson added a free throw to make the score 29-10 going into the fourth. Matthew Proulx, Jared Smith and Tristen Benavidez did an excellent job during the fourth of handling the ball and made some key assist to allow other to score. Helio Rosales found the basket in the fourth as well as Tanner and T.J. to outscore the Cougars 11-7 and take the win 40-17. Good Job Coyotes!

Scoring for the Coyotes: Tanner Richey 14, T.J. Basquez 14, Helio Rosales 5, Matthew Roberson 3, Steven Howard 2, and Luis Andrade 2.

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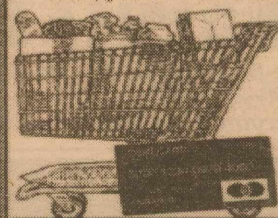
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## Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit  
Tumbleweed Smith

### Some TV Commercials Should Pay Viewers

I've seen so many commercials on TV that offer as many as four of an item for the price of one. The pitchman starts offering a product that he says usually sells for \$189, but he's offering it today for the low price of only ten dollars. And if you call within the next ten minutes he'll throw in three more. And in addition to that, he'll include a companion piece that has a price tag of \$69. I expect the next words out of his mouth to be "And for the first 25 customers calling in we'll include a new car."

The disclaimer at the bottom of the screen says the items are not available in stores. But if you go to your local big store, chances are you'll find that same item.

I have a friend who loves Elvis Presley. Every time a commercial comes on for a set of Elvis CDs he buys them. He has several duplicates.

The only time I ordered something on TV, the person I talked to asked me if I would like to save money on my travels. I said sure. Then the next month I got a \$20 charge on my credit card and it continued for a few months until I called the number next to the charge and asked what in the world I had been buying. The reply was for a subscription to a travel service that I had never heard from. I asked that the charge be dropped and that was it. I guess the charge would have continued forever if I hadn't called. I wish I had called sooner.

I have seen very few items pitched on TV (the type that urges you to call now or have your credit card ready) that I really need. If I'm at all inter-

ested I look for it in stores.

Billy May (the guy with the black beard) must really rake in the dough.

He yells his words at such an irritating level I want to run out of the room when he starts his spiel. I can't believe he's on so many commercials, selling everything from garden tools to insurance. He must have some agent.

Speaking of TV spots, what has happened to the Target commercials?

They were some of the most interesting, intriguing and unique productions on TV. They were absolutely works of art. Now they seem so ordinary. I saw a great Pepsi ad the other day. Maybe the folks who did the Target ads are now doing the ones for Pepsi.

There is an old vaudeville saying that an actor has a difficult time if he follows an act involving a child or an animal. I guess the same applies to TV. That puppy named Marley is hard to ignore when he's eating some dog food pellets spilled on a kitchen floor. By the same token, that little kid in a high chair that appears to be talking and sounding like an adult has sure made some sales. That series of spots started out with the kid throwing up at the end. Couldn't stand it. I think they've taken that one off the air. Those commercials with the dog and the child are fun to watch. Can you tell me what the product is they're selling?

Regardless of the appeal or unappeal of the talent, I think perhaps the product should be stronger than the person or animal delivering the information about it.

# Sen. Hegar Introduces Eminent Domain Bill

Texas Sen. Glenn Hegar introduced SB 622 on Feb. 2, which would ensure that Texans who have a portion of their property taken by eminent domain retain access to their remaining property and any adjoining portions of the state highway system.

Hegar (R-Katy) urged during his announcement of the bill that his colleagues in the 81st Legislature support "real" private property rights reform.

"Sen. Hegar's bill addresses compensation for diminished access and guarantees access for rural areas," said Regan Beck, associate state legislative director for the Texas Farm Bureau. "These are important issues in the eminent domain debate, and we hope they are included in any final reform bill."

Hegar's bill comes in the wake of a press conference by Gov. Rick Perry held the week prior, in which the governor proposed addressing private property rights in the form of a Texas Constitutional amend-

ment.

Gov. Perry further voiced support for identical bills filed by State Rep. Rob Orr (R-Burleson) and State Sen. Robert Duncan (R-Lubbock) that aim to strengthen private property rights in Texas. Neither bill, however, included any language addressing diminished access, which Farm Bureau maintains is a "must" for any true reform.

As currently written, Texas statutes are silent on the issue of diminished access, Sen. Hegar noted. He addressed this issue during the last legislative session through an amendment to HB 2006, a comprehensive private property rights bill that was passed by both the Texas House and Senate. Gov. Perry later vetoed the bill, citing Hegar's amendment as the reason for the veto. The governor claimed compensating Texans for diminished access would cost the state billions.

While voicing support for

any legislation that reformed the eminent domain laws in Texas, Sen. Hegar said more was still needed.

"I hope Gov. Perry really means what he says about protecting the private property rights of Texans and that he will join me in ensuring that such protection includes providing landowners with full access to their property or being fairly compensated for their loss," he said.

## Legal Notices

### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

Primexx Operating Corporation, 4849 Greenville Ave., Ste. 1600, Dallas, Texas 75206 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid in the Upper Spraberry Formation, Nan Martin "B" Lease, Well Number 2717. The proposed injection well is located 9 miles NNW of Gail, Texas in the Clayton Ranch, N. (Spraberry) Field, in Borden County, Texas. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 5600 to 5900 feet.

**LEGAL AUTHORITY:** Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Request for a public hearing from the persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Drawer 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 Telephone (512)463-6792.

## UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE "Mail Bag" Rediscover The Quiet Delight of Letters

In the '60s, a lot of people "turned on and tuned out." Today, we're so tuned in, we are "WiFi-ed" and "GPS'd" 24-7. Armed with cellphones, BlackBerrys, iPods, satellite radio and instant messaging, many of us have never been more "connected"...or so overwhelmed.

In the steadily growing chaos we call life—with its never-ending meteor shower of information, commentary and noise—more and more people are rediscovering the quiet delight of sending and receiving cards and letters.

Letters help make moments special. Joys are recorded, shared and savored. Problems fade, or at least gain perspective, when they are written down and shared with family or friends by mail. When you sit down to write a friend, you are never alone.

Taking the time to write a

letter says so much to the recipient. Pausing to think about your friend or loved one. To revisit your memories and experiences, and to put those thoughts and emotions on paper bring these feelings to life for you as well as the recipient. And when flowers have wilted, chocolates have turned to unwanted pounds, IMs and e-mails have been deleted, and phone conversations have been forgotten, letter of love and messages of comfort and consolation remain, to be read and appreciated over and over again.

Unplug. Turn off. Slow down for a moment or two. Take off the headset. Recognize that sound? It's called "silence". Kinda nice, huh?

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## -- Randy's Roundup --

A Weekly Newsletter from Congressman Randy Neugebauer

### February 2, 2009 No More Pork Barrel Spending

I understand that families across America are facing extraordinary challenges and hardships. People are anxious about their jobs, the cost of their mortgage and putting food on the table. Now more than ever, families and small businesses need their leaders in Washington to work together to create a plan that will help support long-term job creation and strengthen our economy.

Unfortunately last week, Speaker Pelosi and the Democrat Majority passed a "stimulus" package that will neither create jobs nor grow the

economy. In fact, the Democrat Stimulus is wasteful Washington spending at its absolute worst. Congress needs to be honest with the American taxpayers and inform them of some of the facts that were ignored when passing this legislation. This bill contains a wish list of pork barrel spending projects like cars for federal employees, digital TV coupons and money for the arts. I fail to see how \$335 million of American tax dollars allocated to treat and prevent sexually transmitted diseases will create jobs or stimulate the economy. In a time of large deficits and economic difficulties, this spending does not deliver any bang for the bucks.

I attempted to curb this outrageous spending by introducing an amendment that would reduce the cost of this bill by more than \$350 billion. Unfortunately, my amendment did not pass the House of Representatives.

Rather than simply vote in support of more spending, I voted for the Republican alternative which economists predict would create 6.2 million jobs over the next two years through responsible tax policy that encourages families and employers to save, invest and be more productive. I voted for an alternative that would empower the people of the 19th Congressional District rather than make them more dependent on the federal government.

I believe Congress must draw the line somewhere. We cannot keep using our credit card, expanding our national

debt and leveraging our children and grandchildren's future. I believe the people of the West Texas and the Big Country deserve a better plan from the federal government.

### Remembering Buddy Holly

Tomorrow marks the 50th anniversary of the plane crash that killed Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and J.P. "The Big Bopper" Richardson. Although their lives were cut tragically short, we honor their profound influences on rock and roll music. We particularly remember the singer-songwriter Buddy Holly, one of West Texas' finest.

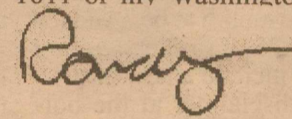
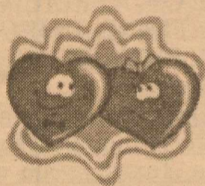
Charles Hardin Holley, known professionally as Buddy Holly, was born into a musical family in Lubbock, Texas. At an early age, Holly learned to play instruments like the guitar, piano and fiddle. While growing up in

Lubbock, Holly attended Hutchinson Junior High School and Lubbock High School where he expanded his interest in music.

Throughout his short life, Buddy Holly wrote and recorded prolifically. Unfortunately, many of his songs did not receive recognition until after his tragic and untimely death. On February 3, we remember the life and achievements of the late Buddy Holly, a true icon of rock and roll music.

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As always, when events unfold in Washington, I will be sure to update you. In the meantime, do not hesitate to visit my website or call my office toll free district wide at (888) 763-1611 or my Washington, DC

# February 2009



\* Denotes District HS Basketball Games  
January 25<sup>th</sup> - February 2<sup>nd</sup> - Fort Worth Stock Show  
February 9<sup>th</sup> - February 21<sup>st</sup> - San Antonio Livestock Show  
February 19<sup>th</sup> - February 28<sup>th</sup> - San Angelo Livestock Show

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 JH BB @ Sands 6:00	3 * BB vs. Grady Here 5:00 GbB	4 District CX Debate Meet @ Borden County	5	6 * BB @ Klondike 5:00 gGB	7 Idalou UIL Meet (no CX Debate)  ACT Test (must have pre-registered)
8	9 HOLIDAY	10 Cool Clovers Meeting in Conference Room 11:30-12  JH (6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> ) 4-H Meeting in Conference Room 12:30-1  * BB vs. Sands Here 4:00 gGB  SAT Registration Deadline for March 14 <sup>th</sup> Test	11 Local Spelling Bee 8:30 a.m. (Grades 3 <sup>rd</sup> - 8 <sup>th</sup> )  HS (9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> ) 4-H Meeting in Conference Room 12:35-1:05	12	13	14 Abilene: Wylie UIL Meet (all events)
15	16	17	18	19 TAKS Training	20 End of 4 <sup>th</sup> Six Weeks	21 Post UIL Meet (no CX Debate)
22	23 Beginning of 5 <sup>th</sup> Six Weeks  OAP Festival - WTC, Snyder @ 6:00 p.m.	24	25	26	27 Track @ Hamlin  ACT Registration Deadline for April 4 <sup>th</sup> Test	28 Odessa: Permian UIL Meet (No Speech & Debate)  FFA San Angelo Stock Show CDE  Baseball vs. Hermieigh @ Moffett Field, Snyder 4:00