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## Dare to Live Without Limits

By Bryan Golden

### *Your Thoughts*

Your thoughts affect what you do, how you act, the kind of person you are, how you feel, and what you attract. Your thoughts can either solve problems or create them. Regardless of what your thoughts are, they are within your control.

Even the most positive, proactive person can have negative thoughts. A normally upbeat, happy individual will have off days. Although you chose your thoughts, there are thoughts that seem to pop into your head on their own.

How do you select the most desirable thoughts? What do you do when you have unwanted ones? Start by concentrating on what you want rather than what you don't want. In every area of your life, there is something you want. Aspects of your personality, material desires, lifestyle goals, and how you want to feel are all impacted by how you think.

For each of your objectives, gear your thoughts to obtaining what you want versus avoiding that which you don't want. If having more money is a desired outcome, you want to think about earning enough for your needs rather than trying to avoid bankruptcy. Per-

haps you want to be more organized. Picture yourself as an organized person instead of thinking you have to stop being unorganized.

Thinking about what you want to accomplish is far more effective than thoughts of what you want to avoid. You already use this approach in many aspects of your life. When going to work each day you think about what you have to get done rather than attempting to just make it through the day without getting fired.

In your car, your purpose is reaching a specific destination rather than thinking about not driving off the road. When you sit down for a meal, you think about enjoying your food rather than not choking. Since your thoughts about daily routines are already outcome based, it's not that hard to apply the same approach to major goals.

When negative thoughts pop into your head, as will happen, is something amiss? Don't worry, there's nothing wrong. Negative thoughts are normal. There is no problem with you. Fighting these unwanted thoughts won't keep them away. You have to replace them with other, more desirable

thoughts.

Suppose you are on your way to a job interview. You really want the job and feel you will be a good fit for the position. While waiting to be called in for the interview, you start worrying about being unable to answer the questions well. You become nervous and try to force the unwanted thoughts out. A better approach is to change your thoughts to something positive. So focus on how well you will come across and how impressive you will sound.

Whenever you have a thought of "I can't," replace it with "I can." Negative thoughts are always trying to get into your head. They can only be counteracted with positive thoughts. You don't want to latch on to any negative thoughts or become consumed by fear.

Practice constantly to keep your thoughts focused your desired outcome. Even the most successful people regularly fight this battle. People who have no goals, or rarely accomplish anything, have many more thoughts of avoidance than thoughts of accomplishment.

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## USPS To Conduct Public Meeting for Gail Post Office *July 8 Will Provide Briefing on Local Survey Results*

**GAIL, TX** — Officials with the U.S. Postal Service Rio Grande District will hold a public meeting at 6:30 p.m., on July 8, 2014, at the Borden County Events Center, 127 Willow Valley Rd., in Gail, TX 79738. At the meeting, USPS officials will share results of a POST Plan survey for the Gail, TX Post Office, and also answer questions and provide additional information about the various POST Plan options. Surveys will be sent to Post Office Box customers served by the Gail Post Office, and also to mail delivery customers served by this office. Gail Post Office customers who do not receive a survey by June 17, may request one at the office's retail counter during normal business hours. Following are the POST Plan options that the Postal Service is considering.

1. Based upon office workload, retail hours for the Gail Post Office would be reduced from 8 hours each weekday to 6 hours per weekday. Current Saturday hours will not change as a result of POST Plan and access to delivery receptacles (PO Boxes) will not be affected by POST Plan.

2. Conduct a discontinuance study for the office and offer roadside mailbox delivery. Retail and delivery service would be provided through a rural carrier. Mail delivery points will be established and customers can purchase most postal services through the carrier or other alternate access points.

3. Conduct a discontinuance study for the office and find a suitable alternative location operated by a contrac-

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## Borden County Youth Horse Club



(left) Jaityn Mires of O'Donnell works hard in the goat tying competition. (below) Steeley Collier of Snyder participates in barrel racing.

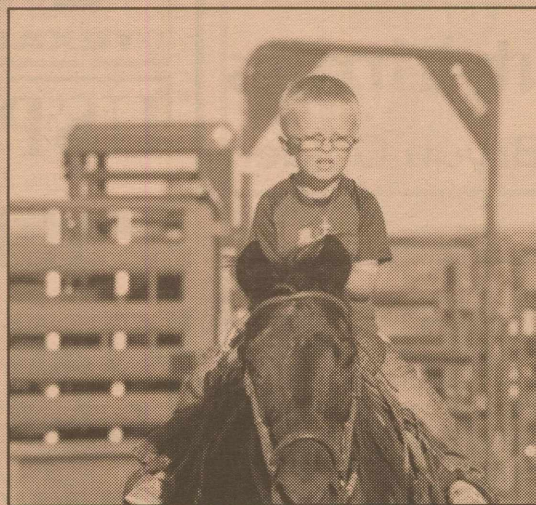


If you have seen the arena lights shining on Tuesday nights in June, it's because the Borden County Youth Horse Club is back in action. Each Tuesday night in June, over fifty contestants (ages 3-17) saddle up their horses to compete in Barrel Racing, Pole Bending, Flag Racing, and Goat tying. At the end of the series, every member will go home with an award courtesy of Spike Dyke Ford.

The top four contestants in the All-Around division of each age group will also receive awards. 1st place: Saddle, 2nd Place: buckle, 3rd Place: Goat tying can, 4th Place: Saddle Pad.

The Borden County Youth Horse Club is a stepping stone for kids who will continue their rodeo success throughout the Jr. High and High School Rodeo Associations. Many of the kids that started out right here in Gail, Texas have gone on to college on rodeo scholarships.

Members and their families will join for a BBQ dinner and awards banquet on July 16th at the Borden County Event Center.



Sitting tall! Colt Carpenter of Gail competes during the BCYHC.

## Queen for the Day

Please join us as we honor

*Nelva Jones*  
in royal fashion on her  
*80th Birthday!*

Saturday, July 19, 2014

2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Borden County Event Center  
Gail, Texas



Hosted by her family ...

## Post Office...

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tor, usually at a local business. When businesses are found that meet the criteria, these establishments are contracted through the U.S. Postal Service and offer stamps and flat rate products with service hours generally more expansive than what the local Post Office will be able to offer.

4. Conduct a discontinuance study for the office and provide P.O. Box service via another nearby Post Office and relocate P.O. Box delivery to that Post Office.

Although survey results will be known and shared at each meeting, the Postal Service will not make a final decision regarding each individual office until after the public meeting for that loca-

tion. This will enable the Postal Service to obtain all community input and opinions, from both the surveys and the meeting before making a final decision.

Anyone who wishes to submit comments in writing can send these to:

**Christi Davidson POST Plan Coordinator USPS Rio Grande District P.O. Box 700 Bremond, TX 76629-9998**

All comments received by July 8, 2014 will be considered. The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations.



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Your thoughts are your own. They may be influenced by other people or events, but the final responsibility for them is yours. If you don't like what you think about, make changes. Don't make excuses. Develop a constant awareness of what you are thinking about. This allows you to make adjustments as needed.

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## Thought for the Day

By its very nature  
Christianity is  
enthusiastic; it  
means living in  
faith, hope, love  
and joy.

-William H.  
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## Getting Back to the Basics of Home Canning

With summer comes the wonderful bounty of fresh garden produce. Do you have squash and tomatoes running out of your ears? If so, have you thought about home canning? It is a lost art, and an enjoyable hobby, however, it is important to follow some basic safety when canning food.

### Safe Canning Methods

There are two safe ways of canning, depending on the type of food being canned. These are the boiling water canner method and the pressure canner method. The boiling water bath method is safe for fruits, tomatoes and pickles, as well as jam, jellies and other preserves. In this method, jars of food are heated completely covered with boiling water (212EF at sea level).

Pressure canning is the only safe method of canning vegetables, meats, poultry, and seafood. Jars of food are placed in 2 to 3 inches of water in a pressure canner which is heated to a temperature of at least 240EF. This temperature can only be reached by a pressure canner.

### Unsafe Canning Methods

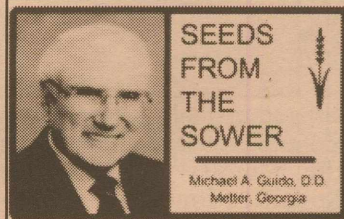
An old out-dated method of canning - the open-kettle method - is now considered unsafe. In this method, foods were heated in a kettle, then poured into jars and a lid was placed on the jar. No processing was done. With this method there was often spoilage, because bacteria, yeasts and molds that contaminated the food when the jars were filled were not killed by further processing.

The growth of these microorganisms, in addition to spoiling the food, often caused sealed lids to become unsealed late. This method is a very real danger for botulism.

Steam canning is not recommended at this time for either acid or low acid foods. Processing time for use with current models have not been adequately researched. Today's steam container looks like an upside-down boiling water canner. One should never use microwave ovens, electric ovens, slow cookers, crock pots or the sun to process canned goods.

For more information safe food preservation and new recipes for canned goods, contact the Extension office at (806)756-4336 or visit our Web site at <http://borden-tx.tamu.edu>.

Source: *So Easy to Preserve*



SEEDS FROM THE SOWER

Michael A. Guido, D.D.  
Metter, Georgia

An elderly man was sitting quietly in his rocking chair speaking softly to his grandson. "It took me forty years," he said, "to learn three simple truths. I would like you to learn them at an early age. One - I could do nothing to be victorious over my sins. Two - that God did not expect me to. And three - that Christ has done it all for me."

David taught those three simple truths centuries ago in one simple verse, "Victory comes from You, oh Lord."

A story is told of a prisoner, who with the help of his friends, planned an escape. Through careful planning they smuggled a gun into the prison yard and hid it. They informed him that a ladder would be up against the wall where the searchlight would not expose it. And they told him that a vehicle would be awaiting him at a certain hour.

"But," he asked, "how do I get out of my cell?" "That's up to you," they said. Obviously, he did not escape. He remained in his cell because He could not take the first step.

But our Lord has taken the first step in our salvation. He loved the world so very much that He gave His one and only Son to be our Savior. Now, we must do one of two things: receive Him or reject Him.

Our Lord is a seeking Lord who will save us from our sin through His salvation. It does belong to Him, but He willingly extends it to all of us.

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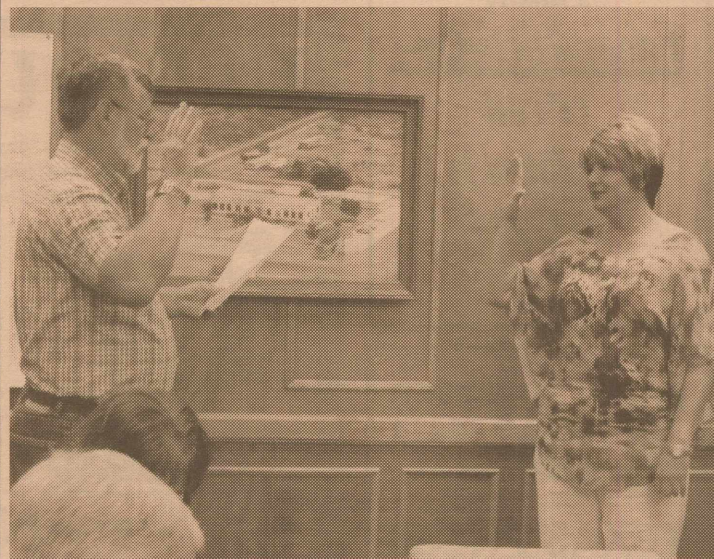
## Borden County Graduate Travels to Washington, D.C.



While on her recent Washington, D.C., Big Country Co-Op trip, 2014 BHS graduate Mollie McMeans met up with 2008 Borden High School graduate Rachel Wilson. Rachel works in the nation's Capitol for the House of Representatives.

A three-time State Champion in CX debate, Rachel graduated from Harvard University in 2012. She worked for the Mitt Romney presidential campaign before moving to D.C. She is the daughter of Borden County residents Tim and Carol Wilson. Mollie, also a State Champion debater, won the 10-day trip after winning an area speech competition.

## New County Treasurer Takes Oath of Office



Newly elected County Treasurer, Shawna Gass (right) is sworn into office by Borden County Judge, Ross Sharp Tuesday morning. She assumed County Treasurer duties as of July 1.

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The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the *Spraberry* (formation), *Reo (Jo Mill, Lower) Unit TX RRC Lease No. 66511* Well Numbers *3503, 3505, 3506, 3508, 3511 and 3601*. The proposed injection well is *located 10 miles Northwest from Gail, TX, in the Reo (Jo Mill, Lower) (field) in Borden County*. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from *7,300 to 7,400 feet*.

**LEGAL AUTHORITY:** Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide

Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from 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 Underground Injection Control section, Oil & Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone (512)463-6792.

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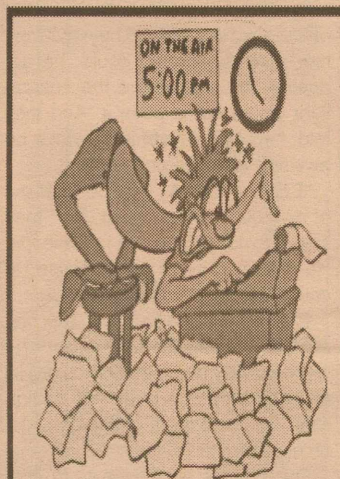
The Borden County Commissioners' Court will receive bids until 9:00 am, July 22, 2014 for the purchase of a used front-end loader to be used by Borden County Precinct #4. Bids will be opened and con-

sidered in the Borden County Commissioners' Courtroom in the County Courthouse. Specifications may be obtained at the office of the County Judge by calling 806/756-4391, by fax 806/756-4405 or by email at [bordencj@poka.com](mailto:bordencj@poka.com).

The Borden County Commissioners' Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive all formalities.

BY ORDER OF THE BORDEN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Ross D. Sharp  
County Judge  
Borden County



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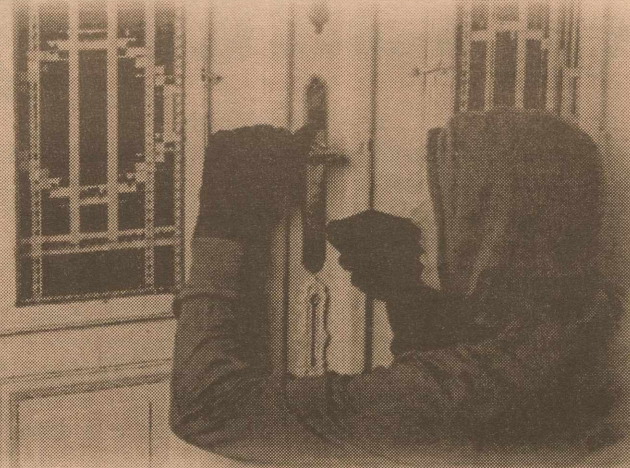
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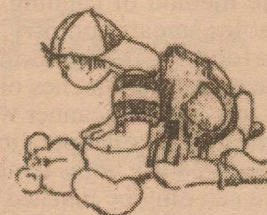
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