

The Post Dispatch

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\$2.4 gym planned

Petition required for referendum

by Sheri Lewis

Trustees for the Post Independent School District, in a special called session held Monday evening, adopted a resolution authorizing the lease-purchase method of financing construction of a new gymnasium. The resolution serves as the formal go-ahead for the project.

The school district, as required by the state, is detailing its financing plans in advertising space purchased this week in the Post Dispatch and the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, according to Dr. Bobby Bain, district superintendent. Following publication, the district must observe a 60-day waiting period to allow for public input on the proposed project. If during that time no objections are raised and there is no petition drive asking the board to call for a referendum on the issue, the district will move forward with the plan.

According to the information being published, a petition asking trustees to call for a public vote on the proposal would require signatures from at least five percent of the Post ISD's total number of registered voters.

The board opted to go with the lease-purchase financing option in an effort to save money and shorten the length of payoff time, according to earlier reports. By utilizing the lease-purchase arrangement, a school district can save tax monies with lower interest rates and avoid costs associated with bond issues.

In order to complete the lease-purchase arrangement, members of the board of trustees will be required to form a non-profit corporation, the Post ISD Public Facilities Corporation, which will have the gymnasium construction site surveyed and appraised. Next, the non-profit corporation will purchase the property from the school district at fair market value and will turn around and lease the property to the school district for construction of the new building. After the 10-year payoff is completed, ownership of the building and the land will revert to the Post ISD.

The lease-purchase arrangement being negotiated will allow the district to build a new gymnasium, resurface the track and install aluminum bleachers at Antelope Stadium at a total cost of about \$2 million to be paid off over a 10-year period.

Post Notes

Catholic Church fajitas plates

The Holy Cross Catholic Church will be selling dinner plates on Sunday, April 5, 1998 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Plates will be \$5 each for fajitas, beans, rice, tea and guacamole.

April 4th Tower Opry cancelled

The Tower Theatre Opry planned for April 4, 1998 has been cancelled. There will be a show on May 2 and one on May 15.

Ladies Auxiliary garage sale

The Ladies Auxiliary of the VFW 6797 will be having a garage sale on Saturday, April 4th at the VFW Hall on the Clairmont Hwy from 8 a.m. to ? . Any donations will be greatly appreciated. For pick up call 495-3393, 495-2470, or 495-4185 after 5 p.m.

Homestead and Ag exemption

The Garza Central Tax Appraisal District is reminding property owners that if they have not signed up for their Homestead or Ag Exemption they can go by the Garza Central Appraisal District office at 124 East Main to do so. Sign-up deadline on these exemptions is April 30, 1998. If you are 65 this year, you may file for the over-65 exemption up to one year after the date you turned 65.

Also, rendition statements for personal business property are required to be filed with the Chief Appraiser before April 14, 1998. Forms have been delivered but if someone has not received one, they can contact the Garza Central Appraisal Office.

Methodist Church mission drive

The First United Methodist Church is sponsoring a mission drive during the month of April to benefit Women's Protective Service.

A list of items needed are posted at the The Post Dispatch and Dollar General (109 W. 8th) along with a "drop-off" box.

Financial donations alongwith any other items, will also be taken at the Methodist Church office, M-F from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Any help will be greatly appreciated.

Booster Club meeting

The Post Antelope booster Club will meet April 6, 1998 at the Community Center. They will be discussing the upcoming All Sports Banquet.

Art Guild Spring Art Show

The Post Art Guild annual 1998 Spring Art Show opens for public viewing today at the Algerita Art Center, 131 E. Main Street, and continues through Sunday afternoon. Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, and 1 p.m. Sunday. The show will close following awards presentations at 3 p.m.

Trade Days celebrates 'Nifty 50s'

Old Mill Trade Days will celebrate the "Nifty '50s" this Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

The '50s flavor will be strongest Saturday when the Lubbock-based Nifty 50 Classic Car Club brings in 27 or more of its automobiles for display at sites throughout the Trade Days park. Many of the vendors will be decked out in '50s clothing at at noon, The Guthries will take the stage to perform music from the decade.

On Sunday, 16-year-old Courtney Fullingin of Petersburg will perform '50s music beginning at 1 p.m., followed by another performance by The Guthries (weather permitting).

In addition to the special entertainment with the '50s flair, local horseshoe-pitching champion Johnny Davenport and his wife will be in Booth 406 in the Ragtown area from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and from 1-4 p.m. Sunday. Davenport, a Texas doubles champion in 1995 and 1996 and creator of his own pitching horseshoe,

will be on hand to give horseshoe pitching demonstrations and provide pitching tips to new and practices horseshoe pitching enthusiasts. Trade Days officials are encouraging visitors to Davenport's booth to step up and challenge the pitching champion and his wife.

This weekend's Trade Days is expected to be a big one. As of early Tuesday, all but two outdoor booths had been rented and those two spaces were expected to be gone prior to the event's opening, according to Trade Days' Linda Self.

The event will feature many new vendors, including several in the Cotton Picker Room. New vendors there will offer spurs, saddlebags and knives; custom-built furniture created from maple, ash and pine; and handmade clothing. Several new vendors are also located along Bluebonnet Lane, where shoppers will find a new booth full of antique clocks and toys; the "Shady Lady" booth which offers

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Housing initiative gets more attention

The housing initiative being spearheaded by the Garza County commissioners court was the subject of another special meeting. The session, which drew about 20 representatives of various entities, was conducted Monday afternoon in the district courtroom.

County commissioners, city representatives, local bankers and a handful of interested locals heard from officials with various agencies and companies interested in participating in the program.

The initiative, designed to increase housing availability in Post, targets low and middle income families interested in affordable, single-family homes.

Bryan Grimes, administrative assistant to the county commissioners court, said he has received 15-25 inquiries about the initiative since its introduction to the public a few weeks ago.

Garza County and the Post Economic Development Corporation (PEDC) are the central figures involved in the housing initiative. The City of Post is involved as well. The entities are working closely with Citizens Bank and Norwest, as well as South Plains Community Action, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Housing and Urban Development and the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

Officials say there are 40-50 lots in the area of the old mill, with existing infrastructure, that could be used for the new construction. There are also 20-25 lots scattered throughout the community that could also accommodate new housing starts.

Estimates indicate that an all-brick 1,300-square-foot, three-bedroom, two-bath home could be built for about \$65,000. One-hundred percent financing will be made available through the initiative with interest rates close to 6.75 percent on 30-year notes. Project officials are also applying for federal grant monies that could be used to help cover closing costs on homes purchased through the initiative.

"This is not to be confused with government housing or low-income housing," one official on hand for Monday's meeting said.

For more information on the project, contact Grimes at 495-4405 or the PEDC's Rhonda Valdez at 495-2818.

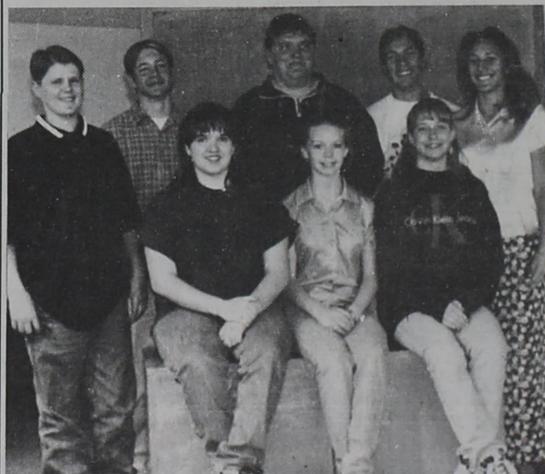
Petition drive nears 400 mark

Volunteers circulating petition forms in to call an election to dissolve the hospital taxing authority report more than 350 signatures as of Monday.

Organizers of the petition drive are seeking 500 signatures, although 445 are required to satisfy the statute regarding such elections.

Those who wish to sign a petition form may do so at The Post Dispatch or call Mozelle Rogers at 495-3250. When the drive is completed, the forms will be presented to the Garza Hospital District, which must call an election within 60 days.

District Champs!



PHS One-Act Play cast members brought home the District Trophy for their performance at Abernathy last Friday. Cast and crew members of "Children of A Lesser God" are (back row, left to right) Derrick Cowley, Daniel Fluit, Matt Cooper, Clell Knight, Natalie Pollard, (front row) Micaela Eagle, Candi Reed and Kelsey Wimmer. Cast members Lindsey Rudd and Cassie Short were not available for the photo. The cast competes Friday, April 10 for the Area title, performing at the Post Elementary School auditorium (see Page 10).

Signing for prison



Signing their names to a stack of legal documents last Friday were Garza County Public Facilities Corp. directors (left to right) Bob Macy, Janie Lopez and Victor Ashley.

Historical signing



The Garza County Commissioners Court put the finishing touches to legal documents related to securing a privately owned prison with formal signing of documents last Friday. Garza County Judge Giles Dalby (center) is flanked by commissioners (left to right) Mason McClellan, Lee Norman, Royce Josey and John Valdez. Groundbreaking for the 1,000 bed prison is expected later this month.

PHS debaters take titles

Post High School students captured first and third place wins in the University Interscholastic League (UIL) Lincoln-Douglas debate competition held recently at Abernathy.

Jenny Conoly won first place and Luke Williams finished in third place in the contest, according to PHS Principal Joe Giddens. Conoly is eligible to advance to the regional-level contest to be held April 25 at Abilene Christian University, Abilene.

Sponsor for the PHS debate squad is Candace Bowling.

Weather in Post

| Date | High | Low | Precip |
|------|------|-----|--------|
| 3/25 | 87 | 46 | — |
| 3/26 | 90 | 60 | — |
| 3/27 | 83 | 49 | — |
| 3/28 | 83 | 49 | — |
| 3/29 | 85 | 51 | — |
| 3/30 | 88 | 51 | — |
| 3/31 | 88 | 37 | — |

March total rainfall — 1.85
Rainfall year-to-date — 3.65
(Records courtesy Garza County Sheriff's Department)

This week's quotable...

"Son, I'll tell you how to make it in the newspaper business... first, save half of everything you make. Second, if you're not making half the people mad half the time, you're not doing your job."
Miles P. Walker, publisher emeritus, Bryan Daily Eagle, March 1961

Golden Plains Care Center Newsletter

Hello,
We are going to have so much fun in April. On April 1 (April Fools Day) we are having pajama day. On April 7 at 7 p.m. we are having an in-service for family members and anyone else who might like to attend. It is about "How to convert from private pay to medicaid, Preserving your estate while still qualifying for medicaid benefits". The group presenting this is called Senior Information Services of America.

On April 8 we will be getting ready for Easter by coloring easter eggs. Don't forget our Big Easter Egg Hunt on Friday at 2 p.m. We would like the Care Center to be full of Easter Egg Hunters.

Thanks to Heather Palmer and Miranda Palmer who came in Monday and put up streamers and did a great job.

We are also getting ready for the Senior Olympics in May, so if anyone wants to come and help us practice, please come on by.

Don't forget our Volunteer Party on April 21 at 2 p.m. This gives us an opportunity to thank all our volunteers for their hard work.

Our deepest sympathies goes out to the family of Reba Jones. She was a great lady and we will truly miss her.

Till next week,
Bunny Lynch



Sue and Quannah Maxey

Antelope Booster Club honors couple

The Post Antelope Booster Club recently surprised Quannah and Sue Maxey by honoring them at halftime of a district basketball game.

The Maxeys were recognized as 50 year supporters of Post school athletic events.

They began attending football games in 1948, when a neighbor boy, Billy Thomas Ramage was playing,

and have continued thru children, grandchildren and now have great grandchildren to watch.

Booster Club President, Ronnie Gradine and Larry Mills presented the couple with a beautiful plaque and Maxey with an Antelope cap.

Several family members were present for the occasion.



Amy Carlson and Matt Holly

Hollys announces engagement

Lewis and Mary Nell Holly of Post are proud to announce the up-coming marriage of their son, Matt to Amy Michelle Carlson of Stephenville.

Amy is the daughter of Sue and Lyndon Carlson of Stephenville. She is a graduate of Stephenville High School and is currently working at Harris Methodist Erath County Hospital. She plans to go to nursing school.

Matt is a graduate of Post High School and Tarleton State University. He is currently employed as a teacher and coach at Dublin High School.

Matt and Amy are planning a garden wedding on May 30 at the home of Mr and Mrs Butch Fraser of Stephenville. Mike Holly, brother of Matt will be uniting them in marriage.

A "Pops" night with second grade

by Louella Bilberry

The Amity Study Club met the night of March 24th at the "All School Auditorium" for a night of music and fun. Karen Nichols and her second grade classes (combined) were waiting for us with smiling faces.

Karen took a few minutes to tell us of her schedule. She sees over five hundred students a day with classes back to back.

Her "off" period is from 8 to 8:30 a.m. From kindergarten thru the fifth grade, these students learn to read music, theory, about all kinds of musical instruments and their history, but most of all, a love for and

appreciation of music for the rest of their lives.

Her smallest class is fifth grade, because that's when some students choose to try Band. This 5th grade class was a big help to her with painting pictures and decorating the halls and auditorium for the big, fourth grade production "Someone to Count On" that was presented Wednesday, March 25.

Karen lets the children work their "wiggles" out with lots of motion and action with the music. There were a few timid souls, but most really put their all into their songs.

My favorite was "Friends All Around". As they sang they raised their right arm straight up and then lowered it behind their neighbors shoulder with their arm around the neighbor, then they repeated the motion with the left arm—ending up with three rows of singing, smiling children with their arms around each other swaying to the right and left. Neat!

Then, we had audience participation! The children led us in the Macarena (you know—the Maca-whatever) and a Conga! We were not a pretty sight! Ophelia Hoover was Karen's assistant for the night.

Our hostesses, Ruth Ann Young, Martha McLendon and Barbara Reese served refreshments to all. It was a fun night.

Others in attendance were Sandra Alexander, Barbara Babb, Margaret Bull, Ginger Carlisle, Jane Davis, Joy Dickson, Naomi Matsler, Edna Owen, Joy Pool, Sue Shyles, Anne Sims, Marion Wheatley and Louella Bilberry.

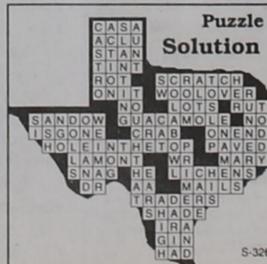
Birth

Matthew Trammell

Matthew Garrett Trammell was born on Wednesday, March 25, 1998 at 12:22 p.m. at Methodist Hospital. He weighed 7 lbs. 9 ozs. and was 20 inches long. Proud parents are Joe Phillip and Pamela Trammell of Levelland. Proud sister, Ashley welcomed his arrival.

Paternal grandparents are Joe and Marjorie Trammell of Levelland.

Paternal great grandparents are Opal Nicks of Snyder and Katharine Trammell of Post.



Judy's Jabberin'

By Judy B. Bush

Here I am again! Well, is everyone really tired of the wind? I can't remember, did we come in like a lamb, cause we sure are going out like a lion!

I have a really special friend that celebrated her birthday Saturday the 28. Actually, this neat lady celebrated on Friday night. Her son and daughter-in-law, James and Linda Dye and her daughter Delores Brooks of Lubbock treated Willie Mae Dye to dinner out, with grandchildren Donna Stelzer and husband Donnie, great-granddaughter Becca and friends Fannie Ballentine and Opal Rudd.

After dinner, the celebration continued at Donna and Donnie's home, where they all had birthday cake and a good visit. Willie Mae returned home with Delores and celebrated on Saturday with granddaughter Lisa Carter and husband Tim of Lubbock. I would like to send my birthday wishes to Willie Mae also, and I know she enjoyed that 90th. Birthday treat!



I had a call from Lois Thomas Friday and was saddened to hear that her Mom, Anna Byrd, fell and broke her right hip and wrist while visiting in Meridian, Mississippi with her daughter Ann Lowe.

Now Anna is going to be in Meridian for quite a while going through rehab. I am going to give everyone Ann's address so you might take the time to send Anna a card and make being so far away from home a little easier.

Send your cards to: Anna Byrd, c/o Ann Lowe, 5392 Zero Road, Meridian, Mississippi 39301.

ExaFay Gilmore was treated to an early birthday celebration by her daughters, Jenda Rowe of Fort Worth and Barbe Bevers of Post on Sunday. The three were joined by Shane Bevers, ExaFay's grandson. They had lunch at Cattle Barrons Restaurant and afterwards all the girls went shopping. ExaFay's birthday is April 5.

I am a big animal lover and I thought this was the neatest story!

Howard and Becky Jones of Cherry Hill, New Jersey, are the owners of the white Persian cat, "Lost in the Clouds", a.k.a. Louie, who recently was named "Best of Show" in the International Cat Show at Madison Square Garden in New York City. He appeared on many TV shows and was mentioned on several radio talk shows, including the Kathy Lee and Regis TV show and Paul Harvey news. Howard grew up in Post and is the son of Fern Jones and the late Paul H. Jones. Now I saw this cat on Kathy and Regis, and it is the most beautiful cat, but I sure did not realize at the time that "Louie" had relatives in Post! Fern, I know you are as proud of Louie as you can be.

Rex and Johnnie Voyles of Hobbs, New Mexico visited his Mother, Lorene Voyles, last weekend in Post. They were joined Sunday at the home of Pat and Wes Burnett by Don and Veda Voyles of New Deal and Kim and Allen Dolberry and their children Alyssa, Cailee and Whitney of Odessa for the family get together.

Birthdays this week: Thursday April 2: Heather Siewert and Mack Terry; Friday April 3: Jose Deaz, Jr.; Lillie Wright and Ricardo Tobias; Saturday April 4: Jaquita Blevins; Sunday April 5: ExaFay Gilmore; Sarah Aguilar; Dee Pantoja; Derinda Rackley; Monday 6: Mike Taylor; Jose Diaz, Sr.; Nathan Webb and Mandy Soto; Tuesday 7: Tavita Diaz; Melissa Harris and Rufina Tobias and Wednesday 8: Miranda Palmer; Shawna Crane and Reuben Wilke.

Anniversaries: Friday 3: Randy and Jana McCallister; Sunday 5: Dennis and Jane Odom and Wednesday 8: Dee and Mary Stamps.

Everyone remember that this is Old Mill Trade Days weekend. They are planning a big weekend, dedicated to the 50's, so this should be a lot of fun. All the vendors are suppose to dress the part Saturday, and there will be 50's cars and lots of "good ole" rock and roll. So, everyone go on out and have a good time. The weather is suppose to be wonderful (not windy) do you believe that? Have a great weekend and see you next week.

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Tax 'n Facts

by Terri Cash, CPA

Passing on the family farm

The next tax law made changes that the owners of family farms and businesses have urged for years, increasing the amount that can be left tax-free to keep the business in the family.

If the farm or business is more than 50 percent of the decedent's estate, and he or she was active in the business for five of the eight years before death, the exemption rises to \$1.3 million. The total includes the standard exemption of \$625,000 that everyone gets; the special family business exemption is \$675,000 now, but it will drop to \$300,000 as the standard exemption rises to \$1,000,000.

However, this tax break is dependent on the heirs continuing to manage the daily operation of the business for 10 years. If they sell out or even get someone else to manage the business for them, the Internal Revenue Service can come in and recapture the estate taxes on a portion of the bequest, the amount depending on the number of years the heirs continued to run the business.

To structure an estate to take advantage of the new laws, it's wise to consult the tax advisors at:



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Craig dedicated final convention to daughters and Linda Malouf

TFWC Caprock District President Donna H. Craig hosts her final convention and takes her "final walk". The 38 Annual Convention and Board Meeting was held at the Four Points Hotel in Lubbock on Saturday, March 21, 1998. Craig's theme was Celebrate Women: Past, Present, Future. The convention depicted a Beauty Pageant. Windy Sitton, Mayor of Lubbock gave the "Welcome".

The PAST highlighted the eight living past district presidents; Lavena Moore of Floydada, Bettye Green of Tahoka, Hazel Akin of Denver City, Zareta Winn of Plains, Dora Alderson of Lubbock, Tina Wicker of Littlefield, Evelyn Greer of Lorenzo and Lucille Barbour of Tulia.

Also honored in the PAST were the 31 members of Caprock District that have been volunteers for 50 years and more. Among those women are Buena Bouchier and Maxine Earl of Post and the late Linda Malouf formerly of Post.

The PRESENT featured the reports and awards of this present administration. A district scholarship became active during this administration due to the efforts of the Scholarship Committee. Craig's special project was 'W.I.M.S.A.' Women in Military Service of America. Craig secured and raised funds to submit 11 names as charter members of the memorial in Washington D.C.

Nelda Laney won District and State in "Woman of Achievement" and she and her husband Pete Laney, Speaker of the House came for the Convention. Laney is a member of Plainview Study Club being in Caprock District. Six noted authors came for an Autograph Party at the Fall board in October of

1997. Bettye Green of Tahoka was elected South Central Region President in October of 1997.

and at Texas Tech. This program (booklet) was designed and done as a project by the Culture Club in honor of District President, Donna Craig.

The FUTURE centered around Installation of new District Officers and Club Presidents. Woman's Culture Club honored President Peggy Smith and introduced President-elect, Jan Acker (to be installed May 10th). President Smith narrated the highlights of the Past District Presidents. Green the South Central Region President-elect was the installing officer for Caprock District's incoming officers.

Craig dedicated the convention to her daughter, Rene' Adee who held numerous titles of local pageants in 1988/89. Adee was present to participate in the day's activities and to present banner/tiaras/scepter to all honorees. Craig dedicated the convention to her daughter, LaDonna Buschmann who was supportive during her administration and provided sources for several functions. District President Craig dedicated the convention in memory of Linda Malouf who nudged Craig to come off a "leave of absence" and become "active" with Woman's Culture Club of Post. Malouf was a great source of encouragement to Craig especially during this administration.

Woman's Culture Club Past President, and District Secretary, Mary Rudolf presented Craig with an arm bouquet of red roses, baby's breathe, and greenery tied with a large red moir'e taffeta bow (that was used on a bouquet of Rene' back in 1989). The bow was taken to Penny



Donna Craig (left) and Lubbock Mayor Wendy Sitton.

Mason at the Bee Hive in Post and she recreated the bouquet carried by Rene'.

Craig's hair was done, one again, by Teresia Williams of Sophisticutts for the convention. Williams was most gracious to stop and fix Craig's hair each time Craig had a function or went out of town for some 27 speaking engagements during the past two years.

Craig chose a black sequin long skirt, a beaded silk tank and a red beaded jacket to make her "Farewell" speech and take her final walk. During the day Craig wore a black dress piped with red with a matching long red and black jacket of wool crepe by Rini Rossi.

Club President, Smith read her 1st Place award winning Presidential Report. Culture Club brought home other awards: 1st in Special Projects of Public Affairs, 1st in Texas Women's Library Program, 1st in President's Special Project—Celebrate Women, 1st in Outstanding Americanism Day Program, 2nd in Yearbook Contest, 1st in Membership, 1st in Club Scoreboard, and a 3rd in Membership Means Me project.

The 38th Annual Convention Program that contains the history of the women of Caprock District's Past District Presidents will go into the archives at Texas Women's University



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All kids 12 and under attending the event will receive a free ticket to the ABC Rodeo!



Advance tickets available at Luskey's and all locations of City Bank.

Joyland will open early with special rates!

Horse-drawn buggy rides by the Driving Society through Mackenzie Park!

Horse training demonstrations by Ray Thomas!

Balloons will be sold for \$1!

For more information call the Lubbock Convention & Tourism Bureau at (806) 747-5232!



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Marketing Club Meeting

An overview of the Planting Intentions Report and the cotton market outlook and reaction will be given by guest speakers, Dr. Carl Anderson, Extension Economist-Cotton Marketing, and Craig Fincham, Extension Program Specialist-Risk Management, at the Garza County Marketing Club meeting Friday, April 3, 7:30 a.m., in the Extension Office. Anyone interested is welcome to attend.

4-H Fashion Show

The District Two Senior 4-H Fashion Show will be held April 4 in Plainview at Wayland Baptist College—come support Garza County 4-Hers! For more details, call 495-4400.

Method Demonstrations

Anyone interested in 4-H Method Demonstrations or Illustrated Talks need to come by the Extension Office—now is the time to get started!

Easter Holiday

The Garza County Extension Office will be closed April 10 for Good Friday and Easter holiday.

4-H Camp Opportunities

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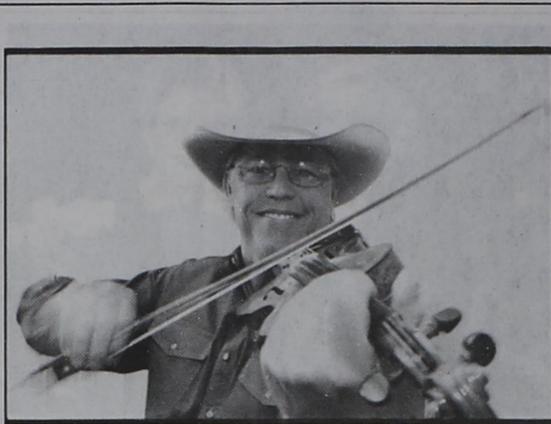
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Alvin Crow

Texas Folklife Resources presents Alvin Crow

The town of Post, Texas, is gearing up for a week-long visit from traditional fiddler Alvin Crow. From May 11 through 17, Crow will discuss and present traditional Western Swing music for the local chambers of commerce, Rotary Clubs, seniors centers, schools, Head Start groups and other sites throughout the community. With the discussions and mini-performances, Alvin Crow will underscore the importance of Western Swing music to the region and demonstrate why his fiddle was influential in the creation of the sound we know today as swing. The week of activities will be the fourteenth of 20 Community Residencies scheduled throughout Texas from January through June.

This residency celebrates one of the core traditions of Texas country music, Western Swing. While growing up in the Texas Panhandle, Alvin Crow mastered the Western Swing style on his fiddle, which he plays well enough to earn compliments from Mrs Bob Wills. Alvin Crow is a superb entertainer, playing lively, varied, Texas dance music to appreciative fans worldwide.

Other Community Residencies will feature such traditional music masters as fiddlers Johnny Gimble and Valerie Ryals Bates, blues artists W.C. Clark and Carol Fran and Clarence Hollimon, singer and cowboy poet Buck Ramsey, and conjunto accordionists Mingo Saldivar and Santiago Jimenez, Jr. Each musician will spend seven days in a community, in a variety of small settings, performing, jamming with local musicians, and teaching classes, all to demonstrate the connections between his or her music and the local musical heritage.

Texas Folklife Resources is a statewide non-profit cultural organization that serves both Texas folk artists and their audiences by helping to present and promote a diverse and living artistic heritage for all Texans. Statewide Community Residencies are made possible in part with funding from the National Endowment for the Arts Folk Arts Program and the Texas Commission on the Arts.

For more information on the event, contact Caprock Cultural Assoc. at 495-4148. For interviews or information on Texas Folklife Resources, contact Debbie Fant, Coordinator of the Community Residency program, (512) 320-0022.

Neighbor to Neighbor

by Kelly Ahrens, CEA-FCS

When children imitate superheroes

Remember back when you had to look up to all the "big" people and tasks like tying your shoe were still a challenge? It was fun to imagine yourself as a superhero and take on the powers you wished for in everyday life.

Children naturally imitate fearless superheroes who can overcome any obstacle in their path. When children begin leaping and tumbling about, however, adults worry that accidents will happen. Sometimes adults discourage superhero play for fear that it will become too disruptive, or that children will engage in it at inappropriate times.

Keep in mind that this type of play gives children the chance to face their fears and show off physical feats. When supervised by adults, "superhero play" can help children improve their language skills and teach them to work together to solve problems. It also encourages creativity.

When children begin pretending they are superheroes, adults can help them make the most of it. Here are some tips:

- * Show children that superheroes are not special just because they are physically powerful. Point out when superheroes show kindness and helpfulness to others. Praise children when they do the same.

- * Talk about real heroes with children. Introduce them to people like Helen Keller and Martin Luther King, Jr., and discuss how everyday people can demonstrate acts of courage and goodness.

- * Point out the difference between movies, TV and real life. When you see actors pretend to leap out of windows or jump over speeding cars, explain to children why they shouldn't "try this at home."

- * Make the rules about when and where superhero play is allowed. You may limit this sometimes rough-and-tumble play to outdoors, or during recess time. Be consistent—if "flying" indoors is not allowed on Monday, it shouldn't be allowed on Tuesday.

- * Help children build on their interests through superhero play. Watching Star Wars may lead to learning about space travel. A Spiderman comic book may lead to exploring the world of insects. Always keep your eyes open to learning opportunities for children.

- * Be on the lookout for overly aggressive play. Get involved if you see a child become frightened or angry. When the laughter stops, and threats or complaints begin, help children get back on track or end their play. Show them you are there to help, and offer options. Maybe it's time to take a break, or to find out why the frustration occurred. In any case, make it clear that physical or verbal aggression are not acceptable.

- * Give children the chance to make choices and take on responsibilities. Children become bored when activities are not challenging, and frustrated when they are too advanced. Keep a close eye on children so that you know when they are ready to take on new challenges, like helping with a recipe or dressing themselves.

- * Praise children when they accomplish real "feats" like putting together puzzles or learning to spell their own names. Children may still imitate superheroes, but they'll have more confidence both during play and in everyday living.

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John Redman announces candidacy for City Council

I am announcing my candidacy for City Council in Ward 3.

I moved to Post in 1956 and for the past 42 years have made Post a home for myself and my family.

I have been a volunteer paramedic with the local ambulance service since 1980. I have served on numerous EMS related councils and boards representing Garza County. I have also served on a volunteer basis as the EMS administrator for the past several years.

If elected, I will be a voice for everyone in Ward 3. I will represent every citizen. As your council representative, I would be available to you by telephone 24 hours a day to answer your questions and hear your concerns.

I strongly believe that the City Council should work for each and everyone in Post to address complaints and problems on an individual basis, with all persons treated fairly.

I ask for your vote in the May 2, 1998 election. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

Woman's Culture Club

by Katharine Trammell

Janoma Stephens of Knox City, TFWC state treasurer, was guest speaker for the Woman's Culture Club salad luncheon on Wednesday, March 25 at 1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the First Christian Church.

Mrs Stephens spoke the importance of cooperation, not only within our club, but also with the State TFWC and the national GFWC. We must be energetic, enthusiastic, hospitable and cooperative to achieve our goals.

Mrs Stephens is a candidate for TFWC second vice-president.

Donna Craig reported on the recent Caprock District, TFWC Convention held in Lubbock recently.

Peggy Smith, club president, presided over the business meeting. Club members were reminded to be working on their Post Dispatch Easter page.

The tables were decorated in the Easter motif, from which lunch was served to guest, Janoma Stephens, and to members: Peggy Smith, Jan Acker, Donna Craig, Ruth Hall, Nona Lusk, Jona Jones, Iva Hudman, Joyce Strubhart, Bebe Boren and Katharine Trammell.

The next meeting is Wednesday, April 8 at 2 p.m. at the Women's Clubhouse. Hostesses for the occasion will be Jan Acker and Debbie Bain. The speaker will be Zoe Kirkpatrick.

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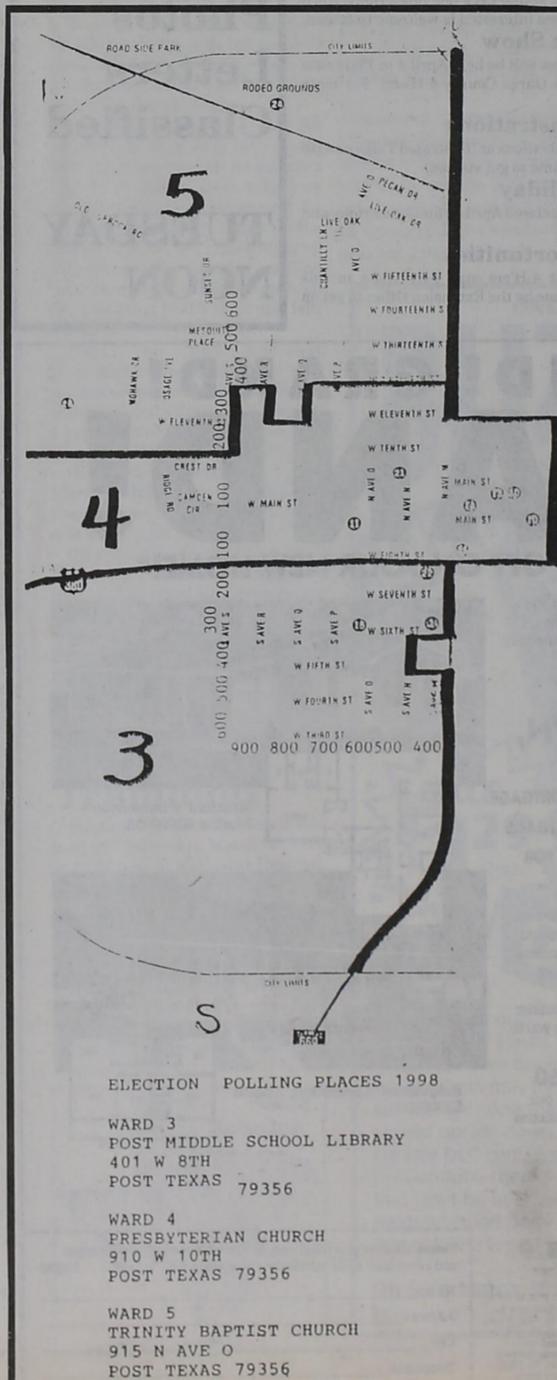
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Disarming threats surface again...

by Vin Suprynowicz



A fellow editor observed that the search would now begin to understand the sad sniping deaths of five middle-school students, apparently at the hands of fellow teens in Arkansas March 24, "as though it can ever be understood." I replied with a question: "I seem to remember from my physiological psychology lab courses that, if you confine a large enough number of rats in a small enough cage against their will — particularly whole, adolescent male rats — they WILL start killing one another. And they don't seem to need firearms to get started."

"Am I missing something here? Attendance at our mandatory government youth propaganda camps IS still mandatory, isn't it? As a matter of fact, where 50 years ago the average 16-year-old faced no social ostracism or legal penalty if he or she hit the road, took a job, and started a family, today we've started to threaten to take away their drivers' licenses if they try to escape, haven't we?"

While at the same time casting out as unemployable, used-goods 'trailer park trash' any girl who gets pregnant and declines to have a quick abortion, and dumbing down the academic curriculum so the average high school graduate today knows infinitely less of history, grammar, Latin, French, Greek, German, mathematics, economics, literature or political philosophy than the average 10th grader in 1938?

"We ARE still dragging them by force, organizing them by inappropriate age cohorts like the Prussian army camps on which this system was based, and then locking them in for hour upon hour, month upon month of mind-numbing and pointless drudgery and pro-government indoctrination, making them jump up and run from room to room, eat and even defecate in artificial, jumped-up, relays and schedules and then only after begging the permission of our most punctilious, despicable, functionally illiterate little bureaucratic toads ... AREN'T we?"

"Is the problem really that their violence 'can't ever be understood' ... or just that it has explanations we're not nearly ready to confront?"

Justifying the disarming of America

Of course, the Arkansas deaths will be used — are already being used — to justify calls for more civilian disarmament, though for some reason Sarah Brady, Dianne Feinstein, and Charles Schumer never got around to calling for the disarming of the ATF, the FBI, and the U.S. marshals after THEIR murders at Waco and Ruby Ridge.

These fans of a monopoly on arms by big, armed government forget not only the lesson of the Holocaust, but also the visionary warning of Henry St. George Tucker, in Blackstone's 1768 "Commentaries on the Laws of England," that: "The right of self-defense is the first law of nature; in most governments it has been the study of rulers to confine this right within the narrowest limits possible. Wherever standing armies are kept up, and when the right of the people to keep and bear arms, under any color or pretext whatsoever, prohibited, liberty, if not already annihilated, is on the brink of destruction."

In how bad a police state do we now live? I'm running out of room in my schedule to finish researching and reporting the tale of 25-year-old Brian Cox, shot dead by Northern Virginia police after they entered the bedroom where he was sleeping in his home on Dec. 12, 1997. Police crept in without

warning or warrant, having received a report that someone was breaking in, hours before. (Their innocent victim had indeed broken a window to get into his own home, having earlier locked himself out.)

When strange men looming unannounced in his darkened bedroom grabbed his foot and shook him awake, our citizen raised a rifle with which he wisely slept, and was shot dead. Shot eight times, in fact. No charges filed against the cops, who Virginia authorities later ruled had committed this police murder, like so many others, "entirely by the book."

How about Steven Dons of Portland, Ore., who heard a gang of felons breaking down his front door, without announcing who they were, presenting a warrant, or doing anything else the Fourth Amendment requires? Mr. Dons shot better and quicker, wounding two and killing one officer of his own mayor's absurd "Marijuana Task Force," whose survivors later claimed they were justified in breaking in without a warrant because they "smelled burning hemp."

The man who defended his home as allowed and encouraged by the Second Amendment was himself wounded and hauled off to jail, where on Feb. 25 he "committed suicide while in custody." No police officer ever charged, of course. Even the New York Times recently reported on two "wrong apartment" police atrocities committed ON THE SAME DAY, Feb. 27, one of harmless 44-year-old black man Ellis Elliott, rousted out of his apartment naked after his door was broken down, and made to dress in women's clothing for his trip to jail and back. No drugs found, though he was charged with "illegal" possession of the .25-caliber revolver with which he harmlessly tried to fire a warning shot against the unknown assailants knocking down his door, earning for his trouble a fusillade of shots that peppered the place with lead. (The weapon is now seized. Will the press report that it's the government's fault if this now-disarmed man is later killed by some other kind of criminal? Of course not.)

The second "wrong address" break-in that day terrorized eight-month-pregnant Shaunsia Patterson and her three children in the Bronx — Ms. Patterson was made to lie in her wet bedclothes for hours, having peed herself in her terror when her door was blown in, while all her belongings were trashed in a fruitless search for non-existent drugs.

When her 15-year-old daughter Misty, just returned from school, tried to ask why their door had been blown in, and whether the rampaging police had a warrant (they did not), her face was pushed into the floor by a police boot, and she was told to "Shut the (expletive) up!"

Now, where on earth would some clueless Arkansas teen-agers get the idea that guns and violence are a good way to effect changes in social behavior, and that the guys with the guns never face any real ramifications for their excesses?

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"If ye love wealth greater than liberty, the tranquility of servitude greater than the animating contest for freedom, go home from us in peace. We seek not your counsel, nor your arms. Crouch down and lick the hand that feeds you. May your chains set lightly upon you; and may posterity forget that ye were our countrymen." — Samuel Adams

Liberalism's urban legacy

by Walter E. Williams

At the end of World War II, the population of Washington, D.C., was 900,000. Today, its population stands at 528,000 and declining. Just during the 1990s, the city has lost 78,000 residents.

But Washington isn't alone in population loss. Steven Hayward's article "Broken Cities: Liberalism's Urban Legacy," in the March/April 1998 issue of Policy Review, shows that 10 of America's 25 largest cities have had significant population losses, including Boston, Baltimore, Philadelphia, Chicago and, of course, Detroit.

Atlanta, for example, has seen its population decline by 19 percent since the '60s and its suburban population rise by 386 percent.

Back in the '60s and '70s, liberals blamed the exodus on racism, namely "white flight" to the suburbs. Since the '70s, blacks have been fleeing cities at a faster rate than whites. For example, Washington has 140,000 fewer black residents now than it had in 1970. The black populations of Cleveland, Chicago, Philadelphia and St. Louis have also fallen.

As one would suspect, blacks want better and safer schools for their kids, and they don't like to be mugged and have their property vandalized any more than white people. And just like white people, they too can't wait for Bekins to move them out.

Driving the city exodus is a process that I call accumulative decay. When schools are rotten, streets are unsafe and dirty, and the city services decline, the first people to leave are those who care the most about neighborhood amenities and have resources to move on to greener pastures.

In a word, the city loses its most able people first. They tend to be replaced by people who don't care as much and/or who don't have the resources to get out. Because the best people, those who put more into

the city's coffers than they take out in services, are gone, politicians raise taxes and/or city services deteriorate. That sets up the conditions for the next round of people to leave.

Businesses, which depend on these people either as employees or customers, also leave. Eighty percent of all new jobs are created in the suburbs, and the amount of suburban office space is a third higher than downtown office space. The typical political response to a declining tax base is to raise taxes even more, and hence create incentives for more businesses and residents to leave.

A smart mayor could reverse this trend by paying more attention to efficiency rather than equity. Regardless of any other goal, a mayor's first order of business is to retain what economists call net positive fiscal residua, a fancy term for keeping those people in the city who put more into the city's coffers than they take out in services. That might require discrimination in the delivery of city services such as better lighting, greater safety, nicer libraries and better schools in wealthier neighborhoods.

Since many middle-class people leave because of school quality, another measure would be for mayors to support school vouchers. That way, parents who stayed wouldn't be faced with paying twice in order for their kids to get a good education — through property taxes and private-school tuition.

Some might protest that city-service discrimination is unfair. I might agree, but it's even more unfair for cities, once the magnets of opportunities for low-income people, to become economic wastelands.

Big cities can be revitalized, but it's going to take mayors with guts to do what's necessary to reverse accumulative decay, including ensuring safe streets and cracking down on petty crimes and misdemeanors, such as public urination, graffiti, vandalism, loitering and panhandling.

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Gestapo tactics... are they real?

by Wesley Burnett

In a letter to the editor in this edition, a writer criticizes my use of the term "gestapo" and "Nazi" in previous editorials I have written. Although I have used those terms, they are not meant, nor intended to besmirch any particular individual. However, there are individuals in law enforcement who do in fact use "gestapo" tactics and behave as Nazis in the implementation of their duties.

Perhaps an explanation of "gestapo" tactics is in order.

In Nazi Germany during the 1930s and through 1945, political activists led by Adolph Hitler were known as national socialists, under the banner of the National Socialist German Workers' Party. Among them were a supremely dedicated group of Hitler followers known as the Gestapo. Their role was to strike fear into political opponents, by using whatever force was necessary, paying little attention to the law or the rights of individuals. Germany, by the way, had a constitutional republic at the time, complete with a constitution not unlike the U.S. document.

Here's how Webster's Unabridged Dictionary defines the word, Gestapo:

1. (noun) the German state secret police during the Nazi regime, organized in 1933 and notorious for its brutal methods and operations. 2. (adjective) of or resembling the Nazi Gestapo, esp. in the brutal suppression of opposition. "The new regime is using gestapo tactics."

So, when I use the term "gestapo tactics" I am intending to relay the meaning of the word as an adjective. It is designed to describe methods used by "enforcers of the law" to silence critics or opponents of the state (government). Let us be clear about this... any government agent who uses those tactics, must by definition, be labeled as one who uses "gestapo tactics."

Here are a few examples of those tactics:

1. Ignoring the rights of individuals in the pursuit of protecting the state (Fuehrer).
2. Physically abusing or torturing accused violators of the "law."
3. Demoning the accused through government controlled media.
4. Violating judicial safeguards through perjured warrants, seizures and confiscation of individuals and their property.

What are some examples of these tactics in America today?

1. The two most famous examples are Ruby Ridge, Idaho where federal agents shot and killed a young boy and his mother... although neither of them had been named in any warrant or formal charge; and the mass destruction by the federal government of the Branch Davidians and their home in McLennan County, Texas, where falsified information was used to justify a warrant to search for "illegal" weapons. In both of these cases, federal agents were eagerly and enthusiastically supported by state and county government agents.

2. Every day, thousands, perhaps millions of Americans are victimized by gestapo tactics while exercising their inherent right of liberty, merely going from one place to another. Under the guise of obedience to the state, these victims are forced at the point of a gun, to surrender their liberty for such offenses to the state as not wearing a seat belt, driving too fast, not having state-approved registration of their privately owned vehicles and a long list of other demands by the government (Fuehrer).

3. Today thousands of Americans will be incarcerated without warrants for opposing the state (Fuehrer) through "warrantless" search and seizures, all authorized by the U.S. Supreme Court in the name of the anti-drug war. And these confiscations are mostly implemented by county and city "law officers," in the name of "protecting society." It goes like this... you get stopped for a traffic code violation, the government agent demands to inspect your vehicle... a drug dog sniffs around and barks... they handcuff you, take all your valuables, haul you to jail, take your vehicle and sell it. No warrant needed, just "reasonable" suspicion on the part of the arresting officer.

Most of the victims in this scheme are stopped because they fit a certain profile... in Nazi Germany the profile was, in the beginning, being a Jew. In America the profile is not so much religion as it is political and racial... a beard, long hair, men with earrings, people of Mexican or African heritage, a certain type of bumper sticker... the list goes on. It is blatant discrimination, based solely on the suspicion of the government agent. And this behavior is supported aggressively by the judicial system, just as it was in Nazi Germany.

"These people are enemies of the state, they must be terminated."

Criminals... that's what government agents call us... every time you get a traffic citation, you are listed in the books as a criminal... it is clearly posted at the top of the monthly report on traffic code collections.

Every time a "no-knock" search is made in this country, the officers implementing that raid are following Adolph Hitler's famous Gestapo tactics, where making the arrest supersedes the rights of the individual. Serving the state is more important than serving the people.

I believe it is not only proper, but extremely important to call a spade a spade. If government agents use these kinds of tactics to enforce the law, then they must accept the label as it fits. Those who support this behavior must also accept the responsibility for the tyranny under which we suffer. For the German people, it came too late... but for us, there may still be time to take corrective action.

I believe that the list of gestapo tactic victims is growing daily. And there will be a time when the list of victims exceeds the list of gestapo tactic defenders... and when that time comes, there will be a reckoning and those found guilty will be held accountable.

I pray that God's love and mercy will fill the hearts of those who believe in the almighty state (government), and recognize the wisdom of questioning government, not blindly obeying every edict. I pray that government agents enforcing the law will reconsider their tactics and take their oaths of office seriously... in the words of Thomas Jefferson:

"We hold these Truths to be self-evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just Powers from the Consent of the Governed. That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these Ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its Foundation on such Principles, and organizing its Powers in such Forms, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness" (From the American Declaration of Independence).

Slaves will be slaves... until they find the strength to fight back. That's what our ancestors did and sooner or later we will either demand our rights, or we will continue to suffer in slavery to the almighty state.

Local Government Meetings

Monday, April 6

• Garza County Commissioners' Court, 9 a.m., 3rd floor courthouse.

Tuesday, April 7

• Post City Council, city hall, 6:30 p.m.

Monday, April 20

• Garza County Commissioners' Court, 9 a.m., 3rd floor courthouse.

Sports

Woods leads 'Lopes at Tahoka relays

Post High School's varsity and junior varsity boys track teams fared well at the recent Tahoka Relays.

Varsity results include:
 110 HH — Sam Woods, first place, 15.4; Eligah McElroy, third place, 17.99; Raymond Silva, fifth place, 18.42.
 800m — Matt McCallister, fifth place, 2:18.07.
 400m — Eligah McElroy, fifth place, 61.93.
 300 IH — Sam Woods, first place, 42.48; Jay Gorman, third place, 43.53.
 1600m relay — Billy Crawford, Matt McCallister, Jay Gorman, Jamie Hernandez, third place, 346.30.
 Shotput — Billy Crawford, second place, 43 feet, seven inches; Brandon Patschke, sixth place, 40 feet, 1.5 inches.
 Discus — Billy Crawford, fifth place, 109 feet, 1 1/4 inches; Brandon Patschke, sixth place, 108 feet, four inches.
 High jump — Eligah McElroy, second place, five feet, eight inches.
 Junior varsity results include:
 110 HH — Joey Cimental, first place.
 Long jump — Joey Cimental, fourth place.
 Triple jump — Joey Cimental, sixth place.
 300 IH — Joey Cimental, fourth place.

PHS Lady golfers win at Idalou and Sundown invitationals

The Post High School girls golf team recently earned a pair of first place tournament finishes.

At the Idalou Invitational held March 24, the team took a first place win with a total of 340. Individual scores included Kasey Hardin, 76 (first medalist); Becca Stelzer, 88; Natalie Pollard, 99; Yvonne Lopez, 97; and Kelli Collier, 116.
 At the Sundown Invitational conducted March 30 (shortened to nine holes due to inclement weather), the team's first-place winning total was 196. Individual scores were Hardin, 44 (first medalist); s, 54; Pollard, 49 (second medalist); Lopez, 49 (third medalist); and Miranda Palmer, 70.

'Lope golfers take 1st place

The Post High School boys golf team captured a first place finish at the Idalou Invitational held March 26.

The team scored a 322 to earn the win. Individual scores for Post included Jerry Graham, 82; Marcus Lopez, 78 (third medalist); Jay Gorman, 77 (second medalist); Slade Bevers, 89; and Justin Norman, 85.



J.C. Stelzer III with his prize winning lamb at San Angelo.

Town and Country buys Local FFA Champion Lamb

Town & Country Food Stores, along with Norwest Bank purchased the Champion Finewool Lamb shown by J.C. Stelzer, Post FFA member, during the San Angelo Stock Show sale on Saturday, March 14. The purchase price was \$4,250.

According to F.L. "Steve" Stephens, chairman of Town and Country, the purchase was a "vote of confidence for our young FFA members — at Town & Country, we wanted to show our appreciation in a small way."

The floor price of the 135 lb. lamb will be donated by Town & Country Food Stores to Meals for the elderly in San Angelo.

San Angelo based Town & Country Food Stores, Inc. operates 134 convenience stores in Texas and New Mexico and six T&C Village Markets in various West Texas towns.

Tahoka trips 'Lopes 10-8

The Post High School baseball team dropped a 10-8 game to Tahoka March 28. Nine errors, with four of them coming in the second inning, hurt the Antelopes as Tahoka took a 6-1 lead in that inning. Post came back to tie the game in the inning, 6-6, but Tahoka answered with two runs in the third and two in the fifth to round out their scoring. Post scored two in their half of the fifth but couldn't come up with the runs needed to win.

Coach Fred Postel said it was a great offensive game by the 'Lopes, who had 14 hits. Braden Conner was five for five with three singles, a double and a 390-foot homerun and two RBIs. Steve Gonzales went four for four, with three singles and an inside-the-park grand slam that tied the game in the second inning. Gonzales had five RBIs. Anthony Flores, Scotty Gaydos, T.J. Gaydos, Rocky Gomez and Rudy Halford each had singles and Joseph Abraham put down a great sacrifice bunt.

T.J. Gaydos and Anthony Flores pitched well, Postel said, together striking out 12. But they walked six, including two hit batters.

Varsity 'Lope golfers win 1st and 7th at Brownfield

The Post High School boys golf teams captured first and seventh place wins at the Brownfield Tournament held March 17.

The Post A team took first place with a total of 317. The Post B team finished seventh with 380.

Members of the Post A team and their individual scores included Jerry Graham, 78; Marcus Lopez, 83; Jay Gorman, 83; Justin Norman, 73 (second medalist).

Making up the Post B team were Slade Bevers, 81; John Radle, 91; Matt McCallister, 97; Michael Ulm, 101; and Eric Lopez, 109.

PHS band competes in U.I.L. contest

The Post High School band will travel to Sundown Tuesday to participate in the University Interscholastic League (UIL) concert and sightreading contest.

A first division rating in both areas would give the PHS band their third straight sweepstakes trophy, according to Principal Joe Giddens.

Earlier this year, the band earned a

first division rating in the UIL marching competition.

Last week, the band traveled to Lubbock to perform in a practice competition conducted on the Texas Tech campus. At that contest, the Post group received a Division II rating in concert and a Division I rating in sightreading, Giddens said.

PHS One-Act play competes for Area

The Post High School one-act play production of "Children of a Lesser God" earned the right to advance to the area University Interscholastic League (UIL) play contest to be held April 10 in the local elementary school auditorium. The district win came last week at a competition held in Abilene, according to Principal Joe Giddens.

In addition to being selected as one of two productions to advance to the area competition, the PHS play also produced honors for three of its cast members. Natalie Pollard was named Best Actress, Clell Knight was singled out as Best Actor and Daniel Fluitt was selected as a member of the All-Star Cast.

Other cast members of the play include Matt Cooper, Candi Reed, Lindsey Rudd and Micaela Eagle. Members of the crew are Cassie Short, Derreck Cowley and Kelsey Wimmer.

Director for "Children of a Lesser God" is Candace Bowling. Listed in the program as assistant director is Tonya Rudd, who instructed cast members in sign language which is used in the production.

Joining the PHS production in representing District 4-AA is Crosbyton's "Thieves' Carnival."

"Children of a Lesser God" and five other district-winning one-act plays will be performed in the Post Elementary School auditorium Friday, April 10. Performances will be open to the public and local residents are encouraged to be on hand at the auditorium between 11:30-11:45 a.m. for the PHS production, according to Bowling.

New Texas constitution emphasizes no taxation

Texas government will be funded through voluntary methods if Texans adopt a new constitution being drafted by delegates to the Texas Constitutional Convention of 1997. In the proposal, governments are forbidden to impose or collect taxes of any kind.

Delegates to the convention wrapped up the first draft of a nine article constitution during the 10th session held in Brownwood March 14-15. Work on a transition plan and fine-tuning the constitution will keep delegates busy at the next session, May 9-10 in San Antonio.

Government funding emphasizes county political power, by placing all funding at the local level. "We are giving government wide latitude in funding, as long as it is strictly voluntary," convention chairman Don Henson says. County governments will retain 70 percent of locally collected revenue, sending 30 percent to the national government.

Delegates also approved a ratification plan modeled after Article 7 of the U.S. Constitution, which will use county conventions for citizen participation. "We believe in the republican form of government as did the founders of the U.S.," Henson adds, "and our ratification plan is an example of that philosophy."

When the draft constitution is formally adopted by the convention, delegates will appoint 12 Texans to serve on a Texas Constitution Ratification Committee, to ensure the lawful and peaceful ratification of the new constitution. The transition plan will take affect following ratification.

Contacts for additional information: Wesley W. Burnett (806) 495-4135 or (806) 495-2816 Don Henson (915) 587-4616 Convention Updates at: <http://colossus.net/wepinsto/txconv/update.html> or www.rtmag.com

JDC numbers growing

The average daily population of youths housed at the Garza County Juvenile Detention Center is gradually climbing, according to the facility's superintendent, David Eastland.

The facility is currently showing an average daily population of 15-18 students, Eastland said. That number was 5-7 students at the close of 1997.

"It's climbing, slowly but surely," Eastland said. "We're getting our name out and word is getting out that we're doing a good job."

The facility has served a total of 11 counties since opening five months ago. More counties would probably be using the facility if it had opened earlier in the year. Eastland said many counties had already earmarked their detention center monies for the fiscal year by the time the Garza County facility opened.

"Next fiscal year will be a whole different story," Eastland said. "Our name's getting out and they know what we're offering."

It is an ongoing effort to fill the 48-bed facility, the superintendent said. Recently, the State of Delaware agreed to contract with the facility to house juveniles here in the 1999 fiscal year and the effort to negotiate a contract with the Texas Youth Commission is "getting close."

"We're down to hammering out the little details now. There's a lot of red tape dealing with state agencies."

Eastland said he doesn't believe that Lubbock will take advantage of the local juvenile facility despite an apparent shortage of space. Lubbock has recently received grant monies that will be used to address that city's growing juvenile detention needs.

As the youth population grows in the Garza County facility, Eastland said he is looking at bringing the facility back up to full staff. Several layoffs occurred shortly after the facility's opening.

"We're doing the best that we can do to keep everybody employed," the superintendent said. "They're not going to lay anybody else off. We have state guidelines to meet."

The detention center earned favorable marks on a recent inspection by the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission.

The 22,000-square-foot center, which opened Oct. 29, is designed to provide space for long- and short-term housing for juveniles from throughout the South Plains.

The \$3.5-4 million project was financed through the sale of about \$4.5 million worth of revenue bonds. Revenues collected from other counties housing juveniles at the facility will be used to repay the revenue bond debt. Once all debt on the facility has been satisfied, ownership of the facility will revert back to Garza County.

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Obituaries

Reba Arlene Jones

Funeral services for Reba Arlene Jones, 81, longtime resident of Post were held Sunday, March 29, 1998 at 2 p.m. in the First United Methodist church with Rev. Buddy Payne, pastor officiating and assisted by Rev. Douglas Gossett of Lubbock. Burial was in Terrace Cemetery under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

She died March 27, 1998 in Golden Plains Care Center. She was born June 1, 1917 to Goldthwaite to William and Mary Pearl (Nichols) Doggett. She graduated from Post High School. She married Walter Jones on December 31, 1938 in Snyder Texas. She was a member of the the Methodist Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, Valter on January 22, 1972 and by a grandson, Bill Jones in 1987.

Survivors include: three daughters, Carolyn Gray of Graham, Kathy Lee of Walnut Creek, California and Marilyn Johnston of Slaton; three sons, Bill Jones of China Springs, Danny Jones of Mansfield and Jimmy Jones of Post; two sisters, Velma Smith of Austin and Maxine Ellison of Dallas; two brothers, Lloyd Doggett of Austin and Jim Doggett of Lubbock; 14 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Trey Jones, Brent Jones, Lance Johnston, George Birdwell, Brad Lewis and Trey Birdwell.

Honorary pallbearers were Royce Josey, Jimmy Redman, Nolan Williams, Rusty Jean, Jody Mason, Sonny Mason and Robbie King.

The family suggest memorials to the Alzheimers Association or Make a Wish Foundation.

Dorothy Cowdrey

Services for Dorothy Inez Cowdrey, 90, of the Graham Chapel community were at 9 a.m. Wednesday, April 1, 1998 in Post Church of Christ with David Joyner, minister of Graham Chapel Church of Christ and Homer Jones, minister from Wellman officiating. Burial will be in Terrace Cemetery under direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

She died Sunday, March 29, 1998 in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock.

She was born October 1, 1907 in Montague County. She came to Garza County with her family on January 17, 1915. She was the daughter of John N. and Lucy (Hollis) Gossett and was next to the youngest of nine children. Her family were pioneers who bought a farm from C.W. Post. She attended school at the Gossett school on their place and the Graham Chapel school. She had the honor of naming the school.

She married Elmer Cowdrey on December 20, 1925 and lived in Garza County all her married life. Elmer preceded her in death on May 8, 1990. She helped farm as well as being a homemaker. She was a devoted Christian in her church and a charter member where she served as treasurer for many years. She was loved as a strong family person and served as the family historian for all the younger generations. She was also preceded in death by her oldest granddaughter, Brenda King in 1986, a great grandson, Bill Hewitt in 1970 and a great great grandson, Hunner Jake Yzaguirre in 1996.

She is survived by one daughter, Jo Ella Sparlin; granddaughter, Glenna Hewitt; grandson, Albert David Sparlin, all of Garza County and a grandson, James "Bud" Sparlin of Snyder; grandchildren, Nicky Hewitt of Odessa, Teresa Yzaguirre of Aubrey, Brent Hewitt of Post, Curtis Sparlin of Sanger, A.D. Sparlin of Birmingham, Alabama, Darin and Marc Sparlin of Dallas; five great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Mack Ledbetter, David Hooten, Lewis Mason, Jimmy Byrd, Jerry Bush and Ronnie Graves.

Susie Galvan Mindieta

Graveside services for Susie Galvan Mindieta, 79 of Post were held March 27, 1998 at 4 p.m. in Terrace Cemetery Rev. Lawrence Hemp from the Holy Cross Catholic Church officiating. Burial was under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

She died March 27, 1998 in Golden Plains Care Center.

She was born February 5, 1919 to Santiago and Alicia (Esqueziel) Galvan in Galveston. She was preceded in death by one daughter, Aurora Melvin and two sons, Manuel Mindieta and Robert Mindieta.

Survivors include: three daughters, Angela Diaz and Rita Rivera, both of Post, Mary Martinez of Sterling City; two sons, George Mindieta Jr of Hale Center and Daniel Mindieta of Garland; two sisters, Janie Perez of Post, Rosa Castro of Brownfield and Lupe Magariel of Corpus Christi; 25 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

Jesus M. Rodriguez

Funeral services for Jesus M. Rodriguez, 90, of Post were held Thursday, March 19, 1998 at 2:30 p.m. in the Holy Cross Catholic Church with Father Lawrence Hemp officiating. Rosary was held at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Hudman Funeral Home chapel. Burial was in Terrace Cemetery under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

Mr Rodriguez died March 17, 1998 in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock.

He was born March 7, 1908 in Republic of Mexico to Jose and Josefina (Maruquin) Rodriguez. He married Elida T. Tijerina on August 7, 1937 in Lefors. He was retired and was a Senior Companion for many years. He was preceded in death by two grandchildren, Israel Landa and Rosalinda Rodriguez.

He is survived by: his wife, Elida Rodriguez of Post; his children, Clara Landa, Willie Rodriguez Sr., Alfredo Rodriguez and Jessie Rodriguez Jr., all of Post; his granddaughter he raised, Tina Valdez of Post; one brother, Neo Rodriguez of Mexico; 21 grandchildren; 44 great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Phillip Landa, Luciano Rodriguez, Junior Landa, Adrian Landa, Joe Rodriguez and Gassie Ray.

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Common back pain usually involves the muscles, discs and nerves of the back. Any one or a combination can cause similar symptoms. A muscle strain or sprain is when muscles or ligaments have been stretched or torn. Disk problems result when the disk between the back bones bulge out and push on the nerves of the back. The result of either can be pain, stiffness and tingling.

The first few days of treatment should be centered around relieving the pain. Many times this can be done by using ice, over the counter medications (OTC) and heat, with just a little bed rest. Ice, placed were your back hurts worse, for 15-20 minutes 4-5 times a day, for the first two days. OTC medications like ibuprofen, naproxen or acetaminophen may help. Make sure these are compatible with any prescription medications you are using. If after two days ice hasn't helped, try heat in the form of a heating pad or warm bath. Try to continue your daily routine with gentle movements. You should avoid heavy lifting or repetitive motion that causes pain, but light stretching will usually speed recovery.

Back pain can be prevented in most cases by using good body mechanics (how we hold and move our body). Good body mechanics should start when we get out of bed and continue throughout the day. How we lift things, how we sit, even how we get in and out of our car, has an impact on our back.

Long term lifestyle changes such as being active, keeping your weight under control, lowering stress and quitting smoking have all been proven to lower back pain. By going slowly and not trying to change everything at once, you are more likely to succeed.

You should make an appointment to see your medical provider if there is an increase in pain within the first few days or if the pain prevents you from moving. You should see your provider immediately if: You have problems controlling your bladder or bowel, numbness in your groin or rectal area. Extreme pain, numbness or weakness in the back and legs.

Michael Travis PA-C

Letters to the Editor

Letters to the Editor Policy: We require all letters to be signed, however, names may be withheld from publication by request. Letters may be edited for brevity, grammar and punctuation.

Hey folks, hell just froze over!

Well, I was sure it must have, because for the first time since I began reading Mr Burnett's editorials, I find myself, along with a lot of other people, in full agreement with his call for dissolving the Garza Hospital District.

I don't agree to Mr Burnett's name-calling... such as socialist, Marxist, Nazis and Gestapo. I don't know how many of these types of people Mr Burnett has known, but I was pleased to see that he backed off on the underpaid and overworked law enforcement of this state long enough to hit the nail right on the head.

Instead of creating his own news, Mr Burnett has now written an article that is the news, and very important to each of us. Read it, consider it, if you feel as I do, then respond with your signature on the petition. Not just you, but also your friends and relatives. Fight for the right to put this over the top, even before it goes to a vote. Let them know you are a real person, not a playing piece in a monopoly game.

If you disagree, God bless you, but if you agree, then stand up, fight hard for the few rights you have left. Let them know "we the people" are alive and angry. Your vote is really the only vote that counts.

Use it!
Patrick M. Chancellor

Editor's Note: The letter writer apparently is offended by my description of government agents who abuse the rights of individuals, by using terms which define the actions of those agents (see this issue's editorial on page 5). As I told State Representative David Counts, "If you support socialistic programs, then it is common sense to refer to you as a socialist." By the same reasoning, anyone who supports and promotes communism, Marxism and gestapo tactics, must by definition wear the appropriate label for their



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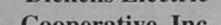
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Board of Trustees of the Post Independent School District
Published April 2, 1998

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Project: Resurfacing of Post ISD tract facility, 200 W. 6th Street, Post, Texas 79356.

Bid Date and Time: April 7, 1998 at 10 a.m.

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Questions concerning this project and bid specifications may be taken care of by contacting Richard Gorman at (806) 495-2770.

Post ISD reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Notice of Application For Fluid Injection Well Permit

Primrose Operating Company, P.O. Box 1319, Wichita Falls, Texas 76307 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil or gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the San Andres and Glorieta formation, Fuller Dorward Unit lease, Well Number 503. The proposed injection well is located 7 miles southeast of Justiceburg in the Dorward Field, in Garza County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 2032 to 2591 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 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. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

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The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the San Andres and Glorieta formation, Blakey, Estine lease, Well Number 29. The proposed injection well is located 7 miles southeast of Justiceburg in the Dorward Field, in Garza County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 2064 to 2609 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 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. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

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Yesteryears

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March 27, 1988
10 Years Ago

Post entry in Thursday's U.I.L. zone, one act play competition was a winner. "Children of a Lessor God" cast members Cheryl Thompson and Eric Reece were named best actress and best actor for their outstanding performances; Jennifer Owen and Brent McDonald were named to the All Star Cast; and Melanie Reece and Jimmy Holleman were awarded All Star Cast Honorable Mention.

Nicholas Magnone is a 17 year old high school exchange student in Southland. He is here on a year long visit from Montevideo, Uruguay.

March 30, 1978
20 Years Ago

Travis Thomas will retire Friday after 41 years of service with Southwestern Public Service.

A.E. Redman, Sammy Palmer and J.D. Windham returned home Tuesday from a fishing trip on the Pecos River and Lake Spence.

Don Collier visited in Post over the Easter weekend. Don is living in Austin.

Happy Birthday today goes to Leck Wall, Jerry Hoover, Jerry Dale Pearson, Patricia Posey Dudley, Sherman Daughtry, Eli Quinonez, Robert Craig and Holly Kay Bruton.

March 28, 1968
30 Years Ago

Jim Jackson was named Post's "Outstanding Young Man of 1967" at the Junior Chamber of Commerce installation banquet.

Miss Henrietta Nichols enjoyed a 5 day cruise to Hawaii recently.

Mr and Mrs Richard Hall and Mr and Mrs Wendell Scribner and baby were Sunday guests with the Lonnie Gene Peels.

Lorry Chapman sold 100 boxes of cookies - more than any other Girl Scout in Post.

March 27, 1958
40 Years Ago

Ted Wilson of Alexander City, Ala., was a guest in the home of Mr and Mrs J.L. Ballentine and family last week.

Ray Keith, son of Mr and Mrs Alton Ray Little, was born March 20 in Garza Memorial Hospital. He weighed seven pounds and three and one-half ounces.

Jimmy Short of the Post Antelope basketball team was selected to the

all District 2 AA team last week. Mrs Lizzie Byrd of Clairmont spent the weekend visiting in the home of Mr and Mrs Oscar Gray.

April 1, 1948
50 Years Ago

Sterling Ammons, son of Mrs Bethe Justice, has enlisted in the army. He left last week for Fort Ord, California.

Doris Mason received an arm injury while playing volleyball at school last week.

Norma Hudman, Wanda West, Iris Power, Hazel Gardner, Maggie Graham and Betty Williams were seen riding around in the new Hudman car Saturday.

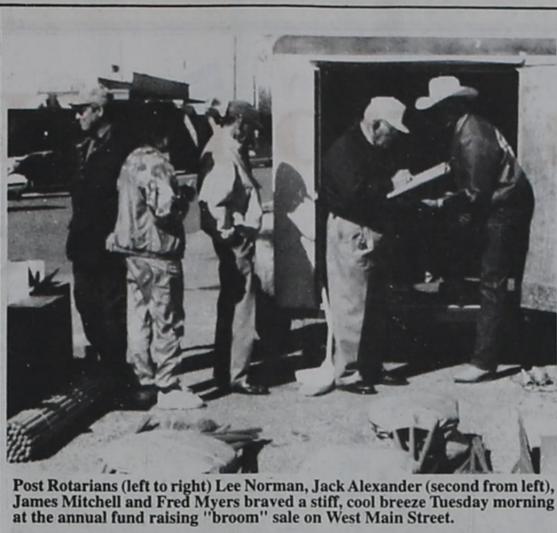
This week at the Garza theatre you can see "Glamour Girl" with Gene Krupa and his orchestra, "Captain from Castile" with Tyrone Power, "They Won't Believe Me" with Robert Young, Susan Hayward and "That Hagen Girl" with Ronald Reagan and Shirley Temple.

Women's Div- Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau meets

The Women's Division of the Post Commerce and Tourism Bureau held its monthly meeting and luncheon on March 18, with eleven members present.

Newly elected President, Marie Neff chaired the meeting and announced her cabinet of officers. First Vice-president, Jan Acker; Second Vice-president, Jeanette Bell; Secretary, Louella Bilberry; Treasurer, Betty Posey; and Reporter, Linda Puckett. Selection of chair persons for numerous committees are underway and will be announced at the next meeting.

Marie also gave a delightful program, "The Mythology and Magic of Eggs". Members were able to view rare examples of this beautiful art form from the OS Ranch Museum collection. Marie reflected the history and myths of each exhibited piece and the perspective countries such as Spain, Lithuania, Ukraine, United States, Persia and a beautiful Faberge' egg from Russia.



Post Rotarians (left to right) Lee Norman, Jack Alexander (second from left), James Mitchell and Fred Myers braved a stiff, cool breeze Tuesday morning at the annual fund raising "broom" sale on West Main Street.

Living on the Edge of the Caprock

by John Senter, CEA-AG

6-County weed control workshop set April 6

As you begin to think about spring cotton planting there is always one topic that seems to pop up about this time of year and that is the subject of weed control. Not only does weed control have to be cost effective, especially in dryland fields in the county, it has to be effective in percent control. Inaccurate decisions can lead to poor performance and increased trips through the field. This in turn also costs extra money.

With the extra moisture we have received this spring, it is a pretty safe bet that we will, once again be facing a weed problem in the 1998 growing season. To help producers make informed decisions when planning this season's weed control programs, the Extension Offices in Borden, Dawson, Garza, Lynn and Scurry counties have planned a program to help cotton producers gather facts about the latest herbicide information and weed control strategies.

The program will be held on Monday, April 6 in two different locations at two different times to allow folks to choose the site that best fits individual needs. The first offering of the program will be held at 8:30 a.m. at the Ledbetter Pecan Farm in the Plains community. Ledbetter's headquarters is located on FM 1054 in the Borden - Lynn County line on the North side of the highway. The second offering of this program will be held at 11 a.m. at the Fluvanna Community Center.

Both programs will offer the identical information and will feature Dr. Peter Dotray, Extension Weed Specialist. Dr. Dotray works cooperatively with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Texas Agricultural Extension Service and Texas Tech University. He will be presenting an update on herbicides for pre and post emerge weed control in cotton.

Both programs will offer the same information but two locations will allow more access to producers in the six county area. It is planned to provide Continuing Education Units (CEU's) to producers attending one of the programs although the number has not been finalized as of this writing.

Before the rush of planting time is here, take time to attend one of these short, to the point programs to help you and your crop get a jump on cotton weeds. You and your crop will be glad you did. If you have questions, feel free to call our office at 495-4400 or, Extension Offices in one of the other sponsoring counties.

Programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap or national origin.

Tower Theater features classic country May 2

The Tower Theater will offer a show featuring Rusty Hudelson's Knights of the West Saturday, May 2, beginning at 7 p.m.

In addition to the Knights of the West, the evening of classic country and western swing will include the duet-style yodeling of Rusty Hudelson and Tania Moody (a.k.a. Gaynelle Strawbuck, cowgirl extraordinaire). Tunes from the legendary Bob Wills, Patsy Cline, Ray Price and Hank Williams will be included in the evening of family entertainment and dance. Admission will be \$7.50.

Trade Days set for "Nifty 50s"

(Continued from Page 1) shoppers ideas and parts for creating their own lamps; and a booth offering loungers and dipped almonds and fruits. In the Ragtown area, a booth on hand last month which offered Nascar and Hot Wheels models will return. New vendors will offer homemade jellies and jams and homemade clothing.

In addition to the sampling of new vendors, Trade Days will also celebrate the opening of a new women's restroom facility located in the southwest end of the Phase II building. The new facilities still need some painting to be completed but will be open for use during this event. Old Mill Trade Days will be open Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Admission will be free on Friday and will cost \$1 per person on Saturday and Sunday. Trade Days will celebrate its fourth anniversary at next month's event.

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Deputies arrest 11 people here

Editor's Note: We publish the names of those people charged with the violation of the rights of other individuals.

Eleven individuals were arrested by local law enforcement officers during the past week, according to Garza County Sheriff's Department records. On March 25, 25-year-old Bobby Ray Curtis was arrested for public intoxication and criminal trespass. On March 26, a 45-year-old female was picked up for public intoxication (released March 29 on time served/fine paid).

Five arrests were made on March 28, including that of 27-year-old Daniel Dewayne Martin who was arrested on charges of theft, criminal mischief and revocation of probation; a 29-year-old male picked up for disorderly conduct and resisting arrest; a 23-year-old male arrested for not wearing his seat belt (released March 29 on time served/fine paid); a 25-year-old male arrested for not having a driver's license (released March 30 on time served/fine paid); and a 32-year-old male arrested on a warrant (released the next day after paying fines).

Arrests made March 30 included that of 38-year-old Cristoval Aguilar on charges of assault (released the same day); 25-year-old Romero Roman arrested for criminal mischief; a 20-year-old male picked up on revocation of probation; and 40-year-old Gary Don Bilbo arrested on charges of family violence/deadly conduct.

More than 75 calls for service were received during the past week. Calls received on March 25 included a request for an ambulance in the 600 block of South Avenue H (transport made to University Medical Center in Lubbock); a report of criminal trespass at the Manor Apartments; and a report of telephone harassment in the 100 block of South Avenue F.

Incoming calls on March 26 included a report of distribution of alcohol to minors (no address given); a report of cruelty to animals in the 800 block of West 5th; and a report of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle at Two Draw Lake.

Calls fielded on March 27 included a report of criminal mischief (windshield broken; no address recorded) and a report of an accident involving a pickup which rolled after its camper came off, CR 210 (no injuries reported).

The sheriff's department also received several calls concerning weather-related problems. Due to high winds, the phone lines between Post and Lubbock were felled at mid-day. According to a report called in to the sheriff's department by a highway department representative, a telephone line was down one mile north of the KPOS tower on U.S. 84.

Several calls came in reporting the telephone problems. Dispatchers also received a call reporting a missing stop sign at Hwy. 380 and Avenue S. The sign had been blown down.

Calls received on March 28 included a request for an ambulance at a location on U.S. 84 south between Slaton and Posey (caller advised that the man who had stopped to help her change a flat tire appeared to have suffered a heart attack and was unconscious. The Lubbock Sheriff's Department was notified and responded by sending an Aerocare helicopter to the scene. No further details were recorded.)

A report of criminal mischief in the 13th Street alley; a single-vehicle automobile accident (no injuries; no further information recorded); an automobile accident one mile south of CR 212 on U.S. 84 (Lynn County officials notified); and a gasoline drive-off at a local convenience store (\$14.48 worth of gasoline taken).

On March 29, the department received a report of harassment and assault by threat (no address given) and a report of a disturbance in the 200 block of North Avenue F.

On March 30, dispatchers received a radio call notifying officials that an Aerocare helicopter was forced to land at the Post Airport due to heavy fog and poor visibility. The local EMS completed the transport to UMC, Lubbock.

Other calls received on March 30 included a report of criminal mischief in the 200 block of West 12th (rock thrown through a window); an assault in the 200 block of North Avenue F; and a report of a man with a gun in the 400 block of West 10th Street.

Calls received March 31 included a report of young boys shooting dogs with BBs in the 400 block of North Avenue O; harassment at Southland; and burglary of a habitation in Justiceburg (several guns were reported missing; no signs of forced entry were observed).

Menus

Post ISD

Friday, April 3, 1998

Breakfast: Cereal, toast, honey, fruit, milk.

Lunch: Cheeseburger, h.b. salad, French fries, cookie, milk.

Monday, April 6, 1998

Breakfast: French toast sticks, sausage link, fruit, milk.

Lunch: Corn dog, French fries, mixed vegetables, macaroni and cheese, peaches, milk.

Tuesday, April 7, 1998

Breakfast: Biscuit/gravy, ham, orange juice, fruit, milk.

Lunch: Steak fingers, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, peas, hot rolls, Jello, milk.

Wednesday, April 8, 1998

Breakfast: Oatmeal, bacon, toast, fruit, milk.

Lunch: B-B-Que on bun, pinto beans, slaw, ice cream, milk.

Thursday, April 9, 1998

Breakfast: Churros, sausage link, fruit, milk.

Trail Blazer

Friday, April 3, 1998

Brisket, au gratin potatoes, fried okra, pickle, onion and tomato, wheat roll, apricot cobbler, beverage.

Monday, April 6, 1998

Chicken fried steak, baked potato, green beans, wheat roll, apricots, beverage.

Tuesday, April 7, 1998

King Ranch chicken, three bean salad, Mexican style spinach, sugar cookies, beverage.

Wednesday, April 8, 1998

Polish sausage w/cabbage, mashed potatoes, tossed salad w/Ranch dressing, cornbread, pumpkin crunch, beverage.

Thursday, April 9, 1998

Fish nuggets w/tarter sauce, oven fried potatoes, carrots, banana and oranges, cornbread, sugar cookies, beverage.

Lunch: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, California mix, salad, garlic toast, cake, milk.



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ACROSS

1 'house' below the southern border

5 civil rights group

6 Marcus nickname

7 shade of color

8 '___ gut whiskey'

9 TXism: 'wouldn't ___ fleas' (harmless dog)

16 TXism: 'you can bet the farm ___'

18 TXism: 'pulled the ___ his eyes'

20 TX chill: ___ beans

21 TXism: '___ of breathing room' (spacious)

22 wagon wheel track

24 old TX RR: Rockdale, ___ & Southern

30 Tex-Mex green dip

34 TXism: 'all hat and ___ cattle' (phony)

35 hit by TX Henley's Eagles: 'After The Thrill ___'

36 Bridge City's Salt-water ___ Festival

37 TXism: 'it'll make your hair stand ___' (scary)

39 unique feature of TX Stadium (4 wds.)

43 Loving Co. has only one ___ road

44 'The TX Wheelers' was set in this town this TX Wilma won 3 gold medals in '60 Olympics (init.)

46 Staubach could hurl the 'Hail ___' pass

47 TXism: 'hit a ___ (ran into obstacle)

DOWN

1 Dimmitt's county

2 The Ballpark in Arlington puts fans closer to the ___

3 leaning; sloping

4 uncle's 'better half'

9 to Austin from Waco

10 Houston played in '90 Coca-___

11 The Jersey Lily was Judge Roy Bean's saloon & court ___

12 TX town or low female voice

13 TXism: 'attracted like a pig ___'

14 to Texans, it's 105

15 LBJ's female beagle

16 TXism: 'write slow 'cause ___ can't read fast'

50 plants found in Enchanted Rock State Natural Area

53 Waco born: ___ Pepper

54 Winters h.s. class

55 posts letters

56 swappers

59 TV series for TX actress Gehringer: 'Evening ___'

60 TX Ginger starred in this Gershwin's 'Girl Crazy'

17 TXism: 'wouldn't ___ with a ten-foot pole'

19 mascot for UT-San Antonio: Road ___

23 TX cold remedy: hot ___

24 south of border 'yes'

25 Dallas cosmetician Mary Kay ___

26 Houston-based Stop ___ stores

27 exhibits at Texas Dollhouse Museum

28 '... Texas, ___ indivisible'

29 in Colorado Co. just off I-10

40 X-mas egg drink

41 Davy's state (abbr.)

42 TXism: '___ ready' (prepared)

49 TXism: 'plumb weak north of the ___' (stupid)

51 TXism: 'I couldn't ___ less' (unconcerned)

52 book: 'LBJ and ___ Times'

57 TXism: 'riding ___ horse' (arrogant)

58 daughter of TX Gene Tierney

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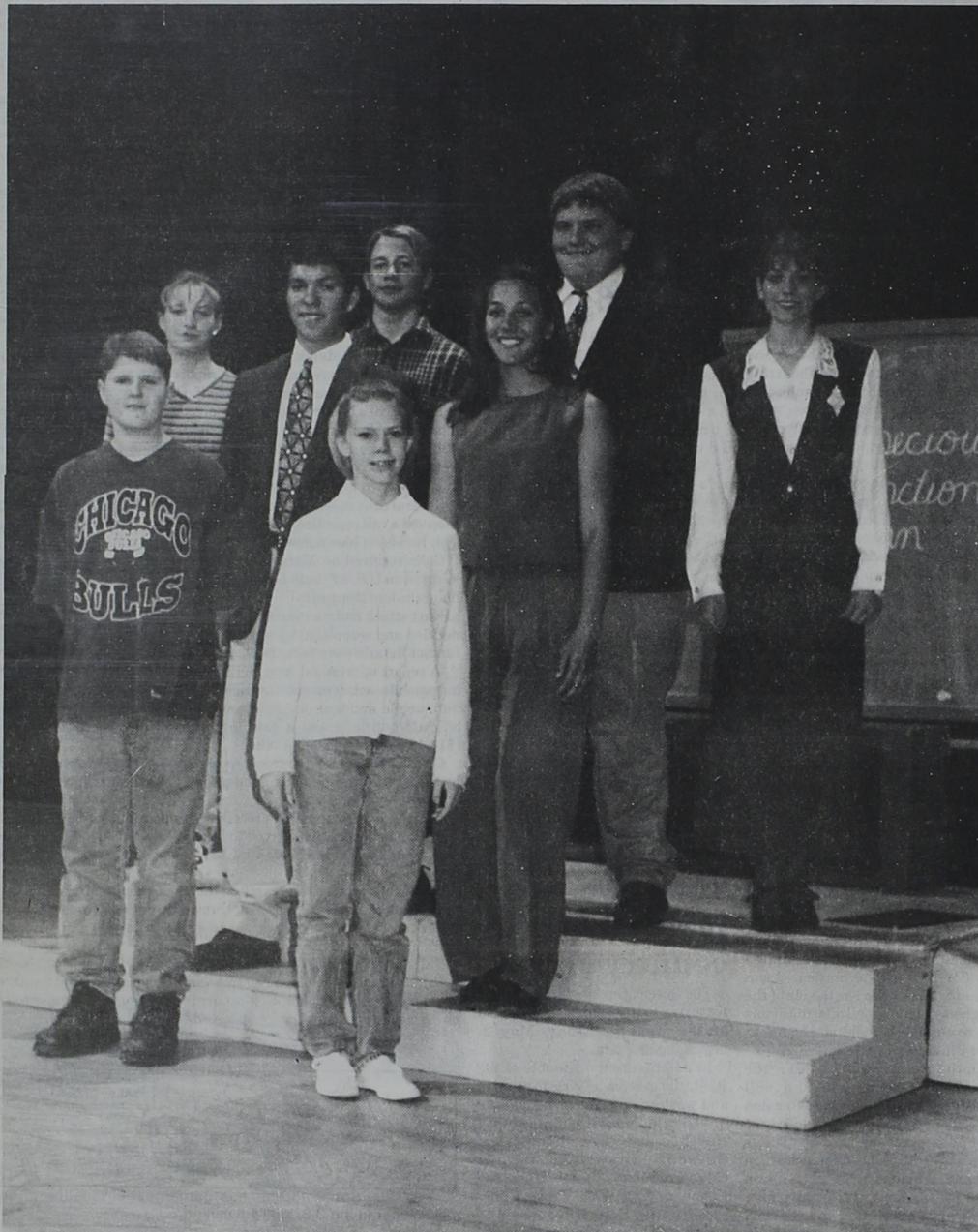
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Knight and Natalie Pollard. Cast members Micaela Eagle and Cassie Short were not available for photo. Candace Boling coaches and is assisted in sign language training by Tonya Rudd. Knight was named best actor and Pollard was selected as best actress in the play, "Children of a Lesser God."

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