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Post Notes

Post ISD Taking Applications

Post ISD will be taking applications for six part-time student summer workers. Any student from Post High School will be considered. Pay will be minimum wage. Applications may be picked up at the Post ISD Administrative Offices, 501 South Avenue K. Applicants chosen will be notified on or before June 14.

American Cancer Society Relay For Life

Post-Garza County will again be hosting an American Cancer Society Relay For Life event. This will be a 24 hour event beginning at 9 a.m., June 4 and ending at 9 a.m., June 5. There are several ways to participate. If you are interested in having a team, please contact Rudy Cuevas at 495-1732 or 495-3217.

Benefit Set For June 5

A benefit for Twana McCrary, in "loving memory of Jimmy Moore," has been set for June 5 at Rosa's Cantina. There will be an auction for a barbecue pit and a .243 Winchester will be raffled off. Tickets are \$5.00 each, and the drawing will be at 7 p.m. Events include a barbecue meal, cake walk, auction and dance. Plates will be available for take out. You may make donations at Citizens Bank at 495-3545. For more information call JoAnne Stelzer at 495-3019. After noon, call 495-3393, or call Ruth Walls at 495-4185.

South Plains Regional Housing Authority

Beginning June 1, 2004, applications will be taken for the Section 8 Rental Assistance Program. Applications can be picked up at the following location: South Plains Regional Housing Authority, 411 Austin in Levelland and South Plains Community Action Center on S Highway 84 in Post.

Blacklock Chosen For Summer Baseball

Randon Blacklock has been chosen to play on a traveling baseball team with the San Angelo Rangers for eight weeks. He will be playing at junior colleges all over Texas. Randon is seeking help financially with sponsors, he is trying for a \$1500 scholarship. Games will be June 5 thru July 22. Contact Vickie Blacklock at 495-4667 or 797-9777, ext. 251.

Poker Run Set For Saturday

There will be a Poker Run Saturday, June 5 starting with registration at 9 a.m. at the roadside park on top of the caprock and ending at Old Mill Trade Days. All proceeds will benefit the Senior Citizens. For more information call LeeAnn at 495-3529.

Computer Workshop

The Post-Garza Community Network will be offering a Computer Basics workshop Monday-Wednesday, from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Classes will be held at the High School Medical Center. Interested persons should call Shellee at 495-3343 to sign up. Classes are provided free of charge to Post and Garza County residents.

3 on 3 Basketball Tournament

A 3 on 3 basketball tournament will be held Saturday, June 5 beginning at 9 a.m. at the Southland High School Gym. All divisions are welcome. Prizes will be awarded in each division. A concession will be available. For more information please contact Le Ann at 778-1045.

Lu Allen Golf Tournament

Join us for the 1st Annual Coach Lu Allen Golf Tournament benefiting the Lu Allen Memorial Scholarship Fund awarded to female athletes. A four person best ball scramble will be held Monday, July 12 at 8:30 at the Graham Country Club, Graham, Texas. For additional information please contact: Graham Country Club Pro Shop at 940/549-7721, Christie Allen-Johnson at 512/925-3036 or Sandy Allen at 512/797-8757.

Country Music Show

The Union Mill Opry country music show will be in Lubbock on Saturday, June 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the Science Spectrum Exhibition Hall (ground floor) at 2579 S. Loop 289. There will be lots of country variety, plus hillbilly comedy with "Cornpone". The Union Mill Opry is one of Missouri's premier family shows since 1973!

Summer Recreation

The Garza County Summer Recreation Program began June 1. You can register your child any day at the Middle School Gym from 8-9 a.m. Your child must be registered before participating in the program. The program is Monday-Friday, ending June 25. If you have any questions call Rodney at 495-3960 or 620-0960.

West Texas Beachfest Set July 3

West Texas Beachfest, which will feature live music, beach volleyball, horseshoe pitching, ping pong, a sand castle competition, games and food, will be held July 3 at the Two Bit Ranch on FM 651 north of Post. Advance tickets to the event are \$2, tickets at the gate will be \$4. For more information on the event, contact Rex Cash at 495-3355 or 620-4012.

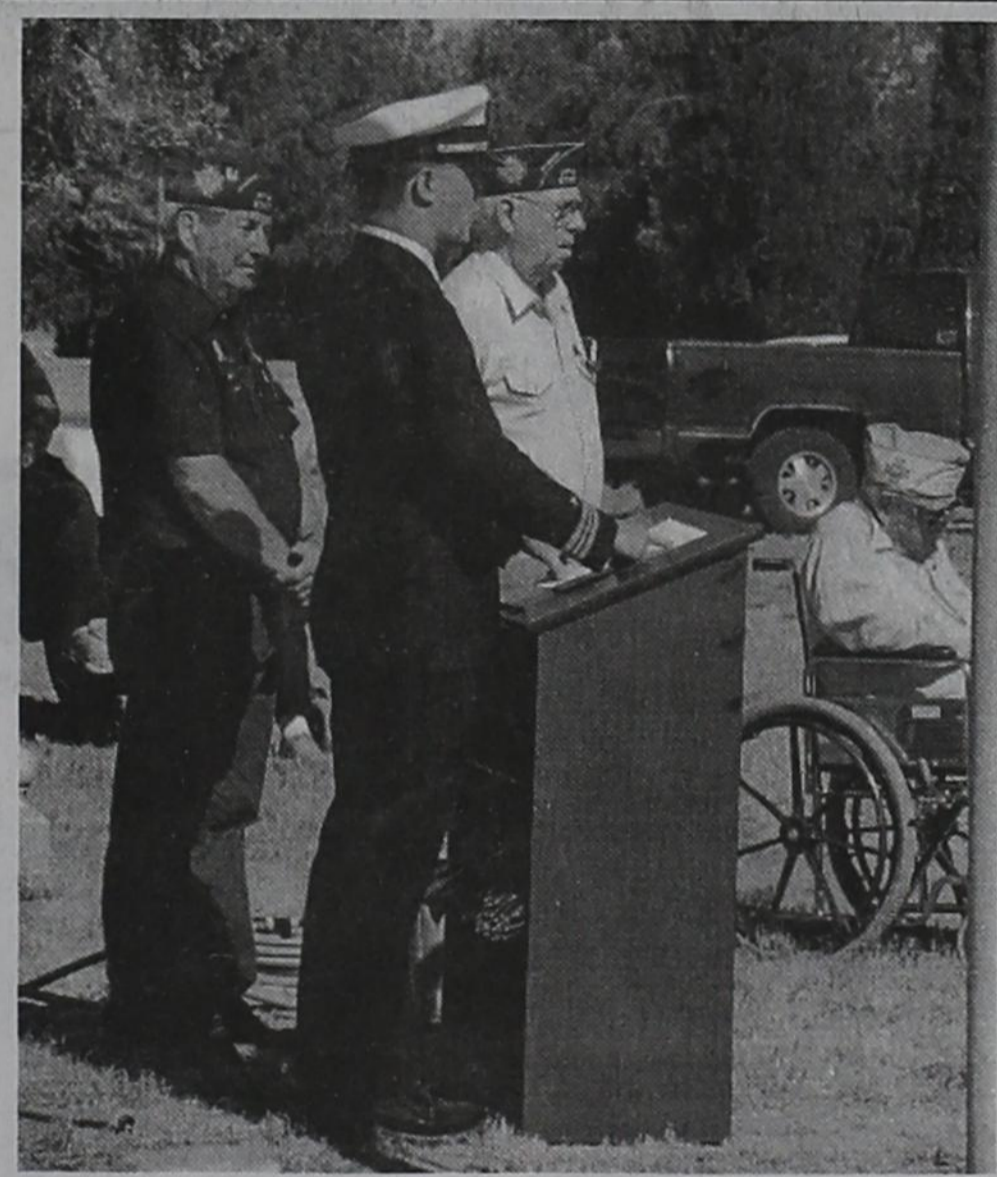
Retirement Reception

The Lynn County Federal Credit Union invites everyone to attend a retirement reception honoring Dean Bartley. The reception will be held on Sunday, June 6, from 2-3:30 p.m. at The Life Enrichment Center in Tahoka. No gifts please.



The Post High School Class of 2004 enjoyed a smooth graduation ceremony under the cool shade last Friday at Antelope Stadium. Tana Starkey gave the invocation, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and National Anthem led by Mark McCallister and Rosalinda Alaniz (respectively). Mitchell Mills gave the Salutatory Address. The Class History was shared by Lisa Soto. And the Valedictory Address was presented by Coby Jones. Post ISD Board of Trustees President Barbara Hardin handed over the diplomas to each graduating senior. After Principle Johnny McGregor presented the Class of 2004, Lydia Quintana led the Senior Class in the School Song. Breann Heckaman gave the Benediction before the final Recessional of the Post High School Class of 2004. (Staff photo by Tim Burnett).

GHD directors study financial losses at local clinic



Lt. Commander Paul Tech spoke at the annual Memorial Day Services held Monday, May 31 at the Terrace Cemetery. With Commander Tech are (left to right) Chuck Ratcliff (Commander, Post VFW #6797), Marion Matthews and Andy Stelzer (Past State Commander VFW).

A new member was sworn in and new officers elected at the May 25 meeting of the Garza County Health Care District's board of directors. Newcomer Fred Howell took the oath of office, as did returning board members Ray Bagby and Edna Owens. Howell, who won the board's at-large position in the May 15 election, replaced Mike Travis.

Following the administration of the oaths of office, board members elected new officers for the coming year. Bagby was re-elected president of the board, while Kenda Bartlett was tapped to serve as vice-president. Zoe Kirkpatrick will serve as secretary.

In other business, board members:

- Canvassed votes and accepted totals from the May 15 election (prior to the swearing in of new board members).
- Agreed to accept bids for the appraisal of district property. District officials are seeking an appraisal because one has not been completed in several years.
- Reviewed and accepted the annual audit report ending in September 2003. Board members noted an increase in administrative expenses, as well as a more comprehensive look at revenues and expenses recorded in clinic reports.
- Received the clinic report for the month of April. Payout for the month was about \$20,000, district administrator Tanya Boucher said, with all other figures remaining somewhat steady.
- Discussed the receipt of about \$8,500 for 2003 tobacco settlement proceeds. The board is continuing its review of possible plans to use the funds.
- Reviewed the indigent care report, noting that approximately \$80,000 of the district's \$100,000 fiscal year budget already has been expended.
- Briefly discussed HealthFind, a September job fair in Austin linking rural Texas communities and health care professionals. In the past, the district has utilized the job fair to help recruit medical practitioners, Boucher said.

The board's next regular meeting is set for 6:30 p.m. June 17 in the Citizens Bank Community Room.



The new Garza Hospital Board of Directors are (back row left to right), Zoe Kirkpatrick and Edna Owen (front row), Ray Bagby, Fred Howell and Kenda Bartlett. (Staff photo by Tim Burnett).

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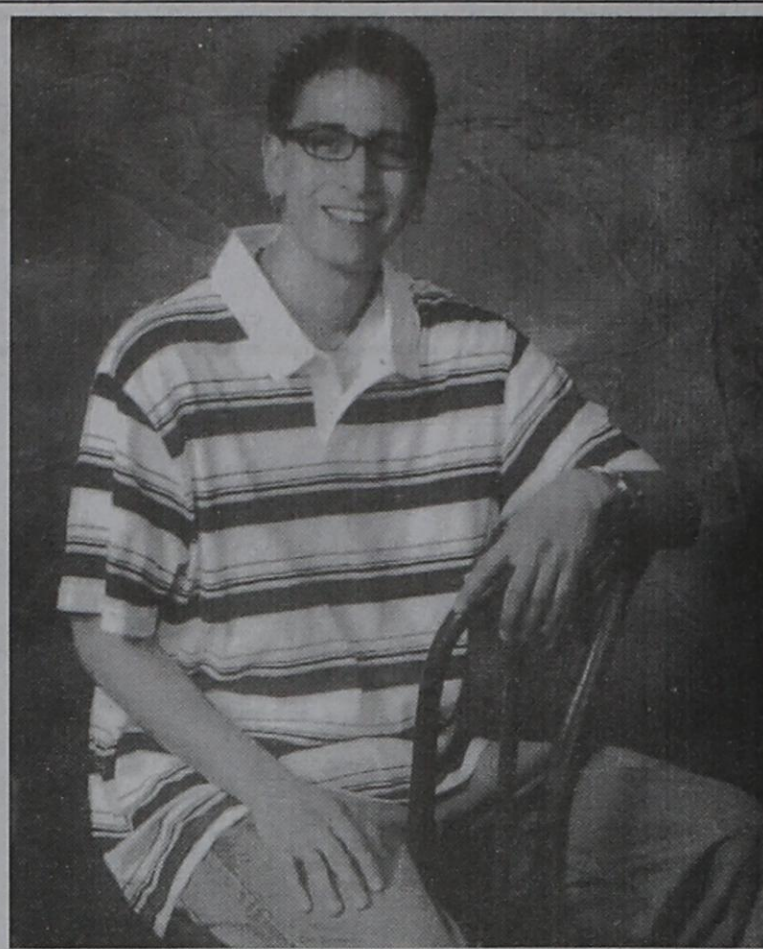
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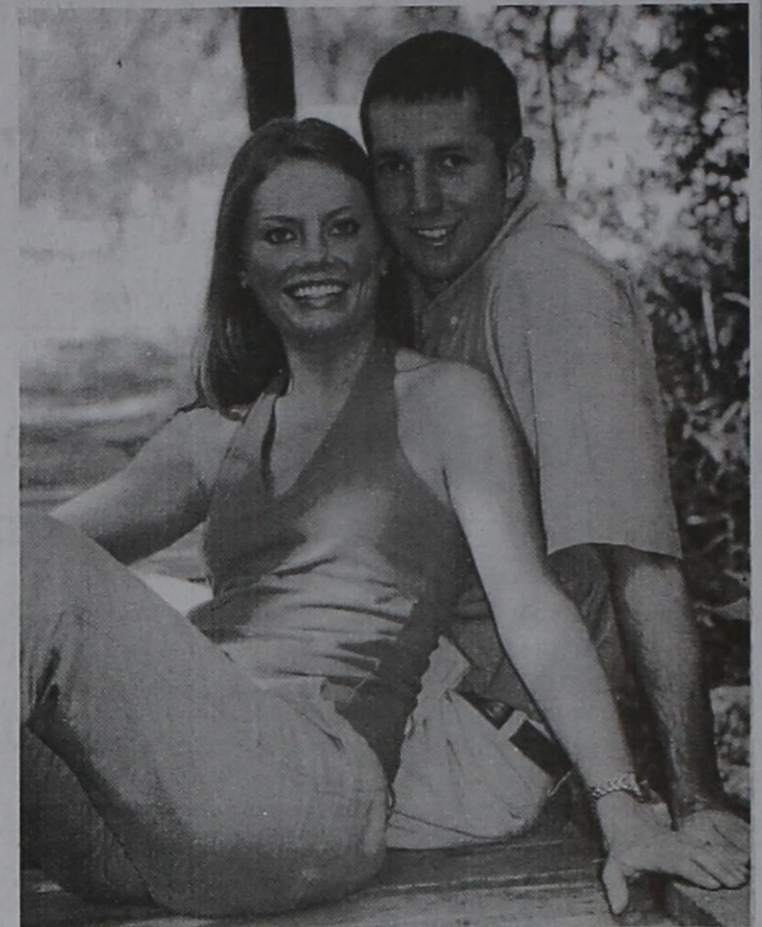
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Joshua Kane Perez

Josh Perez graduated from Canyon High School on May 27, 2004 at the Civic Center. Perez was born in Post, Texas and his parents are Walter and Melissa Perez. His Grandparents are Herbert and Juanita Pantoja of Post and Ginee Perez of Canyon, Texas. Perez plans to attend Amarillo College in the field of Radiology.

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Abby Flanigan & Jantzen Louder

Abby Flanigan, Jantzen Louder announce engagement

Abby Flanigan of Post and Jantzen Louder of Lubbock have announced their engagement and approaching marriage.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Billy Max and Nancy Gordon of Post and the late Mike Flanigan. She is a graduate of Borden County High School in Gail and Wayland Baptist University in Plainview.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Steve and Pam Louder of Hereford. He graduated from Community Christian School in Hereford before attending Wayland Baptist University and Texas Tech University. He is employed by the South Plains Electric Cooperative.

An Aug. 7, 2004, wedding is planned.

Macee Mills honored at bridal shower

Macee Mills, bride-elect of Russ Balka, was honored with a wedding shower Saturday, May 29, in the ranch home of Tonya Kirkpatrick.

Guests were served assorted cookies, nuts, mints, fruit and punch from a table decorated with spring flowers and a bride doll centerpiece.

Out-of-town guests from Lubbock, Midland, Fort Worth, Gail and Lamesa were among the approximately 100 in attendance. Also on hand for the occasion were the bride-elect's mother, Kim Mills; grandmother, Wanda Mitchell; sister, Meagan Mills; and aunt, Kelly Davis.

Hostesses Terri Cash, Jane Davis, Doris Giddens, Voda Beth Gradine, Shelia Gregory, Pixie Grisham, Pam Humble, Diane Josey, Tonya Kirkpatrick, Nancy McDonald, Eddie Jo Miller, Mary Miller, Jenny Smith, Linda Snider and Donna Stelzer presented the bride-elect with a comforter set.

The couple will be wed in Colorado Springs, Colo., on July 10.

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Becca Stelzer, daughter of Donny and Donna Stelzer, received her Bachelor of Science degree in Health from Texas A&M University in College Station, on May 15, 2004. Stelzer was a 1999 graduate of Post High School.

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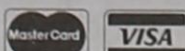
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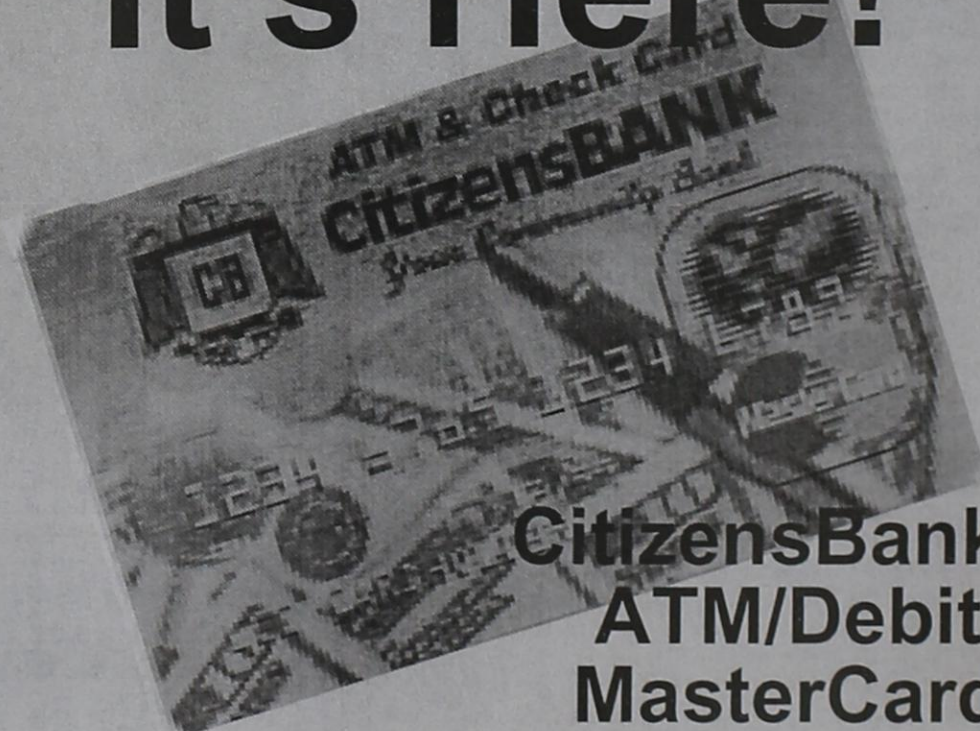
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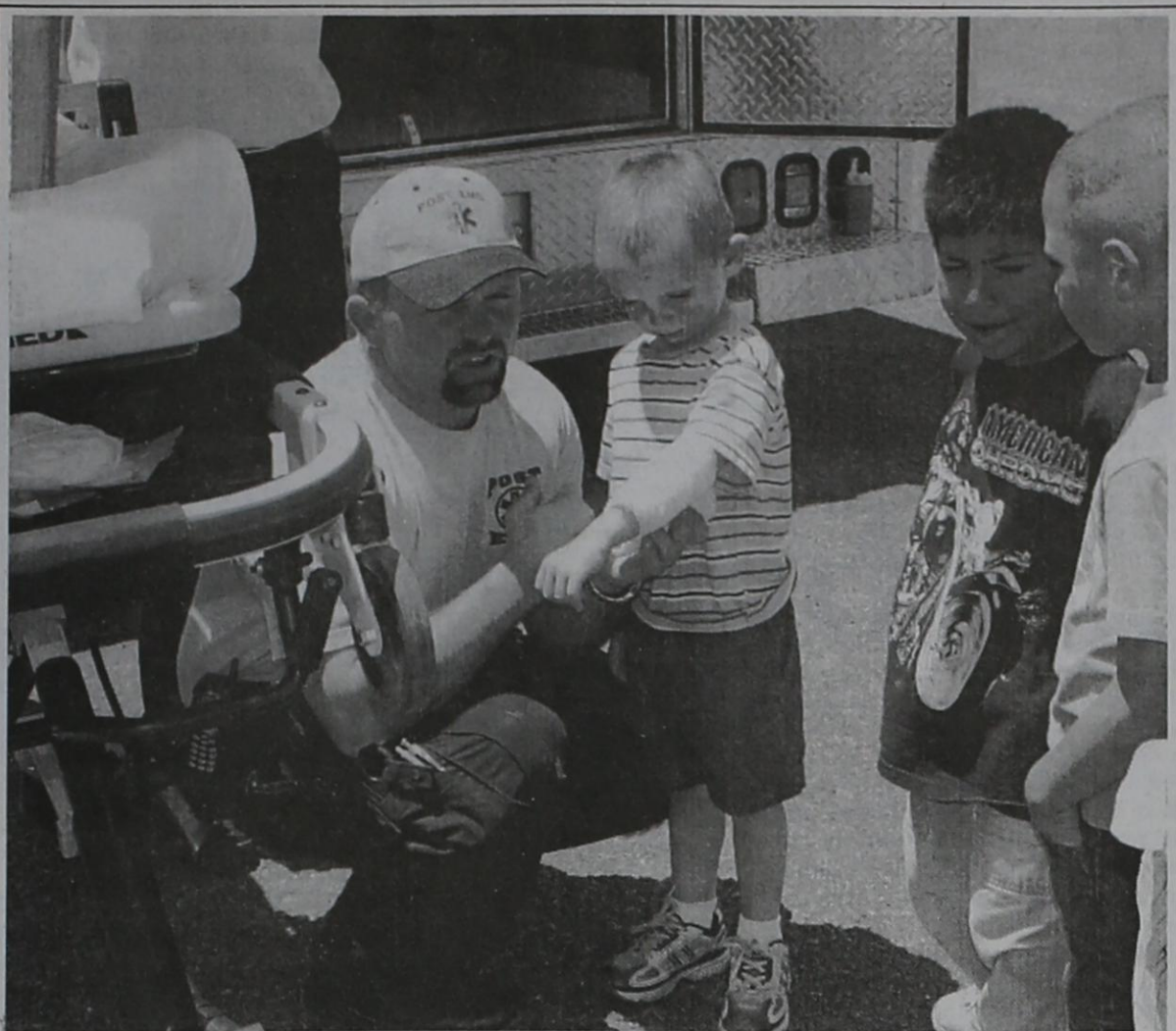
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Rodney Tidwell demonstrated EMT procedures to Post Elementary students during EMS National Trauma Awareness Week. The students are (left to right) Carson Mason, Armando Ortiz and Stetson Boles. (Staff photo by Tim Burnett).



Dawne Stone gave a presentation inside one of three EMS ambulances to Post Elementary students during the recent National Trauma Awareness Week. The students are (left to right), D'Amor Garcia, Paulina Hernandez, Shamaunda Taylor and Brittany Bruton.

WTC offers Accuplacer Assessment

Accuplacer, a computer-adaptive college skills assessment, will be given this summer at the South Plains College Levelland and Reese Center campuses.

All new students entering Texas public colleges and universities who are not otherwise exempt are required to take a college placement test prior to enrollment. Accuplacer is an approved alternate exam for the Texas Higher Education Assessment (THEA).

The Accuplacer test will be given June 4, 18, 25; July 7-8, 16, 23, 30; Aug. 6, 20, 23, 27, 30-31 and Sept. 1-2 at SPC Levelland.

The Accuplacer will be administered June 1-2, June 16,

30; July 5-8, July 14, 26, Aug. 9, 16, 19, 25-27, 30-31 and Sept. 1-2 at the Reese Center campus in Lubbock.

Scores will be available immediately after the exam.

A \$30 check, money order or cash is required for Accuplacer as well as a picture ID and some form of identification containing the student's social security number.

Pre-registration is required for all tests.

Students who have not taken the THEA exam by July 31 must contact the SPC Levelland Counseling Center or Reese Testing Center to receive information about THEA Quick test and Accuplacer.

For more information, visit the SPC website at www.southplainscollege.edu/test or contact SPC Levelland at 894-9611, ext. 2530 or SPC Reese at 885-3048, ext. 4689.

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Sheriff reports nine arrests

Nine individuals were booked into the Garza County Jail during the past week, according to records provided by the sheriff's department.

On May 25, two individuals were arrested, including a 33-year-old picked up on a Taylor County warrant and a 50-year-old jailed on a Harris County warrant.

A 42-year-old was arrested on a warrant May 27.

On May 28, a 25-year-old was picked up on a commitment/driving while license suspended.

A Terry County warrant landed a 39-year-old in jail on May 30.

Three people were jailed May 31, including a 27-year-old for public intoxication, a 42-year-old for driving while license suspended and a 21-year-old for boating while intoxicated/first offense.

On June 1, an 18-year-old was picked up on a commitment.

Charity Williams graduates at Adams State College

Charity Christel Williams of Post participated in Adams State College's commencement ceremony May 8.

Williams graduated magna cum laude, earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in interdisciplinary studies.

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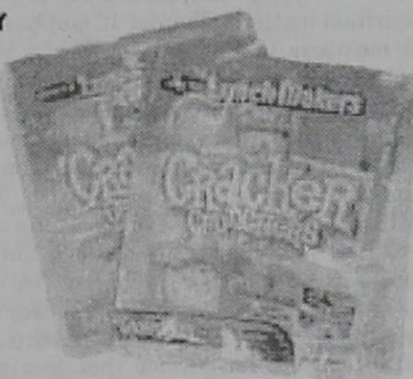
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Obituaries

Eliseo "Ally" Gonzales

A funeral Mass for Eliseo "Ally" Gonzales, 68, was conducted at 10 a.m. May 10, 2004, in the St. Anthony's Catholic Church with Father Gerald Leatham officiating. A Protestant prayer service was held at 7 p.m. May 8, and a rosary was recited at 7 p.m. May 9. Both services were in the Mark A. Jones Memorial Chapel. Burial was in the Brownfield Cemetery under the direction of the Mark A. Jones Funeral Directors.



He died May 6 at his home. Born July 22, 1935, to Eusebio and Guadalupe Gonzalez on the Brauley Ranch in Brownsville, he was raised in Brownsville where he attended school. He married Juanita Rodriguez Aug. 1, 1953, in Brownsville and moved to Brownfield that same year.

A member of the O.I. Forum and the Catholic church, he was employed as a mechanic for Charles Paul Chevrolet in Brownfield for many years. His hobbies included hunting, fishing and yard work.

Survivors include his wife, Juanita, of Brownfield; three sons, Eli Gonzalez Jr. and Gonzalo Gonzalez, both of Brownfield, and David Gonzalez of Lubbock; two daughters, Angelica Herrera of Lubbock and Suelma Acevedo of Post; one brother, Jesus Gonzalez of Houston; two sisters, Virginia Longoria of Amarillo and Oralia Diaz of Michigan; 15 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Ignacio in 1998 and Eusebio in 2003; and two sisters, Maria Lucbano in 1991, Maria Valdez in 1999 and Eva Diaz in 1996.

Pallbearers were Mark Perez, Justin Acevedo, Gary Franco, Jerry Montes Jr., James Gonzalez, Ignacio Gonzalez II, Oscar Acevedo Jr. and Ignacio Gonzalez III.

Dorothy Kathryn Martin

Services for Dorothy Kathryn Martin, 81, of Post were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 29, 2004, in the Hudman Funeral Home Chapel with Wendell Johnson officiating. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery. She died Thursday, May 27.

Born May 13, 1923, in Paron, Ark., she married Leslie Martin Feb. 26, 1944, in Benton, Ark. He died Oct. 22, 1997. She was a Baptist.

Hutchinson of Medicine Park, Okla.; one son, Ray Martin of Lawton, Okla.; two brothers, Denver Rice of Benton and Guy Rice of Paron; one sister, Melba Rucker of Benton; six grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Kenneth Gill, Robert Gill, Brandon Martin, Robert Lopez, Trey Jones and Tommy Hill.

Jose Jaime Hernandez

Funeral Mass for Jaime Hernandez, 44, of Post were held Sunday, 23, 2004, at the Holy Cross Catholic Church with Father Paul Karieakatt officiating. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of the Hudman Funeral Home.

He died May 20 in Lubbock. Born Sept. 23, 1959, in Mexico, he married Paula Perez Sept. 21, 1982, in Post. He worked for Rocker A Well Service.

Survivors include his wife, Paula, of Post; one son, Jaime Hernandez of Post; two daughters, Belia and Marissa Hernandez, both of Post; his father, Santiago Hernandez of Mexico; four brothers, David, Juan, Jose and Gabriel Hernandez, all of Post; and four sisters, Evangelina Hernandez de Perez of Mexico, Irma Andrade of Post, Gloria Hernandez of Post and Maria Rosales of Mexico.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Selecia Hernandez, on Aug. 19, 1998, and a brother, Santiago Hernandez, on Dec. 13, 2000.

Pallbearers were Carlos Hernandez, Jaime Hernandez, Chris Hernandez, Georgie Rivera, D.J. Rivera, Johnny Torres, Brian Hart and Juan Andrade. Honorary pallbearers were Gabriel Hernandez, Jose Hernandez, Juan Hernandez, David Hernandez, Bradley Perez, Abraham Perez and David Perez.

Letters to the Editor

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Texas welfare to close 200 offices

Marie Antoinette had so lost touch with reality for the suffering of the French people that she allegedly made the flippant remark "Let them eat cake" upon hearing that her subjects did not have bread to eat. Now many of the welfare workers are wondering if that is the case with the current taxphobic legislators in Austin.

The new integrated HHSC (Health and Human Services Commission) announced its plans to save money and be more efficient by closing welfare offices and using phone banks and the Internet. The Internet avenue had already been open to people, but local offices often had a week's wait before they could schedule clients due to their heavy loads of needed services.

At the public hearing in Abilene on April 30, I heard testimony for more than two and a half of the five-and-a-half-hour hearing. No speaker commended the proposal. State welfare workers, welfare recipients and recipients' family members argued that services would be more difficult and sometimes impossible for the people to get. Many of the welfare clients do not have a telephone and certainly not the Internet. Were they to go to a library, they would be unlikely to have computer/Internet skills.

Imagine yourself as a fully able adult, trying to do a complicated financial assessment on a public pay phone. "Please hold. Your call is important to us. Each call will be answered in the order it was received by the next available agent," etc. Now imagine trying it while hampered by illness, age or disability.

The phone banks would be privatized, and overflow calls could be outsourced out of Texas. Perhaps a little India elevator music would play while you wait.

County judges and commissioners spoke at the hearing regarding the double whammy caused by local welfare workers losing their jobs and by system to maintain their health. Then they go to the emergency room for crisis care at considerably higher expense to local taxpayers. The state level could save a dollar, but lose about a \$1.50 in federal matching funds, causing about \$2.50 less to reach the county level. We will pay more to give the needy

skimpy care than to give them better care. How is that humane, wise or conservative?

To end on a positive note, it costs only the price of a stamp to notify your legislator - you can also use the phone or the Internet. Ed McAnally, Snyder



Buglers Darrell Dissinger and Marty Dissinger played Taps during the Memorial Day Services last Monday, May 31 at the Terrace Cemetery in Post, Texas. (Staff photo by Tim Burnett).



The Marine, Army and Navy Reserves Colorguard out of Lubbock, Texas participated in the Memorial Day ceremonial services last Monday, May 31 at the Terrace Cemetery in Post, Texas. (Staff photo by Tim Burnett).

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On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

Spiritual Matters...1Corinthians 14:1-5

It is written in 1Peter 1:3, "According as His divine power has given us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him that has called us unto glory and virtue." It's just astounding what God in heaven did for all of mankind through His beloved son Jesus Christ! Part of this great knowledge can be found in 1Corinthians chapters 12-14 where we learn about spiritual matters. Chapter 12 emphasized how that all members in the body of Christ were baptized by the same spirit from God. Just as God has great care and love for each and every member, so also should all members show God's care and love toward each other. Chapter 13 placed priority emphasis on the love that is from God to mankind. It finished with, "And now abides faith [believing], hope [of Christ's return for the body of Christ] and charity [God's love toward mankind], but the greatest of these is charity." We now come to 1Corinthians 14:1 where God repeats the emphasis placed on His love, "Follow after charity, and desire spiritual matters, but rather that you may prophecy." The repetitive emphasis means that God establishes the highest priority for us to show God's love toward each other. At the same time, this emphasis does not exclude the desire to walk by the spirit of God in the ways mentioned in 1Corinthians 12:7-10, or to serve God in the various gift ministries. But when it comes to spiritual matters, God says to let it be by prophecy. The rest of chapter 14 distinguishes between the spiritual matters of speaking in tongues and those of the interpretation of tongues as well as prophecy. A great deal can be learned from this chapter about speaking in tongues.

We continue with 1Corinthians 14:2-4, "For he that speaks in an unknown tongue, speaks not unto men, but unto God; for no man understands him, howbeit in the spirit he speaks mysteries. But he that speaks unto men [speaks] to edification, exhortation and comfort. He that speaks in an unknown tongue edifies himself;

but he that prophesies edifies the church." All references to "tongues" means languages that are foreign to the one speaking. Speaking in tongues is not meant to edify others in the church. It is for the edification of the person who is speaking. It is also speaking mysteries in the spirit.

A precise and more exhaustive study of the word "prophecy" will show two different functions. One use is to give revelation related to a specific situation. The other use is by inspiration and involves giving edification, exhortation and comfort for both the speaker and the others in the assembly. In the book of Acts a man named Agabus prophesied by revelation two times. In Acts 11:28 he prophesied of a great dearth throughout the land. Later in Acts 21:10-11 he prophesied of what would happen to Paul if he went to Jerusalem. How and when the words are given is God's prerogative. Inspirational prophecy can be found in Luke 1:41-55 where Elisabeth prophesied after she was filled with holy spirit. With revelation prophecy, the words must be given before they are spoken. Whereas with inspirational prophecy, the words are given as the person begins to speak.

According to verse 5 it is God's will for all members in the body to speak in tongues, "I would that you all spake with tongues, but rather that you prophesied. For greater is he that prophesies than he that speaks with tongues, except he interpret, that the church might receive edifying." The phrase "but rather that you prophesied" does not nullify the words, "I would that you all spake with tongues." The context is spiritual matters that are edifying for the self, versus edifying for the church. During a believers meeting if a person starts speaking in tongues they will not edify the assembly unless the one speaking believes to give the interpretation. The words "except he interpret" is referring to the previous pronoun "he that speaks with tongues." The one who does the speaking also gives the interpretation. (To be continued next week).

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The great foreign aid swindle...

Texas Straight Talk

by U.S. Congressman Ron Paul

Yet another ill-conceived foreign aid swindle has become law in the form of the "Millennium Challenge Act," a disgraceful bill that sends billions of American tax dollars overseas even as our national debt explodes. The Act combines the worst aspects of bad domestic policy and bad foreign policy, by wasting \$2.5 billion taxpayer dollars in 2005 alone while meddling in the affairs of foreign nations. Arrogant is the only word to describe a Congress that cares so little about its own taxpaying citizens while pretending to know what is best for the world.

The very name- Millennium Challenge Act- is highly insulting. It sounds like a PBS fundraising slogan or car company sales pitch. It's like calling an old used car a classic or an antique. Foreign aid welfare is still foreign aid welfare, no matter what jingoistic name is applied. There is nothing new or noble about it. The Millennium Challenge Act is just another shabby federal program that takes your money and gives it to somebody else.

Foreign aid doesn't help poor people; it helps foreign elites and US corporations who obtain the contracts doled out by those foreign elites. Everyone in Washington knows this, but the same lofty rhetoric is used over and over to sell foreign aid programs to a gullible public. During a hearing about the new Act last week, I asked one of the witnesses how much of the \$2.5 billion would actually go to US corporations. He enthusiastically answered that much of it would, making no attempt to downplay the corporate interests promoting expansion of our foreign aid programs. Naked corporate welfare is bad enough, but corporate welfare in the guise of helping poor foreigners is indecent.

In many cases, foreign aid money simply distorts foreign economies and props up bad governments. In countries that pursue harmful

economic policies, an infusion of US cash only exacerbates and prolongs problems. No amount of money can help nations that reject property rights, free markets, and the rule of law.

In developing countries that pursue sound economic policies, foreign aid money is not needed- the international financial markets will provide the investment capital necessary for economic growth. This capital will be invested according to sound investment strategies - designed to make a profit - rather than allocated according to the whims of government bureaucrats. Foreign aid encourages socialism and statism.

Because it is entirely geared toward foreign governments, it mandates economically devastating "public-private partnerships" in developing nations. If the private sector wants to see any of the money, it must be in partnership with government. Who knows how much of this money is wasted on those companies with the best political connections to the foreign governments in power? Foreign aid invites political corruption by creating a slush fund under the control of foreign governments.

The wisest approach to international economic development is for the United States to lead by example, by revitalizing the economic policies that led us to become wealthy in the first place. This means less government, less taxation, and no foreign meddling. The greatest gift we can send overseas is a demonstration of the freedom and prosperity possible only with limited government and the rule of law.

Americans are the most charitable people on earth. Those who wish to help fight AIDS, famine, and poverty overseas can choose from hundreds of private charities. Americans don't need a politician or rock star to tell them what causes are important. Most of all, they don't need to be forced to pay for foreign welfare at the barrel of a government gun.

The Threat of the Paternalistic State

by Peter Schwartz

A precondition of freedom is the recognition of the individual's capacity to make decisions for himself. If man were viewed as congenitally incapable of making rational choices, there would be no basis for the very concept of rights. Yet that is increasingly how our government views us. It is adopting the role of a paternalistic nanny, zealously protecting the citizen against his own actions. In the process, our freedom is disappearing.

Obvious examples of this attitude are laws mandating the use of automobile seat belts and motorcycle helmets. Gambling is another area in which the state believes it must keep the individual from harming himself. New York State, for example, has threatened to sue Citibank for allowing credit cards to be used for Internet gambling and for "making profits off the financial hardships of compulsive gamblers."

Now the food industry is being blamed for the "disease" of obesity. There are proposals for special taxes on "junk food." A George Washington University law professor, who pioneered the lawsuits against the tobacco industry, says: "You could have states saying that they have this billion-dollar public health problem, and food companies are responsible for a certain percentage of it. It's a reach, I admit. But they said the same thing about tobacco lawsuits ten years ago."

The paternalistic "food police" will thus keep people from buying cupcakes so that no one imposes upon the public the "social cost" of extra poundage.

Instead of being morally outraged at this appalling violation of rights, the food industry—like the tobacco industry before it—is appeasing its attackers. Coca-Cola, for example, is giving schools exercise pedometers to show how social-minded it is about obesity. And McDonald's has announced it will stop "supersizing." The Wall St. Journal writes that food companies "are contemplating advertisements that would discourage consumers from overeating their products." What's next? Ads to discourage banana buyers from eating before peeling?

But it is in regulating tobacco products, of course, that the tentacles of paternalism grip most tightly. The government maintains that despite widespread knowledge about the dangers of smoking, the sale of cigarettes must be curtailed. With this approach, the government is making two declarations. The first is that you are not responsible for your decisions, and that if you are stricken by emphysema—or are injured in a car accident or become too fat, society will take care of you. The second is that, as a consequence, you cannot be given the freedom to make those decisions in the first place—i.e., your freedom to smoke cigarettes or to drive without a seat belt or to eat what you want will be restricted. Once your life is deemed to be the responsibility of the state, you are no longer permitted to incur "social costs" by making undesirable choices.

Thus, the government tyrannizes companies for having the audacity to make products that so many people willingly buy. In a forced settlement that supposedly compensates state governments for their health costs, tobacco manufacturers will hand over about \$250 billion across 25 years. To further prevent people from electing to smoke, it is illegal to sell fewer than 20 cigarettes per pack, to dispense free samples or to award gifts to frequent buyers of cigarettes.

Then there are the pervasive restrictions on freedom of speech. They keep its "infantile" citizens from being persuaded to harm themselves, the government forbids tobacco-company logos on tee shirts. Industry advocacy groups, like the Council for Tobacco Research, have been disbanded; only "disinterested" parties—which the tobacco industry is required to help finance—are now allowed to state their opinions about tobacco. To compound the injustice, the industry had to characterize the forced settlement as "voluntary" and had to waive its right to invoke any First Amendment protections.

It is a rationalization to describe these measures as necessary to safeguard children. While the sale of cigarettes to minors is justifiably prohibited, it is the free choice of consenting adults that is being controlled in virtually all these regulations. And if it is proper to use preventive law to stop adults from buying cigarettes for fear that children too may buy them and be harmed by them, to what area of life would such reasoning not apply? Candy or soda, for example?

If we want to preserve our freedom, we must defend the right of companies to produce the goods that we voluntarily pay for—and the right of each individual to decide how to conduct his life.

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"None are so hopelessly enslaved as those who falsely believe that they are free."

-Von Goethe

Lessons about our Constitution from Abu Ghraib

by Jacob C. Hornberger

Those who think that the U.S. Constitution is an antiquated document with no relevance to modern times might want to consider how federal officials would operate in the absence of constitutional restraints. The best evidence for such a thought experiment exists in Iraq, where U.S. officials have had the omnipotent power to run that country for the past year.

Let's keep in mind the primary purposes of our Constitution and the Bill of Rights: to limit the powers of federal officials and to protect us, the American people, from the abuse of power by federal officials. The Constitution called into existence the federal government but, at the same time, expressly restricted its powers to those enumerated within the document. To further clarify the limited nature of the federal government's powers, our ancestors ensured the passage of the Bill of Rights, which expressly restricts federal abrogation of fundamental rights.

Why were our American ancestors so insistent on such protections? Because they understood that the biggest threat to their freedom and well-being was their own government, despite the fact that its officials were democratically elected. Our ancestors understood that if federal powers were not restricted and if fundamental rights were not expressly guaranteed, U.S. officials, often with well-meaning zeal, would run roughshod over the lives, liberty, property, and well-being of the people.

Some might be tempted to conclude that today no such restrictions are necessary. Government officials today can be trusted to do the right thing, they might say. The federal government is our friend, our provider, our protector in the wars on poverty, drugs, illiteracy, and terrorism. Federal officials provide us with our retirement, health care, education, and food and protect us from drug dealers, terrorists, entrepreneurs, and foreigners. It ensures that we are a caring and compassionate people by taking our money and giving it to others.

Do we really need a Constitution anymore? Why not simply free federal officials to do whatever they think is necessary for our well-being, especially since we're now involved in a perpetual "war on terrorism," a war in which public officials claim that our very lives — indeed, our civilization — are at stake?

The answer is simple: We need our Constitution more than ever because otherwise U.S. officials would do to the American people exactly what they have been doing to the people of Iraq for the past year. Which means: closure of newspapers that criticize the U.S. military; shooting of peaceful demonstrators; warrantless searches of persons, homes, and businesses by military forces; gun control and gun confiscation; indiscriminate roundups of suspected criminals; indefinite detentions of people suspected of crimes; no right to counsel; no due process of law, jury trials, or right to confront witnesses; no right to bail; no habeas corpus; and, of course, the infliction of cruel and unusual punishments consisting of sex abuse, torture, rape, and even murder.

Don't forget that the Pentagon has held two Americans, Yaser Hamdi and Jose Padilla, in custody for some two years, denying them all the rights guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights. Have you heard a peep of protest from any member of the U.S. military? For that matter, how many members of Congress have protested this abhorrent and tyrannical conduct?

The uncomfortable truth is that all too many federal officials hold the Constitution and the Bill of Rights in contempt. Why else did the executive branch set up its prisoner camp in Cuba if not to be immune from the constraints of the Constitution and the judgments of U.S. federal courts? That the U.S. Congress has failed to condemn that decision is equally shameful.

Given that we now know how U.S. officials rule a country when they have omnipotent powers, without any constitutional restraints or guaranteed rights for the people, we should be thanking our lucky stars for the wisdom, courage, and foresight of the Framers and our ancestors. The next time someone ridicules the Constitution or the rights guaranteed in the Bill of Rights, ask him whether he would prefer living under U.S. occupation in Iraq, where no such restraints or guarantees exist.

Mr. Hornberger is founder and president of The Future of Freedom Foundation (www.fff.org).

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Yesteryears

Compiled by Donna Jones from the files of The Post Dispatch

60 Years Ago June 1, 1944

Dr. B. E. Young started moving this morning into his new location on Main street just east of the court house. He recently purchased this building from Outlaw Motor Company. For several years Dr. Young has had his offices in the double U building.

Here is the war production record of the United States since Pearl Harbor: 160,000 planes; 225,000 artillery pieces; 130,000 tanks and other combat vehicles; 1,300,000 military trucks and 31,500,000 dead-weight tons of naval shipping. The figures were given by War Production Chairman Donald Nelson last Friday.

Frank Stokes fed and showed the grand champion steer in the beef cattle show. The steer was a Hereford weighing 965 pounds. Prize for the grand champion was \$25.

Lt. J. M. Harper is in Endland. He is a bombardier and has participated in several air raid missions over enemy territory. Harper wants letters from his Garza county friends.

Word has been received by Mrs. Ida Robinson that her son, E. J. Robinson was promoted to the rank of Captain as of March 31.

20 Years Ago May 30, 1984

Chamber of Commerce directors, Bill Terpening, Bryan Williams, Jr. Wilks, and Wes Burnett, along with owners Jenifer Knight and Riley Miller, celebrate the opening of Fort Justice. The store is located on a bluff overlooking the Brazos River near Justiceburg. It will offer comfortable surroundings with a short order cafe, general store and trading post.

Dora Fay and Boog Holly announce the recent marriage of their daughter, Lisa Marina, to Ralph Dean White, son of Doris Nuzum of Post. The couple were wed Friday, May 25.

Double ring vows were read for Lisa Louise Luttrell and Mark Kirkpatrick Friday, May 25 in the Highland Park United Methodist Church, Cox Chapel of Dallas. Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Burrell Luttrell of Silsbee, Texas and Mr. and Mrs. K. W. Kirkpatrick of Post.

Todd Wilson, graduating senior at PHS, received the coveted John Phillip Sousa Award, which was presented to him during the spring band concert last week.

Dwayne Capps, contractor, has taken the old car dealer and tire shop building on Broadway and turned it into a real asset to the downtown area. Capps plans to use the building for his construction business.

30 Years Ago May 30, 1974

David Morrow, 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morrow, recently received an Outstanding Talent Award when he was pre-

sented in a recital of the Catuogno Piano School in the Garden and Arts Center at Lubbock.

Jagged chunks of ice, reported up to baseball and grapefruit size, cut a swath across southern Garza County from Grassland in Lynn County to southeast of Justiceburg Friday night doing an estimated \$75,000 damage to rural homes and vehicles.

Jerry Windham, a 1959 graduate of Post High School, has been employed as a coach at Denver City where he will work with the varsity football squad. Windham is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Everette Windham and is married to the former Miss Melanie Thompson, also a Post High School graduate.

Post's newly-organized chapter of the National School Food Association met at the home of Mrs. Emma Mueller Friday night to honor Mrs. E. E. Peel, who is retiring after 20 years school lunchroom service here and at the Graham Chapel school which consolidated with Post in the 1960's.

40 Years Ago June 4, 1964

School Supt. Barry B. Thompson was the principal speaker at the annual Memorial Day service Saturday morning at Terrace Cemetery. The service, which attracted a large crowd, is jointly sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion posts. Other speakers were T. L. Jones, James L. Minor, Bernard S. Ramsey and Max Chaffin, VFW post commander, who presided.

Dr. John W. Carter today announced the closing of his medical practice here on June 20. He and his family will move to San Antonio June 23 where he will begin a three-year surgery residency at the Robert B. Green Memorial Hospital.

Larry Welch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Welch, left Wednesday of last week for Alaska, where he will be employed again this summer by the government as a "smoke jumper." Larry attended West Texas State University during the school year.

Leo Cobb, just home from a fishing trip into New Mexico, reports Mr. and Mrs. Chant Lee, formerly of Post, are managing the Lobo Lodge on the Chama river just inside the Colorado line and highly recommends the camp to local fishermen. He says Chant has six furnished cabins, besides the Lee's own living quarters at the lodge, which he rents for \$15 per day and the rental includes fishing rights along the river on the lodge property where the trout are thick.

50 Years Ago June 3, 1954

Miss Maxine Baylis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Baylis, was selected as "Miss Post" Saturday afternoon in a bathing beauty

contest held at the new city swimming pool. Miss Baylis, who won over 10 other contestants, will be hostess Saturday, June 12, at the dedication of the pool. Placing second in the competition was Miss Beth Hamilton and Miss Melba Shepherd took home the third place title.

Miss Tommie Kathryn Rogers who will marry Curtis Williams tomorrow, was named honoree at a tea-shower Tuesday evening at the C. K. Pierce home. Miss Rogers is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Rogers. Parents of the prospective bride-groom are Mr. and Mrs. Claude Williams.

Miss Betty Mills, former Postite, was graduated with honors from Texas Tech Monday. In the division of arts and sciences. She was valedictorian of the 1950 Post High School graduating class.

Marine Pfc. James E. Truelock, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Truelock of Southland, sailed the latter part of May for duty in the Far East after spending four weeks in the staging regiment at this Marine Corps base.

10 Years Ago June 1, 1994

Many museums are usually quiet reserved places, but the C. W. Post Museum in the 100 block of North Ave. N is re-opening un-

der a different pretense. Director of the museum, Dianna Cordson, stressed the museum would be a "hands-on museum". Refurbishing the museum was very time consuming. After facing a bat dilemma, along with many other problems, the museum will reopen on June 2.

Post VFW members Charles Ratliff and JW Jolly III supervised as scout Jeremy Bland placed an American Flag on a veterans grave during Memorial Day ceremonies at Terrace Cemetery. The morning's events included a National Guard unit raising the American Flag, a 21 gun salute by guardsmen, a short word by local pastor Paul Jones and a keynote address by Lt. Col. Tom Yowell from Lubbock. At the conclusion of the ceremony, Taps was played by Derek Sneed and Bill Cole.

New officers of the Woman's Culture club include Katharine Cathcart, Lillian Potts, Donna Craig, Betty Greene, Mary Neff, Jan Crawford and Maxine Earl.

Marilyn Lynette Bell, daughter of Dennis Bell and Jeanette Bell, will graduate June 3, 1994 from Methodist School of Nursing in Lubbock. Bell, a 1991 graduate of Post High School will begin working at Children's Hospital in Lubbock.



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APPLICATION. City of Lubbock, P.O. Box 2000, Lubbock, Texas 79457, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for proposed wastewater disposal Permit No. WQ0010353010 to authorize the disposal of treated wastewater at a volume not to exceed a daily average flow of 8,000 gallons per day via subsurface application. The domestic wastewater treatment facility and effluent disposal area are located east of the City of Justiceburg, approximately 5.5 miles east of the intersection of U.S. Highway 84 and Farm-to-Market Road 2458 in Garza County, Texas. This application was submitted to the TCEQ on April 8, 2004. The permit application is available for viewing and copying at the City of Lubbock, Parks and Recreation Department, 1010 9th Street, Lubbock, Texas.

The TCEQ executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. After completion of the technical review, the TCEQ will issue a Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision.

PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. The TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

Written public comments or requests for public meeting must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087.

ADDITIONAL NOTICE. After technical review of the application is complete, the executive director may prepare a draft permit and will issue a preliminary decision on the application. Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the county-wide mailing list or the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who requested to be on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting reconsideration of the executive director's decision and for requesting a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

MAILING LIST. In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. You may request to be added to: (1) the mailing list for this specific application; (2) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (3) the permanent mailing list for a specific county. Clearly specify which mailing list(s) to which you wish to be added and send your request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address above. Unless you otherwise specify, you will be included only on the mailing list for this specific application.

INFORMATION. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.state.tx.us.

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Vesicular Stomatitis (VS) Confirmed in West Texas;

First U.S. Case Since 1998 The country's first case of Vesicular Stomatitis (VS) since 1998 was confirmed Wednesday, May 19, on a premise with nine horses and eight head of cattle near Balmorhea, in Reeves County in west Texas. VS is a viral disease that occurs sporadically in the U.S., usually in southwestern states. The disease can affect horses, cattle and pigs, and occasionally, sheep, goats and deer, causing blisters to form in the animal's mouth, on teats or along the hooves, resulting in excessive salivation, lameness or oozing sores. The clinical signs of VS can cause concern because they mimic those of a highly contagious foreign animal infection foot and mouth disease (FMD) which has been eradicated in the U.S. since 1929. Laboratory tests must be run to differentiate between the two diseases, when cattle, pigs, sheep or other cloven hooved animals develop

signs of the disease. Unlike FMD, VS also can affect horses and other members of the equine family. Although the disease does not affect food safety, infected livestock are withheld from slaughter until they recover. "We always launch a disease investigation when blisters or sores are reported in livestock, to determine if foot and mouth disease has been introduced into the U.S.," said Dr. Max Coats, deputy director for Animal Health Programs for the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC), the state's livestock and poultry health regulatory agency. "Because horses are not susceptible to FMD, we knew, in this case, that the animals had vesicular stomatitis (VS), or possibly had come in contact with poison or a toxic plant. The National Veterinary Services Laboratory (NVSL) in Ames, Iowa, has confirmed that the three horses in Reeves County have VS." Dr. Coats said researchers have determined that VS outbreaks are started by a virus

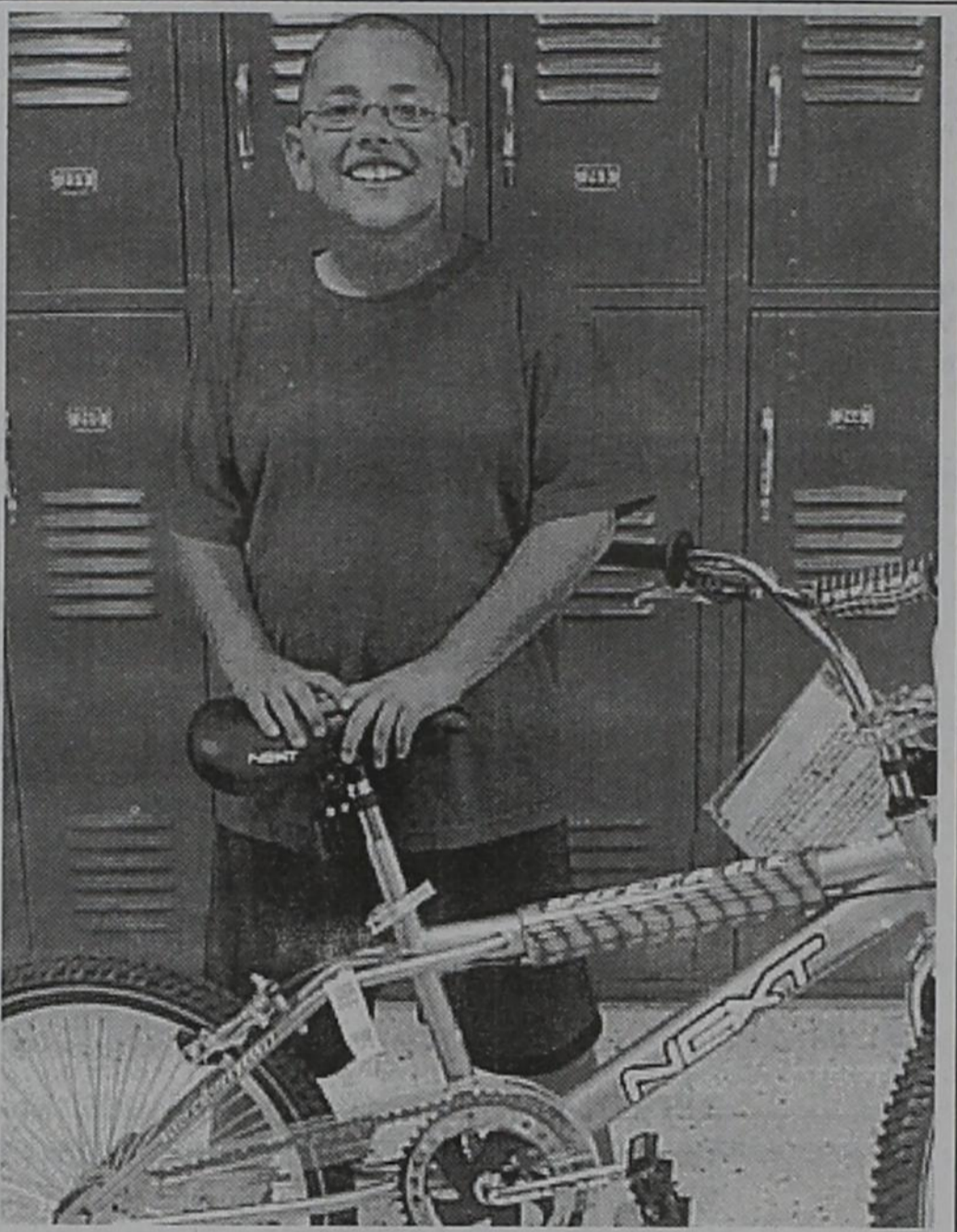
transmitted by arthropods, such as ticks, mites, biting midges, mosquitoes or house flies. Following an incubation period of two to eight days, infected animals may develop clinical signs of disease. The outbreak then can be perpetuated by biting insects that carry the disease from infected to healthy livestock. VS infected animals also can spread the virus if their saliva or the fluid from ruptured blisters contaminates equipment or feed shared by herd mates. Sick animals should be isolated until they heal, he said. Dr. Coats noted that all livestock on the affected ranch in Reeves County will remain quarantined for several weeks, until they no longer pose a health threat to other livestock. Prior to quarantine release, the animals will be re examined by a state or federal regulatory veterinarian, to prevent the spread of disease to other premises. "VS is rarely fatal, and infection usually runs its course in a couple of weeks," commented Dr. Coats. "Infected livestock may need supportive care to prevent secondary infections where blisters have ruptured. The affected animals also may lose condition, because they will avoid eating as long as their mouth is sore. Lesions can also occur along hooves, resulting in temporary lameness."

"The only thing 'regular' about VS is its irregularity," he said. "Thirteen years passed between a 1982-83 outbreak of VS and one in 1995 that involved infection on more than 365 ranches in five states. These affected states were New Mexico, Colorado, Arizona, Utah and Texas, where infection was confined to only one premise." "Texas was spared in May 1997, when the disease was detected in Arizona in horses. By late fall, when the outbreak ended, infection had

been detected on 380 ranches in four states; Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico and Utah," he continued. "Prior to the today's case, VS was most recently confirmed in 1998, in Texas' Reeves County, and in New Mexico." "As a bio-security measure, ranchers and veterinarians should wear rubber or latex gloves when handling potentially infected animals, and they should wash their hands thoroughly afterward. Humans reportedly may contract VS and develop flu like symptoms that can last four to seven days," warned Dr. Coats.

"If your livestock develops blisters, erosions or sores, don't pass it off as another case of VS," Dr. Coats said. "It is extremely important that we collect samples and have laboratory tests run to determine the cause of illness. Report these signs of disease to your private veterinary practitioner or the TAHC immediately. The TAHC hotline number is operational 24 hours a day at 1-800-550-8242, and a TAHC or U.S. Department of Agriculture veterinarian always is on call to take reports and work with your private veterinarian at no charge." "If you plan to ship horses or other livestock out of state, contact the state of destination prior to transporting the animals," urged Dr. Coats. "Because VS has been confirmed in Texas, some states may require our shipments of livestock to undergo additional inspections or testing. Producers and veterinarians may contact the TAHC at 1-800-550-8242, if they need contact information for animal health officials in other states."

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Wil Storie was the grand prize winner of a new bicycle in the Pep Card drawing at Post Elementary School.



Rosalinda Alaniz led the graduating Post High School Senior Class in the singing of the National Anthem during the 2004 Graduation Ceremony last Friday evening in Antelope Stadium. In the background are (left to right), Marlin Marcum (Post ISD Superintendent) and Board Members Guin Miller, Milton Williams and Barbara Harden. (Staff photo by Tim Burnett).

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The Graduating Post High School Class of 2004 tossed their caps excitement during last Friday's Graduation Ceremony in Antelope Stadium. (Staff photo by Tim Burnett).

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- TXism: "fits like ugly ___ ape"
- UT prof. Dobie was authority on TX folk
- TXism: "cut the ___ (drink)"
- TXism: "as welcome as a skunk ___ picnic"
- Dale Evans song "___ San Antonio" in film "Rio Grande"
- TXism: "___ a rooster he'll crow"
- Coleman Co. seat 19 group at TX Willie's Farm Aid IV: "Guns ___"
- third DWI is ___ in TX
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- TX wildcatter
- what TX George Jones could do
- TXism: "___ solid perfect"
- end of flag pledge: "Texas, ___ indivisible"
- TXism: "she has to sneak ___ mirror to fix her hair" (homely)
- TX Sissy portrayed in "Badlands"
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- ___ up!"
- TX Crowell's "Till ___ Control Again"
- "north" south of TX
- TXism: "that's the ball ___ (It's over)"
- pre-AC cooler
- ex-Cowboy GM Schramm (init.)
- lockjaw
- to yield or grant
- made a loan

DOWN

- TXism: "can't ___ him" (inferior)
- TXism: "doesn't know enough to come ___"
- auto dealership activity (2 wds.)
- Palestine AM radio
- Fort Worth's ___
- Carter Museum of Western Art"