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County rejects Lubbock's proposed LAH amendment

by Wes Burnett

A growing split between the City of Lubbock and Garza County Commissioners' Court got a bit wider Monday morning with the county's rejection of Lubbock's proposed amendment to the Lake Alan Henry law enforcement agreement.

County judge Giles W. Dalby called the proposal "simply terrible, a bad deal for us." His comments were echoed by commissioners Mike Sanchez, Lee Norman and Mason McClellan. Dalby pointed out that the proposed amendment calls for a reduction of \$9,300 from the current payment by Lubbock. County attorney Les Acker said he was a bit surprised to see that the agreement basically puts the Lubbock police chief in charge.

Dalby also objected to higher costs related to Lubbock's proposed requirements for divers and the increased burden of fuel expenses. The court agreed to draft a proposal more favorable to Garza County. At the insistence of Sanchez, that proposal will include a provision for setting the entry fees for Garza County citizens at the same rate as those for City of Lubbock citizens.

In other matters, commissioners agreed to an increase of \$2.50 to voting system. the local fees charged for registration of vehicles. The current rate of \$5 was proposed by McClellan, who voted no on the increase which was introduced by Sanchez, joined by Dalby and Norman. They cited increased demands for maintenance to roads and bridges.

The court approved Clyde Kitten's \$10,000 private bid for property at Justiceburg. Kitten's offer must meet approval of the Post ISD and the Garza County Hospital District, which share ownership

from unpaid taxes. The property is known as the Burnham township, had been advertised in a recent Sheriff's auction, but no bids were received at that time. According to Acker, that gives the county authority to accept a private bid.

Kitten said he plans to clean up the lots and develop those not in the flood plain.

Bids on three lots inside the city limits were also approved. Those lots had been recently advertised for sale in The Post Dispatch.

The court also approved a resolution in support of the development of a regional mitigation action plan (map) to be known as the South Plains Hazard Mitigation Action Plan. A separate vote approved a resolution for the county to participate in the plan, which is administered by the South Plains Association of Governments.

County clerk Jerry Hays explained that new electronic voting systems are due to be in place for the 2006 elections, but that "small" counties may not be required to switch from manual voting systems. Hays is attending an election school this month, and will report back to the commissioners concerning the implementation of the new

Commissioners approved the renewal of various insurance policies through the Texas Association of Counties.

A scheduled budget session was postponed due to the lack of information needed from participating agencies and county departments. Dalby said that his office will issue a reminder to elected county officials so that budget planning could begin later this month.



Face Painting at Post Public Library

Children who enjoyed face painting activities last Tuesday at the Post Public Library during the Summer Reading Program are (back row left to right), Taylor Osborn, Kelbie Oden and Jamie Melius (middle row), Haley Brownlow, Sara Greer and Mickenzie Brownlow (front row), Josh Warren, Josh Hataway and Katie Colvin. (Staff photo by Kerri Dean).

GHD directors begin budget sessions

County Health Care District Kirkpatrick.

In a brief meeting held at 9 a.m. slate of officers following the resities that are keeping her busy, Tonya Boucher. Kirkpatrick, a July 7, members of the Garza ignation of longtime secretary Zoe Kirkpatrick announced she was member of the district's board of

resigning as board secretary, ac- directors since August of 1983,

board of directors reshuffled its Citing a number of other activ- cording to district administrator will continue her service on the

Edna Owen accepted election to

the position of secretary. Boucher gave a brief overview of preliminary budget items to the three board members present. District officials will go over the budget line by line in coming weeks as the board works toward finalizing the document for the new fiscal year.

The next budget meeting is set for 9 a.m. July 28 in the conference room at the Garza County Health Clinic Building, 608 W. 6th St. Additional budget sessions also may be conducted, Boucher said.

The board's next regular meeting will be tonight, July 15, at 6:30 p.m. in the Citizens Bank Community



MAD DADS Benefit Set Saturday

A beans-and-cornbread supper benefiting the local MAD DADS program will begin at 6 p. m. Saturday at the Garza County Trailblazers, 205 E. 10th. Red beans, cornbread, sausage, potato salad and desserts will be served at a cost of \$5 per plate. To-go plates also will be offered. Sidelining the supper will be the drawings for a 19-inch TV/DVD/VCR combo (proceeds to benefit MAD DADS) and a quilt (proceeds to benefit the Sonny Gossett Scholarship Fund) that were to have been conducted during the Fourth of July celebration. Inclement weather delaved the drawings.

Church Youth Fundraiser

The Calvary Baptist Church Youth will hold a car wash at United Supermarket on Saturday, July 17 beginning at 9 a.m. - 12 noon. Also, snow cones for .50 and a bake sale from 9 a.m. until all sold. Donations will be accepted.

Gospel Music at the Park

Bring your favorite lawn chair, favorite cold beverage (no alcohol please) and snack, blanket, whatever you are comfortable with and enjoy some great gospel music. King's Ranson Ministry, with Gary and Liz Stephenson and Spirit of Truth Ministry, with Ray and Gloria Hamlin will perform on Saturday, July 17 at 7 p.m. at the City Park on Hwy. 84. Tell someone, and bring your neighbor with you! It's FREE! Post Bold Gold Football Camp

The Post Bold Gold Football Camp will be held Wednesday, July 21 -Friday, July 23 from 9 a.m.- 12 noon. First graders through eight graders can register at the Post High School Field House or at the Central Administration Office. Registration fee is \$20 per camper. For more information you can contact Coach Tim James at 495-2770, ext. 211 or Shellee Odom at 495-3343.

"Whose Your Daddy" 2nd Annual Tournament

The 2nd annual father/daughter tournament has been scheduled for July. Anyone interested in participating should call Ysabel Overton at 543-3603. Entry fee will be \$20 a father/daughter couple.

Annual Rotary Club Dog Dip

The annual dog dip sponsored by the Rotary Club will be held on Saturday, July 17 at the Fire Station from 1:30-3:30 p.m. Dip - \$5.00, Rabies - \$7.00. Other vaccinations will be available.

Vacation Bible School The Calvary Baptist Church will have it's annual Vacation Bible School July 26-30 from 7-8:30 p.m. All children kindergarten through high

school age are welcome. Call 495-3342 or 495-2342. Summer Reading Program

We invite you to join us for our summer reading program at the Post Public Library beginning July 6-27. We will have programs for two age groups, 3-5 year olds will meet at 10-10:30 a.m. each Tuesday morning and 1st-5th grades will meet from 10:30-11:30 a.m. We are planning a fun time of art, good books, and other activities. Also, Bluebonnet books will be available for check out in June. Come join in the fun and read

New Exhibit at OS Museum

A new exhibition at the OS Museum, "Portraits of Civilization", opened last week. The exhibit features artifacts and photography of the Asmat area of Irian Jaya, New Guinea, as well as providing a "glimpse into the artistic culture of other world countries." Viewing hours are from 9:30 a.m. to noon and 1-5 p.m. Mondays thru Saturdays. The museum is located in the upstairs area of 201 E. Main St. in downtown Post. An elevator is provided for the convenience of museum-goers. For more information call 495-3570.

Cactus Theater

The fabulous music of the legendary Eagles is presented by overwhelming demand in an encore series, produced by Don Caldwell. This rare opportunity will feture Donnie Allison, Jason Fellers, Marcellus Roberts, Brian McRae, Mark Paden, Lesley Sawyer, Billie McClaran, Abbi Hutcherson, Kurt Kiser, and the imcomparable instrumental and backing vocals of the Lubbock Texas Rhythem Machine. This tribute to the music of the Eagles will be Friday and Saturday, July 9-10, 23-24, and 30-31. Each performance will begin at 8 p.m. Reserved seats are \$25.00/\$20.00. For more information and reservations call (806) 762-3233.

Class of 1994 Reunion

The Post High School Class of 1994 will be holding their 10-year Class Reunion on Friday, July 30 and Saturday, July 31. Friday, July 30 at 7 p.m. will be Family Night at the home of David and Karen Nichols. There is no charge to attend this event. Saturday, July 31 will be a Barbecue Dinner with drinks at the Post Community Center. The charge for this event is \$20 per person.

An RSVP is needed for both events, please. RSVP or call for more details to: Sara Hodges Allred (214) 726-9770 or Mikki Wilks Swaffar (806) 786-1861.

Country Bluegrass and Gospel Music

Post Opry will feature country bluegrass and gospel music on the first Saturday of every month at the Senior Citizens Hall at Avenue I and 10th Street. Admission if free. Donations will be accepted.

My Special Place

My Special Place is enrolling children ages birth to 12 years of age. Financial assistance is available to those who qualify. For more information call 495-3446 or stop by 111 N. Avenue H.

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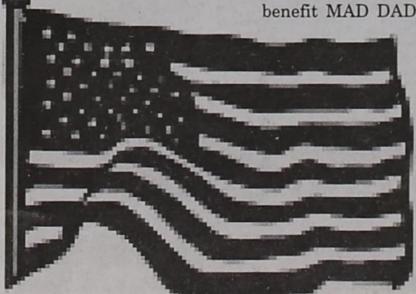
Come to the park for Mission Vacation Bible School. We will be playing games, learning about the Bible and God, and enjoying some great food each Wednesday night in July and August from 6 - 7:30 p.m. The First Baptist Church van will begin picking people up at 5:30 each Wednesday night, take them to the park, and drop them off at the same place they were picked up after VBS is over. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the church office at 495.3554

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Mrs Timothy James Hill with her daughter Avery Wright

"A Toby Show" ... what a hoot!

by Wes Burnett

Ahoot and holler, gang buster show is the best way to describe the current Garza Theatre production of "A Toby Show," which continues Friday, Saturday and Sunday and again July 23 and

Directed by Christy Morris, the Aurand Harris production is a western. style "Cinderella" story ... complete with the always hilarious "Toby," starring Chris Davis. The slapstick and good old fashioned comedy keeps the audience laughing and cheering on the cast.

Supporting "Toby" on stage is a cast of top-notch actors, each one bringing their characters alive, to the delight of audiences. Kathy Kidder plays "Cindy" (you guessed it, the step-daughter cheated of her father's inheritance), sharing the stage with Mickie Klafka as "Mrs Van Undersquire," the manipulating step-mother audiences love to hate).

Getting a big share of laughs is Joe Bass as "Colonel Dinwiddie," the befuddled, hard of hearing uncle to "Prince Burtock (Matthew Gallagher)," who must marry the daughter of the late "Mr Undersquire" or else lose his princely title and wordly possessions.

Naturally this story isn't complete without the jealous and haughty stepsisters, "Sophia" and "Mauderina," played brilliantly by Jessica Wilson and Michelle Tucker. They believe the prince will marry one of them, but of course, he falls in love with the outcast step-sister, "Cindy."

The twists and turns are well timed with crisp performances by the cast. The traditional "tent show" candy sale was most popular the evening I saw the play, and Jeff Conner offered a taste of his many talents during the second intermission an even taking advantage of the BSNF railroad warning whistle in the middle of his musical entertain-

Every bit as important to the production, are Joshua Blevins on sound and ights, Chris Davis for set design and dressing, Michael Vorauer, Dennis Gallagher and the cast for construction of the beautiful set and the box office staff of Alex Chapa, Alejandra Ceja, Kayla Dunn, Stephanie Gearhart, Shannon Rasbeary, Christina Zellmer and Naomi Matsler.

Juanetta Bocko's mural painting on the inside lobby wall was praised by

Call the box office at 495-4005 to reserve a seat to enjoy this "hoot and holler" at the Garza Theatre.

Keitha White, Timothy Hill exchange vows

The Doss Chapel in Seminole was the scene of the 7 p.m. June 26, 2004, wedding of Keitha Beth Wright and Timothy James Hill. The double-ring ceremony was performed by Ted Tatum of Post, a longtime family friend. The altar was flanked by two white antiqued columns that bore large pots of Boston fern. Alarge stained-glass window served as a backdrop. The entry was accented with pots of asparagus ferns.

Parents of the bride are Noel and Orabeth White of Post. The groom's parents are Dr. and Mrs. Morris Hill of Salado. Mrs. Quanah Maxey of Post, grandmother of the bride, also attended the ceremony. Other grandparents are Quanah Maxey and Mrs. Beulah White of Post.

Wedding music was provided at the piano by Cathy Hill of Seminole, sisterin-law of the groom. Mark and Cathy Cornelison of Seminole sang "When You Say Nothing At All," "You Light Up My Life" and "Word of God Speak." Following the exchange of vows, the bride's father performed "Follow Me." Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a fitted beige sleeveless

gown featuring a round neckline and embellished with pearl and crystalbeaded flower motifs. The dress flowed into a mini-train at the back. The bride wore ivory silk orchids woven into her hair, and her bouquet was an arrangement of roses, gerber daisies, spider mums and pom pom mums in shades of pink and coral, accented with lime green.

Serving as matron of honor was the bride's sister-in-law, Jackie White of Throckmorton. She wore a coral pink linen dress topped with a shortsleeved jacket trimmed with beaded flower motifs. She carried an arrangement of gerber daisies and roses.

Avery Wright, daughter of the bride, served as flower girl. She wore a coral sleeveless dress accented with silk flowers and ribbon at a high waistline. The skirt was overlaid with coral organza. She wore a halo of tiny silk flowers and ribbons.

Johnny Hill of Seminole was his brother's best man.

Ushers for the occasion were nephews of the groom, Joshua Hill of Seminole and Donovan Hill of Whitney. Registering guests were the groom's nieces, Rachel Hill of Seminole and Morgan Degner and Katie Fitzpatrick both of Bandera.

The reception followed at the couple's home in Seminole. The patio and backyard were decorated with white lights, ferns, hibiscus and bougainvillea.

The bride's table was covered with a while lace-edged cloth and topped with a hot pink satin cloth that was swagged with tiny pink flowers. Hot pink and coral tulle was entwined through the silver mirror serving pieces, Behind the table was a white lattice backdrop entwined with ivy and tiny silk flower lights. The area was highlighted with a brass easel that held the bride's picture.

The three-tiered round wedding cake was accented with coral ribbon and fresh gerber daisies in shades of pink and coral. Punch was served from a crystal bowl atop a silver and mirror tray, and fresh fruit was arranged on a three-tiered silver stand. A large fresh arrangement of gerber daisies and roses also adorned the table.

The wedding cake, fruit, peanuts, wedding bell mints made by Jennie Cowdrey and punch were served by the bride's nieces, Cheyenne and Schelli White of Throckmorton.

The groom's table stood before an ivy-draped white lattice that held a large Texas Tech sign framed in red. The table was covered with a black cloth and featured a Texas Tech chocolate cake. Coffee and peach tea were served from a silver service. Chocolate-dipped strawberries and peanuts also were served. An arrangement of red poppies completed the table décor. The groom's nieces served guests.

Following the reception, the couple left in a red golf cart. Two days later, they flew to Hawaii for a nine-day honeymoon in Honolulu and Maui.

The bride, a 1988 graduate of Post High School, is a graduate of Texas Tech University and Covenant School of Nursing. She has been employed as an instructor of the medical magnet program for the Lubbock Independent School District.

The groom graduated from Whitney High School, Texas Tech University and the University of Texas at San Antonio. He is employed by the Seminole Independent School District.

The couple hosted a rehearsal family dinner - a Hawaiian luau - in their backyard June 25. The catered meal included pork tenderloin, baconwrapped green beans, new potatoes, mandarin salad, fresh fruit in a melon basket, French bread, mango and homemade lemon ice cream. Guests wore leis and enjoyed a professional trick rope exhibition by Kevin Fitzpatrick and his children, Katie and Will; karaoke performances; music by Noel and Steve White; swimming; and visiting.

On the morning prior to the wedding, the five sisters and sisters-in-law of the prospective groom hosted a bridal brunch in the home of Cathy Hill. Special guests included the bride; her daughter, Avery; her mother, Orabeth White; his mother, Barbara Hill; and Jackie, Cheyenne and Schelli White and Barbara Tatum.

> Garza Theatre's "A Toby Show" Call 495-4005 for reservations

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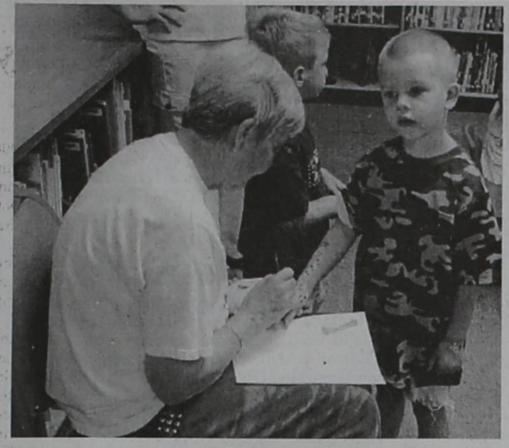
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Jean Davenport tapplies paint facing art for Cason Brownlow during the Post Public Library's Summer Reading Program earlier this week.



Neighbor to Neighbor

by Julie Neitsch Dirks County Extenson Agent-Family & Consumer Science

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Caregiver Burnout and Stress Management

Caregivers invest so much time and effort into the lives of their care recipients that they often neglect themselves. Feelings of guilt and a sense of helplessness may cause significant stress in the life of a caregiver causing an inability to function properly. When caregiver burnout occurs, the caregiver is not the only person who suffers * the care recipient may also be affected. This article will provide some strategies to help identify and manage stress in an effort to prevent caregiver burnout.

You cannot begin to resolve the stress in your life until you realize that you are affected by it. The following questions may help you identify some warning signs of stress.

- *Do you feel lacking in energy?
- *Do you feel increasingly isolated?
- *Are you having increased health problems: high blood pressure or ulcers? *Are you having trouble sleeping?
- *Are you having trouble concentrating?

In order to address your stress and find a coping strategy, you must be able to identify its cause. What creates stress for you may not create stress for another person. Some questions to help you identify the cause of your stress all ages regardless of socioeconomic are listed below.

- *Are there too many demands on your time, energy or money?
- *Do you have difficulty meeting your care recipient's needs?
- *Do you feel trapped?

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*Do you feel that other members of your care team are not doing their part? *Are your expectations for caregiving unrealistic?

As mentioned earlier, the coping strategy you choose may depend on what type stress is affecting your life. You may be able to find one coping strategy to manage your stress but more than likely it will take a combination of several ideas to help you. Whatever you do, do not get to the end of your rope. You owe it to yourself and to your care recipient to make an effort to provide

*Share Concerns * Within reason, involve your care recipient in making call to make your appointment by 10:00

decisions that affect him or her.

the best care that you can.

*Rest * Lack of rest may lead to decreased patience and tolerance. It also negatively impacts your health. *Solve Problems * Some needs simply cannot be addressed. Change the

things that you are able to change and try not to worry about the rest. *Use Common Sense * Be flexible and adapt to different situations. In the

end, you know what is best for you. *Ask For Help * Do not assume you have to do this alone. Rely on your care

network to help you. This list of coping strategies is certainly not exhaustive. Always remember that there are alternative solutions * they just have to be found. Sadly, caregiver burnout leads to many alternative housing placements, sometimes prematurely, simply because there are no other alternatives. Caregivers have quite an awesome responsibility to another person! Remember to keep realistic expectations about your abilities and about the condition of your care recipient. This will make large strides in helping you to cope with the

stress that caregiving may bring. Additional resources for caregiving may be found on the web, in print or

*Texas Cooperative Extension

ohttp://fcs.tamu.edu/aging/caregiversupport.htm

ohttp://tcebookstore.org (Publication # B-6006)

*Area Agency on Aging (AAA) o1.800.252.9240 (In Texas)

ohttp://www.tdoa.state.tx.us/Services/AAALocatorMap.htm

*American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) o http://www.aarp.org/life/caregiving

For more information on caregiver stress, burnout, coping strategies or caregiving information in general, contact your local County Extension Agent. Contact information may be found on the internet at http://county-tx.tamu.edu/ Source: Andrew B. Crocker * Gerontology Health Specialist

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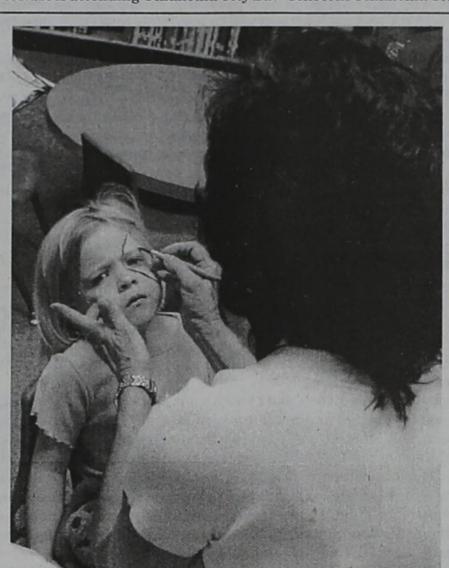
Robyn Petree, Aaron Schatz announce wedding plans

Joe and Sandy Petree of Savoy have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Robyn Danece Petree of Richardson, to Aaron David Schatz of Van Alstyne, son of David and Elaine Schatz of Van

The couple will marry Dec. 18, 2004, in the First United Methodist Church in Van Alstyne with the Rev. Byron Brown of Savoy officiating.

A graduate of Savoy High School and Southeastern Oklahoma State University in Durant, Okla., the bride-elect is pursuing a master's degree at the University of North Texas in Denton. She is employed as a teacher in the Richardson Independent School District and is the granddaughter of Bill and Margaret Dixon of Denison, formerly of Post.

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Van Alstyne High School and Texas State University (formerly Southwest Texas State University) in San Marcos. He is attending Oklahoma City Law School in Oklahoma City, Okla.



Linda Puckett applies paint facing art for Shandi Warren during the Post Public Library's Summer Reading Program earlier this week.

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Home Horticulture Tour

Are you having a problem in your yard with a tree, shrub, or grass? Call the Extension office at 495-4400 and set up an appointment for our home horticulture tour Thursday, July 15. Dr. Harold Kaufman, Plant Pathologist, and Greg Jones, County Extension Agent, will make visits between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to try to assist you with yard and garden problems. Please a.m., Thursday.

Junior Clothing Project

Any 4-H'er interested in participating in the Junior Fashion Show Project needs to contact the Extension office by July 19.

Banquet Decorations Committee

Any 4-H'ers interested in helping with decorations for the 4-H banquet, will have a workday Saturday, July 24, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at 701 West 6th. Street in Post. Contact the Extension office or Karen Greene for more information.



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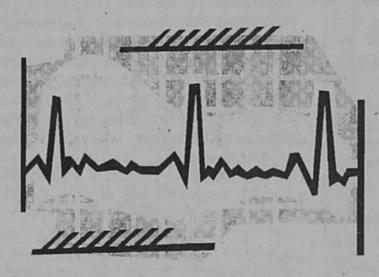
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Program Director Richard Tamplen, M.S. 806-998-4533 ext 213



Obituaries

Delores Ann Dye Lobban Brooks

Graveside services for Delores Ann Dye Lobban Brooks, 63, of Lubbock, were Tuesday, July 13, 2004 at 2:00 P.M. at the Terrace Cemetery in Post. Bo Jackson officiated. Services were under the personal care of Justice-Mason Funeral Home. Delores died on Saturday July 10, 2004 at the University Medical Center, Lubbock. She was born on July 04, 1941 to Edd and Willie Mae (Meeks) Dye in Garza County. Attended school at Post and married V. A. Lobban November, 1956 at her parents home. He preceded her in death July 6, 1981. The had lived in Midland and Pecos, before coming to Lubbock. She married Richard Brooks,

March 18, 1988 in Los Vegas, Nevada. He preceded her in death May 28, 1997. She was a bookkeeper and kept the books for Brooks Trucking. She was a Presbyterian. She also was preceded in death by a sister: LaVerne Turney, March 18, 1988 and recently by her mother, Willie Mae Dye, January 27, 2004. Delores is survived by Daughter, Lesa and husband Tim Carter of Lubbock. Brother, James and wife Linda Dye of Post. Two Grandchildren, Zach Carter and Kyrsten Carter both of Lubbock. An Aunt, Melba Miller of Lubbock and several nieces and nephews.

Donald Rose

Services for Donald Franklin Rose of Henryetta, Okla., were held at 2 p.m. July 9, 2004, in the Church of Christ with Robert Frost and Jackie Smart officiating. Burial followed in the Westlawn Cemetery under the direction of the Rogers Funeral Home.

He died July 6.

Born Oct. 9, 1933, to Frank and Ellena Rose in Duncan Okla., he moved with his family to Post to follow the oil industry. He attended Post High School and was a Golden Glove boxer. He married Maudie Faye Ray April 4, 1953. He worked in the oilfield his entire life, starting at the age of 14, with the exception of a seven-year stint during which time he served as a deputy sheriff in Meeteetso, Wyoming.

Survivors include his wife; his children, Danny Rose and wife, Lana; Melody Ramirez and husband, Samuel; Bill Rose and wife, Karla; and Donna Reavis and husband; Rick; his sisters, Wanda McChesney and husband, H.G., and Mary Ann Wiencht and husband, Charles; and brothers Ronald Rose and wife, Connie, and Rolland Rose and wife, Josie; nine grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his father-in-law, J.P. Ray. The family has suggested memorials be made to the American Kidney Foundation.

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Really likes opinion page

I want to congratulate you on your choices for the Opinion Page for the latest issue. I read each one with a keen interest and each one held my attention from start to finish.

My favorite was "Put the 'Independence' Back in Independence Day" by Michael Berliner. It was one that every citizen should read and understand thoroughly. If they have discarded that issue of The Post Dispatch they should find a copy and read that article again because it is so true.

Also, on the same page was Ron Paul's, Weekly Column, "Texas Straight Talk" about Why Can't Congress Stop Spending. People that understand just how it is that Congress functions will be less likely to keep sending the same Congressman back term after term.

I, personally, do not see any sense in a Congressman being sent back for term after term to spend our tax monies the way it's been going for at least a century. There's just too much pork involved in this day and time and if you don't plan to stay closely in touch with your Congressman about pending bills then he is free to vote as he pleases.

I once wrote our present Congressman and told him I was very much opposed to NAFTA and he wrote me back that he was going to vote for it anyway. One thing led to another and look where it has us today. I hope he is pleased with what he helped to create.

George Clark, Snyder

MAD DADS finalizes fund raising

Due to bad weather on the Fourth of July, we need to finalize our fund raising for MAD DADS. We are going to do this with a bean and cornbread supper on Saturday, July 17, at 6 p.m. We will be serving red beans, cornbread, sausage, potato salad and desert. The cost will be \$5 a plate. We will be offering plates to go also. We will be serving at the Garza County Trailblazers at 205 E. 10th.

As a personal note, my sisters and I make some of the best red beans and cornbread you ever tasted (my opinion only, of course). Come and try them. Our auction will start at 7:30 p.m. with numerous items donated by members of the community. We will have our drawing for the 19-inch color TV/DVD/VCR combo, with proceeds going to MAD DADS. We also will have the drawing for the quilt to be given away with proceeds going to the Sonny Gossett Scholarship Fund. Please come out for fun and fellowship.

Special thanks for donating to the best fireworks we have ever had. They

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Also, a very special thank you for the fire department for putting together a fantastic fireworks display.

Special thanks, too, for the donations for our auction: Main Street Mercantile, Radio Shack, Plum Crazy, Texas Treasures, Karen Palmer, Anita Morris, Ladies Auxiliary and Wal-Mart. If I missed anyone, please call and let me know. I have such a bad memory.

To all the people who set up booths at the park, you did a terrific job. I wish the weather had cooperated, but after all we are in West Texas.

A very special thanks to my family and friends that helped man the booths we had at the park. For a job very well done, I thank you very much: Anita and Wesley Morris, Karen Palmer, Marietta Pruitt, Stephanie and Robert Smith, Dana, Will and Matthew Tanner, Wayne Smith, Miranda and Ronnie Eaton, Barbara and Robbie Palmer, Crystal Crawford, Rodney and Reshae Tidwell, Joe and Carrie Poe and Dawna Hood.

Well, guys, if you haven't figured it out by now, I am so proud to live in Post. When I was asking for money for fireworks or selling tickets for the TV, my friends came through. They never turned me down. In my opinion, you can't come up with better people than those in our neck of the woods. You should be very proud of yourselves. I sure am proud of you. Thanks for everything you have done for MAD DADS.

Diana Poe

Iraqi war... is it a blunder?

In my opinion, the war with Iraq is only the beginning. After Sept. 11 tragedies with the World Trade Center, the next morning I was for bombing somebody big time.... In other words, wipe somebody out.

The elimination of the Taliban in Afghanistan may be good for the people over there, but I thought we were after Osama Bin Laden. That has turned out to be a failure. But don't we all think Osama Bin Laden will just happen to be arrested a few weeks before the general election in November, maybe helping serve a few Republican political purposes?

As far as I can tell the only real benefit from the Afghanistan war was for agricultural reasons. It free the Afghan farmers to go back to their number one cash crop – poppies. That way more heroin can be imported to the USA. Maybe a little drug money is being forwarded to the election campaign funds here in America from the bumper poppy crop over there this year.

Before the war with Afghanistan is ever finished, the Iraqi takeover was in full swing.

Seems none of the reasons to take out Iraq turned out to be realistic. It looks to me like George W. had a personal vendetta he had to put behind him. He settled his vendetta in my opinion, but is the world any safer? I doubt it if is. I'm sure the world will be better off without Saddam, but there will only be some other fool take his place.

In my opinion, George W. is taking up the job of country fixing. I really do believe all these little country takeovers are only steps toward a one world government, with the USA being in control. Or maybe a tri-lateral government with the USA, Great Britain and Russia being the kingfish.

I am a Democrat and a Methodist, but I voted for George W. because I didn't like the Al Gore platform or any of his plans. But if I had it to do over, I would not vote. If I could unvote right now, I don't care if George W. is a Methodist, four more years of his administration and we are doomed. The average working man will be ruined.

I read somewhere if the Bush administration was to take over the Sahara Desert, within six months there would be a shortage of sand. H. Ross Perot says there are three reasons for the Iraqi war - that being oil, oil and oil. I don't really think oil has a whole lot to do with it. My honest guess is to settle a personal vendetta and to slowly gain more control over the world. Those two reasons has turned the whole world into total chaos.

Now, being a Democrat that I am, I am totally disappointed in what the Demo Party has to offer for a presidential candidate. Kerry has as about as much business being president as I do, and I'm not even sure where the White House is. As far as politics goes and what is being offered for presidential candidates, both Republican and Democrat, it is quite obvious that we are in a deep world of hurt.

I am very fed up with the U.S. government and politicians in general. None of them, from the top man plum down to the dog catcher, has sense enough to pour pee out of a boat.

Then, on the other hand, I can't think of anywhere else I would want to live except right here in Post, Texas, Garza County, United States of America. This Iraq mess will continue for many more years. I get the blues quite (Continued on Page 5).

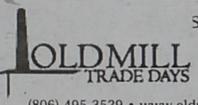
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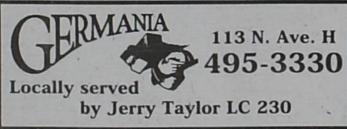
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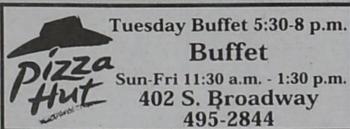
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On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

Spiritual Matters...1Corinthians 14:36-40

1Corinthians chapters 12-14 are packed with information relevant to spiritual matters. Chapter 14 gives more information on speaking in tongues. From verse 5 we learn that it is God's will that all Christians speak in tongues. Based on the context of verse 37, it can be seen that verse 5 is more of a commandment. Considering this emphasis on speaking in tongues, this might be a good time to begin a series that focuses primarily on speaking in tongues. What does it mean to speak in tongues? What are the benefits of speaking in tongues? Who can speak in tongues? How do people start speaking? Let us take an honest look at God's rightly divided word, and see how God answers our questions on this subject.

As recorded in Acts 2:21, Peter taught that speaking in tongues was spoken of by the prophet Joel, "And it shall come to pass that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved." Please note that Joel's prophesy included information about the end times. He prophesied of men and women being filled with holy spirit and being able to prophesy. He also spoke of future events that relate to nature. He then concluded that part of the prophesy by saying, "...before that great and notable day of the Lord come." (verse 20). The next verse referred to calling upon the name of the Lord. In order to rightly divide this scripture it is necessary to distinguish between the administrations or periods of time appointed by God. In short, the day the holy spirit was poured out in the temple began a completely new administration. From that time on it would be available for anybody to be filled with holy spirit. They could prophesy. Keep in mind that during the Old Testament times only certain people had holy spirit. They were not filled with holy spirit, but simply had holy spirit upon them.

The new administration would continue until the "great and notable day of the Lord." This will be the day that the Lord Jesus who was beaten and killed and raised again from the dead, would return to the earth as judge. The book of Revelations gives more detail on this subject. But our focus will be on another administration that was kept secret since the beginning. See Ephesians 3:2-6, "If you have heard of the dispensation [administration] of the grace of God which is given me toward you. How that by revelation He made known unto me the mystery: (as I wrote before in few words, whereby, when you read, you may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ). Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto His holy apostles and prophets by the spirit; That the Gentiles should be joint-heirs, and of the same body, and partakers of His promise in Christ by the gospel."

On the day of Pentecost a new sub-administration began, called the age of the grace of God. This was not known by any of the prophets throughout the past administrations. It was first revealed to Paul, who was called to teach others. The administration of the grace of God will end when Christ returns for the body of Christ. This return will only end the grace administration. But it will not conclude the bigger administration the will end at "great and notable day of the Lord." It will still be available to be filled with holy spirit during the period recorded in Revelations. But it will no longer be available to become children of God by true spiritual birth, as it is during the current administration of the grace of God.

Now we can read Peter's words in Acts 2:17-21 with better understanding. Verses 17-20 refer to the moment they were filled with holy spirit, and verse 21 refers to the moment they began to speak with other tongues. Next week we will cover this subject in more detail. For the archives of On God's Word please visit

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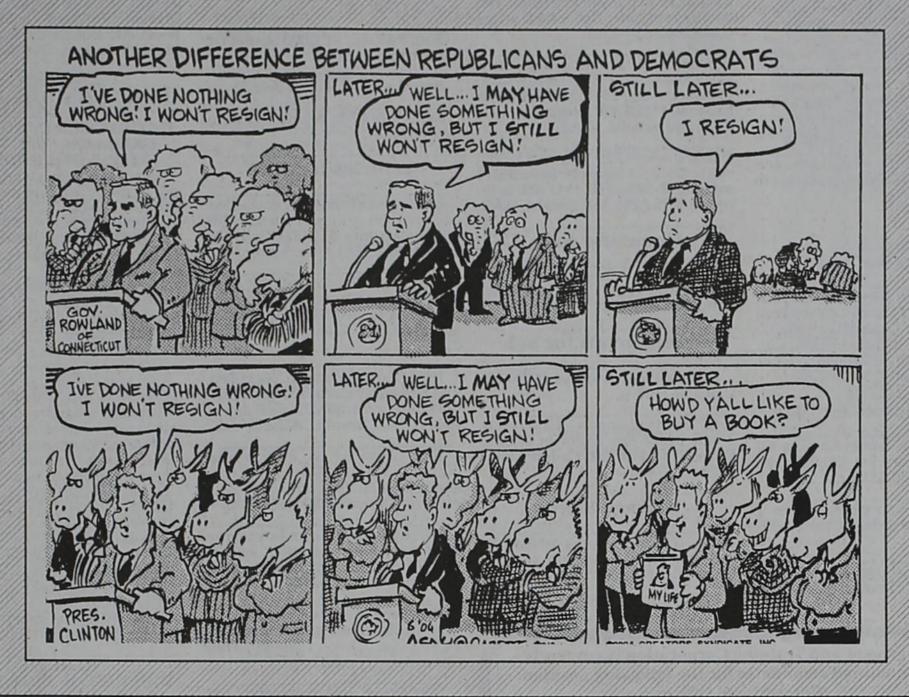
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appeared before the Joint Economic committee on which I serve. debt and save less than ever before. Yet we are expected to believe These appearances by Mr. Greenspan always cause quite a stir on that more spending and more debt are the keys to economic prosperity. Capitol Hill. Often the stock markets react within hours of his pronouncements regarding the health of the economy and the future bankruptcy or through austerity measures. In other words, they of interest rates.

knowing sage, seeking his wisdom on political and even social issues the recent recession of 2000-2002, however, many cash-strapped that have nothing to do with monetary policy. During last week's households managed to stay ahead of creditors by borrowing even hearing Mr. Greenspan was asked his opinion on topics such as more money. Social Security, tax cuts, federal spending, corporate accounting. This is directly attributable to Fed easy-money policies, which rules, the congressional budget process, and even immigration. It greatly expanded the money supply and caused banks to lower seems bizarre that a credulous Congress and public are willing to creditworthiness standards. As a result, many Americans are accept the judgment of on unelected, virtually unaccountable central overextended rather than bankrupt. Someday, however, they simply banker while knowing little or nothing about the Federal Reserve won't be able to borrow another dime. All the Fed has done is make itself.

February, Fed economists are confusing debt with wealth. Mr. investment. Greenspan praises the "sustained expansion of the US economy," but then goes on to highlight the real reason for the expansion: loose should question why we have a central bank at all, and whose monetary policy and near-zero interest rates. Since Fed bankers set interests it serves. The laws of supply and demand work better than interest rates artificially low, the cost of borrowing money is very any central banker to determine both the correct supply of money in cheap. This leads to more and more consumer spending, which Mr. the economy and the interest rate at which capital is available-Greenspan touts as the driving force for economic growth.

not wealth, and it's impossible to borrow one's way into prosperity. institution.

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House and Senate committees several times each year, and récently also increased. American households unquestionably have more this respect for property rights began to erode as regulations and

During past recessions, many Americans shed debt either through either changed their spending and borrowing habits or went broke. Congress and the financial press treat Mr. Greenspan as an all- At some point their debts were in essence cleared from the books. In

the bubble bigger and postpone the day of reckoning. This hardly Judging by Mr. Greenspan's statements to a Senate committee in makes for a strong economy, which must be based on savings and

It's not enough to question the wisdom of Mr. Greenspan. Americans without the political favoritism and secrecy that characterize central In fact, he expressly cites the benefits of increased household banks. Americans should not tolerate the manipulation of our spending made possible by mortgage refinancing. But new debt is economy and the inflation of our currency by an unaccountable

How Hitler became a dictator

by Jacob G. Hornberger

My bet is, very few. The story is set forth in detail in William Shirer's Shirer points out, book The Rise and Fall of the Third Reich, on which this article is based.

A few weeks after he was appointed chancellor of Germany by in theory by Article 109 to safeguard equality before the law." President von Hindenberg in January 1933, Hitler was enjoying supper at the home of his friend Joseph Goebbels, when the telephone accused had been acquitted, the Nazis transferred jurisdiction over rang with an emergency message: "The Reichstag is on fire!" Hitler treason cases from the Supreme Court to a new People's Court, and Goebbels rushed to the fire, where they found Hermann Goering which, as Shirer points out, "soon became the most dreaded tribunal shouting at the top of his lungs, "This is the beginning of the in the land. It consisted of two professional judges and five others Communist revolution! We must not wait a minute. We will show no chosen from among party officials, the S.S. and the armed forces, mercy. Every Communist official must be shot, where he is found. thus giving the latter a majority vote. There was no appeal from its Every Communist deputy must this very day be strung up."

had found communist publications stating,

"Government buildings, museums, mansions and essential plants invited to attend." were to be burned down.... Women and children were to be sent in front of terrorist groups.... The burning of the Reichstag was to be the signal for a bloody insurrection and civil war.... It has been ascertained that today was to have seen throughout Germany terrorist acts against individual persons, against private property, and against people without charging them with a crime. the life and limb of the peaceful population, and also the beginning of general civil war."

issue a decree entitled, "For the Protection of the People and the their personal freedom had been taken away, that so much of culture Questions about Iraq war... State." Justified as a "defensive measure against Communist acts of had been destroyed and replaced with a mindless barbarism, or that violence endangering the state," the decree suspended the their life and work had become regimented to a degree never before constitutional guarantees pertaining to civil liberties:

opinion, including freedom of the press; on the rights of assembly and association; and violations of the privacy of postal, telegraphic and telephonic communications; and warrants for house searches, orders seem to feel that they were being cowed.... On the contrary, they for confiscations as well as restrictions on property, are also permissible beyond the legal limits otherwise prescribed."

Two weeks after the Reichstag fire, Hitler requested the Reichstag future of their country." to temporarily delegate emergency powers to him so that he could adequately deal with the crisis. Denouncing opponents to his request, Hitler shouted, "Germany will be free, but not through you!" When the vote was taken, the result was 441 for and 84 against, giving Hitler the two-thirds majority he needed to suspend the German constitution. On March 23, 1933, what has gone down in German history as the "Enabling Act" made Hitler temporary dictator of Germany, freed of all legislative and constitutional constraints.

How many people know how Adolf Hitler actually became a dictator? One of the most dramatic consequences was in the judicial arena.

decisions or sentences and usually its sessions were held in camera. The day after the fire, the Prussian government announced that it Occasionally, however, for propaganda purposes when relatively light sentences were to be given, the foreign correspondents were

> The Nazis also set up the Special Court, which handled cases of political crimes or "insidious attacks against the government." The Nazis also implemented a legal concept called Schutzhaft or "protective custody" which enabled them to arrest and incarcerate Fountainhead.

of things. As Shirer put it,

The day after the fire, Hitler persuaded President Hindenburg to "The overwhelming majority of Germans did not seem to mind that except for non-commercial, self-study or educational purposes. experienced even by a people accustomed for generations to a great "Restrictions on personal liberty, on the right of free expression of deal of regimentation.... The Nazi terror in the early years affected the lives of relatively few Germans and a newly arrived observer was somewhat surprised to see that the people of this country did not supported it with genuine enthusiasm. Somehow it imbued them with a new hope and a new confidence and an astonishing faith in the

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The injustice of "Inside trader laws"

The laws that prompted the investigation of Martha Stewart should be repealed because they violate individual rights.

by Andrew Bernstein

Martha Stewart was investigated for the "crime" of insider trading and later convicted of obstructing justice for lying to authorities during the investigation. But the questions no one is asking are: Should Martha even have been the subject of a criminal investigation in the first place? Should anyone be investigated for insider trading? Is insider trading objectively a crime?

In a free society a company belongs to its owners—the shareholders not to the government. The owners have the moral, and must have the legal, right to decide if corporate executives—their employees—will be permitted to trade on or disseminate "inside," i.e., proprietary information. Indeed, the owners have the moral right to decide if corporate executives will even be permitted to own stock in the company.

Prior to the establishment of the SEC in the 1930s, the government properly did not violate the right of a company's owners to control, by means of corporate by-laws, the practices of corporate executives regarding stock ownership and inside information. The government recognized Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan testifies for both US Mortgage debt increased 13% last year, while consumer credit debt that proprietary information belonged to the company's owners. However, prohibitions on insider trading were gradually imposed.

> Opponents of insider trading claimed that the practice is unfair because information is not available equally to all market participants. For example, if an executive is permitted to purchase stock on the basis of news that he alone knows will increase its value, an "injustice" is done to other shareholders or potential shareholders who do not possess that

> But by what standard is this unjust? Contrary to the egalitarian premise giving rise to opposition to insider trading, individuals have no more right to information they have not earned than to wealth they have not earned. Should a talented analyst, for example, be forced to make his research publicly available if it would otherwise give him a competitive edge on the market? The mere fact of participating in the financial markets does not confer upon one a right to the hard-won knowledge of

> In a free market, corporate policy on insider trading would be knowledge available to the public. If a potential investor held that the practice involved too much risk to the value of a stock, he could refuse to purchase the stock of companies permitting the practice. And companies desiring to prohibit the practice among their employees would be free do so by contractual agreement. They would have the moral and legal right to bring civil charges against an executive who violated his contractual

> Interestingly, however, under the freer, more capitalistic system of the past, shareholders only rarely prohibited their employees from trading on inside information. The owners generally considered it a legitimate form of compensation and recognized that if such a privilege were abused they could ban the practice and/or fire the offending party.

> For example, for decades the great railroad builder, James J. Hill, took no salary for his work as President and CEO of the Great Northern Railroad; he was compensated exclusively by the increase his productive work added to the value of his stock. Should the government have had the power to prohibit him from buying on the good news his work made possible—contrary to the choices of the company's shareholders who agreed to compensate him in this way?

By its very nature, insider trading has a minimal effect on the value of "Under the Weimar Constitution judges were independent, subject a stock. The overwhelming preponderance of a stock's gain or loss is only to the law, protected from arbitrary removal and bound at least determined by the nature of the information itself, not on the act of inside trading on it. ImClone's shareholders, for example, lost \$900 million Within a month of the Reichstag terrorist case, in which some of the because of the FDA's arbitrary decision (later reversed) to not approve the company's cancer-fighting drug, Erbitux, not because of the stock sale of Martha Stewart (or even the much larger one of Sam Waksal).

> Laws against insider trading violate the right of shareholders-owners to decide the manner in which their company will be run. It is right that a company's owners decide what practices their executives will be permitted to engage in regarding the proprietary information that belongs to them.

Martha Stewart is an enormously productive businesswoman caught up in a network of immoral laws. It is far more just to repeal the laws than to punish one who obstructed an investigation that was wrongful from its

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often because of the many young people that is meeting their end over there and all the young men and women there are coming home maimed and damaged for life when I'm not sure why. It is really heart breaking.

I think I would like to see Big George do Iraq like Truman did to Japan and get it over with and get our folks outta there.

All the personnel and troops deserve a big thank you and a lotta prayers. It is evident that our military is none other than the best in the world, and I am thankful for that. Looks like Bush is using some of Bill Clinton's words: "Just because I could...."

I wonder what country will be invaded next? Looks to me like there is plenty of repair work right here in the USA that needs to be done instead of trying to fix the world.

Over the years I finally decided I needed to fix myself before I could take on the job of fixing someone else. George W. should try some of that. Fix America, and if there is any time left, then try fixing somebody else. God bless the U.S. military and God bless America.

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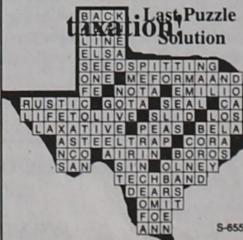
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Legal Notices

Bids are being received by Garza County Regional Juvenile Center for the following: Milk, Bread, and other food items. Bids will be accepted in the office of the Nutrition Coordinator until 5:00 p.m. on August 2nd, 2004. Bids will be reviewed by the Garza County Commissioners on August 9th, 2004. Bid specifications may be obtained by calling (806) 495-4405 or may be picked up at 300 West Main, Post, Texas. Garza County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR OIL AND GAS WASTE **DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT**

The George R. Brown Partner-ship, L.P., 4700 First City Tower, 1001 Fannin, Houston, Texas 77002-6792 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into a porous formation not productive of oil or gas.

The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the San Andres Formation, Post Estate "A" Lease, Well Numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 11, 12, 26, 27, 28, 29, 58. The proposed wells are located 2-1/2 miles north of Post in the Garza Field, in Garza County. The waste water will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 2,700 to 3,100 feet.

LEGALAUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Dividion of the Railroad Commis-

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be

submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil & Gas Divsion, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

No. 1803 IN THE ESTATE OF JOE DAN GRIFFIS, DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS NOTICE OF CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that origi-nal Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Joe Dan Griffis, Deceased, were issued on July 7, 2004, in Cause No. 1803, pending in the County Court of Garza County, Texas, to: Jerry D. Lane

The physical address of the Independent Executor is 1205 Broadway, Lubbock County, Texas the post office address is:

c/o John C. Sims Attorney at Law

P.O. Box 10236 Lubbock, Texas 79408

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 law. Dated the 12th day of July, 2004

SIMS, HUBBERT & WILSON Attorneys at Law P.O. Box 10236 Lubbock, Texas 79408 (806)763-9555 (806)763-5804 Fax By John C. Sims Attorney for the Estate State Bar No.: 18426000

NOTICE TO BUILDING IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTORS

South Plains Community Action Association, Inc. (SPCAA) seeks a vendor or vendors to complete facilities improvements at various Head Start centers in: Bailey, Cochran, Hockley, Lamb, Hale, Lubbock, Garza, Lynn, Terry, Yoakum, Floyd, and Crosby county.

The improvements needed at each center vary and can include a combi-

nation of: Roof repairs Electrical work Fencing Dirt Work

Landscape Plumbing Playground Equipment Installa-

Painting (interior and exterior) Skirting for Modular Buildings Interested vendor(s) must submit written proposals to complete any or all of the work. Copies of the bid specifications are available from: Amy Grubbs, SPCAA, POBOX 610, 411 Austin Street, Levelland, Tx 806/ 894-6104, ext 207 or by email

amy.grubbs@spcaa.org A bidders meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 12 at 7:30 p.m. at 411 Austin St. Levelland, Proposals from vendors are due by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, July 19, 2004 to the above address. SPCAA reserves the right to negotiate with selected vendor(s) for all or any portion of the work solicited, and to award only the portion of the work that can by secured from available funding.

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Yesteryears

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10 Years Ago July 13, 1994

Benny Jackson of Post recently designed and decorated the H. T. Ardinger Showroom at the World Trade Center in Dallas in preparation for the July gift and Chrismas market. Jackson, owner of Studio B Designs was awarded first prize for window and showroom design including completin with all the showrooms in the World Trade center.

old son of Melvin and Bessie Lee of Post, left June 28 enroute South Korea for one year. Lee is a 1983 graduate of Post High School.

Kent Kirkpatrick, son of Jack and Zoe Kirkpatrick of Post has been invited by Oxford University in England to teach a six weeks course on "Movement for Actors." Kirkpatrick spent three summers in Japan learning this exclusive art form taught on each side of the tracks, which come only in Japan.

Chamber of Commerce held a drawing for a kite as a fund raiser for their Womens Division. The kite, valued at \$200 was won by Ida Jones of Post.

"Since the City of Post, the Extening. sion Program Council and the Garza County Commissioner's Court have enacted the Recycle Post Program it has become one of the best in the state for a community of our size," announced Rick Hanna, City Manager.

20 Years Ago July 18, 1984

Kristy Haire, 16 year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Haire of Southland, has been selected for competition in the 1984 Modern Miss State finals. The program is designed to recognize young women, 13 to 18, who excel in scholastic achievement and community involvement.

are competing in the Area II FFA Ag- bases in proper order. ricultural Proficiency Award Program, representing the Post FFA lopes games are on sale. Home games Chapter. The two move toward state recognition in the competition.

The Texas Water Commission will hold its hering on the application for the Justiceburg dam permit Aug. 6 in Austin. The dam is to be located on the South Fork of the Double Mountain Fork of the Brazos River A. Roughnecking, for Gould Drilling near Justiceburg.

born July 13 to Noah and Rosa Linda Gutierrez in Post; Solomon Solis was born July 12 to Ruben and Sheila Solis; Kirt and Lisa Robinson are the parents of Crystal Ann born July 9 at Garza Memorial Hospital.

30 Years Ago July 14, 1974

Three jeeps were put into service here by the post office Tuesday morning, enabling city mail carriers to deliver parcels along with letters and other smaller mail. Postmaster A. J. McAlister said the new mail service is called the "park and loop" system Bo Hutchins taking home the sportsand has gone into effect in every town and city in the nation that has city

mail delivery.

Miss Becki Dalby, daughter of Judge and Mrs. Giles W. Dalby is touring Europe and the Middle East with an Olson Travel Group.

The First Presbyterian Church was the scene of the marriage of Pamela Petty and Steven Newby, with the Rev. George L. Miller, pastor officiating at the double ring ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Pat Ward and the bridegroom is the son Army Sgt. James A. Lee, 29 year- of Mr. and Mrs. David N. Newby, all

> Post school trustees hired John T. Morrow as the new high school girls' basketball coach and Mrs. Linda Linn as high school English teacher.

The electrically-operated fiberglass crossing gates went into operation at the West Main Street railroad crossing here last Thursday. The crossing gates consist of two 32-foot poles, two down to form a barrier across the The Women's division of the Post highway when a train is approaching the crossing. The law requires that all railroads using such gates make them operative 20 seconds before the fastest trains reach the cross-

> 40 Years Ago July 16, 1964

Donkey baseball, "America's funniest game," comes to Little League Park here Monday night when teams from Veterans of Foreign Wars Post and the Junior Chamber of Commerce clash in a benefit game. Donkey ball rules provide that all except the pitcher and catcher ride donkeys in the game. The pitcher and catcher cannot field a batted ball, but must wait until a player with a donkey has handled the ball first. There are no strikeouts or walks in the game, and when the batter hits fair he must Keith Osborn and Robbie Williams mount the donkey and ride around

Season tickets to the Post Antewill be against Ballinger, Crane, Denver City, Plains and Slaton.

Chris' Copy: Looks like the oil companies have gotton most of the available manpower around town. Glenn Polk is a pumper for Continental and Jimmy Smith is working for Rocker Co. are Ken Rankin, Billy Shumard, Births: Noah Gutierrez Jr. was Freddie Simmons, Tom Campbell and Ralph Ardis. Brown Brothers' list: Buddy Moreland, Delton Robinson, Tommy Bouchier, Danny Jones and Leslie Acker, who do roustabout

The Church of the Nazarene has formed a new Junior Choir to sing at the evening services. Mrs. Lester Keeton and Mrs. Kendall S. White will sponsor the choir. The choir will be under the direction of Mrs. Keeton.

Ronnie Pierce received the Babe Ruth League batting championship trophy at awards night recently with manship award.

50 Years Ago July 15, 1954

Jimmy Bird of Post carried away top prize money of \$100 from last weekend's Brownfield Junior Chamber of Commerce. He was named ribbon roping champion. Jimmy Moore of Post and Dave Hopper of Lubbock split the bareback bronc riding championship.

Mr. and Mrs. James R. Shelton are announcing the approaching marriage of their sister, Mrs. Florene Johnson, to N. R. King.

Church News: Marvin Williams, Travis Gilmore and R. E. Shedd were ordained as deacons in the Calvary Baptist Church Sunday afternoon.

A horse trailer loaded down with beer was confiscated July 6 in the arrest of a Tahoka man on East Main Street. Arresting officers were City Marshal F. M. Reep, Sr., Sheriff Carl Rains and Deputy J. W. (Red) Floyd.

The Atkins Gospel Singers will fill three singing engagements this weekend at the Pleasant Home Baptist Church in Post. The Rev. C. Crayton is pastor of the church.

The sheet factory at Post-Tex Mill, Inc., has changed from a 40-hour to a 45-hour weekly shift because of better business conditions.

60 Years Ago July 20, 1944

Lee Byrd won 3rd place in the old men's roping contest at the Texas Cowboy Reunion at Stamford. His time was 30 seconds and he was riding his horse "Shorty." The prize was a pair of spurs.

Supt. L. V. Bearden returned from San Antonio last week driving one of the two 1942 model Chevrolet carryalls which the Post Independent School District had purchased from the U.S. Treausury Department. The carry-alls are surplus army equipment. He will return to San Antonio soon and will drive the other bus to Post. These carry-alls are to be used as school buses and are better than heavy buses for traveling over the dirt roads of the county.

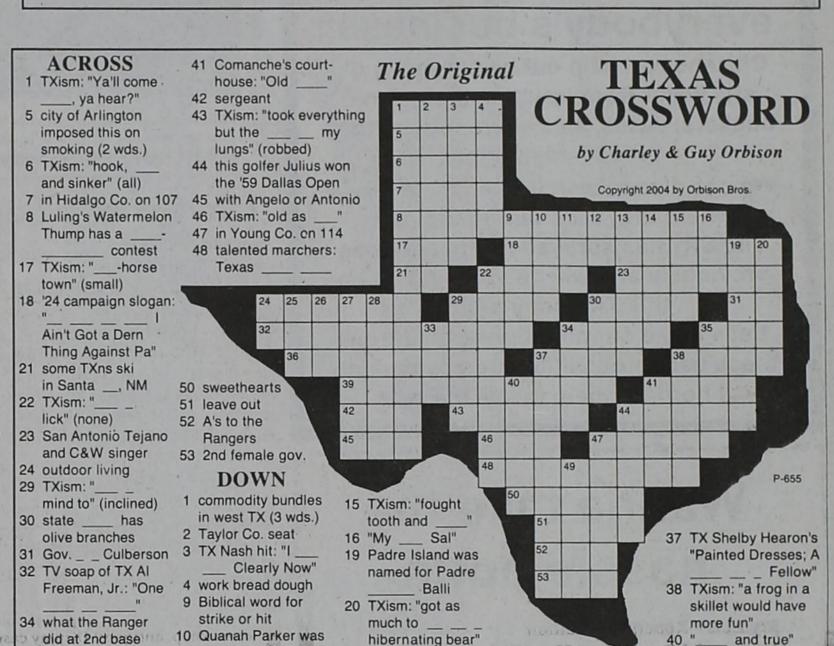
Ten Garza county men were accepted for military service. Three men who were inducted in the Navy were Melvin Clayton Edwards, Robert Noel Cato, and Charles Murray. Those inducted into the Army were James Raye Daniels, William Paul Slatter, Bertis Clyde Henderson, Jack Billy Wright, Dorris Ray Porter, Victor Paul Sweeten, and Harol Thomas Childs.

The week-end of July 4th united five of six childhood friends, Mrs. Clarence Woods, nee Faye Smith; Mrs. June Caffey, nee Rea Patty; Mrs. Jess Hendrix, nee Gladys Cox; all of Lubbock, and Mrs. Ike Parker, nee Cleora Zetzman, of Post, and Mrs. Elmer Hill, nee Geno Foreman.



NEW MAIL SERVICE - Three new mail jeeps went into city delivery service here Tuesday morning to deliver parcel post, as well as letters, newspapers, etc. The city carriers beside their jeeps, front to rear, are Roy Josey, Jimmie Redman and Wayne Thomas. — (Staff Photo)

From The Post Dispatch, July 14, 1974



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

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The Board of Trustees of the Post Independent School Dist. will hold a public meeting at the Central Administrative Office at 501 S. Ave. K in Post, Texas on July 22nd, 2004, at 6:00 p.m. _. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation

in the discussion is invited. The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*			Total		Local Revenue Per Student		State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$ 1.39	\$	0		\$	1.39	\$	4679	\$ 2102
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ 1.4871	\$	0		5	1.4871	,	4788	s 1993
Proposed Rate	\$ 1.41	\$	0		\$	1.41	\$	4935	\$ 1949

The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year			This Year		
Average Market Value of Residences	\$	28,253	\$	28,277		
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$	16,379	\$	16,612		
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$	1.39	\$	1.41		
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$	227.67	\$	234.23		
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes			\$	6.56		

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an elec-. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of_ 1.7495

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment: Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s) \$ 7,535,694

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Camp SPC deadline extended

Registration deadline has been extended to July 19 for Camp SPC, the fourth annual student success camp at South Plains College in Levelland. The expanded new student orientation is scheduled July 27-29 in the Sundown Room of the Student Center and will cover goal setting, career exploration, study skills, testing strategies, stress management, diversity awareness, mentoring and campus and community resources.

Fall class advisement and registration will be included July 29. Students can download the camp application online at http:// www.southplainscollege.edu/counseling/camp.htm.

The camp is aimed at students who would like extra assistance in learning college/life success skills, first-generation college students, nontraditional students who have been out of school for awhile, students entering with a GED, those who will be enrolled in two or more developmental courses, and student with physical and/or learning disabilities, said Brandon Awbrey, Access and career counselor.

Students can stay in college dorms for a cost of \$50. Cost for commuter students is \$20.

Students are also asked to pledge 10 hours of volunteer service to the college or community, which is designed to get them involved in college and community life and help develop leadership and mentoring skills.

Sponsors will be the SPC Counseling Center, Multicultural Services Office, Teaching and Learning Center, Title III and the TRIO STAR (Success Through Academic Services) Center, a federally-funded program which reaches first-generation college students with a variety of educational support services.

For more information, contact SPC at 806-894-9611, ext. 2362, 2563

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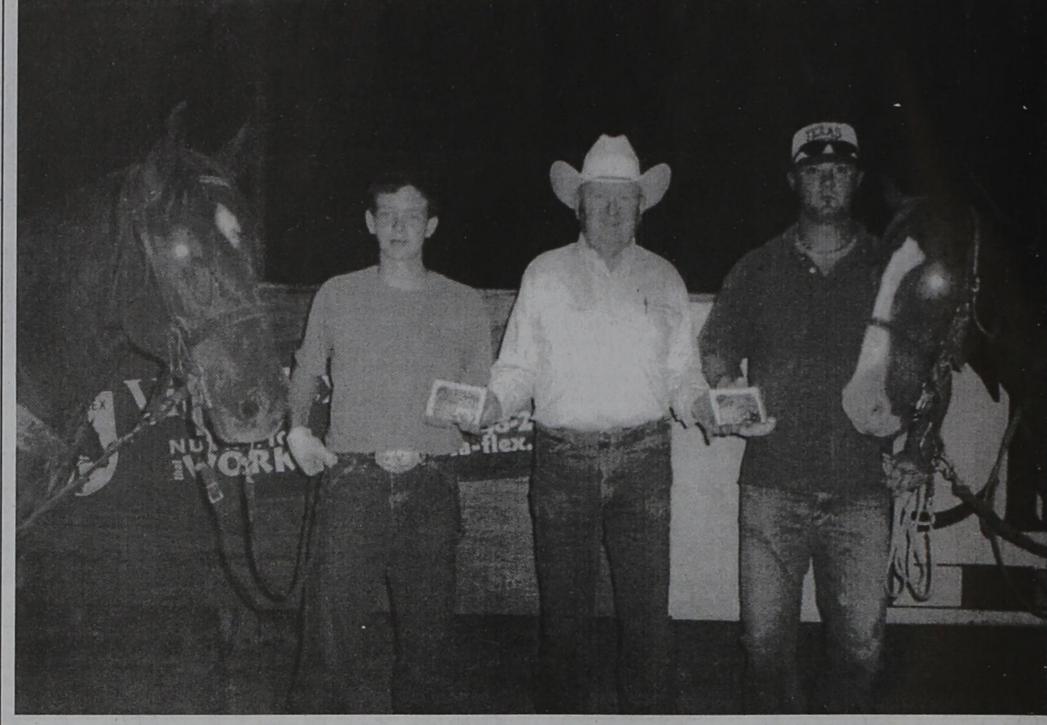
We can also mow tall weeds and grass where they hide during the day. The City has sprayed for mosquitoes previously and will be spraying again this Thursday night.

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Millertime Arena June Buckle Series Champions were (left to right), r.H. Whitten (Champion Header), Danny Richardson presented the buckles, and Bobby Blair (Champion Heeler). The Series wishes to thank the following sponsors: Lee Lawn & Feed, Strawn Transport, Tobe Palmer, Jenkins Electric, Saddle Traders & Tack and National roper's Supply.

The Crow's-Feet Chronicles

by Cindy Baker

Watts in a birthday? I did a better job of giving birth 34 years ago than I did preparing birthday breakfast for my son on

July 3. What a dark and stormy

day it was! A birthday is the day to throw out the fat-free frenzy, the lowcarb craze, and the massive-abs

My menu would make Dr. Atkins roll (or waddle) over, but I was determined to fix the "lineBaker's" delight-homemade biscuits, gravy, sausage, scrambled eggs, and hash-brown potatoes.

With a 7:30 a.m. completion time for six people, I began slowly cooking my sausage patties at 6:00 and then slipping them in the oven to stay warm. The 10-cup coffeemaker was the sergeant in charge of waking up the cook.

By 7:00 I had the eggs and milk beaten and ready to scramble, the biscuits anxious to jump in the oven, and the hash browns on standby. Suddenly, the lights flickered. My neck stiffened and my breathing stopped.

"Surely," I thought to myself, "the electricity wouldn't dare go off today . . . of all days." Darkness . . . nada . . . zilch. Not assuming the neighbors would

call the electric company, I ran to the phone. Ack! I couldn't see the phone book!

Quickly, I ran to the window to see if the cloud-covered sky would give me any light. Squinting and memorizing the telephone number for the utility company emergencies, I ran back to the phone and dialed the number as best I could from my memory of the

Bingo! "Welcome to the automatic outage reporting system. For options in English, press 1 now." Ugh! I inadvertently pressed Portuguese! Drats! I

began again. After three more tries, I finally got an English-speaking Stepford wife. "If you are reporting an outage for a home or business, press 1; to report a street light or guard light out, press 2; for a wire down, press 3; for flickering lights, press 4."

I couldn't see. I think I pressed 5. "I'm sorry. We couldn't understand your response." I began again.

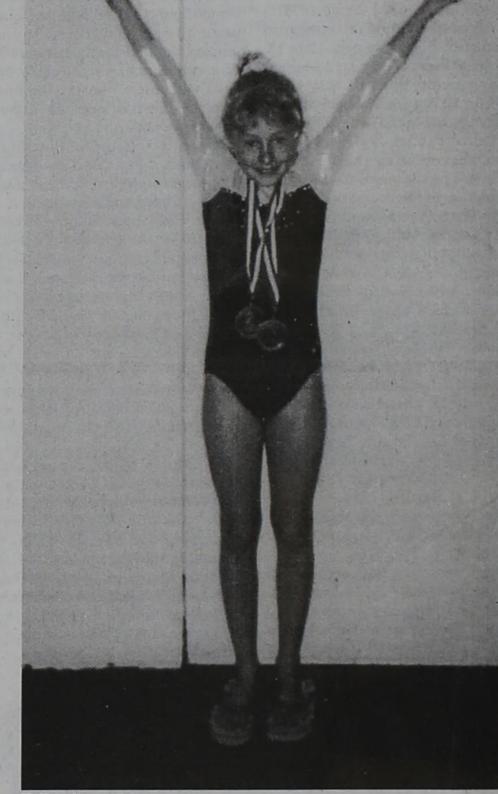
After several fatal aborts, I now know that Portuguese is 2, Icelandic is 3, Yiddish is 4, Swahili is 5, Lithuanian is 6, Croatian is 7, Albanian is 8, and Finnish is 9. Finally, I was able to tell an English-hearing Cyber Susie that I was reporting an outage at a resi-

The robot continued, "If this is correct, press Star. If this is incorrect, press Pound." Guess what I pressed. #@%*\$*# By 8:30, I knew we wouldn't have electricity in time to prepare the breakfast of champions.

We adjourned to the patio and sang Happy Birthday while sipping tepid coffee.

The menu? Sausage, graham crackers, and whole cloves.

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Kelbie Lynn Oden

Kelbie Oden competes in state meet

Kelbie Lynn Oden, 8-year-old daughter of Rodney and Marcia Oden, competed in the state gymnastics competition in Levelland April 24.

She competed in three events in her 8-year-old, Level IV, Division I, age group: tumbling, tramp and double mini. She placed first in tumbling, first in tramp and fourth in double

In July, she competed in the Southwest Regionals in Tulsa, Okla., placing first in tramp, second in tumbling and eighth in double mini.

She attends gymnastics and is on the Air Extreme team at Ready, Set, Go in Lubbock.

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