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Jackie Cruse puts the finishing touches to one of the unique Santa Claus decorative pieces at J&T Designs in Post. Cruse and Teri Doggett, along with their staff, are creating a wide variety of special order Christmas decorations. The Santa Claus in this photo was being shipped to Oklahoma. Orders are now being processed for Nieman Marcus and other retail outlets, as well as individual buyers from around the world. J&T Designs is located in the old medical building on 8th Street pages from the Elementers School medical building on 8th Street across from the Elementary School.

United Way campaign sets date for funding requests

year's campaign

receipt of funding requests in August.

Way at P.O. Box 425, Post, Texas 79356.

Garza County United Way directors set August 19 as the deadline Last year's participating organizations included Garza County for participating organizations to submit funding requests for this Mental Health, Trailblazers, Boy Scouts, Meals on Wheels, Child Welfare Board, My Special Place, Salvation Army, American Red Last year the drive netted \$17,545 for 15 participating agencies. Cross, Women's Protective Services, Post Industries, Girl Scouts, The Garza County United Way board plans to set a goal following Junior Girls Basketball, Summer Baseball, Girls Slow Pitch Softball and Mad Dads.

Organizations interested in submitting requests should include a At the United Way board meeting July 15, directors welcomed new brief written statement of purposes and a budget. Each participat- board members Linda Waldrip and Noah Gutierrez, and accepted ing organization must have an approved 501C3 designation. Re- the resignations of Carol Tobias, Linda Self, Jerry Tyler and Wes quests for funding should be mailed to the Garza County United Burnett. New board member Rodney Tidwell was unable to attend the meeting.

Covenant hosts Health Fair Saturday

Covenant Family Healthcare Center-Post will offer a community- der to give Post residents the opportunity to get to know Covenant," 6th Street.

cose screening, cholesterol screening, vision screening and nutri- County residents will attend." tional consultation.

booking appointments for upcoming service dates.

Also on hand will be Covenant Health System's children's charac- at the local level. ters Waldo, Gus and Christine, who will distribute balloons and

other giveaways to local youths. "Several Covenant Health System services will be present in or-

wide health fair Saturday, July 24, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 608 W. said Jason Markham, director of St. Mary Medical Group. "This health fair is the continuation of the partnership between the Post Free services to be offered will include blood pressure checks, glu- community and Covenant Health System. Our hope is that all Garza

The Garza Family Healthcare Center is part of a primary net-AeroCare Helicopter and the Mobile Mammography Van will be work in 22 communities that Covenant Heath System is developon hand to give tours, and the mammography van's staff will be ing through West Texas and Eastern New Mexico. The centers are part of a system that provides comprehensive and preventative care

> Health care providers at the Post center are Scott Bergfeld, M.D.; Uma Rao, M.D.; and Isabel Rodriguez, F.N.P.

Post Notes

Junior cheer registration

Registration for junior cheerleaders will be held Monday, July 26 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Citizens Bank community room. Girls aged four to 12 are urged to register and be measured for uniforms. Fifty percent of the uniform cost will be due at registration. For more information contact Amber Eagle at 495-4503.

Methodist Church helps youth

The First United Methodist Church is taking donations to be used for Da House (teen center) to buy snack foods, which are used at the teen center for youth. Donations will be accepted through the month of July. Please brings gifts to the church office or mail to 216 W. 10th. Any donation will be greatly appreciated.

Benefit softball tourney

A benefit softball tournament will be held Friday and Saturday, July 30-31 at the city ball park. The tournament is organized to assist Pat Ayala with medical expenses. Those interested should contact Dena at 495-3048. Registration is \$100 per team. A concession stand will also be available, and T-shirts awarded to first and second

Football practice begins August 4

Football players in grades nine through 12 need to pick uip their equipment on Tuesday, August 3 from 8 a.m. to noon at the high school field house. Football practice begins August 4.

Lady Lope basketball camp

The Post Lady Lope basketball camp will be held August 9-11 for girls entering the third through eighth grade. The program opens at 8:30 a.m. and concludes at 12:30 p.m. A \$15 per student fee includes the camp, drinks and T-shirt. For more information contact Christi Daily at 495-4178.

Garza County roping August 7

The annual Garza County roping will be held Saturday, August 7 at the Rodeo Grounds. Entries must be submitted by Thursday, August 5 at 10 p.m. Call (806) 996-5559 or 996-5368 to enter. A preroping will be held Sunday, August 1 at Miller Time Arena.

New elementary student registration

All new students planning to enroll at Post Elementary School are urged to visit the school office as soon as possible for registration. Parents are urged to register students, especially pre-k and kindergarten in advance. The office is open from 8 a.m. to noon and 1-3 p.m. Monday through Friday. School starts August 18.

Attention PHS band students

Summer band will be held August 9-13 for Post High School band students. The schedule: 10 a.m. to noon, flutes and clarinets; 1 to 3 p.m., all brasses and saxes and 7 to 9 p.m., full band.

Close City/Garlynn Reunion

The annual Close City/Garlynn Reunion will be held Saturday, August 21 beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the Post Community Center. The reunion will feature a \$9 per person catered meal beginning at noon. Reservations must be made no later than August 19 to Laverne Aten, Rt 3, Post, 79356 or call Laverne at (806) 327-5678 or Billie Cross at (806) 495-2359.

Library summer reading program

The Post Public Library summer reading program continues through July 30, with a special presentation on July 22 of "The Magic of Montgomery." That program will begin at 3 p.m. Videos are shown Thursdays at 3 p.m. Reading certificates will be awarded to participating children at the end of the program.

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County, city tax funds shared in various community projects

City and county officials, in a joint session conducted last week, agreed to continue their cooperative efforts in the provision of law enforcement, EMS and fire department services and the operation of the local airport, community center, library, landfill and parks. According to the joint ventures agreement, the two entities will is put into a fund for equipment needed by the department. continue their cooperative efforts in the following operations:

• Law enforcement — Operated by the county and funded equally by the two entities. The only exception to the funding portion of the agreement is the provision of the sheriff's salary, which is funded solely by the county.

• EMS service — The city covers ambulance expenses and bills the county for half of the total. The local hospital district funds medical supplies as needed. Major equipment expenses are shared "Crossing Cultural" equally by the city, county and hospital district.

 Airport — Both the city and the county provide their own liability insurance and provide the Airport Board with operated funds. Revenues generated by rental of hanger spaces also is used by the board to cover operating expenses.

 Community center — The county covers operating expenses, including the director's salary until such time as they match the amount expended by the city. The city continues to pay for capitol improvements as needed.

 Library — Operated by the city. Operational expenses are funded 75 percent by the city and 25 percent by the county.

 Parks — Operated by the county. Expenses are split 50/50 for the maintenance of South Park. The pool is operated by the city with expenses shared equally. Baseball parks are operated and funded by the city.

• Landfill — Operated by the city. Expenses of the landfill are funded 75 percent by the city and 25 percent by the county.

• Fire department — Operated by the city. The county pays the city \$225 per call outside the city limits. An additional \$125 per call

This agreement is reviewed and subject to approval each year by representatives of the city and county.

OS Museum opens Borders" display

"Crossing Cultural Borders" is the name of the exhibit now on display at the OS Museum in downtown Post. Featured as part of the exhibit is a special display entitled "Early Indian Christianity."

The exhibit deals with the history of the Jumano Indians in Eastern New Mexico and Western Texas and the Franciscan priests who ministered to them.

Also on display is a collection belonging to local resident Rick Tucker, which includes rare antique Turkish rugs and an assortment of copperware.

Viewing hours are from 10 a.m. to noon and 1-5 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays.

For more information, call 495-3570.



Push for America's Journey of Hope bicyclists took a rest in Post last week on their way east. Arriving here tired and hungry, the cyclists were welcomed by members of the Post Lions Club at the Post Church of Christ fellowship hall.

Lions Club members (back, standing) Paul Jones, Tillie Duran and Charles Ratliff served the cyclists plenty of sphagetti and cold drinks.

Williams, Krauser wed in July 17 ceremony

Chelisa Williams of Post and Jeremy Krauser of South Williamsport, Penn., exchanged vows in a double ring ceremony Saturday, July 17, 1999, at 4:30 p.m. in the Church of Christ in Post with Paul Jones, minister, officiating.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Milton Williams of Post. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Hull of Katy and the late Anthony Krauser. The church was decorated with four white candelabras. Navy and white satin bows adorned the pews.

The bride, escorted by her father, selected an elegant gown created with a jewel neckline and short sleeves. The bodice was designed using an imported lace over Italian satin, and the waistline was accented with French tucks that allowed the A-line skirt to float to the hemline. A detachable train fastened at the waistline. The same imported lace was echoed on the

The bride's bouquet was created of white silk roses with pearl and silver accents and white satin ribbon. For her veiling, she chose a headband of satin with a single layer of illusion.

Following tradition, the bride wore her mother's garter as "something old and something blue," her dress and veil served as "something new" and her mother's bracelet was "something borrowed."

Melissa Williams of Lubbock served as her sister's maid of honor. Jay Jay Wiles of Spangdahlem, Germany, the bride's cousin, also served as a bridesmaid. They wore matching gowns in midnight navy satin. The sleeveless A-line dresses were accented with white satin piping at the jewel neckline and armholes. Covered satin buttons cascaded from the back of the neckline to the hemline. Their bouquets were miniatures of the bridal bouquet.

Best man was Tim Dodge of Williamsport, brother-in-law of the groom. Also serving as a groomsman was Steve Wiseman of Tahoka, cousin of the bride.

Ushers were Donnie Wiseman of Plainview and Wayne Line of Post, both cousins of the bride.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the church's fellowship

The bride's table featured a three-tiered white cake topped with wedding bells. Serving at the table were Amy and April Line of Post.

The groom's table featured a German chocolate cake topped with chocolate-covered strawberries. The groom's sister, Jennifer Dodge, served at her brother's table.

The bride is a 1995 graduate of Post High School and a 1999 graduate of South Plains College. She is employed with TTUHSC in the pediatric car diology office.

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The groom is a 1991 graduate of South Williamsport. He is self-employed. Following a honeymoon trip to Ruidoso, New Mexico, the couple will reside in Lubbock.



Mrs Jeremy Krauser

Alexsandrea **Yvonne**

Consuelo Guerrero is pleased to announce the birth of her daughter, Alexsandrea Yvonne on June 27, 1999 at Convenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

Alexsandrea was born at 1:11 P.M.. She weighed nine pounds , one ounce and was 21 and 3/4 inches long.

She was welcomed home by big brother Aaron Anthony.

Maternal grandparents are Tino and Judy Guerrero of Post. Maternal great grandparents are Monico and Placida Guerrero, also of Post.

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Births



U.S. General Services Administration

I had a nice visit with Nellie Tyler yesterday and she was telling me that she and her grandson, Jerin Tyler, had just returned from a two

What a trip!

Judy's Jabberin'

Here we go with another week. I know that

everyone had a sad weekend with the John

Kennedy, Jr. accident. I cannot imagine how those

families must feel. I know everyone's prayers are

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By Judy B. Bush

My daughter Krisha and I made a flying trip to Austin last Thursday

I felt like country gone city when I hit that traffic, and as I have

I just don't think that all those places of entertainment and shopping

would ever be worth the stress of the traffic. I'll take my good ole

You know you're in Texas When......

Get Well Message!

had surgery this week and I hope she is up and around and feeling

This goes out to one of my most favorite people. Mzzzzz Donna Baker

Even when she feels bad, she has that smile on her face and I sure

always had Rick to do the driving, it made me appreciate him a little

for Krisha to take her test and I want to tell you, that can make a

They flew to Birmingham, Alabama where they met Nellie's sister then on to Niagra Falls! In all they visited Niagra, Buffalo, New York, into Canada, then back by Dollywood!!

Nellie said that Jerin had a ball and I can sure understand that. Wish I had been along on that trip.

I was pleased to hear Nellie say that the weather in Alabama was really nice. My fathers family, the Ballentines, are having a reunion the first week of August and some of my family will be attending. I know everyone was dreading the humidity, but Nellie said it was no worse there than it is here. You know, our weather sure has done a switch-a-roo hasn't it!

Anyway, thanks Nellie for the info on your trip. I wish everyone would let me know. There are lots of folks that can't get out themselves and they enjoy reading about others that get to go!!

Birthdays this Week

Thursday, July 22; Stephanie Garcia, Jami Williams, Darrell Jones, James Striblin (my grandson) and Wayne Edwards; Anniversary; Jim and Patsy Graham: Friday, July 23; Maria Gonzales, Pockets the Clown, Vickie L. Williams, Jill Thompson, Joy Dawson and Melba Cimental: Saturday, July 24; Linda Lambert, Pablo Garcia, Jr. and Rose Martinez; Anniversary; Jimmy and Hildegard Marlin: Sunday, July 25; Ted Brannon and David Lindemann:

Monday, July 26; Jackie Gonzales, Larry Moreman, John David Fields and Jett Lott: Tuesday, July 27; Tonie Ayala, Teresa Crenshaw and Billy Shumard: Wednesday, July 28; Ricky Putman, Matt Cooper and Danny R. Williams.

Till Next Week

Guess that is all for this week. Everyone have a great weekend and may God bless each of you.

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Tax 'n Facts by Terri Cash

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usually more than silver and china in the package. Very often, a partner's retirement account, or part of it, must be shared.

Do it carefully. In order to protect the tax-deferred status of the money - and to avoid paying a 10-percent penalty if the owner is under 59 1/2 - the divorce negotiations should include a qualified domestic relations order (QDRO). Issued by a state court, the QDRO tells a plan administrator to transfer part of one spouse's interest in the retirement plan to the other. It refers to such retirement accounts as Keoghs, SEP's, 401 (k)s, or profit-sharing plans, but not to IRA's.

The QDRO must be carefully drawn; it's wise to run it by the plan administrator before signing the divorce agreement. The better and more complete the QDRO, the less the likelihood of expensive disputes as issues arise in the future.

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Neighbor to Neighbor by Kelly Ahrens, CEA-FCS

Extension Faculty at Conference

Kelly L. Ahrens, County Extension Agent - FCS and John R. Senter, County Extension Agent - AG of Post were in the group of more than 1,000 faculty members who attended the Texas Agricultural Extension Service conference July 13-16 at Texas A&M University. The three-day conference was aimed at preparing faculty for a "new century of service" to the state.

"As a knowledge-based organization, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service has been educating Texans for 85 years through a wide array of outreach activities," said Dr. Edward A. Hiler, vice chancellor and dean for the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Texas

A&M University and Extension director. "The Extension service has brought the resources of a land-grant university to local communities in ways that have had a positive impact on people's lives and communities. We have always been able to respond effectively to changing needs because we continue to

Participants were drawn in from across the state for the first time in 11 years. Keynote speakers included Dr. Lowell Catlett, professor of agricultural economics and

listen to people, hear what they say and take action."

agricultural business at New Mexico State University, who spoke on "Getting Extension"s Future in Focus;" Michael Boehje, professor agricultural economics, and David King, head of the department of agricultural communications at Purdue University, who spoke on "Meeting the Private Sector Challenge;" and David Hutchens, a corporate consultant and author, who discussed "Out-learning the Wolves: Re-imagining Your Community as a Learning System.

Extension faculty were also able to participate in continuing education sessions on topics such as mediating conflict in communities, achieving customer service excellence, creating and nurturing collaborations and partnerships, building Extension volunteer programs, interpersonal

communications, and empowering team leadership. Other sessions included, biotechnology, health and water issues in the 21st will celebrate its first anniversary the restaurant's top-selling items. century, youth assets, trends in liability and risk issues, nature tourism. July 25, attracting and retaining top-notch employees, effective teaching on the World Wide Web and learning styles and learner-centered teaching. Some through Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. faculty were able to take advantage of first aid certification as well.

The Extension Service provides a range of research-based information and by Juanita Clements of Post. education to people in every Texas county. Faculty include specialists and Clements said she decided to estabcounty agents with expertise in agriculture and natural resources, consumer lish the business as a drive-through and family sciences and 4-H and youth development. Extension programs "so that families can spend more time serve of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, sex, color, religion, with each other." disability or national origin.



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Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

FCE Committee...

will meet today (July 22) at Noon at the Extension Office. Please bring a sack lunch; tea and dessert will be furnished.

4-H Booster Club

There will be a meeting of the 4-H Booster Club for all 4-H parents and supporters beginning at 7 p.m. today (July 22) in the Extension Office. **Nutrition Quiz Bowl**

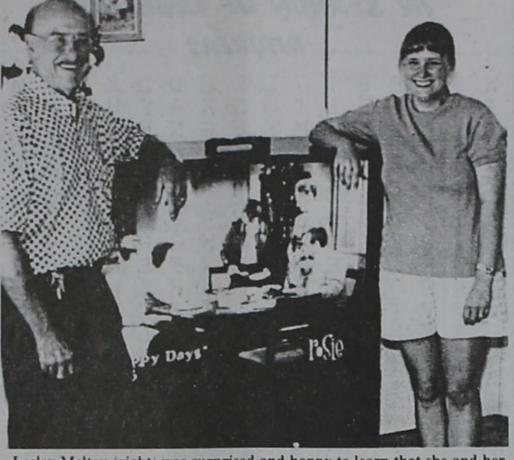
Extension District Two is a pilot for the Nutrition Quiz Bowl contest for 1999. The contest focuses on nutrition aspects, and is played in a "game show" fashion with teams of 3-4 members. The District N.Q.B. will be played August 28 at Texas Tech. Anyone interested should contact Kelly Ahrens ASAP to get started. and Danny R. Williams.

4-H Clothing Project

Anyone interested in participating in the Junior 4-H Clothing Project should plan to attend the workshop August 10th at the Extension Office. beginning at 10:00 a.m. Youth should bring a sack lunch and plan to stay until about 2:00 p.m. The project is for anyone interested in learning more about sewing fundamentals and clothing aspects. If you did not make the first meeting, you are still eligible to participate, and should plan to attend this workshop. Please bring your pattern, or ideas for what you want to create for the Fashion Follies, to be held September 25th in Lubbock. If you need more information, contact the Extension Office at 495-4400.

Goat Project Purchase Time

4-H members who plan Goat projects at the County Jr. Show, January 19-22, 2000, be aware now is the time to purchase your goats. There are several very good goat sales during the next three weeks. Any member interested in attending these sales to get a jump on quality show goats, needs to call John Senter at 495-4400 as soon as possible!



Lesley Melton (right) was surprised and happy to learn that she and her husband Clint were named winners of Classic Cable's recent promotion for new subscribers. Making the presentation last week in Post was Classic Cable's Chris Christiansen of Muleshoe. The big screen television was purchased by Classic Cable at Hudman Furniture in Post.

Tia Juanita's celebrates first anniversary

Tia Juanita's Tamales & Tacos Etc. Sidelining the tamales, which are

Open five days a week — Tuesdays cheese sauce, both of which are made

- the drive-through eatery is owned

Tia Juanita's specializes in pork roast tamales, both mild and spicy. Fresh-made tamales are sold by the dozen or the half-dozen and also are available frozen.

Clements said her customers come from throughout the area, as well as from far-away locations, including Snyder, Abilene, Dallas and Fort Worth. She also has out-of-state customers from as far away as Colorado and Utah who come through Post just to pick up a few dozen tamales to take home.

the opening of Tia Juanita's a year ago has been the chocolate cake. "Sometimes it's hard to keep it," said Clements, "within an hour or two it's all sold." In response to requests of Post-area customers, the restaurant has recently added a variety of new menu

chalupas and nachos. These items are sold by the plate. "The people here have been really good to us," Clements said earlier this week. "We really appreciate Tia Juanita's is located at 106

Broadway (US Hwy 84 south).

are the ever-popular hot sauce and

"Everything that we sell here is

Another popular menu item since

items, including tacos, burritos,

made right here." Clements said.

fresh on the premises.

The average shower uses between five and ten gallons of water a minute.

Eight arrests reported

Eight individuals were arrested in Garza County during the past week. according to sheriff's department records.

Half of the total arrests came on July 15, including that of a 24-year-old male picked up for possession of marijuana, under two ounces, and possession of a controlled substance: a 23-year-old male arrested for aggravated assault; a 26-year-old male booked for family violence/assault; and a 30year-old female, family violence/assault.

On July 16, a 21-year-old male was jailed on a commitment.

Kenneth Knowles, OWNER

A 17-year-old male was jailed July 17 for possession of marijuana. under two ounces, as was a 24-year-old male.

A 32-year-old male was jailed July 19 for capias pro-fine, unlawful use of

a motor vehicle. Central Bail Bonds has 24 offices with 30

agents making them the state's largest private surety bail bond company. Central's local office is located at 131 W. Main Street, Post, Texas 79356 (806) 495-3830 ENTRAL BAIL BONDS

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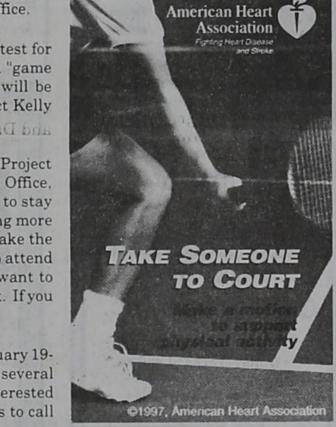
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Close City Co-Op Gin has made application with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission for Air Quality Permit No. 41604 to authorize modification and operation of an existing Cotton Gin in Post, Garza County, Texas. The location of the existing facility is approximately 2 miles north of Highway 380 on F.M. 399. Additional information concerning this application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper. This notice is to be published on July 22, 1999 and July 29, 1999.



Quilting award offered

The Quilter's Guild of Dallas Inc. is accepting applications for its 13th annual grant in support of the quilt-

The grant(s) will total up to \$5,000 and will be awarded in March 2000. The purpose of the grant program is to fund projects that will have a longterm impact on preserving the heritage and furthering the art of quilts and quilt-making.

The grant program seeks to achieve a balance in the awarding of funds between history and art projects, as well as between traditional and contemporary style quilts.

Past recipients have included the Dallas County Heritage Society, the Austin Area Quilt Guild, the Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum, the American Quilt Study Group, the Hawaiian Quilt Research Project, Old Sturbridge Village in Massachusetts, and the Goldstein Museum at the University of Minnesota.

Application deadline is Dec. 1. To receive an application, send a long self-addressed, stamped envelope with two stamps to: Endowment Committee, Quilter's Guild of Dallas Inc., c/o Ruth Cottrell, 1113 Westbrook Drive, Irving, TX 75060-





Obituaries

D.J. Atkinson

Services for D.J. Atkinson, 74, of Post were held Friday, July 16, 1999, at 2 p.m. in the Hudman Funeral Home with the Rev. Syl Moore, interim pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. He died Tuesday, July 13, at his home.

Born March 19, 1925, in Afton, he was a Baptist and had worked for KPOS radio station in Post for many years. He was a veteran of World War II. Survivors include several cousins in the Lubbock and South Texas areas.

Shirley Richardson

Services for Shirley Richardson, 69, of Post will be held Thursday, July 22, 1999, at 10 a.m. in the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Buddy Payne officiating. Burial will follow in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of the Hudman Funeral Home.

She died Monday, July 19, at the Golden Plains Care Center.

Born July 3, 1930, in Ft. Myers, Florida, she married Floy Richardson May 14, 1997, in Carrizozo, New Mexico. She was a member of the Method-

Survivors include her husband, Floy Richardson of Post; four daughters, Karen Johnston of Norwood, Mass., Kay Gallegos of Santa Fe, New Mexico, Kim Condon of Forney and Deborah Boyd of Doyline, Louisiana; two sisters, Carol McMillan of Bethlehem, N.H., and Sarah Smith of Ft. Myers; one brother, Leon D. Smith of Ft. Myers; eight grandchildren; and one greatgrandchild.

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By Pastor Eric Earhart, Church on the Go "For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses. We are destroying speculations

and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God, and we are taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ." II Corinthians 10:4,5 NAS God has given us spiritual weapons with which we are to fight the

good fight of faith (I Tim. 6:12), but where does this fight take place?

According to this scripture, much of this battle takes place in the mind. The fortresses that we are to destroy, are "speculations and lofty things raised against the knowledge of God." We are also told to take every thought captive to the obedience of Christ. There is a battle going on in the mind. Wrong thoughts come,

temptations come, but it is not a sin to have a wrong thought or to be tempted. Even Jesus was tempted. No, we can't stop temptations and thoughts from coming any more than we can stop a bird from flying over our heads. We can, however, keep it from building a nest in our hair. But, what will we do with wrong

thoughts when they come? We must measure them against the Word of God, and take those thoughts captive. We must not make room for wrong thoughts. Use your beliefs as a filtering system for your thoughts. Ephesians 6:16 tells us about the shield of faith that stops the fiery darts of the enemy. Your belief system will reject the wrong thoughts and allow what is good and right to pass

A strong belief system means a strong filter. A weak belief system means a weak filter. No belief system means no filter. Develop a strong belief system based on the Word of God and guard your heart and your mind (Rom. 10:17). This is one of the keys to true success (Josh. 1:9).20

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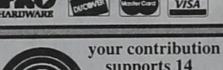
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Under the FEPP program, equipment acquired through the military is transferred to qualifying fire departments at no cost.

Volunteer fire departments can purchase firefighting clothing, hand tools and water handling accessories at discount prices through the Fire Safe program. Fire Safe sales to date exceed \$4.5 million, according to the state forestry agency.

Volunteer fire departments may save money in another way. A selfinsurance vehicle liability insurance pool also administered by the Texas Forest Service offers liability coverage for \$250 per vehicle, ambulances excluded.

The passage of legislation minimizing liability to industrial companies that donate used firefighting equipment for volunteer fire department

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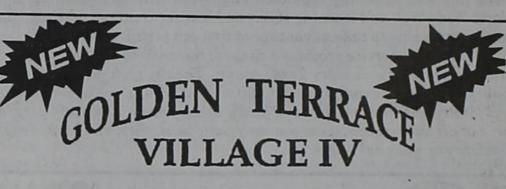
available, and more donations are

likely. Companies interested in donating industrial fire equipment should contact the TFS Rural Fire Defense Section at 409-639-8130 for information on the Industrial Helping Hands pro-

The value of equipment received to date now exceeds \$4 million.

Detailed information on volunteer fire department assistance programs is available from the Rural Fire Defense Section, Texas Forest Service Fire Control Department, P.O. Box 310, Lufkin, Texas 75902-0310, phone 409-639-8130.

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or terrorism, but in fact most cases are food borne and are related to home canned foods or salsa. There is an average of 25 cases a year in the United States. Other causes are baked potatoes sealed in aluminum foil and left at room temperature, food left at room temperature under oil, such as sautéed onions under a butter sauce, salted or fermented fish products and home fermented meats. Another form called "infant botulism" has been associated with the ingestion of honey, for this reason infants should not be fed honey. Symptoms of botulism usually start 18 to 36 hours after

exposure and can include the intestinal tract and/or the nervous system. Nausea and vomiting, abdominal cramps and diarrhea may be the first signs. However neurological symptoms can also present first, to include: Dry mouth, blurred or double vision, a change in speech, muscle weakness and difficulty breathing.

Always be careful with the storage of prepared foods, if in doubt throw it away. When preparing home-canned food products be careful and make sure you know what you're doing.

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refrain taken as gospel. It's also the melody that's used in calls for more government spending.

But the truth of the matter is the richer are getting richer and the poor are getting richer faster. That's the conclusion reached by W. Michael Cox, vice president of the Federal Reserve Bank in Dallas and Richard Alm, a Dallas Morning News reporter, in

their new book aptly titled "Myths of Rich and Poor: Why We're Better Off Than We Think."

Each year, the Bureau of Census publishes America's poverty rate, which has hovered around 14 percent for several decades. The impression given is that poverty for about 20 percent of Americans is hopelessly permanent. That's a conclusion easily reached when given a static portrait of our income distribution.

Cox and Alm report on a dynamic portrait that comes from a University of Michigan Survey consisting of detailed data from a sample of 50,000 Americans collected since 1968. Collecting income over time gives a startlingly different picture of income distribution than that given by Bureau of Census statistics. The University of Michigan study shows that only 5 percent of those in the bottom fifth of the income distribution in 1975 were still there in 1991. What happened to them? They moved up to the top three-fifths of the income distribution — middle class or higher.

Even more amazing is that three out of 10 of the lowest income earners in 1975 moved up into the top fifth of income earners by 1991. Those who were poor in 1975 had an inflation-adjusted gain of \$27,745 in average income by 1991. Workers who were in the top fifth of income earners in 1975 were better off in 1991 by an average of only \$4,354. Poverty is largely a transitory experience for people who are willing

The rich are getting richer, and the poor are getting poorer. That's a to work, as Labor Department data confirms. In the early '90s, the median duration of poverty was 4.2 months. Only a third of the 36 million Americans the Bureau of Census classifies as poor had been below the poverty line for 24 or more months.

> This boils down to a long-term poverty rate of 4 percent, compared to the overall official rate of 13.3 percent in 1997. You say, "OK, Williams, but what about black and Hispanics?" Blacks still earn less than whites, but black income rose as well. Adjusting for inflation, the proportion of black families earning more than \$75,000 tripled since 1970 to 9 percent. In 1998, the overall poverty rate for blacks fell to 26.5 percent, the lowest it has ever been.

> The number of black-owned businesses stood at 620,912 in 1992, up 281 percent since 1967, with sales of \$36 billion. Cox and Alm give a mixed story for Hispanics. On the positive side, the number of Hispanic businesses rose from 100,000 in 1967 to 862,605 in 1992, with sales of \$86 billion.

> Although many Hispanic families are making it up the economic ladder, the group's overall income hasn't kept pace with blacks or whites. One possible explanation is the continuing immigration waves of low-skilled, low-wage workers who are overwhelming the statistical gains of longer-term residential Hispanics who've improved their education and skills

> The income mobility that Cox and Alm point to is possibly one of the greatest features about our country: Just because you know where a person ended up in life is no guarantee that you can predict where he started. And knowing where a person starts out in life does not control where he ends up.

> To find out more about Walter Williams, and read features by other $Creators\,Syndicate\,writers\,and\,cartoonists,\,visit\,the\,Creators\,Syndicate$ web page at www.creators.com.

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Summer reading, sorry no elves or unicorns

by Vin Suprynowicz

This was the week Democratic heir-apparent Al Gore called for the government registration - photo ID cards, fingerprinting, the whole nine yards — of every handgun owner in America.

Of course, in a careful minuet, Mr. Gore thus carved out a victim disarmament position slightly more "moderate" than that of his Democratic rival, former New Jersey Sen. and NBA Power Forward Bill Bradley, who surely remembers how to execute the old picket

Mr. Bradley calls for the federal registration of every single firearm, historically the last step before confiscation. Presto: Gore the "Moderate."

Regular readers will not be distracted by the fancy ball-handling. This has nothing to do with "reducing crime" — crime rates are now falling everywhere, except among police officers, who are now getting dismissed at record rates for torturing and murdering innocent "civilians." (But we wouldn't want to disarm them, surely?)

Rather, the goal here is to divide America into two classes. One class will be our rulers and their armed minions, who will dress in battle gear and carry assault rifles and instruct us in our new duties while being "protected by a mock Trial, from Punishment for any Murders which they should commit on the Inhabitants of these States."

The second class will be the rest of us - the tax-paying, disarmed

It was in this context that I sat down to come up with this year's "Summer Reading List," where regular readers will know better than to expect any escapist romps soon to star Harrison Ford in a multiplex near you. (What is with this "Tom Clancy" guy, anyway? Is that actually an individual, or some sort of collective brand name, like "Pillsbury," or "Smith & Wesson"?)

If you haven't read it in 35 years, the most important book you can pick up this summer, as we contemplate an America where the armed government goons will soon gather unrestricted power to have their way with us, is Leon Uris' classic novel of the Jews of the Warsaw ghetto, "Mila 18."

What abuses, indignities, and outright tortures will a peaceful people endure before they finally take up arms in a desperate struggle against tyranny? (One would be tempted to call it "a hopeless struggle," though in fact the ability of a handful of untrained civilians to hold off battle hardened units of the Wehrmacht for two months in the Warsaw ghetto in 1943 stunned the world, and was in large measure responsible for the fact that an armed and free state of Israel was even judged feasible.)

The Bantam paperback edition of "Mila 18" is readily available. Not so easy to find, yet, is the thinner new novel "The Mitzvah,' by Aaron Zelman of Jews for the Preservation of Firearms Ownership ("Lethal Laws"), and by veteran novelist and Second Amendment

advocate L. Neil Smith ("Pallas," "The Probability Broach.") "The Mitzvah" recounts the tale of middle-aged Chicago Catholic priest John Greenwood, who discovers he is actually a Jewish Holocaust orphan, a revelation that forces him to rethink many of his "received" opinions, including the notion that the best solution to an increasingly violent urban America is further victim disarmament.

Mind you, in competition for a permanent place in the literary pantheon, "Mila 18" is the heavyweight. But if you're looking for an outreach tool for folks who might find a modest 243 pages more easily digestible, "The Mitzvah" is \$10.95 postpaid from JPFO, P.O. Box 270143, Hartford, Wisc. 53027.

On the non-fiction front, we would be remiss not to mention that the work of Jim Bovard ("The Fair Trade Fraud") keeps getting better. In his latest hardcover, "Freedom in Chains" (\$26.95, St. Martin's Press), Jim seems almost ready to join the radicals, declaring:

"The achievements of government will be forever limited by the primary tool of government — coercion. ... The people are irrevocably labeled as 'free' until the government completely wrecks the economy or slaughters a statistically significant percentage of the population. People have worshipped government too long. ... At this point, marginal reforms should suffice only for those who believe citizens deserve marginal lives — lives consisting of what politicians choose not to confiscate and bureaucrats deign not to prohibit. To be overgoverned means lives thwarted, hopes dashed, creativity suppressed, potential squandered, character subverted, and dignity

By George, I think he's got it. Finally, in the video aisle, producer Mike McNulty (the Academy Award-nominated documentary "Waco: The Rules of Engagement") reports September is now the target date for release of his sequel, "Waco: A New Revelation," which promises further documentation of the purposeful use of government snipers to keep women and children trapped in the burning building on the day of the Branch Davidians' final incineration, while federal agents blocked access to fire engines. (A federal judge in Texas ruled this month those very charges have sufficient credibility to go forward at trial, with sniper Lon Horiuchi — the killer of Vicky Weaver —as a named defendant.) Vin Suprynowicz, assistant editorial page editor of the Review-Journal, is author of the new book "Send in the Waco Killers: Essays

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on the Freedom Movement 1993-1998."

"The evils of tyranny are rarely seen but by him who resists it." — John Hay, 1872

"The whole aim of practical politics is to keep the populace alarmed — and thus clamorous to be led to safety — by menacing it with an endless series of hobgoblins, all of them imaginary."—H.L. Mencken

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Sometimes it's best just to quit

by Wes Burnett

A few times during my adult life I have applied for and accepted job positions from which I later had to resign due to various conflicts. Most adults will experience these situations through their working lives. When making these decisions, both to seek the position, accept it and then to quit, we all go through several stages. First, we investigate to see if we meet the qualifications, and then we check out the company and its policies, pay and so forth to see if they match what we're

Then when we accept the position, we enter into an agreement, whether in writing or verbally, to do certain tasks and perform in certain ways, in exchange for some benefit. That contract binds each party to abide by the agreement.

Later, when we've been at it a while, and for whatever reason, feel we are unable or unwilling to continue with that agreement, we exercise the contract clause for separating. Most businesses accept the inevitability of such events, and find it in the best interest of all concerned that a disgruntled person should separate, rather than to create continued conflict.

That was the case for me in a few work situations ... where I found myself unable or unwilling to continue performing tasks as originally agreed. One of those situations was my decision to resign my commission as an Air Force officer. I had consistently been ordered to perform unethical, unprofessional and unlawful acts by those in authority over me. There came a time when I just could not do it any

So, I resigned and sought another career.

We have a similar case in Garza County with elected and appointed officials, who for whatever reason, are unable or unwilling to abide by the law. This has recently been clearly demonstrated by a sheriff's deputy arrested in another county, and by three elected members of the Garza County Hospital Board of Directors.

The deputy, and the elected officials, entered into an agreement with their "bosses" when they were administered their oaths of office. This oath is a contract between the one making the promise, and those who authorize, through the law, the appointment or election of those taking positions of authority. That oath simply requires the one who makes the promise to uphold our constitutions and the laws of this state and the U.S.

The contract is binding

It is a contract, just as binding as any other contract.

And when elected or appointed officials, like any one of us who enter into contracts, are unable or unwilling to abide by the terms of that contract, it is best for all concerned to face that reality and resign.

In the case of the deputy and the three hospital district officers, they have clearly and openly demonstrated that they have violated the law, the same law that they pledged to honor when they took their oath of office. Sometimes those violations have been open for all to see, but one must ask, what other laws are they ignoring that we don't know about?

They have demonstrated plainly and simply that they are unwilling to uphold their end of the promise. When an honorable person enters into a contract, and later discovers that the contract was misunderstood or can no longer be accepted, then the honorable thing to do is to

This is basically a question about trust. And when there is evidence that the bond of trust has been broken, then the aggrieved party in the contract has every right to expect the violator of the contract to resign. Those who accepted positions of trust to enforce the law, must do so, both in their private and professional lives. Otherwise, they'll have no respect in their attempts to force others to obey the law.

Resignation in these cases is the honorable thing to do, for any public official unwilling or unable to abide by the law.

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Carport sale, Saturday, 8 am till ?, 121 North Ave. M.Childrens clothes, adult clothes, household items and camping gear. Judy, Kerri and Krisha.

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Commercial Property

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Lost and Found

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Legal Notices

Notice To All Persons Having Claims Against The Estate Of Sadler W.

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of, Sadler W. Hair, Deceased, were issued on

July 14, 1999, in Cause No. 1691 pending in the County Court of Garza County, Janice Peiper The residence of such Executor is Kerr

County, Texas. The post office address is: 225 Hamilton Kerrville, Texas 78028

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within

the time and in the manner prescribed by

Dated July 15, 1999 BakerBrown Thompson & Wagnon Attorneys for the Estate

Notice of Application Close City Co-Op Gin has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for issuance of Air Quality Permit No. 41604 to authorize modification and operation of an existing Cotton Gin located approximately 2 miles north of Highway 380 on F.M. 399, Post, Garza County, Texas. The existing facility will emit the following air contaminants: particulate matter, nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide, and unburned hydrocarbons. A person who may be affected by air contaminants emitted from the existing facility may request a hearing.

If the applicant demonstrates the pro-posed facility will comply with all appli-cable air quality rquirements, the applicant will qualify for issuance of a permit. The subject of a hearing would be limited to applicable air quality requirements, which do not include issues such as water quality, noise, traffic safety, or zoning. If a hearing is held, it will be a legal proceeding similar to civil trials in state district

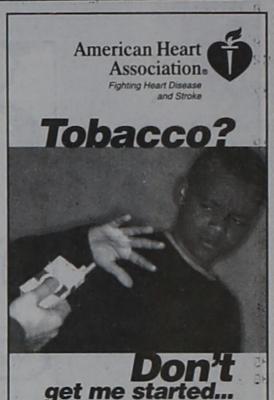
To request a hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) the applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "I/we request a public hearing"; (4) a brief, specific statement of how and why emissions from the proposed facility would adversely affect you in a way not common to members of the general public; and (5) the location of your property relative to the proposed facility. Hearing requests or comments on the application must be received in writing at

the Chief Clerk's Office, MC-105,

TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, within 30 days after the second publication of this notice. This notice is to be published on July 22, 1999 and

The application and the TNRCC's preliminary analysis are available for review and reproduction at the TNRCC Office of Permitting, 12124 Park 35 Circle, Building C, Austin, Texas 78753. Application documents, a compliance file if any exists, and further information may be obtained from the TNRCC Lubbock Regional Office, Air Program at 4630 50th Street, Suite 600, Lubbock, Texas 79414-3509, telephone (806) 796-7092. Individual members of the public who wich to inquire about the information contained in this notice, or to inquire about other agency permit applications or permitting processes, should call the TNRCC Office of Public Assistance, toll free, at 1-800-687-4040.

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•• Landmark in Post on West Main Street. Beautiful 3 BR/3 BA, on 2 1/2 lots, double car garage, beautiful landscaping, spacious back yard. Must see if you are seriously looking for the perfect home.

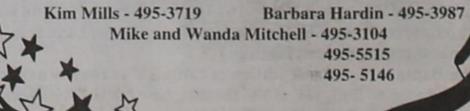
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Jeanette Bell, Virginia Babb, Lee Ann Criado and Crystal Clay are to be congratulated for the good job they've done this summer conducting the reading program - and if you've by chance seen the number of youngsters who have turned out for the fun and games this year - you know these hard-working librarians are to be congratulated.

The 1989-90 Rotary District 573 Governor, Bob Lewis, better known as Tumbleweed Smith, will be guest speaker at the Post Rotary Club's noon meeting on Tuesday, July 25.

Kaycee Marie is happy to announce the arrival of her baby sister, Kelly K'Lea, who was born Thursday, July 6, 1989 at 10:01 p.m. in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital. She weighed six pounds, nine ounces and was 19 and threefourths inches long.

The proud parents are Dewayne and Billie Osborne.

> July 26, 1979 20 Years Ago

Karen (Windham) and Russ McLeod of Ancaster, Ontario, Canada were honored guests at a family get together and ice cream supper at the Graham Community Center Thursday, July 19 at 8 p.m.

Also a big Congratulations to Greg Massey for setting a new record with 14 strikeouts during the recent baseball tournament in Lubbock. Good going Greg!!

Jerri (Oz) went fishing with her dad this week and guess what? She brought home four cat fish. That's right! 10 lbs., of 'em.

July 24, 1969 30 Years Ago

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Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Hair are the parents of a son, Richard Scott, born July 20 at 7:42 p. m., in Garza Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 lbs., 8 ozs.

Sgt. and Mrs. Bruce Ledbetter of Charleston, S. C., are the parents of a daughter, April Joyce, born July 22, weighing 6lbs., 13% ozs. Grandparents are Mrs. Marie Dismukes and Mr. and Mrs. Mack Ledbetter.

Jennifer Wilson, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Wilson was honored on her fourth birthday last Thursday with a party in the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Wilson.

Miss Patti Parrish and Miss Dana Pool, piano students of Mrs. J. A. Wright of Slaton, received lock Theory Test which they took in February.

The Community Room was the setting for a bridal shower honoring Miss Linda Justice, bride-elect of Leslie Davis, last Friday even-

July 23, 1959 40 Years Ago

Post motorists enjoyed the town's first gasoline price war in community history over the week end-but it didn't last long.

Two independent stations last Tuesday dropped their prices on regular gasoline to 20.9 cents per gallon. The major companies didn't break their prices until Friday afternoon-matching the 20.9 cent figure.

Mrs. Dan Mitchell was released from Mercy Hospital in Slaton and returned home Monday afternoon. She suffered a compound fracture of her left foot last Thursday when she fell as she stepped off a sidewalk. She will have to wear a cast for several weeks.

A-1c Larry McCullough and wife arrived this week from Andrews Air Force Base, in Maryland, to spend several days visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Mc-Cullough, and other relatives.

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Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Claborn and children of Alhambra, Calif., are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Claborn.

July 28, 1949 50 Years Ago

Weekend guests in the home of Mrs. Edna McClendon were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rankin and sons, Ken and Dan, and Ronnie and Freada Kennedy of

Mrs. Lee Davis and son, Buddy, and granddaughter, Charlotte Luttrell, accompanied by Mrs. Tom Teague of Hamlin and David Tyler of Verbena, left medals recently for the State Whit- Sunday for a vacation "to see everything that they can see in two week's" in New Mexico, Arizona, California and Utah. They will visit Salt Lake City, Grand Canyon and Yellowstone National Park. In Oakland, Calif.

Mrs. R. C. Rodgers came to her ranch here Saturday for a short stay before returning to her summer home in Ruidoso, N. M.

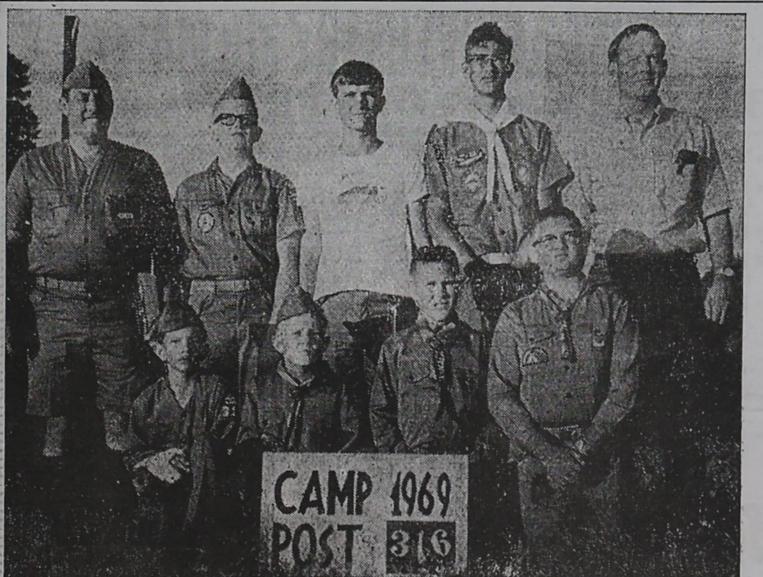
Kay Marlor of Morton, who has been visiting with relatives here the past month, returned to her home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Lowe and family of Tulsa, Okla., were guests in the home of Mr. Lowe's aunt. Mrs. J. M. Matsler last week.

Mrs. Verna Moore and two children and Mrs. J. A. Meeks are in Big Spring visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Noah Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Bull, Mrs. Bob Collier and N. W. Stone spent the weekend in Calisbad,

The mantis is sometimes called praying mantis because it often lifts its front legs as if it were praying, but this position actually means it is hunting. Said to be among the greediest of all insects, a female mantis will even devour her own mate if hungry enough.



BOY SCOUTS ATTEND CAMP

Post's Boy Scout Troop 316 was one of nine troops in summer camp last week at Camp Post here, where Joe Ramirez is camp director. Attending the camp from Troop 316 were, front row, left to right: Zackery Short, David McBride, Ralph Howell, Howard Halford. Back row: Scoutmaster Hoyt Thomas, Dewayne Morris, John David Gist, Bobby Hodges and Assistant Scoutmaster Jerry Linn.

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Post's Summer Festival Features 'The Tempest'

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Lunch Menus

Trail Blazer

Friday, July 23,1999 Fried chicken, corn, turnip greens, coleslaw, cornbread and pineapple

Monday, July 26, 1999 BBQ beef, baked potato, brocolli and cheese, hot roll, pears and cookies. Tuesday, July 27, 1999

Pork roast, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, coleslaw, biscuit and

Wednesday, July 28, 1999 Lemon chicken, red beans, zucchini, salad, hot roll and peaches.

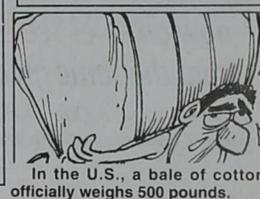
Thursday, July 29, 1999 Beef tips, brown gravy, rice, mixed vegetables, wheat roll and frosted gingerbread.



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Dickens Electric Cooperative Inc. has completed the inventory, assessment and testing of its mission-critical distribution system, with items within the inventory evaluated for susceptibility to Y2K date change issues.

It has been determined that all mission-critical systems within the distribution system are mechanical and can be manually operated.

Year 2000 readiness has been a top priority for Dickens Electric, co-op officials said.

"We do believe our primary functions related to delivery of electricity to our members will continue to be reliable through Y2K dates," said one co-op official. "We are confident that we can maintain the same high standard of safe and reliable service our members have come to enjoy."

Dickens Electric will continue to work diligently on Y2K readiness.

"We have made every available good faith effort to discover, avoid and correct all Y2K concerns," the coop representative said. "Recognizing, however, that no electric provider can make absolute guarantees about something as complex as Y2K, we also have in place a contingency plan to address potential Y2K problems."

For further information regarding the co-op's Y2K compliance and readiness, contact Dickens Electric Cooperative.

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Post basketball players participating in the recent Petersberg basketball tournament were (back row, left to right) Emily Smith, Camie Payne, Meagan Mills, Kelly Moore, Vonda Gradine, (front) Yvonne Lopez and Manuela Hernandez. (Photo by Carol Payne)

Post All-Stars finish succesfful season at sectional tourney

The 13- and 14-year-old All Stars ended a successful season Monday evening in Midland by being eliminated in the sectionals round of play 8-4 by a team from El Paso.

Kenny Ratke Jr. pitched the entire game for Post and had a good game. Unfortunately, the team couldn't come up with enough runs and made too many errors to go any farther in tournament play.

To get to sectionals, Post eliminated Shallowater July 13 in Slaton 9-7 in the most complete game the team played all year. Bryan Looney pitched for the victory, but had a lot of offensive and defensive help in the game coming from Carlos Hernandez, Mitchell Mills, Brody Conner and Brody Robertson.

Following that victory, Post opened up sectional play with a 6-2 loss to El Paso July 17. Bryan Looney took the loss despite a good effort. Post eliminated Perryton 13-7 the following day despite yielding four runs to Perryton in the opening inning. Mitchell Mills pitched the entire game, striking out 10 Perryton batters.

That led to Monday's repeat match up with El Paso. Post's coaches were a bit disappointed with the team's play against El Paso each time and felt the team could have won both games if Post had played at its usual level. However, it must be remembered that these are 13- and 14-year-old youths (nine 13-year-olds and five 14-year-olds) who posted a remarkable season, advancing just a few games short of a chance to compete for the state title. "I reminded them afterwards that there were only eight months to go before we could start again," joked Coach Larry Mills.

Team members who sacrificed a big part of their summer to the program included Brody Robertson, Felix Valdez, Kenny Ratke Jr., Mark McCallister, Jordan Nelson, Patrick Gonzales, Kris Hernandez, David Lee Rivera, Mark Norman, Brody Conner, Carlos Hernandez, Jett Lott, Bryan Looney and

Serving as manager for the team was Les Looney. Coaches were Jeff Lott and Larry Mills.

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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. Lots of problems with Covenant contract

There has been considerable discussion of late about the validity of the contracts that Garza Hospital District has with Covenant Health Systems. The main problem is that the contract is void because it was not competively bid, as required by the law which regulates the distirct.

In studying these contracts, I have come upon several other reasons which, I believe, make the contracts void, due to the fact that they contradict each other. In the original contract or Management Agreement that Garza Hospital District made with Methodist, it states at the last of Section V "The only fees which will be assessed to Hospital by System will be for the on-site management services listed in Section II herein."

This would be the salary for the administrator for which we reimburse Methodist (now Covenant). Then, in the Rural Health Clinic Operations Agreement, which was signed after the hospital closed, there is added the tax subsidy of \$300,000 per year paid to Covenant. Is this not contradictory?

Also, in Article 6.7 of the Rural Health Clinic Operations Agreement, it states "This agreement supersedes all previous agreements between the parties, oral or written, relative to the subject matter hereof and constitutes the entire agreement between the parties. No oral statements or prior written material not specifically incorporated herein shall be of any force and effect..."

I cannot find anywhere in this agreement where the former Management Agreement is "specifically incorporated herein". Does this not nullify the original Management Agreement, since it was previous to the Rural Health Clinic Operations Agreement?

Later, however, Garza Hospital District Board of Directors consented to the assignment of the original Management Agreement with Methodist to Covenant. Why did they consent to the assignment of a nullified contract?

I cannot understand why we are still operating under both of these contracts when they are obviously contradicting each other. Both of them are null and void! Carol Tobias

A deputy gets "slap on the hand"

I'm writing in concern of Deputy Martinez who got arrested and got a slap on

I've been a citizen of Garza County for over 45 years and have never been arrested for anything, but it just makes me wonder if one day I get stopped for P.I., can I also tell them it was my first time and they'll let me go with just a \$25

do community service! I want all citizens of Post to speak up and let's take care I think what's good for one should be good for all! Like they say, "voting won't

I know of a few people who have gotten stopped and have had to pay fines and

be too long." Open your eyes Kenny, and do the right thing. Name withheld by request

Clean up your life before jumping on us

After reading last week's paper (7/15/99) about the deputy sheriff, I think that the sheriff and his deputies need to clean up their own lives before they starting trying to tell us teenagers how to live ours. The sheriff should not be allowed to try to enforce the laws if he and his deputies

don't plan on following those same laws. I agree that public officials should be held to a higher standard, but I know that

anyone else would have been given more than a \$25 bond and a slap on the wrist. Being a deputy, he should know the laws like the back of his hand. he also should know that to get drunk, you have to drink. I am sure that someone did not pour the alcohol down his throat.

I don't think that he deserves a second chance. The sheriff's department never gave anyone else, especially teenagers, a second chance. Jamie Dawson

Thanks for your honesty

A few words on the Cecil Martinez Jr situation. Thank you, Cecil, for your honesty. Our Lord knows we grow in character through our mistakes. We can pray for our people who are in authority, or we can just throw stones. John 8:1-11 Marie Odom

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