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Farm Bill Safety-Net Deadlines Approaching for Texas Farmers

U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) Judith A. Canales today reminds producers of upcoming important deadlines for the new safety-net programs established by the 2014 Farm Bill, known as Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) and Price Loss Coverage (PLC). The final day to update yield history or reallocate base acres is Feb. 27, 2015, and the final day for farm owners and producers to choose coverage is March 31, 2015.

"These programs provide financial protection against unexpected changes in the marketplace, so now is the time to have those final conversations, to ask any remaining questions, and to visit the Farm Service Agency to make these decisions," said Canales.

"For the first time in many years, farmers have the opportunity to update yields or real-

locate base acres, but if no changes are made by February 27, the farm's current yield and base will be used," said Canales. "If no program election occurs by March 31, then there will be no 2014 payments for the farm and the farm will default to PLC coverage through the 2018 crop year."

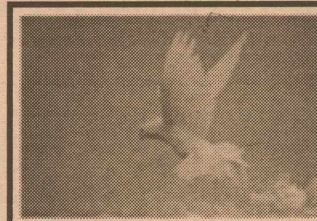
Nationwide, more than 3,500 training sessions have been conducted on the new safety-net programs, including nearly 200 in Texas. The online tools, available at www.fsa.usda.gov/arc-plc, allow producers to explore projections on how ARC or PLC coverage will affect their operation under possible future scenarios.

Covered commodities include barley, canola, large and small chickpeas, corn, crambe, flaxseed, grain sorghum, lentils, mustard seed, oats, peanuts, dry peas, rapeseed, long grain rice, medium grain rice

(which includes short grain rice), safflower seed, sesame, soybeans, sunflower seed and wheat. Upland cotton is no longer a covered commodity.

To learn more, farmers can contact their local Farm Service Agency county office. To find your local office visit <http://offices.usda.gov>.

The Farm Bill builds on historic economic gains in rural America over the past six years, while achieving meaningful reform and billions of dollars in savings for the taxpayer. Since enactment, the U.S. Department of Agriculture has made significant progress to implement each provision of this critical legislation, including providing disaster relief to farmers and ranchers; strengthening risk management tools; expanding access to rural credit; funding critical research; establishing innovative public-private conservation partnerships; developing new markets for rural-made products; and investing in infrastructure, housing and community facilities to help improve quality of life in rural America. For more information, visit www.usda.gov/farmbill.



Dare to Live Without Limits

By Bryan Golden

The Unexpected

"Life is what happens to you while you're busy making other plans." — John Lennon

As much as you plan, life will throw the unexpected at you. The unexpected can be good or it may be bad. You will have to deal with both. The unexpected may come in waves. The unexpected can come at either the best or worst time. There is no way to predict when the unexpected will occur.

We can always learn from others how to deal with the unexpected. For example, small boat sailors provide us with some great guidance on effective strategies for managing the unexpected. When on the open ocean, there are so many unpredictable variables, that encountering the unexpected is guaranteed.

For a sailor, one of the biggest unexpected events is the weather. A fierce storm can be devastating. Even when a sailor has access to the latest forecasts, the weather can change unpredictably. A sailor increases his chances for survival by having appropriate training and the proper equipment.

Whenever possible, a sailor's first option would be to avoid a storm by changing course. If this is not possible,

the only choice a sailor has is to endure the storm until it passes. Another challenge for sailors is equipment failure. When a piece of vital equipment malfunctions, a sailor must have a backup or the knowledge to get by without it.

As a last resort, a prudent sailor will have a life raft stocked with emergency supplies. Although no sailor ever wants to have to depend on his life raft, many lives have been saved because it was there.

A sailor must also deal with unexpected good scenarios as well. When the weather is favorable and the wind is blowing, a sailor needs to have the appropriate sails on board to take full advantage of the current conditions.

In the middle of the ocean, failure is not an option for a sailor. Regardless of what happens, or when, a sailor must find a way to effectively deal with all unexpected circumstances. At no time can a sailor decide to give up or put things off.

You have the same challenges as a sailor. When you encounter the unexpected, you must find a way to make the best of it. If the unexpected is negative, your objective is to

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Coyotes Secure Second Place in the Texas State Playoffs for Third Year

By Coach Edwards

The Borden County varsity basketball squad qualified for the Texas state playoffs for the third consecutive year. The Coyotes locked up the second seed by defeating the Highland Hornets. Borden will play the Dawson Dragons in Bi-District action. Details are still in the works.

The Coyotes jumped out to an 11-8 first quarter lead over the Hornets. Both teams struggled offensively in the second frame with each scoring only five points. The Coyotes led 16-13 at the half.

Borden extended the margin outscoring Highland 14-8 in the third quarter. An explosive fourth quarter for the Coyotes secured the victory by winning the final quarter, 23-15. Borden recorded their ninth

district win defeating the Hornets, 53-36.

Trace Richey led all scorers with 17 points followed by Sean Tucker with nine points. Korbin Martinez finished with eight points followed by Riley Herridge and Hunter Jones with seven points. Corbin Summers chipped in five points for the Coyotes.

Earlier in the week, the Coyotes faced the Ira Bulldogs. A win against them and it would keep the Coyotes in the running for a district championship.

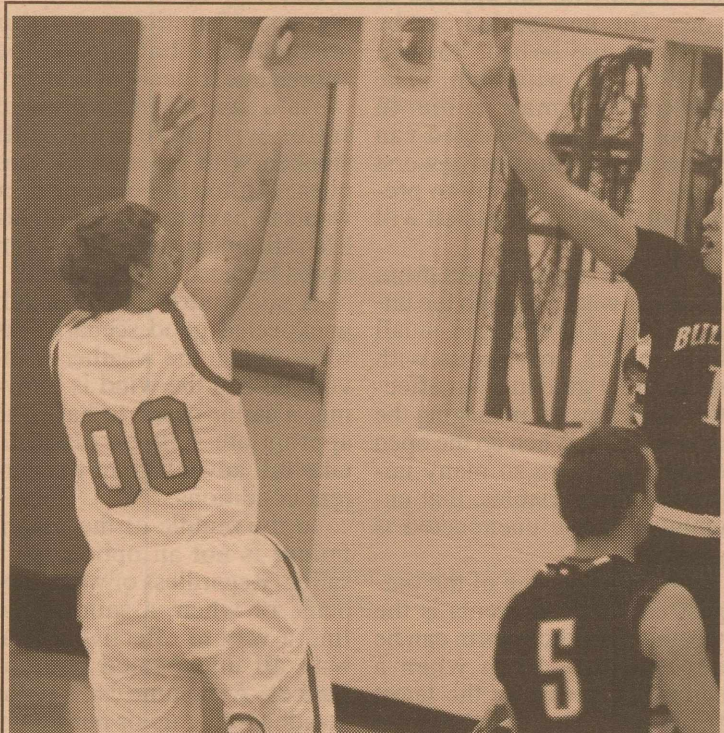
Things started off well for Borden as they outscored the Bulldogs 14-11 in the first quarter. Ira stormed back in the second quarter hitting four buckets from behind the arc and taking a 30-28 lead at the

half.

The roughest quarter for the Coyotes was the third. Ira kept their offense going scoring 17 points and held Borden to nine points to take a 47-37 lead into the final period. Borden had a couple of chances to cut Ira's lead to four points, but the Bulldogs held them off and winning the contest, 59-53.

Korbin Martinez scored a team high 20 points. Hunter Jones finished with 14 points followed by Trace Richey with nine points. Sean Tucker chipped in six points while Diego Bernal and Riley Herridge added two points.

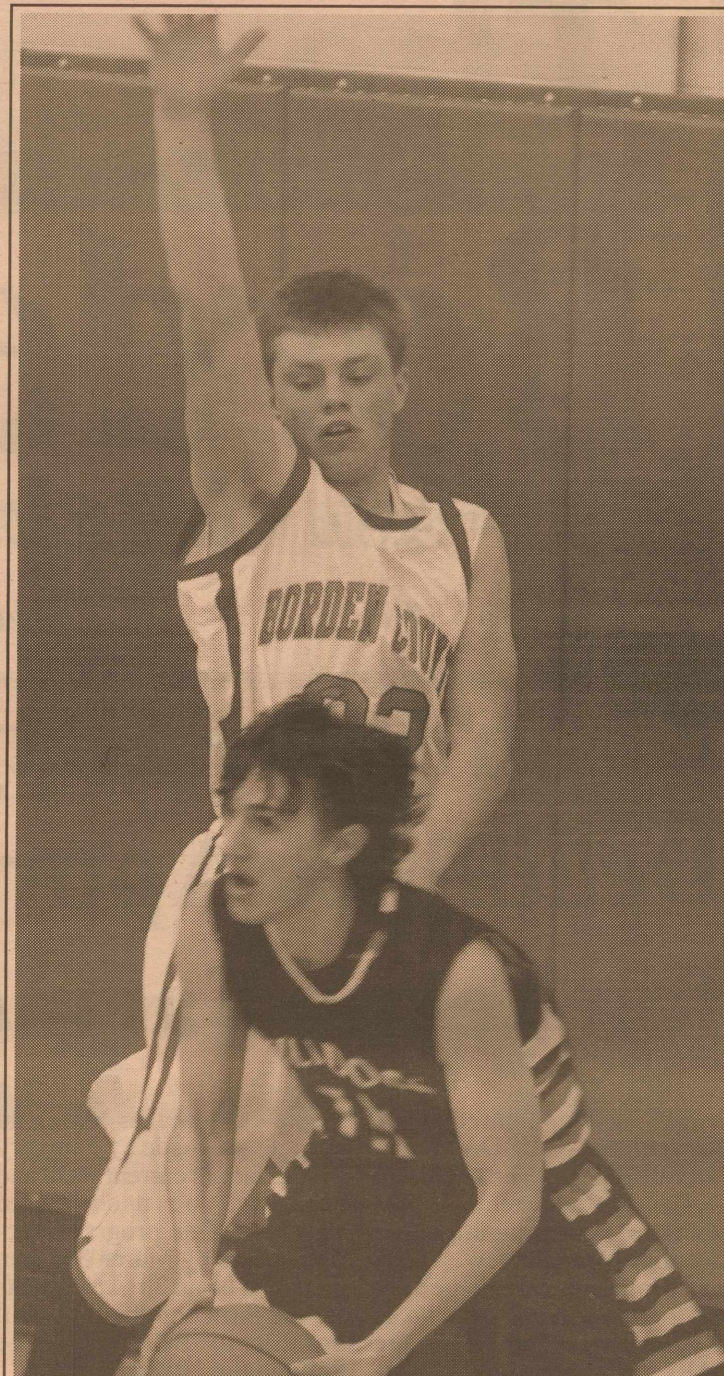
The Coyotes are 19-7 on the season and 7-2 in district play.



Senior, Riley Herridge makes a jump shot over an Ira player to score for the Coyotes during their recent bout with the Bulldogs.

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Borden County senior, Sean Tucker stands guard over Ira's Hunter Key. The Coyotes came up short against the Bulldogs 59-53.

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Souder, Jordan Continue Winning Ways

Sixteen Students Attend Idalou UIL Practice Meet

BHS juniors Nathan Souder and Robert Jordan continue their winning ways as they prepare for the 12-A District UIL Meet March 23. At the February 14 Idalou UIL Meet, Nathan won the Lincoln-Douglas competition while Robert finished second in Poetry to last year's State 1-A Champion in that event.

Both young men have fared well on the speech circuit this semester, with Nathan winning the O'Donnell and Morton UIL Meets and Robert placing 2nd at Seminole's tournament February 7.

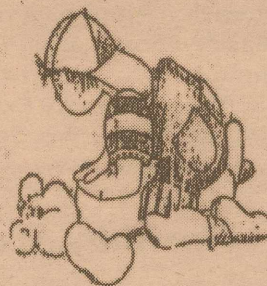
Other Borden County students placing at Idalou were freshman Carley Bell (3rd in News Writing, 5th in Feature Writing, 3rd in 9th Grade Math,

and a participant in Ready Writing), Kable Kleck (2nd Place 9th Grade Science), Tatum Richey (4th Place in 11th Grade Calculator), Bessie Rhodes (4th Place in Headline Writing), and Lexi Cheatham (7th Place Poetry).

Other participants/events are as follows: Hayley Gray (Current Issues and Events, Social Studies, Science); Jamayleigh Gray (Science); Preslea Hall (Calculator); Jacob Phinizy (Number Sense); Kyrsten Rebeles (Literary Criticism, Math); Josh Murphy (Lincoln-Douglas Debate); Thomas Nix (Social Studies); Trace Richey (Calculator); and Angelina Wilson (Extemporaneous Speaking).

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Coyote JV Defeats Ira and Wins District Championship

By Coach Edwards

The Borden Junior Varsity team wrapped up a district championship defeating the Ira Bulldogs, 38-29.

Ira led after the first quarter, 7-6. Borden's defense became stingy in the second quarter allowing only three points and scoring 11 of their own to take a 17-10 lead into the half.

The Coyotes defense again was solid in the third period holding the Bulldogs to four points and again scoring 11

points of their own to take a 28-14 lead into the final period. Ira outscored the Coyotes 13-10, but they still got the victory and the district championship.

Braxton Barnes led all scorers with 16 points. Easton Edwards added six points followed by Braxton Coor with five points. Nick Proulx and Ryan Willborn chipped in four points while Dylan Murphy finished with three points.

The Jr. Varsity squad traveled to Sweetwater later in the week to take on the 4A Sweetwater Mustangs J.V.

The Coyotes jumped out to 10-4 lead, but Mustangs went on a 5-2 run to trail 12-9 at the end of the first quarter. The game was tied 16-16 all midway through third quarter, but Sweetwater made another strong run outscoring Borden 7-3 the remainder of the quarter to take a 23-19 lead at the half.

The Mustangs pressure was a bit too much for Borden in the third quarter. Sweetwater won the quarter 12-2 to take a 35-21 lead into the fourth quarter. Both squads scored eight points in the final period with Sweetwater getting the victory, 43-29.

Braxton Barnes scored 11 points on the night followed by Nick Proulx with eight points. Braxton Coor knocked in five points while Morgan Wilson and Jayton Lewis finished with two points. Easton Edwards chipped in one point.

Borden Jr. Varsity is 16-4 on the season.



Sixteen Borden County students recently competed at the UIL meet in Idalou. Those attending were (top row left to right) Trace Richey, Thomas Nix, Robert Jordan, Nathan Souder, (third row left to right) Josh Murphy, Jamayleigh Gray, Kyrsten Rebeles, Kable Kleck, Jacob Phinizy, (second row left to right) Hayley Gray, Bessie Rhodes, Lexi Cheatham, Angelina Wilson, (front row left to right) Tatum Richey and Preslea Hall. (Not pictured Carly Bell)

School Lunch Menu

Feb. 23-27, 2015

Menu subject to
change

Monday - Breakfast:
Sausage & Biscuit, Fruit Juice, Fruit and Milk.
Lunch: Chicken Sandwich, Hamburger Garnish, Potato Rounds, Western Beans, Diced Pears and Milk.

Tuesday - Breakfast:
Oatmeal Round & Yogurt, Fruit Juice and Milk.
Lunch: Pigs in a Blanket, Baby Carrots, Steamed Broccoli, Chilled Pineapples, Sugar Cookie and Milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast:
Waffles & Sausage, Fruit Juice, Fruit, and Milk.
Lunch: Tex-Mex Stack, Spanish Rice, Salsa, Refried Beans, Garden Salad, Hot Cinnamon Apples and Milk.

Thursday - Breakfast:
Cinnamon Roll, Fruit Juice, Fruit and Milk. **Lunch:** Chicken Fajitas, Salsa, Seasoned Corn, Baby Carrots w/Ranch, Fresh Fruit and Milk.

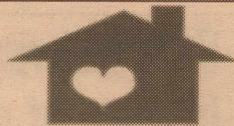
Friday - Breakfast:
Breakfast Sliders, Fruit Juice, Fruit and Milk. **Lunch:** Pizza, Green Beans, Salad, Apple Slices and Milk.

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The Salty Six

February is often associated with valentines, sweets and all things lovey dovey. It's also Heart Month which makes it a great time to think about your own heart health and the health of those you love. For the next three weeks, we will be blogging about sodium, its role in heart health and how you can protect yourself and those you love.

Your body needs sodium to work properly, but too much is bad for your health. It can raise your blood pressure and your risk for heart disease and stroke. People often think of putting down the salt shaker when they are trying to reduce their sodium, but in fact most of the sodium we eat comes from processed foods and dishes from restaurants.

This week we are proud to share the American Heart Association's campaign called "The Salty Six". This infographic highlights some of the common foods where large amounts of sodium hide. Next week we'll hear from an expert on heart disease and stroke and her recommendations for eating well while reducing sodium.

Eating too much sodium can cause health problems, including high blood pressure and heart disease. Most of us consume around 3,400 milligrams of sodium daily—more than double the 1500 milligrams recommended by the American Heart Association and well above the 2,300 milligrams the CDC recommends for the general population. More than 75% of our sodium comes from processed and restaurant foods. Putting down the salt shaker isn't enough. Be sure to check the Nutrition Facts label on packages—keep the sodium content below 5% whenever possible. Or, even better, cook more meals at home and be careful about the **Salty Six**:

1. Breads and Rolls: Most

bread will have 100 to 200 milligrams of sodium per slice. If you are eating a sandwich, those numbers can add up quickly. Find whole-grain bread that has less than 200 milligrams of sodium per serving (usually only 1 slice). Consider switching to whole-grain pita pockets, English muffins or bagel thins, all of which have fewer than 150 milligrams per serving.

2. Cold Cuts and Cured Meats: Just six thin slices of deli meat can add up to half a day's worth of sodium intake. Ham is especially high in sodium. If you are fond of lunch meats, choose a reduced-sodium variety and eat a small amount. Add veggies to your sandwich to bulk it up.

3. Pizza: Pizza brings together a melting pot of high sodium ingredients: cheese, pepperoni, sausage, tomato sauce and crust. Ask for light cheese and opt for veggie toppings instead of meat. Enjoy 2 small slices, and fill out the meal with salad or steamed vegetables.

4. Poultry: This one can be sneaky! What looks like a natural fresh or frozen piece of chicken could actually be injected with broth or sodium solution preservatives that boost sodium content up to 200 milligrams per serving. Read the label to find a product with low sodium levels. When purchasing chicken, avoid prepared or

processed products, which are packed with seasonings and sodium and are often fried. Consider choosing fresh fish once per week to bake or grill as a lower-sodium alternative.

5. Canned Soup or Packaged Soup Mixes: Many prepared soups are a hidden bunker of salt. You can easily blow an entire day's worth of your allotted sodium intake just by eating a single serving which may contain 600 to 1,000 milligrams per serving (usually only 1 cup). Choose a lower-sodium variety or make your own at home.

6. Sandwiches: Burgers and sandwiches are another hidden trove of salt, particularly if the meal comes from a restaurant. It's extremely difficult to follow a low-sodium diet if you dine out, particularly if you eat at fast food spots where a single sandwich can contain a day's worth of sodium. Request the burger grilled not fried, without cheese and with condiments on the side (BBQ sauce and ketchup, in particular add sugar and sodium). A better way to go is to share a sandwich and order a fresh side, such as a salad, fruit or low fat yogurt.

Source: Spend Smart, Eat Smart blog – Iowa State University Research and Extension <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/foodsavings/>



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rationally assess the situation and then take appropriate action. A knee-jerk response rarely works to your advantage. Step back and evaluate what you are faced with before deciding what steps you should take.

Thinking before you act is always a prudent strategy. Fight the urge to panic. At times, it can be helpful to get an objective opinion from someone else who has successfully handled whatever situation you are facing.

Dealing with positive unexpected events can also be challenging. There are those who have failed to recognize when opportunity came knocking without warning. Others have missed benefiting from favorable events because of procrastination.

Additionally, opportunities can arrive unexpectedly, disguised as adversity.

In short, expect the unexpected that life springs on you. Don't throw up your arms in despair. There is always a way to handle whatever happens. When you are faced with good things, be happy and take advantage of them.

Successful people are adept at making the best of the unexpected. They are ready and willing to change course as needed, when needed. They never give up and do whatever it takes to make it through.

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Photography Project

Jeanie Coor will be leading the Photography Project this year. Project meetings will be held on Monday, February 23, Monday, March 2 and Thursday, March 5 from 3:45-5:00. 4-H'ers will need a camera of some kind for the project meetings. The first meeting will be held in the Extension Office meeting room.

Clothing Project

We will begin the Clothing Project on Tuesday, February 24 from 3:45-5:00 p.m. in the Extension Office. We will meet again on Thursday, February 26, Tuesday, March 3 and Monday, March 16. We may have a sew day over Spring Break if there is an interest.

Save the Dates!

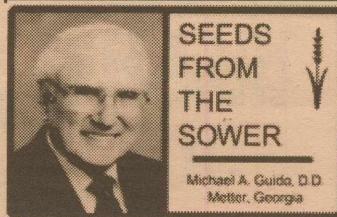


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Coyote Camp



Borden County 5th grader, Paige Parker shows off some ball handling techniques she and other elementary students have learned at Coyote Camp. The students have performed during half time of the Lady Coyote basketball games this season.



SEEDS FROM THE SOWER

Michael A. Guida, D.D.
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The second grade teacher stood before her noisy class, raised her voice and shouted, "I want you to be so quiet that you can hear a pin drop!"

Silence suddenly prevailed. When Danny could no longer contain himself, he shouted, "Let 'em drop!"

It's not unusual to have an attitude like that toward God. We pray and wait. Then pray again. Then wait a little longer. Still, nothing happens. It seems as though we are waiting for "the pin to drop."

Psalm 28 begins with the "silence of God." In fact, He is so silent that the Psalmist becomes impatient and shouts, "If you don't answer soon, I will be like those going down to their grave - abandoned!"

The subtle message from David was that if God did not answer his prayer his enemies would rejoice. "They," he reminds God, "care nothing for what the Lord has done or what His hands have made." In other words, "God, I don't want You to be embarrassed. I don't want people to ridicule You. I've laid my life and Your reputation on the line and if You are silent, if you let me down, they will believe that You are untrustworthy!"

David was not afraid to present his case to God and demand help. He did not want "unbelievers" to look at his situation and say, "I told you so. Your God is no more dependable than ours. He's not even listening!"

Not so. David looked at them and said, "Praise the Lord! For He has heard my cry for mercy." David prayed. God answered. And everyone saw God "at work."

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Thought for the Day

A friend is one who comes in, when the whole world has gone out.



Borden County, sixth grader, Kaci Hudson.

Kaci Hudson Wins "WOW" Award

February 14-15, 2015 Cheerstar Athletics Legend competed at the Spirit Celebration CGA Small Gym Nationals in Garland, Texas. The team had an amazing performance and finished in a close 2nd place.

Kaci Hudson a 6th grader at Borden County was awarded a "WOW" award. This prestigious award is picked by a panel of judges based on the athlete's individual performance. It is presented to the athlete that really stood out on the floor. Performing is in Kaci's heart, as stated by Spirit Celebration, if it's in your HEART.....it shows in your SPIRIT.

Kaci loves performing with her teammates and is coached by Neika Porter.



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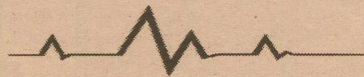
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The proposed recycling site is located 9 miles east of Ackerly, Texas in the SW/4 of Section 20, Block 32, T-3-N, T. & P. RR. CO.

Survey, Abstract No. 1052, Borden County. The proposed disposal site is located on real property owned by Brenda Leek.

Affected persons may protest this application. Protests must be in writing and must be received by the 15th day after the last date of publication of this notice. The last date of publication of this notice is expected to be March 2, 2015 which means protests should be received by March 15, 2015.

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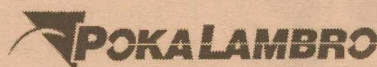
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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF AMS DEPLOYMENT, AMS SURCHARGE, AND NON-STANDARD METERING SERVICE FEES FILED WITH THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

On January 23, 2015, Sharyland Utilities, L.P. (Sharyland), a regulated electric transmission and distribution company, filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC or Commission) a Request for Approval of an Advanced Metering System (AMS) Deployment, AMS Surcharge, and Non-Standard Metering Service Fees. The docket number and style of this application are Docket No. 44361, Sharyland Utilities, L.P.'s Request for Approval of an Advanced Metering System (AMS) Deployment, AMS Surcharge, and Non-Standard Metering Service Fees.

Sharyland is seeking approval from the Commission for its AMS deployment plan pursuant to P.U.C. SUBST. R. 25.130 and the Commission's order in Application of Sharyland Utilities, L.P. to Establish Retail Delivery Rates, Approve Tariff for Retail Delivery Service, and Adjust Wholesale Transmission Rate, Docket No. 41474 (Jan. 23, 2014). Sharyland is also seeking approval of non-standard metering fees pursuant to P.U.C. SUBST. R. 25.133. Sharyland also requests approval of the AMS surcharges for recovery of the reasonable and necessary costs which Sharyland will incur under its deployment plan pursuant to P.U.C. SUBST. R. 25.130(k).

If approved, Sharyland's AMS surcharges will go into effect on July 1, 2015. The AMS surcharges will apply to electric service to residential customers and non-residential customers, other than those who have interval data recorder (IDR) meters or take unmetered service. The AMS surcharges will be billed to the retail electric providers (REPs) providing retail electric service to such customers in Sharyland's service areas. The costs recovered through the AMS surcharges will be reviewed by the Commission in a reconciliation proceeding to be held in the future on a schedule to be determined by the Commission. Sharyland has proposed the following AMS surcharges:

Residential	\$3.17
Secondary Small	\$3.25
Secondary Large	\$4.60
Primary	\$3.52

Furthermore, P.U.C. SUBST. R. 25.133 allows a customer to choose to receive electric service through a non-standard (non-advanced) meter and authorizes Sharyland to assess fees to recover the costs associated with providing the non-standard metering service from a customer who elects to have a non-standard meter. The following fees will only affect those customers that refuse installation of an advanced meter or any other retail customer who requests non-standard metering service:

Non-refundable, one-time up-front fees

Advanced meter with disabled communication:	\$114.95
Existing meter that meets applicable accuracy standards:	\$167.04
If commercially available, an analog meter that meets applicable meter accuracy standards:	\$190.12
Digital, non-communicating meter:	\$190.12

Recurring monthly fee

During amortization period:	\$39.91 per month
After amortization period:	\$23.24 per month

If you have questions about PUC Docket No. 44361, please contact Bridget Headrick at Sharyland at (512) 721-2668.

A copy of the application is kept at Sharyland's office at 1807 Ross Avenue, Suite 460, Dallas, Texas 75201 and at the office of Sharyland's legal representative, Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP, at 600 Congress Ave., Suite 2000, Austin, Texas 78701, (512) 721-2700 (Telephone), (512) 721-2656 (Facsimile).

Persons who wish to intervene in the proceeding or comment upon the action sought, should mail their requests to intervene or their comments (along with 10 copies of your letter) to: Public Utility Commission of Texas, Central Records, Attn: Filing Clerk, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326. The deadline for intervention in this proceeding is March 9, 2015, and the Commission should receive a letter requesting intervention no later than that date. Further information may also be obtained by contacting the Public Utility Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136.

Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit
Tumbleweed Smith

The Joys of Banquette Seating

At a restaurant I generally like a booth. It somehow seems more private. My second choice is a table, preferably one with lots of room around it. My least favorite place to sit in a restaurant is a banquette. It's a bench against a wall that has small tables in front of it, designed for two diners. The old fashioned "table for two" doesn't apply here. Banquette seating makes the diner feel exposed, intimidated and sort of trapped.

The first time my wife and I went to New York together we experienced banquette seating. We found an Italian restaurant right around the corner from our hotel and we were hungry. We were seated in a crowded area with people on either side of us. Very close to us. The tables in front of the bench had a space of about eight inches between them, just room enough to squeeze through.

As we looked at the menu, we kept hearing the couple next to us arguing. Their voices became louder and louder. Nobody except us seemed to pay them any attention. We ordered, ate the meal and all the while couldn't help but hear the couple blame each other for this or that. They waved their arms and expressed their feelings with gusto. They argued about the cat, the car, the house, the events of the day and even talked bad about some of their friends and business associates. We got an earful.

I don't even remember what the couple on the other side of us looked like, ate or talked about. But I certainly remember the loud couple sitting so close to us we could practically smell their garlic breath. We have of course had other ban-

quette experiences, but none as fascinating or memorable as that one.

The other day in Dallas we had reservations at a nice restaurant that the internet's OPEN TABLE advertised it had a full, wonderful menu served all day long. We arrived shortly after noon and were seated at a banquette. We looked at the menu and it had only a brunch menu. We asked the waiter for a lunch and dinner menu and he said the restaurant didn't serve the full menu until 5 PM. Don't ever trust the internet for information about a restaurant. Call the place direct. He apologized and immediately called OPEN TABLE and corrected the information. We had been planning this meal for some time and were disappointed, but decided to just go with the flow. We ordered and enjoyed the meal.

We also enjoyed the banquette. We got acquainted with the couple next to us. When we told the man we were from Big Spring he said his aunt used to have a florist shop there. We knew her. Then the couple one over from them started talking about West Texas. They have kinfolks in Midland and know some of the people we know. Then all of us started talking about football. It was a grand time.

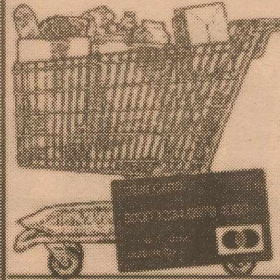
I guess those two instances clearly show the difference between New York and Texas. In New York people sitting eight inches away don't even notice you. In Dallas they become your best new friends.

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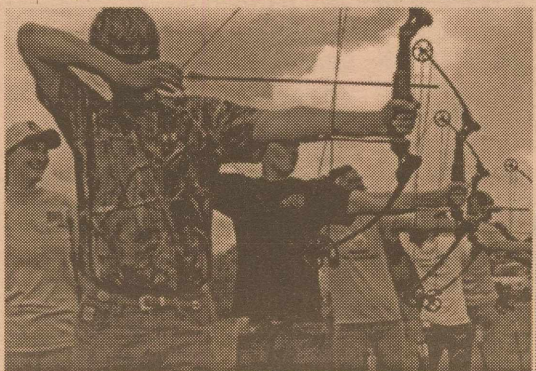
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


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1	2 	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 	10 3:45-5:00 Livestock Judging (EO)	11 3:30-7:30 4-H Counsel Workshop	12	13	14 
15	16 	17	18	19 3:45-5:00 Livestock Judging (EO)	20	21
22	23 County Holiday	24	25 <i>Feb Wednesday</i>	26 3:45-5:00 Clothing Project (EO)	27	28

2/1-8: Fort Worth Stock Show 2/14-22: San Angelo Stock Show 2/14-28: San Antonio Stock Show

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1	2 JH BB vs. Ira-5:00 OAP Practice-6:00	3 *BB vs. Hermleigh-5:00, bGB	4	5 OAP Practice-6:00	6 *Boys VBB @ Loraine-6:30	7 BC Boys JV BB Tournament
8	9 HOLIDAY OAP Practice-6:00	10 *BB vs. Ira-5:00, bGB	11	12 OAP Festival @ Post	13 End of 4 th Six Weeks *Boys BB @ Highland-5:00	14 UIL Practice Meet @ Idalou 
15	16 Beginning of 5 th Six Weeks OAP Practice-6:00	17 *Boys BB vs. Westbrook-5:00	18	19 Speech & Debate Meet @ Lubbock High OAP Practice-6:00	20 Speech and Debate Meet @ Lubbock High	21 Speech and Debate Meet @ Lubbock High
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