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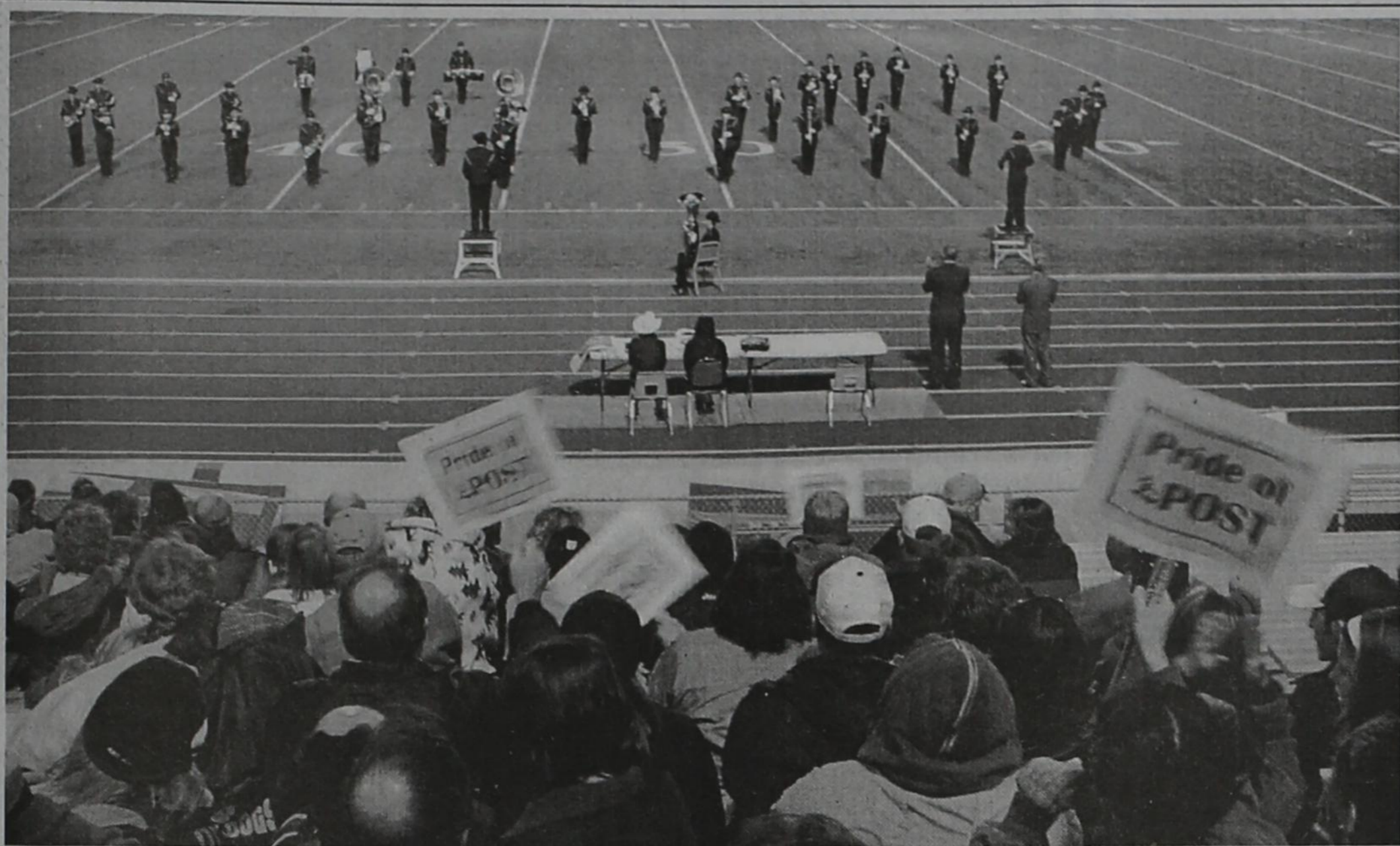
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Post High School Marching Band earns Division I Rating

The Post High School Marching Band demonstrated superior marching and playing skills as they performed their "Tribute to Jazz" show during last Saturday's UIL Class AA Contest. The band was backed by a whole section of cheering fans from Post. Director of Bands, Aaron Rathbun commented on how these fine musicians have raised themselves to a new level of musical growth, discipline and responsibility. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

FBI investigates prison contract procedures, audit

Representatives from the FBI office in Lubbock appear to have been in Post recently to conduct an investigation involving Garza County and the operation of the Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility.

Two sources, both of whom asked not to be identified, confirmed to The Post Dispatch that they were approached by FBI personnel with questions regarding the relationship between Garza County and the correctional facility's operator, MTC.

The sources said the FBI had questions about the bidding process that resulted in the operating contract currently in place between Garza County and MTC, as well as the annual audit of the facility conducted by a Brownfield CPA and approved by county commissioners Sept. 27.

If an investigation is under way, information pertaining to that investigation cannot be divulged, a representative of the U.S. Attorney's office in Lubbock said Monday morning.

Officials with the Lubbock FBI office referred the Dispatch's inquiries regarding the investigation to an FBI representative in Dallas. A representative from the Dallas office also declined comment, echoing the statement made by the U.S. Attorney's office.

While the details surrounding the FBI's presence in Post remain unclear, it is known that at least one Post resident voiced complaints to the federal agency earlier this year regarding the county's handling of the correctional facility's management contract.

In April, Jon Smith told the Dispatch he wrote the Texas Attorney General's office, the Department of Justice and the FBI voicing concerns about the process utilized by Garza County in its selection of an operator for the Dalby unit.

Following publication of Smith's letter in the Dispatch, as well as an article detailing the county's violation of Section 351.102 of the Texas Local Government Code, county commissioners retracted the contract extended to MTC on March 29.

In a letter to the Dispatch dated May 3, County Judge Giles Dalby said an error was made in the request for proposal (RFP) advertising process. County officials repeated the process over the next few weeks and awarded the correctional facility's management contract to MTC on July 29.

Post ISD continues mapping new facilities work

Some specifics of the two facilities to be built in the Post Independent School District in coming months were mapped out during the Oct. 12 board of trustees meeting.

Representatives with the school district's architects, SHW Group of Fort Worth, were on hand to define the square footage of each of the buildings to be erected. The cafeteria, which will serve the elementary, middle school and high school campuses, will contain approximately 7,000 square feet. The high school building to be completed just to the west of Antelope Arena will be approximately 45,000 square feet in size.

Also discussed were some of the specific room needs of each of the buildings, Superintendent Marlin Marcum said.

The architects are expected to return to Post next month to meet with trustees to work on the physical designs of the buildings.

Marcum said surveys have been completed at both building sites. A Phase I environmental study is under way at the site for the high school.

Groundbreaking for both of the construction projects, to be paid for by the district's fund balance, is expected to take place in either February or March, the superintendent said.

In other business, trustees:

- Approved a pair of budget amendments relating to the \$390,000 Tech Immersion Project grant that resulted in the distribution of almost 350 iBook laptop computers at Post Middle School last week. Through the grant, each middle school student and faculty member received a computer backpack and a wireless laptop computer loaded with software designed to support the school's curriculum.
- Approved the transfer of three students into the Post ISD.
- Received a draft of the superintendent appraisal document recommended by the Region 17 Education Service Center.

Following the regular meeting, the board of trustees observed a training session. During that session, the district's curriculum director, Kerry Pettijohn, talked with board members about accountability systems, state and federal expectations, identifying strengths and weaknesses and a curriculum plan designed to raise TAKS test scores and make improvements in weak areas.

OS Ranch Reunion Roping set for Nov. 6-7

The Oct. 1-3 OS Ranch Steer Roping & Art Exhibit Reunion roping events, postponed because of inclement weather, have been rescheduled for Nov. 6-7.

The Open Seniors Team Roping will be held in the Post Stampede Arena beginning at 8:30 a.m. Nov. 6, with the Seniors Steer Roping taking place at the same location at 12:30 p.m.

On Nov. 7 an Open Team Roping will be held in the Post Stampede Arena beginning at 8:30 a.m., followed by a noon barbecue. The Invitational Calf Roping will begin at 1 p.m. and will feature a match calf roping between two of the nation's top ropers, Trent Walls of Stephenville and Monty Lewis of Hereford.

The art show and sale were conducted as scheduled.

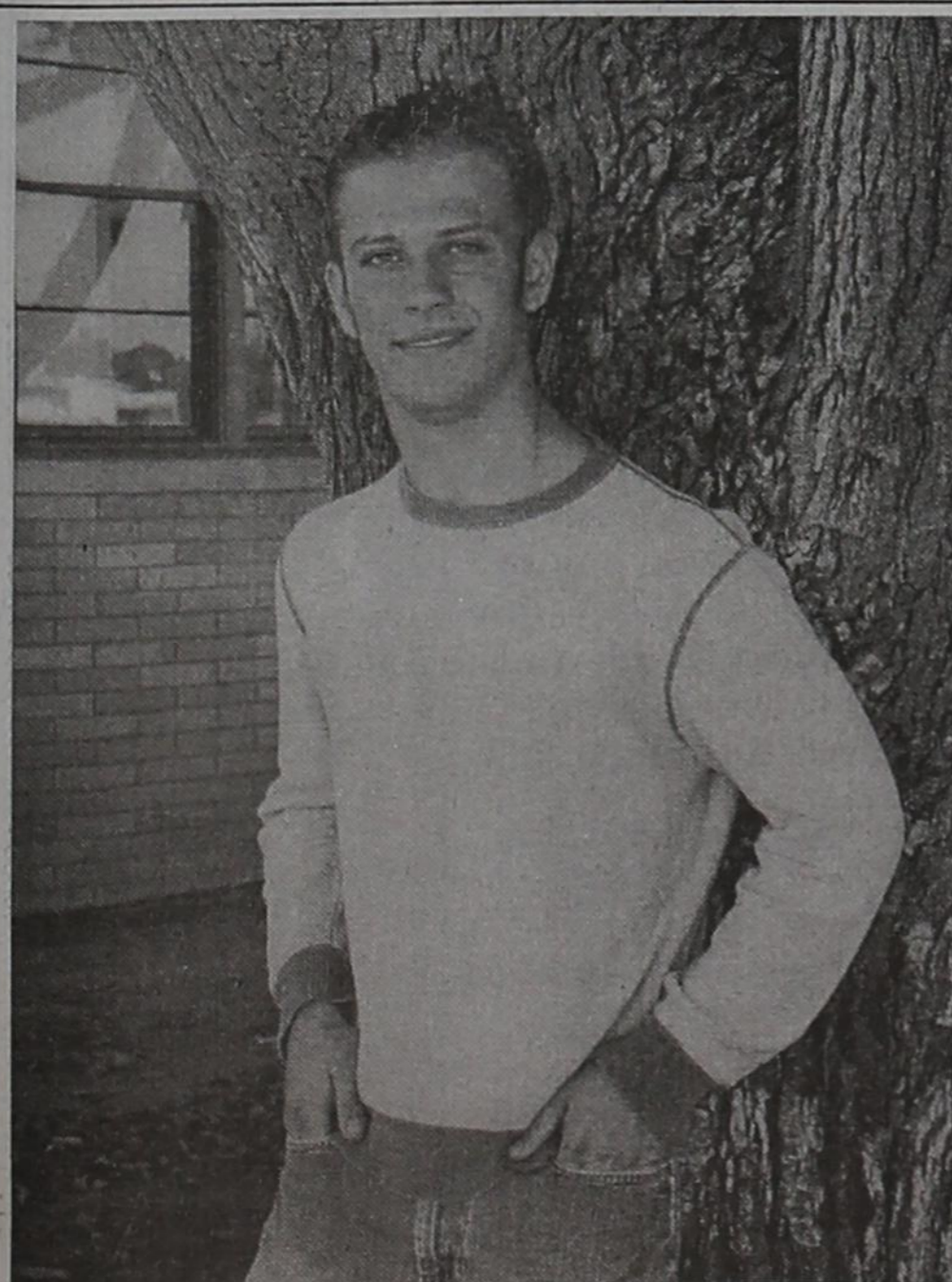
For more information, contact Jim Prather at P.O. Box 756, Post, TX 79356; call 806-495-0151; or e-mail osreunion@nts-online.net.

McGregor performs at Cactus Theatre

Jonathan McGregor, a junior at Post High School, has been chosen to perform during the annual Red Ribbon Week Kick Off concert this Sunday, October 24, at 2 p.m., at the Cactus Theatre in Lubbock. He will sing and play the guitar.

Red Ribbon Week is celebrated annually throughout the nation during October to promote a drug-free lifestyle and provide anti-drug education. The Post High School Chapter of the National Honor Society is sponsoring Jonathan in his musical endeavors and Red Ribbon Week at the high school, October 25-29.

Jonathan, the son of Johnny and Mickie McGregor, has been playing the guitar and singing for a year and a half. He is a member of the PHS student council, Pride of Post Band, and the Bold Gold Antelope football team. He currently serves as the NHS vice-president.



PHS junior Jonathan McGregor will perform Sunday at the Cactus Theatre in Lubbock as part of the Red Ribbon Week Celebration. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

'No promises' for flu vaccine here

Questions still remain as to whether the Garza County Health Clinic will have a supply of flu shots for distribution prior to the approaching influenza season.

On Monday, the clinic's office manager, Vicki Gray, said clinic officials have received "no promises" that a supply of flu vaccine will be made available. "We're still on standby," she said.

The clinic's supplier did indicate that a search for additional vaccine sources is under way; however, the supplier cannot guarantee a positive outcome to their search.

Heavy early voting reported

A steady stream of early voters filled the Garza County clerk's office early this week as early voting in the Nov. 2 general election got under way.

About 100 voters cast early ballots on Monday, the first day of the early voting period, said Terri Laurence, deputy county clerk. As of 11 a.m. Tuesday, 129 ballots had been cast.

"I've been doing this for 14 years, and I've never seen it like this," Laurence said Tuesday morning. "It's been busy."

The county clerk's office also mailed out more than 100 ballots, some of which are already coming back, she said.

Early voting by personal appearance continues through Oct. 29 in the county clerk's office in the courthouse.

Voters are encouraged to take their voter registration cards when they go to cast their early ballots.

Highway traffic collections help enrich County and State by \$35,914.42 in September

by Tim Burnett

Garza County Justice of the Peace Courts collected \$35,914.42 during the month of September largely from highway travel and traffic fines issued, according to official reports. The fund raising program, operated by Garza County in coordination with the State of Texas, took advantage of travelers who were accused of violating State Transportation Codes.

Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 collected \$13,430.75 which included traffic 76 misdemeanor cases, while JP Court Precinct 2 reported \$22,483.67 involving 52 misdemeanor cases.

State and county code enforcement officers are "just doing their jobs" by enforcing the traffic code, but what was sold to the public in the 1920s for "safe" roads, is now a huge money making scheme for corporate governments.

The State of Texas gradually shifted the public perception of the Code's underlying scope so that all travelers appear required to register their automobiles with the State of Texas. A study into the underlying scope of the Texas Transportation Code has revealed exactly who is required to register their automobiles with the State.

The exact scope of the Texas Transportation Code was discovered by allowing it to narrowly interpret itself according to its strict construction. The scope of the Transportation Code is "Transportation."

The term "Transportation" is not defined in the Texas Code. According to the United States Transportation Code and Black's Law Dictionary, the term "Transportation" is defined as transportation by a carrier for hire.

Use of the roads and highways for the purpose of "transportation for hire by carriers" was what fell under the scope of the Code. Even to this day, the Code protects the traveling public by regulating vehicles using the roads for the purpose of "Transportation."

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Post Notes

Missionary Revival

The Women's Chapter of the Church of God of Prophecy at 602 W. 14th street is having their mission drive revival October 20-24 at 7 p.m. nightly. Saturday, October 23 there will be a concert with "Grupto 7" from Odessa beginning at 5 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

College Admission Presentation

On October 26 at 7 p.m., there will be a presentation in the Elementary Auditorium concerning things students and parents need to know in preparation for admission to a college or university. Several members of the Post High School staff will be on hand to present the material and to answer questions. All high school students and parents are invited to attend.

Church Youth Host 5th Quarter

The First United Methodist Youth Group will hold a 5th Quarter on Friday night, October 22 from 10 p.m. until 12 midnight at the Post Community Center-Teen Room. Admission is free. A snack bar will be provided at a minimal fee. Enjoy live music, a rock climbing wall and lots of fun. Students 6th-12th grade admitted.

Meet the Lady Lopes

The Antelopes Booster Club will present the 2004-05 Lady Lopes on Monday, October 25 at 7 p.m. in the Antelope Arena. Plan to come out and meet all the ladies from 7th grade thru varsity.

Meet Dr. and Mrs. Ben Edwards

Please come and meet Dr. and Mrs. Ben Edwards as they consider making their home in Post. The reception will be held at the Post Community Center on Tuesday, October 26th from 7-8:30 p.m.

Can Food and Coat Drive

The Garza County Victims Assistance Program is currently hosting a Can Food and Coat Drive. The donations help provide for needy victims and their families. Any and all donations will be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions or would like to have donations picked up, please call 495-2479 or 495-5511 to leave a message.

Partners for Parenting Coalition

Lubbock County Partners for Parenting Coalition will be sponsoring a "Building Strong Families: Tool for Success Conference" on Thursday, November 4 at 8 a.m. The conference will take place in Lubbock at the First Church of the Nazarene at 6110 Chicago Avenue. A variety of sessions will be made available for participants. Registration forms are available at each of our Post ISD schools. For more information call 495-3414 and ask for Mrs. Pequeno or Mrs. Bryan. Deadline for registration is October 25.

2004 Voter's Guide

The 2004 Voter's Guide to the general election on November 2, will be available free of charge at the First Baptist Church office entrance. The guide is published by The Free Market Foundation.

Clinic Making Flu Shot List

The Garza County Health Clinic has not yet received the FDA go-ahead to give flu shots for the upcoming flu season; however, the clinic is taking the names of individuals interested in obtaining a flu shot at the clinic. To place a name on the flu shot list, contact the clinic at 495-2853.

Texas Country Reporter in Post

Texas Country Reporter personnel were in Post on Friday and Saturday, October 1-2 to tape footage for an upcoming episode. The story focuses on Jim and Janice Plummer, who are owners of the Hotel Garza Bed & Breakfast, the hotels relationship with the Garza Theatre and Post tourism. The segment is scheduled to air the weekend of November 6-7. The program should appear on Lubbock station KCBD, Newschannell 11 (Cebridge Cable channell 11) at 6 a.m. Saturday, November 6 and at 8 a.m., Sunday, November 7.

Cisneros Family

Groceries are desperately needed for this family during their troubled time. If you would like to help, please drop off food items at 116 E. 15th street.

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by Diane Graves

If you missed the Garza County Jr. Livestock Associations' "fun" raiser Saturday night you really missed a good time. The free brisket dinner, entertainment, raffle drawing and auctions helped make the annual fund raiser a huge success bringing in more than \$8,000 to be used for the stock show, upkeep on show barn and youth scholarships.

Those helping with the event were Ronnie Dunn serving as Master of Ceremonies, and Greg Jones, "Auctioneer". Others providing entertainment were Noel White, Jane Mason, Skylar Jones and Keri Dunn.

Winners of the cash raffle drawing were Carol Short and Jana Bullard-\$5,000; David Farquhar-\$1,000; Two Draw Welding-\$500, Randy Conner and Doraid Alamori-\$500; 7-C's-\$250; and Cedaelia Williams-\$250. A special thank you to Daryl Dissinger of Two-Draw Welding who donated his winnings back to the association. Door prize winners of brisket were Devin Blanton, Roxanne Osborn, Greg Jones, Damon Stotts, and Syd Conner.

A special thanks for the beautiful, western themed decorations goes to Jeff and Karen Greene, and also for obtaining items for the Silent Auction. Thanks to Roxanne Osborn for making contacts and collecting items for the auction and to all those who provided items.

Thanks to Andra Dunn and Roxanne Osborn who served as auction coordinators and to Diane Stelzer and Billie Williams for helping with bookkeeping duties. Thanks to all GCJLA members who sold tickets and a special thanks to all those who bought tickets.

A big thank-you goes to Jerry Osborn for cooking the briskets and to Leisa Farquhar for ramrodding the kitchen, meal line and cleanup. Thanks to Post FFA for providing beans and setting up; Garza County 4-H families for providing desserts; Southland FFA for providing salads; and to all those who helped clean up.

Results of the auction include the following items, donors, and buyers: Spoon necklace by Silversmiths, Jeff Greene-\$20; Gift Basket by CitizensBank of Post, Roxanne Osborn-\$20; Beef Jerky by Jackson's Meat Packers, Clarice Johnson-\$25; Tire Rotation & Balance by Mason's Farm and Ranch Supply, Lee Norman-\$25;

Traffic fines...
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The registration requirement falls within the limited scope of the Transportation Code. The only automobiles that are required by law to be registered with the State are those that use the roads for the purpose of transporting for hire: for example, busses, cabs, freight carriers, etc.

The simple question remains: will the county courts throw out all cases where peace officers attempt to enforce the Transportation Code upon automobiles that do not fall within the limited scope of the Code, and are not voluntarily registered with the State?

Italian Cream Cake by Sue Maxey, Randy Conner-\$160; Gift Certificate by Chapa's Restaurant, Diane Stelzer-\$30; Texas Tech Windchimes by Two Draw Welding, Chris Metsgar, \$55; Tea Cup Bear and Butterfly by Main Street Mercantile, Robby Palmer-\$25;

Pig Clock by The Frame Shoppe, Leisa Farquhar-\$50; Deer Alarm by Radio Shack, Michelle Boone-\$15; Fall Corn Shock & Pumpkins by Dunn Farm, Traci Blanton-\$175;

Indian Blanket by Vernon's Saddle Traders & Tack, Jim Prather-\$60; Star Coat Rack by Keith Osborn Family, Diane Stelzer-\$35;

Silver watch by Texas Treasures, Richard Hart-\$125; Two Circular Saws by Higginbotham-Bartlett Lumber Company, Robby Palmer and Charles Atchison-\$65 each;

Vaccination Certificate by Dr. Brillhart, Jennifer Warren-\$25; Coat Rack by Hudman's Furniture, Jim Prather-\$30; Oil Change by Mason's Farm & Ranch Supply, Karen Greene-\$50;

Tanning supplies by Cocara's, Sherri Riedel-\$30; Two skillets by

United Supermarket, Randy Conner-\$40; Fall Corn Shock & Pumpkins by Dunn Farms, Junior Stelzer-\$140; Ten Bales Alfafa by Mason McClellan, Junior Stelzer-\$80; Tin Wall Hanging by Plum Crazy, Ioane Bond-\$20;

Horse Shod by John Hedrick Horseshoeing, Damon Shipp-\$90; Beef Jerky by Jackson's, Guin Miller-\$75; Tire Rotation & Balance by Mason's Farm & Ranch Supply, Robby Palmer-\$15;

Radio by Main Street Mercantile, Junior Stelzer-\$25; Cross Key Chain by Silversmiths, Billie Williams-\$15; Bath & Skin Care products by Goetz Fibers, Damon Shipp-\$40;

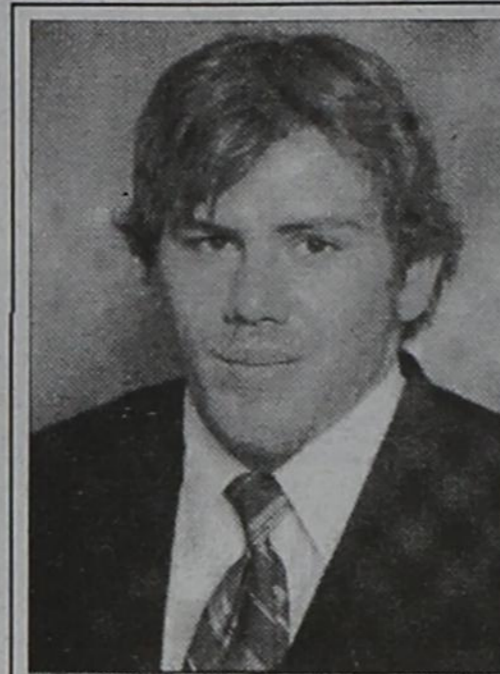
Ten Round Bales Mixed Grass by Lee Norman, Charlie Williams-\$300; \$100 Savings Bond by Wells Fargo Bank, Clarice Johnson, \$45;

Redi-Lube Special by Redman Redi-Lube, Randy Conner-\$35; Texas Wind Chime by Two Draw Welding, Judge Carter Schildknecht-\$85;

One roll Alfafa Hay by Mason McClellan, Keith Osborn-\$50; Spoon Cross Necklace by Silversmiths, Deanne Bishop-\$50; Pop-up Pond by Main Street Mercantile, Leisa Farquhar-\$20;

Hanging Basket by Hudman's Greenhouse, Marsha Norman-\$25. Cooked briskets were purchased by Jeff Greene, Diane Graves, Mason McClellan, Keith Osborn, Charles Williams, Tony Bishop, Charles Atchison, Glenna Reiter, Kim Greer, Junior Stelzer, Royce Hart, Brian Strube and Richard Hart for \$40 each.

GCJLA officers and directors express their thanks to all who participated and helped. We appreciate each and everyone of you.



Jonathan Eilenberger, a 2004 PHS graduate and former Post Antelope football player, is enrolled at McMurry College and a member of the 2004 McMurry Indian football team. He is listed on the roster as a linebacker.

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cancer, yet will never get the disease. Some risk factors are things that you do not have any control over, while other can be changed by making changes in your lifestyle. The most important risk factor is simply being a woman. Remember, there is no one cause of breast cancer. If you are concerned about your breast cancer risks, discuss your health needs with your doctor.
Source: Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation and the Health Communication Research Laboratory at Saint Louis University. Facts for Life. "Breast Cancer Facts." Item No. 806-316. 5/04.

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Breast Cancer * Facts for Life

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, so to support this crucial event, provided below are some "What do I need to know" questions on this important subject.

How can I prevent breast cancer? The causes of breast cancer are not fully understood, although it is clear that a woman's lifetime exposure to estrogen and her age at the time of her first childbirth play an important role. Because no one knows exactly what causes breast cancer, there are no sure ways to prevent it. There are steps that every woman can take that may make developing breast cancer less likely. These include eating healthy, exercising regularly, and limiting the amount of alcohol you drink. Leading a healthy lifestyle will not eliminate your chance of getting breast cancer, but it may reduce your risk.

Who gets breast cancer? Anyone can get breast cancer. Did you know that the older a woman is the more likely she is to get breast cancer? White women are more likely to get breast cancer than women of other racial or ethnic groups; they also have a better chance of survival because their cancer is usually detected earlier. Men can get breast cancer too, although it is rare.

How do I know if I am at risk for breast cancer? All women are at risk for breast cancer. Known risk factors like having a family history of breast cancer, starting menopause after the age of 55, or never having children account for only a small number of new breast cancer cases each year. That means the majority of women who get breast cancer have no known risk factors expect being a woman or getting older.

Your best defense: The best way to detect breast cancer in its earliest stages is to routinely check your breasts for signs and symptoms of disease. There are three methods: Breast self-exam Clinical breast exams Mammograms Most women have more than one known risk factor for developing breast

Sales Tax receipts decline 8 percent

Gross sales for the first quarter of 2004 were down more than 8 percent in Garza County compared to the same period in the previous year, according to a recent State Sales and Use Tax Analysis report distributed by the state comptroller's office.

In the first quarter of this year, \$10,958,616 in gross sales were reported, down 8.6 percent from the \$11,993,974 reported in the previous year.

Use tax purchases totaled \$69,265, and the amount subject to state sales and use tax was \$5,732,245, according to the report.

During the first quarter of the year, a total of 186 Garza County outlets reported to the comptroller's office, compared to 201 in the same period in 2003.

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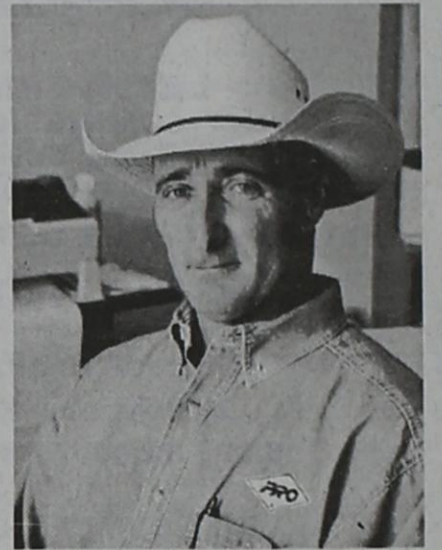
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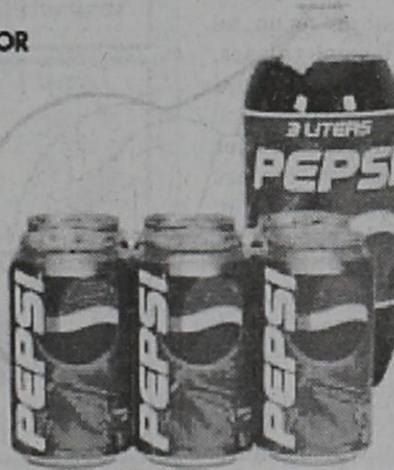


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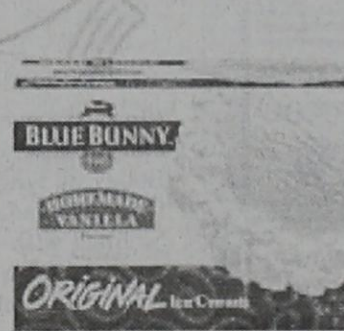
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Obituaries

Charlie Lee

Charlie Lee, 80, of Post, were held Saturday October 2, 2004 11:00 AM at the Calvary Baptist Church in Post. The Rev. Kevin Blackburn, pastor, officiated. Burial followed at the Terrace Cemetery under the personal care of Justice-Mason Funeral Home.

Charlie died on Wednesday September 29, 2004 at his Residence. He was born on October 31, 1923 to George and Martha (Jarrell) Lee near Paris, Lamar County. His family came to Garza County in October, 1925 to farm in the Graham Community. He attended school at Graham. Charlie farmed with his Dad for several years and married Judy King on June 15, 1946 here in Post.

After marriage they moved to Amarillo and later returned to Post. After returning to Post he worked in the oil field at Salt Creek. In 1984 he retired from Mobil and started driving truck for Graham Gin and later for Close City Gin, putting in 20 years. He was a member of the Post Masonic Lodge #1058 and was a volunteer firefighter with the Post Volunteer Fire Department. Charlie was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church. He was preceded in death by his parents, five brothers: Elbert Lee, Benny Lee, Cody Lee, Murphy Lee and Elton Lee, and two sisters: Ethel Howard and Laura Mae

Vaughn.

He is survived by his Wife, Judy Lee, two Daughter's, Karen and her husband Wiley Miller of Odessa, and Gina Lee of Post. One Son: Danny and his wife Kim Lee of Midland. Two Brother's, Cecil Lee of Frisco and Lloyd and his wife Evelyn Lee of Cucamonga, Ca. Five Grandchildren: Jill Miller, Cortney Carpenter, Colby and his wife Allison Lee, Trent and his wife Mandy Lee and Josh Lee. Two Great-grandchildren: Taryn Miller and Camden Carpenter.

Pallbearers were Kenith Bullard, Bobby Heckaman, Jerry Crenshaw, Jeremy King, Charles Morris and Don Walls.

Memorials are suggested to the Scottish Rite Hospital for Children, 2222 Welborn St., Dallas, Texas 75219 or a favorite charity.

Jesse Rodriguez

Services for Jesse Rodriguez, 60, of Post were October 3, 2004, Monday, 11:00 a.m. at the Holy Cross Catholic Church with the Rev. Paul Kariakatt officiating. Burial followed at the Terrace Cemetery under the personal care of Justice-Mason Funeral Home. Mr. Rodriguez died on Friday October 1, 2004 at his home.

He was born on October 03, 1943 to Jesus and Elida (Tijerina) Rodriguez at Greeley, Colorado. His family moved to Odessa where he started to school. He later moved to Dallas and then returned to Odessa. While at Odessa he became a floor covering contractor and came to Post in 1979 and continued his work and later he worked in the oil field construction business. He was a Catholic.

He is survived by One Son: Jesse Rodriguez of Cleburne. Three Daughters: Evonne Marruffo of Odessa, Toni Oveccio of Cleburne and Jessica Rodriguez of Ellinwood, KS. His Mother: Elida Rodriguez of Post, Two Brothers: Willie Rodriguez of Post and Freddie Rodriguez of Levelland and One Sister: Clara Landa of Levelland. Ten grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Lou Rodriguez, Ramon Gonzales, Michael Price, Augustine Menchaca, Jamie Valdez and Jason Valdez.

Ada Mae (Wallace) Tucker

Services for Ada Mae (Wallace) Tucker were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 17, 2004, in the Hudman Funeral Home with David Joyner of the Graham Chapel Church of Christ officiating. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery. She died Friday, Oct. 15, in Lubbock.

Born May 8, 1924, she was raised in the Graham Chapel community. She married Robert Cloves Tucker on July 11, 1942. The family traveled the world with the U.S. Air Force. She was active in researching her family's history and recently was the first Garza County recipient of the 100-Year Family Land Heritage Certificate of Honor presented in Austin.

Survivors include her husband of 62 years, Cloves of Lubbock; one son, Robert Tucker Jr. of Houston; three daughters, Janis Drake of San Antonio, Debbie Militello of Scottsdale, Ariz., and Joy Tucker of Golden, Colo.; four grandchildren, Mark Drake of Lubbock, Jeff Drake of Addison, Kara Militello of Scottsdale and Josh Militello of Scottsdale; and one great-granddaughter, Terra Drake of Lubbock.

Pallbearers were John Gossett, Robert Shadd, Mark Drake, Jeff Drake, Tim Klein and Steven Fluitt.

Joan Edith Bevers

Services for Mrs. Joan Edith Bevers, 82, a former resident of the Justiceburg area, were held in Chester, Va., where she had lived for many years. Burial will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 8, 2004, in Fluvanna.

She died Oct. 2.

Born in London, England, on Feb. 21, 1922, she married Albert H. Bevers, whom she met while he was in military service in England. She was a retired nursing home dietary supervisor.

Survivors include three sons, Robert F., William Skipper and Albert H. Bevers Jr.; 12 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

Ivon Williams Sr.

Ivon Williams Sr. died Oct. 8, 2004, in Post.

Born in Ringling, Okla., Oct. 12, 1924, he was a veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Jessie; one son, Ivon Williams Jr.; two daughters, Lyssandra Leggett and Sue Williams; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one grandchild, Cindy Leggett.

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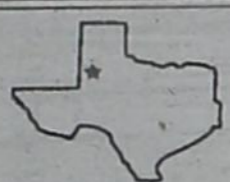
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On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

Confession unto salvation...Romans 10:13

In God's word, Romans 10:9-10 teaches about two separate conditions that result in salvation. Believing with the heart that God raised Jesus from the dead results in righteousness, which is to be filled with holy spirit. The first record of this coming to pass can be found in Acts 2:4, where they were filled with holy spirit. We know from Acts 1:22 that they were all witnesses of Jesus' resurrection. This means that when holy spirit was poured out on that day of Pentecost, they were believing with their hearts that God raised Jesus from the dead. The second condition in Romans 10:10 is to confess with the mouth the Lord Jesus, which is unto salvation. More specifically it says, "for with the mouth confession is made unto salvation."

Romans 10:10 does not define what it means to "confess with the mouth the Lord Jesus." But verse 13 does provide helpful information, "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." This is the second and only occurrence of this quote from the prophet Joel found in the epistles. This kind of limited use of repetition is meant to grab our undivided attention. The use of the word "saved" is an equally important figure because the same word is used in verse 10. The word "saved" is used with calling upon the name of the Lord, as well as confessing with the mouth the Lord Jesus.

We turn to a basic formula in algebraic logic: If A = C, and B = C, then A = B. If the confession is unto salvation; and calling upon the name of the Lord is unto salvation; then to "confess with the mouth the Lord Jesus" refers to the same thing as to "call upon the name of the Lord." Once we ascertain

what it means to "call upon the name of the Lord," then we can do the same for the former.

The quote in Romans 10:13 is also used in Acts 2:21 where Peter explained what the other people saw and heard, by quoting from the prophet Joel. What did the people see and hear? When we track backward from verse 21, we come to verse 11, "...we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God." This refers to when the apostles spoke in tongues as recorded in Acts 2:4. Peter then explained that "this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel." And with spiritual precision, he stopped at the saying, "And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

When we apply basic principles of research for rightly dividing God's word, we find that to "confess with the mouth the Lord Jesus" unto salvation, refers to speaking in tongues. But we should not stop here. Go to the next verse, "How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed?" (Romans 10:14). According to this scripture it is not possible to "call on the name of the Lord" unless people first believe with the heart that God raised Jesus from the dead. When compared to Romans 10:9-10, we see an exact match. That which is unto righteousness is pre-requisite to that which is unto salvation. Finally, when we compare all this with Acts 2:4, there is still no contradiction. This is where we can find the first recorded fulfillment of Romans 10:9-10.

We will continue this study next week by looking at 1 Corinthians 12:3.

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Closing the deal

by Bill O'Reilly

President Bush and Senator Kerry would be wise to check out New York Yankee relief pitcher Mariano Rivera, the best closer in the baseball business. Because with just about three weeks left in the campaign, the most determined political closer will win the election.

At this point, the Kerry campaign seems to have brought out all its heavy artillery, especially on the primary issue this year: Iraq. I mean how many times can John Kerry tell us the Bush administration has screwed up in the land of sand? We've got the picture. Whether we believe it or not is a personal choice, although there is no question after the Duelfer Report that the Bush administration bought into bad intelligence about WMDs.

The Bush campaign has held some of its powder, and that is focusing on John Kerry's historical liberalism. During these three terms in the Senate, Kerry has consistently voted against defense projects and in favor of entitlements and left-wing causes like partial birth abortion. The senator is now running to the center, but the Bush people are readying some new, withering attacks on his fundamental philosophy. Kerry is vulnerable as an opponent of the Reagan defense policies and the first Gulf War. Expect that stuff to be all over the place in the final days.

John Kerry can counter that the Bush administration is simply incompetent in Iraq and on the economy, but the senator needs some new fuel to light the fires of undecided voters. One of the reasons the president lost the first debate was that he kept repeating the "hard work" mantra when questioned on Iraq. Voters want answers and fresh perspectives. Numbing repetition is boring and annoying, not a good thing for any candidate.

And then there is the physical toll. I'm exhausted just analyzing this race while sitting on my butt! Can you imagine how tired the candidates are? Many thought Mr. Bush was too spent to mount an energetic presentation in the first debate, and that might be true. Both Bush and Kerry are in the middle of a cross-country marathon where mental and physical stamina is a must because any mistake can cost them dearly.

So the winner will be the guy who closes tough and keeps his endurance and energy level high. Both men are notoriously competitive and driven. When I first met George W. Bush four years ago, I didn't see that fight in his eyes — but when I interviewed him a few days ago, it was there.

John Kerry has always been crazed about winning. Most politicians would have given up last December when Howard Dean was dancing the lambada with Democratic voters. Kerry did the opposite. He trudged through the snows of Iowa and New Hampshire while pinhead pundits like me were writing him off. If Kerry is denied this time, it will only be because Bush is even more determined.

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POLITICALLY CORRECT By Jim Huber



Believe it or not

by Walter E. Williams

Benedict College in Columbia, S.C., enforces an academic policy that defies belief. Say I'm a freshman taking your class in biology. I learn little from your lectures, assigned readings and homework. I do attend class every day, take notes and manage to average 40 percent on the graded work for the semester. What grade might you give me? I'm betting that all but the academic elite would say, "Sorry, Williams, but no cigar," and I'd earn an F for the course. But if you're a professor at Benedict College and gave me that F, you'd be fired.

That's exactly what happened to science professors Milwood Motley and Larry Williams, both of whom refused to go along with the college's Success Equals Effort (SEE) policy. SEE is a policy where 60 percent of a freshman's grade is based on effort and the rest on academic performance. In a student's sophomore year, the formula drops to 50-50, and it isn't used at all for junior and senior years. In defense of his policy, Benedict's president, Dr. David H. Swinton, said that the students "have to get an A in effort to guarantee that if they fail the subject matter, they can get the minimum passing grade. I don't think that's a bad thing."

According to a story published by Columbia's The State newspaper (www.thestate.com, Aug. 20, 2004), Milwood Motley said the policy compromises the integrity of Benedict. Students are being passed to increase student retention by falsely boosting academic performance. When professors Motley and Williams assigned grades based upon academic performance, Motley said the administration "told us to go back and recalculate the grades, and I just refused to do it." At that point, Dr. Swinton fired both for insubordination.

Dr. William Gunn, a faculty member for 40 years and president of Benedict College's chapter of the American Association of University Professors, is dead set against the policy and believes most other faculty are as well. Writing in The State (Sept. 22, 2004), Dr. Gunn says the SEE policy not only harms today's student but as well Benedict graduates who

will see their degrees come under suspicion.

Dr. Swinton's policy borders on lunacy. Imagine that a freshman gets an A for effort in his algebra class but has virtually no grasp of the material, earning him an F grade. Under the college's SEE policy, the student would be assigned a C for the course. What can we expect when the student takes Algebra II and later takes a course where algebra is a tool? He'll fall further and further behind because he hasn't grasped the material from the earlier courses. He'll graduate only if the fraudulent grading continues, and his job prospects will depend upon racial preferences.

Here's my question to you: Can you think of a more effective way to discredit and cast doubt on the degrees of all students who graduate from Benedict? How would you like people to be certified in any activity that way — your doctor, your tax accountant, your mechanic or anybody upon whom you depend for reliable proficient service? Whatever academic handicaps Benedict's students have when they enter — their median SAT score is 803 — are disguised and exacerbated by the school's SEE policy. As reported in The State, Harvard-educated Dr. Swinton admitted that he did not know of a policy like this at any other institution and said he would not use such a policy at a college with more stringent entrance criteria.

The blame for this academic madness cannot wholly be placed at its president's feet. Benedict's Board of Trustees bears the blame for either enacting or tolerating this policy. Also culpable are those taxpayers and donors whose funds make it possible for this madness to continue.

While I know it's probably not the case, I wouldn't be surprised if it turned out that members of the South Carolina Ku Klux Klan were Benedict's largest contributors.

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How conservative is George W. Bush?

by Anthony Gregory

Given that so many conservatives have come out in favor of George W. Bush, who supposedly isn't as bad as John Kerry, an important question arises: Exactly how conservative is George W. Bush?

Bush has expanded the welfare state and increased discretionary spending at a faster rate than any president since Lyndon Johnson. His Medicare bill alone should have disgusted enough conservatives sufficiently to refuse to vote for him. The fact that the Bush administration deliberately misled fellow Republicans in Congress about the cost of the bill — a misdeed that would have surely, and justifiably, yielded scorn and wrath from conservatives had Clinton been the perpetrator — should alone convince Americans that this administration is neither politically honest nor fiscally responsible.

Bush's trade policies have been quite protectionist by modern standards. Moreover, farm subsidies under Bush have made Clinton look like a Scrooge with tax dollars.

Bush signed the horrid McCain-Feingold Campaign Finance Reform Bill, admitting that some of the provisions were unconstitutional. Now he complains that the law doesn't go far enough in restricting the political speech of independent political organizations.

Though the assault-weapons ban has expired, it is no credit to the administration. Bush expressed willingness to revive the ban — whereas he has shown nothing but contempt in his stonewalling of efforts to arm airline pilots.

And now he's calling for free government health clinics in every town, free health care for all disadvantaged youth, and massive welfare to Americans to help them purchase homes.

Of course, this doesn't even get into Bush's war policies, both at home and abroad, that many conservatives have had the good sense to question. But even if we assume Bush to be an angel as far as the war on terror is concerned — even if we assume his role as a strong war president compensates for all the socialism he has pushed through — we see just how much big government and spending some Republicans are ultimately willing to tolerate: any amount. No matter how much Bush increases spending, panders to voters, assaults the free market — as long as there's a war on, and as long as a Republican is in charge, we must open the floodgates to infinite government spending.

Indeed, to criticize even the domestic policies of Bush is often interpreted as an endorsement of Kerry, and hence an insult to America. To point out Bush's flaws is to aid the Enemy.

The fact that the majority of people in a recent worldwide poll said they prefer Kerry was taken by many media conservatives to mean that the world hates America. This ludicrous faux patriotism, whereby love of country is the same as loyalty to a particular political party, is not only un-American and dangerous, it explains to a great extent why so many conservatives are willing to relinquish any principles they might have regarding small government in order to support whatever the president does.

Would conservatives feel the same way if Al Gore had become president? If Gore, who unlike most Democrats voted in favor of Gulf War I, had gone to war with both Afghanistan and Iraq, would his war leadership automatically exempt him from criticism for his domestic welfare spending, the way it appears to have done in the case of Bush? If Kerry wins, will conservatives be silent about the new president's welfare spending, as long as he wages a good war every two years?

If Kerry seems dangerously socialistic, Bush's competitive efforts to outspend the Democrats have been no help. But it is hard to see how Kerry could possibly be a bigger welfare-monger than Bush. Bush's record makes

all the combined social spending under the last two Democratic presidents look paltry by comparison. Under a Republican we have seen more socialism than a modern Democrat could get away with, and we will continue to see it so long as conservatives continue to support policies that violate conservative principles.

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Kerry doesn't know what a right is

by Sheldon Richman

Not that this disqualifies him from being president, but Senator John F. Kerry proved in the first presidential debate that he misunderstands America's founding philosophy and the U.S. Constitution. (If that disqualified someone from being president, few would qualify.)

Kerry showed his ignorance when asked why someone who regards abortion as murder should be forced to pay for it. Regardless of one's position on abortion, the question is perfectly reasonable.

Kerry's answer was perfectly unreasonable. In part he said, "You have to afford people their constitutional rights. And that means ... making certain that you don't deny a poor person the right to be able to have whatever the Constitution affords them if they can't afford it otherwise."

In other words, to have a right to something means that under some circumstances you are entitled to have other people pay for it. Therefore, if no one is willing to pay, your right has been violated. That is quite ridiculous.

Rights cannot imply positive obligations, but only the negative obligation to abstain from interfering with rightful activity. All rights are rooted in self-ownership — the right to one's person and body. (Believers in the legitimacy of abortion claim to understand this.) The right to one's person logically extends to the things one honestly acquires, including money. That's why common theft is universally regarded as wrong. Thus self-ownership entails the right to one's income.

But if that is so, it is wrong for the government to take people's money by force, a form of theft called taxation. If it is wrong to take someone's money without his consent, it is even worse to take it for a cause that is morally repugnant to the victim.

Thus it is a patent contradiction to argue that the right to abortion legitimizes forcing others to pay for it. One right cannot require the violation of another. What Kerry is really saying is that women who can't pay for abortions have rights superior to those of other people. What possible grounds could there be for that absurdity?

In formal terms, the right to have an abortion is like the right to have a car. One may say that a person has a right to have a car if we understand that to mean that one has a right to acquire a car through voluntary exchange. Voluntary exchange, of course, means that both buyer and seller consent to the transaction. A car thief may not invoke the right to a car to justify his illicit activity, and the desire to have a car does not warrant forcing others to pay for it.

Similarly, the right to an abortion can mean no more than the right to engage in a particular sort of voluntary exchange. No one would think it legitimate if the government forced unwilling doctors to perform abortions. Yet others are forced to pay for them, and many people see nothing wrong with that. What's the difference? In the first case, labor is taken; in the second, money is taken. But money is the fruit of labor.

Kerry sank further into absurdity when he said that although he objects to abortion, "I can't take what is an article of faith for me and legislate it for someone who doesn't share that article of faith." This statement was either sloppy or deceptive. He wasn't asked about outlawing abortion. He was asked about forcing conscientious objectors to pay for it. In fact, by supporting compulsory funding, he favors exactly what he says he opposes: legislating his article of faith (that everyone should pay for abortion) for someone who doesn't share that article of faith.

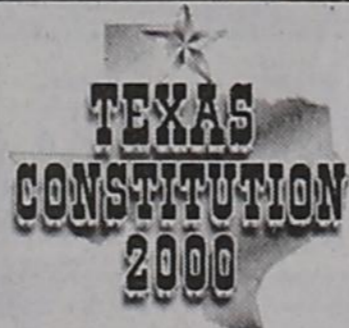
To his credit President Bush said tax money would not be used to pay for abortions. But he's caught in his own contradiction. If people who believe that abortion is murder should not be forced to pay for it, why should those of us who believe his war in Iraq is murder have to pay for it?

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'Lopes lead District 5AA with 20-19 win at Idalou

by Wes Burnett

The Post Antelopes took the District 5AA lead Friday night with a 20-19 win over the until then undefeated Idalou Wildcats. It was the first win over the Wildcats for the 'Lopes since 1993.

Once gain, the Antelopes had to come from behind to claim the victory, and fans faced another "nail-biter" ending. Leading 20-19 in the fourth quarter, the 'Lope defense had trouble shutting down a long sustained drive by the Wildcats.

But as they did in the first quarter of the game, the 'Lope defense bent but didn't break, forcing a fourth down field goal attempt with 2:04 left on the game clock.

Wildcat kicker Chase Espe, who had opened up Idalou scoring with a first quarter field goal, lined up for what might have been the winning score, only to see the ball hook wide to the left... a roar from the Post crowd signaled the end for Idalou.

The Post offense came to the field at their own 11 yard line, and after Jett Lott blasted to the 31 for a first down and then Sterling Smith picked up another first down to the 40 following an Idalou penalty... the junior quarterback took charge in running out the clock.

First Half Action

Idalou won the toss and mounted a strong drive to the end zone on a 13 play drive that fizzled at the Post nine yard line when on third down Trent McDonald stopped Dallas Doshier on a pass play. Espe came in put the ball through the uprights for an Idalou 3-0 lead with 6:54 left on the first quarter clock.

The Post offense was stifled on its first possession when Lott had the ball stripped from him and recovered by the Wildcats at the Idalou 41 yard line.

The defense, led by Jonathan McGregor, Zach Sanchez, Eric Reyna and a smashing quarterback sack by Jerrad Grisham forced a Wildcat punt. The offense mounted a sustained drive, but

ran out of downs at the Idalou 33 yard line early in the second quarter.

The Wildcats took advantage of the situation, driving in 11 plays to the end zone. Quarterback Jeremy Dewbre capped the drive with a 14 yard scamper. The extra point attempt gave the Wildcats a 10-0 lead with 5:40 remaining in the first half.

Showing they still were in the game, the 'Lope offense ripped off an eight play drive to paydirt. Quarterbacks Smith and Wilson Cash alternated running chores with Lott and Randon Blacklock. Cash pulled a keeper around his left end to give the 'Lopes a first down at the Idalou 19 yard line on a crucial fourth down play.

Lott got the handoff from Smith, blasting behind Israel Beggs over right guard, broke through tacklers and into the end zone. Sanchez kicked the extra point putting the 'Lopes with three points with 1:26 left in the first half.

Leading 10-7, the Wildcats weren't going to sit on a slim lead. On the first play after the kickoff, Dewbrey threw a short pass to Travis Isom, who pulled the ball in and raced 80 yards to the end zone. With barely a minute left in the game, the Wildcats took a 16-7 lead.

Post fans were in for a thrilling first half finish. With 1:08 left, Smith pulled a quarterback draw to the Idalou 49, Blacklock picked up another five to the 44 and then Smith threw a pass to Kenneth Garay, who was crossing from his right to left.

Garay took the ball at the 20 and broke through defenders, carrying one to the end zone. With 35 seconds remaining, the 'Lopes trimmed the lead to 16-13. Sanchez missed the extra point and teams turned the field over the bands.

Second Half Action

On its next possession, the Post offense was stopped when Blacklock lost the football at the 'Lope 36 yard line. Idalou began an eight play drive, featuring a

fourth down field goal by Espe from the Post seven yard line. With 6:48 left in the third quarter, the Wildcats extended their lead to 19-13.

McGregor, Chris Reed, McDonald, Blake Nichols, Jace Pollard and Sanchez were credited with key defensive plays which forced the Wildcats to settle for a field goal.

The offense ran off five plays, then was forced to punt on fourth down from their own 33 yard line. With 4:15 left in the third quarter, the Wildcats took the ball at the Idalou 45 yard line.

After a face mask penalty gave the Wildcats a first down at the Post 37, Idalou's Patrick Magee coughed up the ball and Chris Reed caught it for the 'Lopes at the Post 44 yard line.

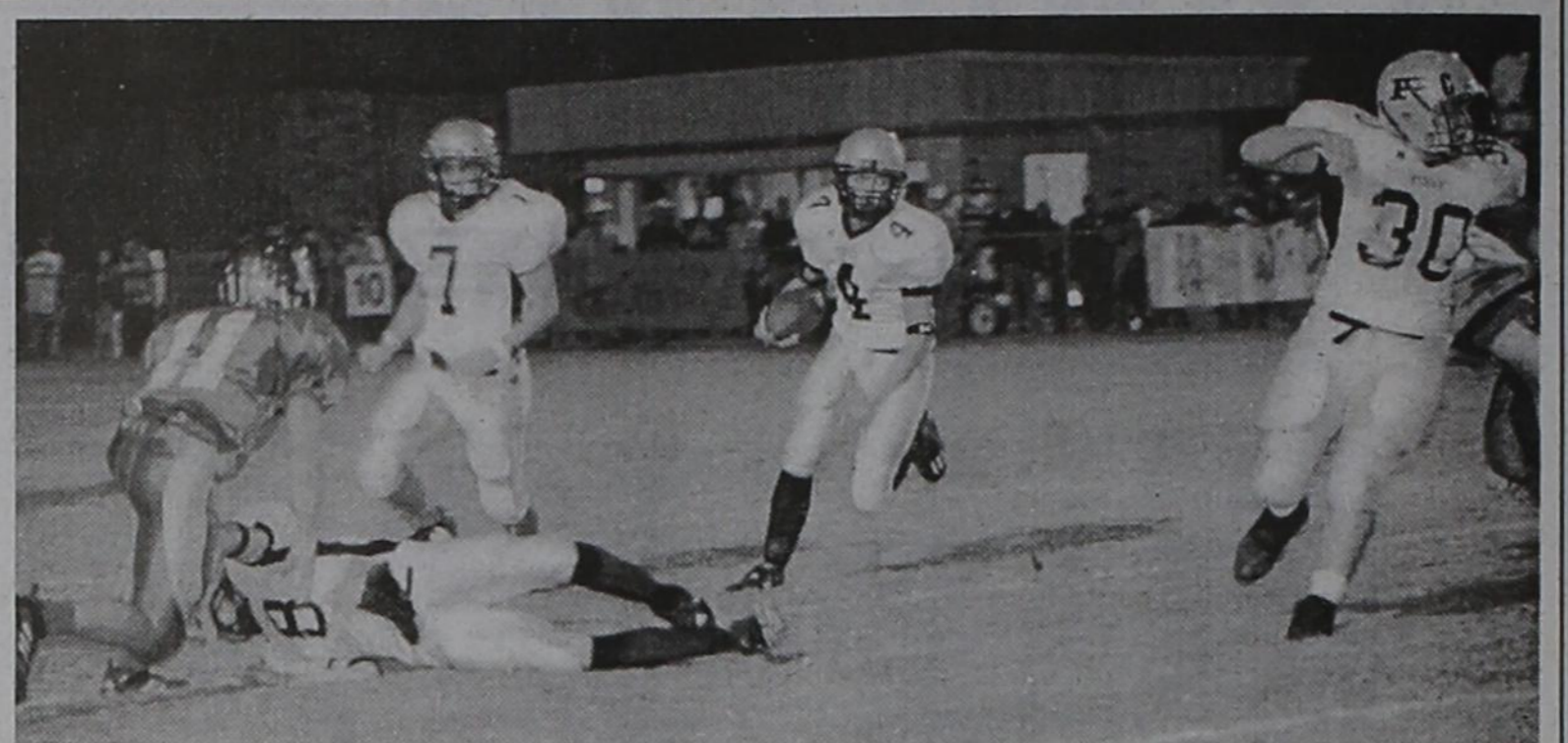
The Antelope offense smelled victory... and marched smartly down the field on a clock-eating nine play drive to the end zone. Lott shared running chores with Blacklock, Smith and Cash as the offensive line blasted holes for the runners.

The fourth quarter opened up with the 'Lopes knocking on the door at the four yard line. Cash took the ball, rolled to his right and made a bee-line for the right end zone marker. His touchdown run came behind blocking by Lott, Blacklock, Beggs, Travis Mathews, McGregor and Grisham.

With 11:55 left in the game, the 'Lopes led 20-19. Now it was up to the defense.

The Wildcats were impressive... they stepped off a 21 play drive that ended with the failed field goal attempt from the Post 11 yard line. Key defensive at the end of the came from Grisham, Reed, Sanchez and Jace Pollard.

The 'Lopes host the Tahoka Bulldogs Friday at Antelope Stadium. Those unable to attend the game will find the live play-by-play action on Post City Radio (www.postcityradio.com and Cebridge Connections Channel 12, with announcer Steve Mason calling the action.



Quarterback Wilson Cash (4) keeps the ball while tacking on more yardage during last Friday's game at Idalou. In on the play are Randon Blacklock (7), Jett Lott (30) and Jerrad Grisham (8). (Photo by Gena Lott)



Post Bold Gold Antelopes held back the Idalou Wildcats running game during their 20-21 win over Idalou last Friday. In on the tackle are Jonathan McGregor (80) and Zach Sanchez (20). (Photo by Gena Lott)

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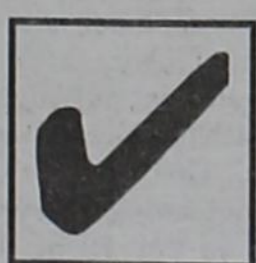
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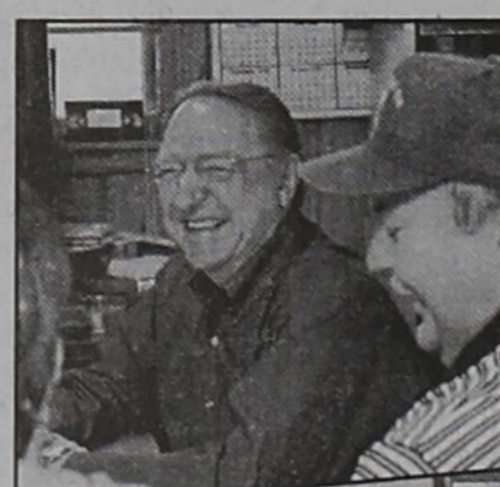
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Jett Lott (30) and Chris Reed (44) converge on Idalou Wildcat runner during action there last Friday. The Antelopes host Tahoka Friday for a 7:30 p.m. kickoff. Get all the play-by-play action live on Post City Radio (Cebridge Connections Channel 12 and www.postcityradio.com). The DVD recorded action will be broadcast Saturday and Sunday at 1, 5 and 10 p.m. by Post City Television on Cebridge Connections Channel 12 and www.postcitytv.com. (Photo by Gena Lott).

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Deadline nears for academy applications

Congressman Charlie Stenholm (TX-17) reminds interested high school and college students and others who may be interested that the deadline for applying to the United States Service Academies for the 2005/2006 school year is just over one month away.

The deadline to apply to any service academy through Congressman Stenholm's office is Wednesday, December 1st, 2004. Interested individuals are encouraged to contact Stenholm's San Angelo Congressional office as soon as possible for more information.

Eligible applicants must be at least 17 but not past their 23rd birthday, and they need to have graduated from high school by June 2005.

They also must be single with no dependents and be a legal resident of the current 17th Congressional District.

Competitive applicants should be in the top 15 percent of their class. They need to have SAT scores above 550 Verbal and 600 Math or ACT scores of 26 English and 27 Math.



During recent Post Antelopes 7th Grade football action at Idalou, Mitchell James (80), Addrian Basquez (55) and Clint Windham (12) runs in for support as an Idalou ball carrier is brought down. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

VOTE FOR DANIEL YARBRO

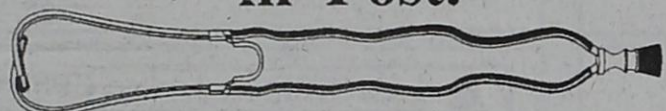
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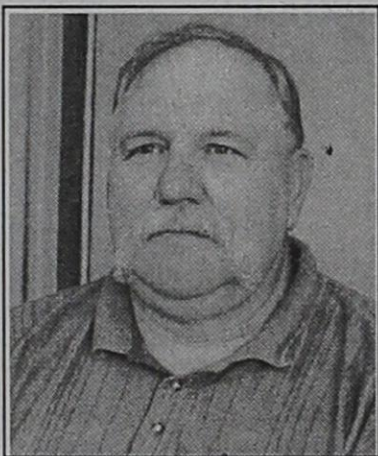
The reception will be held at the Post Community Center
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Quarterback Jarrett Blevins (12) kept the ball for more yardage as Patrick Martinez (10) ran in for blocking support during the recent 8th Grade Post Antelopes game against Idalou. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

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CLIFF LAWS



for Sheriff of Garza County

I am Cliff Laws, Democratic Candidate for Garza County Sheriff. I am all for saving the tax payer's money, but it should not be at the expense of losing services to the public.

Why is money returned to the general fund at the end of the budget year when the county still faces a serious illegal drug problem? This money could be used to help fight this problem and also used to upgrade our facilities so we could better serve the public. Deputies should be out patrolling the streets and not doing repairs on the Garza County Sheriff's Department.

In the past 12 years, 21 deputies and 28 dispatchers have left the employment of the sheriff's office. How much did it cost to train these 48 people and why has there been such a big turnover? If I am elected I will do my best to have the best deputies and dispatchers and have as little turnover as possible.

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VOTE FOR CLIFF LAWS for Garza County Sheriff

Remember Early Voting Oct. 18-29

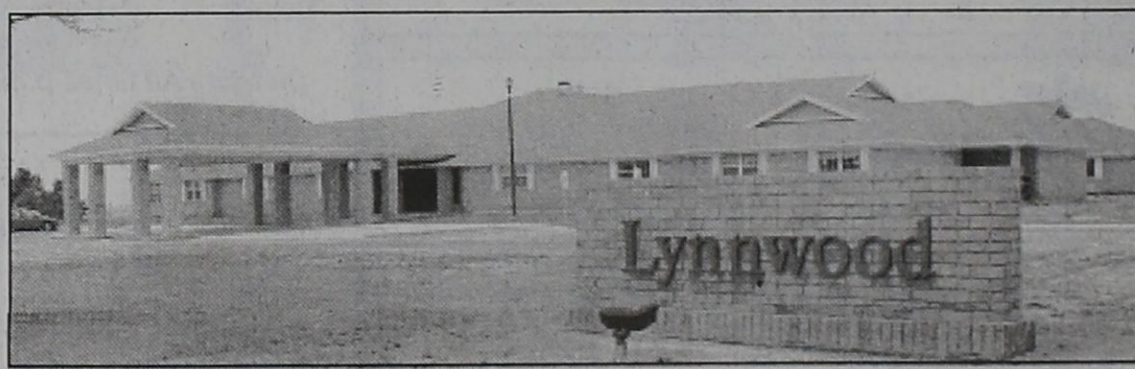
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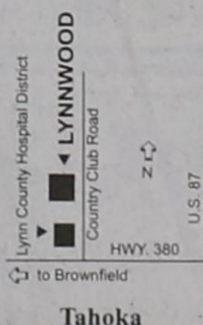
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Local Candidate Choices

Editor's Note: We sent letters to Garza County candidates in contested positions offering free space to express their views on their candidacies. The following are responses from those candidates.

Democratic Party

Republican Party & Write-In

District & County Clerk



Jay Young

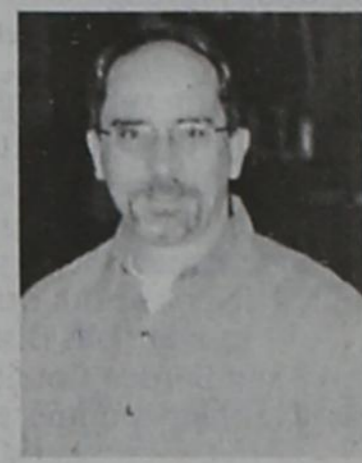
The office of county and district clerk is the hub of all county business. The records for courts, deeds, marriage licenses, birth and death records and all official business are filed in these offices, and accuracy and efficiency are of extreme importance.

I believe that my experience in business, particularly in the computer area, will be a valuable asset to the county if I am elected to this position.

I am asking you to place your confidence in Jay Young in electing me to be your next Garza County and District Clerk.

I urge everyone to cast his or her vote on Nov. 2.

Jim Plummer



As a small business owner for 13-plus years, I understand the importance of quality record keeping, commitment to the job and accountability to the customer. My experience as the City of Post municipal judge will be beneficial when working with the county and district courts.

I believe that all government officials are public servants. A public servant should be willing to sacrifice in order to provide low-cost services.

In most matters I take a conservative approach.

To vote for me, you must write in 'Jim Plummer' for county and district clerk. My name will not be on the ballot.

County Sheriff



Cliff Laws

My name is Cliff Laws, Democratic candidate for sheriff of Garza County. I have been in law enforcement for 25 years, and the last 15 years have been in Garza County.

I think it is time that the deputies get to know the citizens and gain their trust and friendship. I want the sheriff's office to have an open-door policy, so anyone that has concerns can come in and discuss these concerns personally with the sheriff. I want to have a stronger approach on all criminal activity and a better working relationship with all law enforcement agencies.

Kenny Ratke



Since 1985 my family and I have proven ourselves as caring neighbors in our community. I made promises and set goals when I became your sheriff in 1992.

My staff and I continue to fight the social issues that plague our society. We have arrested narcotic, family violence and property crime offenders in unprecedented numbers in county history. Officer upgrades, staffing, jail overcrowding and other tough issues have been tackled, saving you hundreds of thousands of tax dollars in the process.

I feel I have personally lived up to the challenges of public office while maintaining your public trust.

County Commissioner Precinct 1



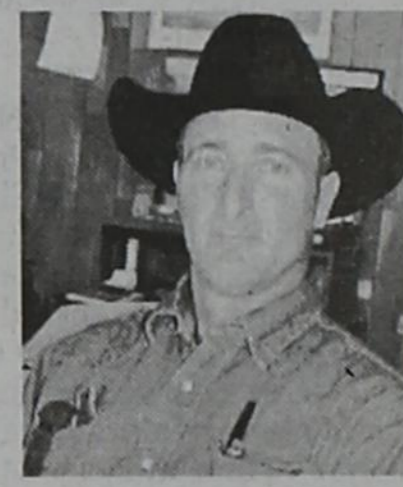
Lee Norman

As a lifelong farmer and resident I have had the opportunity to be involved in our community. In the 12 years serving as county commissioner I have been dedicated to meeting the challenges of setting the budget and tax rate for the county and supervising county road maintenance.

I serve on County committees such as: law enforcement, Community Center, Insurance, Airport, Ambulance, Museum and Courthouse wiring renovation. I have obtained a FEMA project to improve 26 miles of county roads in Precinct One.

I currently serve as Judge pro tem and supervise other duties as needed for the County. I am asking for your vote in continuing my job as County Commissioner.

Gary McDaniel



I believe in smaller, more efficient government.

Garza County taxpayers have been burdened with a 35 percent increase in property taxes in the past two years, but is the county in any better shape than it was? I will work with all county departments to help ensure tax dollars are spent wisely.

If you have concerns about the way your tax dollars are handled, I won't take it as a personal attack. I understand the sources of tax money are not an endless well. I will always remember I work for you. I will do my best to maintain the roads and ditches in Precinct 1 in a timely fashion.

County Constable Precinct 1



Daniel Yarbro

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- There are so many other reasons that I can think of.
- Most of all I have lived in this community my entire life and wouldn't want to live anywhere else. I ask that you let me continue to serve you as your constable for Precinct 1.

Randy Nielsen



I have lived in Garza County for over two years. I am a dedicated family man and will give the citizens a strong and respected voice in county government. As your Precinct 1 Constable, I will make sure that your concerns are heard and treated fairly and impartially. I will protect the citizens of Garza County in many ways:

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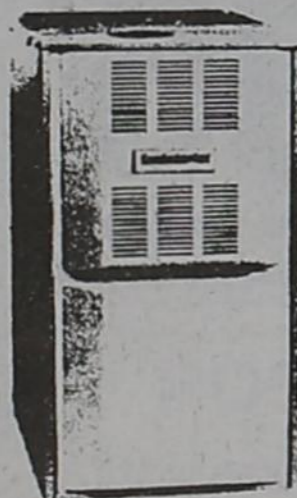
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YOUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY, RICKY B. SMITH**

I am Ricky B. Smith. I am your District Attorney. I began working in the District Attorney's office in 1976 as an Assistant District Attorney under Joe Smith (no relation) from Seminole. When Joe retired at the end of his term in 1983, I ran for the office, was elected, and took office on January 1, 1984. It has been my honor and privilege to serve as your District Attorney for the past 20 years.

I am now running for re-election to the office of District Attorney of the 106th Judicial District. I believe that I am the most experienced, most qualified candidate in this race.

This has been a clean race and I intend to keep it that way. Theda and I are very grateful for the support and encouragement we are receiving from all of you, Democrats, Republicans and Independents alike.

You will begin going to the polls on Monday, October 18th for early voting. Early voting continues through October 29. Election day is November 2nd.

I have the experience where it counts, and the qualifications where it matters.

**EXPERIENCE WHERE IT COUNTS
IN THE TRIAL COURT**

I have tried major felony cases before juries in Dawson, Gaines, Garza and Lynn Counties. Those cases include the successful prosecution of defendants for capital murder, murder, aggravated robbery, aggravated sexual assault of adults and children; drug possession and drug delivery, drunk driving, and many other serious crimes.

In addition, District Judges from Midland, Andrews, Scurry, Hockley, Lubbock, Yoakum, Terry and Borden Counties have shown their confidence in me by calling on me to handle felony cases in their counties when their elected District Attorneys were disqualified.

IN THE APPELLATE COURTS

When a case has been successfully prosecuted in trial court, the case does not end there. The case then goes to the appellate courts. I have successfully defended jury verdicts before the Eastland Court of Appeals, the El Paso Court of Appeals, and the Amarillo Court of Appeals, and before the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals in Austin, the highest criminal appellate court in Texas.

In addition, defendants often file Writs of Habeas Corpus in state and federal courts. I have handled the state writs and I have worked with the Attorney General's Office with respect to the federal writs as well as the Writ of Certiorari before the Supreme Court of the United States.

QUALIFIED WHERE IT MATTERS

Graduate of Baylor University Law School

Board Certified in Criminal Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization of the State Bar of Texas

Fellow Member of the College of the State Bar of Texas

A Certified Texas Peace Officer who holds the Basic, Intermediate, Advanced and Master Peace Officer Certificates

Faculty Member of the College of the National District Attorneys' Association

PROVEN LEADERSHIP:

IN THE COMMUNITY

I have served as President or Director of many civic organizations, including President of the Lamesa Noon Lions Club; President of the Lamesa Boys and Girls Club; President of Lamesa Little League Association; President of the Lamesa Bar Association; Director of the Dawson County Senior Citizens Center; Campaign Chairman of the Dawson County United Fund.

I have also served as City Council member and Mayor Pro Tem for the City of Lamesa and City Attorney for the City of Lamesa and the City of O'Donnell.

I have provided free legal service: to citizens unable to pay a legal fee; to area churches and to non-profit organizations, such as the O'Donnell Volunteer Ambulance Service, the Dawson County Senior Citizens Center, and the Dawson County Peace Officers Association.

TO LAW ENFORCEMENT

I have instructed peace officers throughout the area in various law enforcement courses, including search and seizure, courtroom presentation, and evidence handling.

I have distributed thousands of dollars to law enforcement agencies in Dawson, Gaines, Garza and Lynn counties that was collected from forfeiture cases that I filed in connection with illegal drug activities and other criminal enterprises, and my office has a good working relationship with all local, state and federal law enforcement agencies.

I helped organize the 106th Judicial District Drug Task Force to deal with illegal drug activity within the 106th Judicial District. I am currently working with the Sheriffs of all four counties to obtain a grant to fund a Narcotics Task Force consisting of trained narcotics peace officers to deal with illegal drug activity in Dawson, Gaines, Garza and Lynn Counties and in our schools

LIFE-LONG COMMITMENTS:

TO FAMILY

I was born and raised in Dawson County. I married my high-school sweetheart, Theda Hogg, on June 15, 1968. Theda is the daughter of life-long Dawson County farmers, Gonzell and Sandy Hogg. Theda and I recently celebrated 36 years of marriage. We raised four children, all of whom graduated from Lamesa High School. We have seven grandchildren.

TO OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

I have always tried to encourage our young people to set high goals for themselves and to strive to achieve those goals. I have employed many of your sons and daughters through school vocational programs and during the summer recess. Some of those young people have gone on to pursue university degrees; some now have families of their own; some are professionals; all have pursued their goals and I am extremely proud of them.

TO MY JOB

Throughout my career, I have worked hard to improve my skills as a prosecutor. My training has included advanced courses in homicide prosecution, trial advocacy, forensic evidence, arson prosecution, crimes against children, internet crime and many others.

I have never shied away from the politically unpopular cases. It has been my position that if I am not willing to try the politically powerful individual, then I could not look in the face of the less fortunate and try him for the same kind of crime.

This has never been an 8 to 5 job for me. I generally am in the office by 6:30 a.m. and I stay until the job is done, often into the night.

I currently serve as a faculty member of the College of the National District Attorneys' Association and I have taught trial advocacy courses to prosecutors from across the country at the National Advocacy Center in Columbia, South Carolina.

TO MYSELF

From the standpoint of trying to be the best person I can be
My father, Robert E. L. Smith, lived through the great depression and honorably served our country in World War II. He dedicated his life to honorable public service as the longest-tenured District Clerk in Dawson County history.

My mother's family immigrated to this country from Germany under the harshest conditions. She and her family lived in a tent beside a railroad track. She had to quit school at an early age to work in the cotton fields to help support the family.

My parents, like many of yours, sacrificed and went without to help me become one of the first members of the Smith and Renner families to obtain a college degree.

My parents taught me to respect other people, regardless of the color of their skin or of their religious beliefs; to work hard; to conduct myself honorably; and to treat people the way I would want to be treated.

I have tried hard to not let my parents down. I love them dearly and I know that but for their guidance and the Grace of God, I could have easily found myself in the position of many of the people with whom I deal. Keeping that always in mind, I have tried to be fair in my dealings with those who break the law, while, at the same time, making sure that the community has been protected and the rights of the victim have been taken into consideration.

PLEASE VOTE, EITHER DURING THE EARLY VOTING PERIOD OF OCTOBER 18 THROUGH OCTOBER 29, OR ON ELECTION DAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2004, AND PLEASE VOTE TO KEEP ME AS YOUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

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Sincerely,

Ricky B. Smith

Ricky B. Smith
District Attorney



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Placing 1st in the Cross Country 4-mile Relay at Nelson Park in Abilene, Texas are Varsity Lady Lopes Team 1 members (left to right), Christina Zellmer, Rachel Gray, Lyndee Strawn and Christin Collier. (Photo by Susan Strawn)



Competing in the Varsity Girls Cross Country Track Meet at Nelson Park in Abilene are Lady Lopes (left to right), Jenee Lott, Lyndee Strawn, Christin Collier, Meagan Hoover, Samantha Hoover, Christina Zellmer, Sunnie Barbosa and Rachel Gray. (Photo by Susan Strawn)

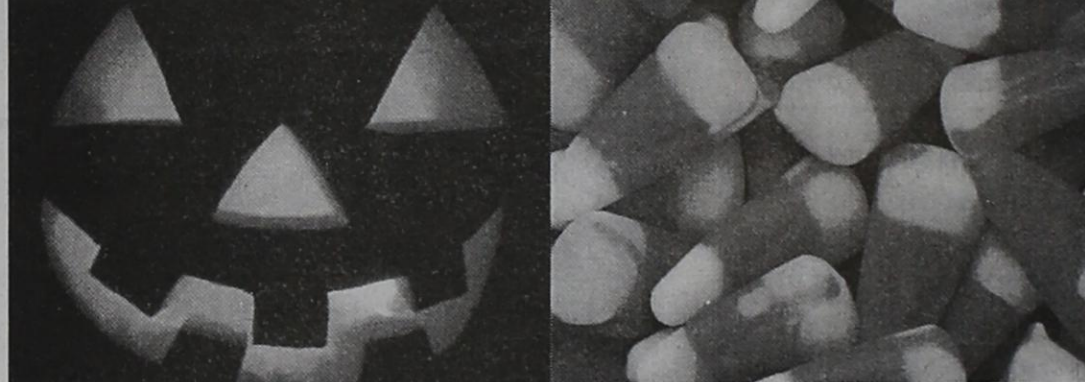


Varsity Lady Lopes Relay Team 1 member Christin Collier (right) hustles through the first leg of the 4-mile relay as Jenee Lott follows close behind for Team 2 during Abilene Track Meet at Nelson Park. (Photo by Susan Strawn)



Varsity Lady Lopes Team 1 member Christina Zellmer (left) releases baton to team mate Lyndee Strawn during recent 4-mile Relay competition at Nelson Park in Abilene. (Photo by Susan Strawn)

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Church of God in Italy ... a history and personal story

by José A Payano

I should be saying I married Ms. Felicia Silvana Cabo Samson in San Pedro de Macoris, Dominican Republic, on Feb. 8, 1969. I don't remember when I promised her I would take her to Spain on our 10th anniversary. When



and I planned that on Feb. 8, our 32nd wedding anniversary, we would arrive in Venice. On Friday we left for Madrid, Spain, and returned Sunday morning to Rome, Italy. Once again the pastor invited me to preach to the congregation. We left Italy on Feb. 12, leaving a church that appreciated us and who the Holy Spirit had blessed through our ministry. I had once again gained credibility in the eyes of Sister Felicia (after 32 years).

Upon arriving in the United States, we began to communicate with Pastor Daniel, and my wife and I decided to invite him to come to and attend our state convention in Waco. After a few months, he informed us that he would come. It was then we informed Brother Hector Ortiz, State Presbyter for Texas, and requested that Brother Cipollone be allowed to greet the state convention.

After meeting each other, Brother Daniel Cipollone and Brother Ortiz planned to deliver a workshop to the Ebenezer Church in November on the Paradigm of the Discernment, a lesson prepared by Brother Ortiz, which had been a great blessing to the people of God. During our February visit, Sister Felicia had spoken to him about the blessings Ladies Retreat had been, a ministry in which she has been involved. During this visit, he decided to host a Ladies Day, with Sister Felicia as the guest speaker. In eight months

we were again in Rome ministering to the Latin American Ebenezer Church. The workshop was of great inspiration and of much blessing for the whole church. The Ladies Day was largely blessed, like water to the thirsty. The following individuals participated in this second trip: Presbyter Hector Ortiz and his wife, Dollie Ortiz; Sister Rosie Ramirez of California; Pastor José A. Payano and his wife, Felicia Payano.

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Before traveling to Rome, Sister Lourdes Echeverria encountered Sister Marta Aguilar in the Metropolitan and was informed we would be returning to Rome. She requested our telephone number. We received her call and the invitation to visit their residence, which we were happy to do for we longed to see them since October. Upon seeing them again, they informed us they felt the need to begin another

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<p>#C7006</p>  <p>'04 Trailblazer Ext MSRP \$36,285 Dealer Discount \$2,993 Nat'l. Rebate \$4,500 GMAC Fin. Allow. \$1,500 \$27,292</p>	<p>#G7096</p>  <p>'04 Yukon XL MSRP \$41,995 Dealer Discount \$4,554 Nat'l. Rebate \$4,500 GMAC Fin. Allow. \$1,500 \$31,441</p>	<p>#C7206</p>  <p>'04 Chevy Z71 Suburban MSRP \$49,360 Dealer Discount \$5,499 Nat'l. Rebate \$4,500 GMAC Fin. Allow. \$1,500 \$37,861</p>	<p>#C6950</p>  <p>'04 Chevy Z71 Tahoe MSRP \$44,485 Dealer Discount \$4,913 Nat'l. Rebate \$4,500 GMAC Fin. Allow. \$1,500 \$33,572</p>	<p>#G7137</p>  <p>'04 GMC 3/4 Ton WT MSRP \$26,625 Dealer Discount \$2,139 Nat'l. Rebate \$3,500 GMAC Fin. Allow. \$1,500 \$19,486</p>				
<p>BigCountry BILL WILSON'S AUTOLAND 4004 Spur 84, Snyder, Texas (325) 573-5456 or 1-800-573-5459</p>					<p>#TG6427</p>  <p>'04 Yukon XL Denali MSRP \$53,265 Dealer Discount \$6,116 Nat'l. Rebate \$4,500 GMAC Fin. Allow. \$1,500 \$41,149</p>	<p>#G6803</p>  <p>'04 Yukon Denali MSRP \$51,850 Dealer Discount \$5,851 Nat'l. Rebate \$4,500 GMAC Fin. Allow. \$1,500 \$39,999</p>	<p>#C7196</p>  <p>'04 Chevy Tahoe MSRP \$35,975 Dealer Discount \$3,544 Nat'l. Rebate \$4,500 GMAC Fin. Allow. \$1,500 \$26,431</p>	<p>#G7228</p>  <p>'04 GMC 3/4 Ton 4x4 WT MSRP \$29,025 Dealer Discount \$3,029 Nat'l. Rebate \$3,500 GMAC Fin. Allow. \$1,500 \$20,996</p>

A journey worth repeating...

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mission and asked if we could give the spiritual covering, which we accept and we gave them materials with the teachings of the church. We agreed that we would meet again on Nov. 4.

After enjoying a succulent meal, we explained the church's teachings. Once they agreed with the teachings, we proceeded to receive as members the group of individuals interested in forming the mission. The following are the names of the individuals: Leo, Lourdes and Jonathan Echeverria, Karina Cevallos, Lucy and Katuska Giovannetti. Each accepted the right hand of membership. Brother Mario Giovannetti and Sister Martha Aguilar, members of the church in Barrio Lempiras in Honduras, also were part of this group of founders. On Nov. 4 at 3 p.m. in the home of Brother Leo and Sister Lourdes Echeverria at Antonio Luici No. 10 in Rome, the mission in Rome was officially established by Bishop Jose A. Payano. The members were added to the church in Post. This group constituted the founding members of the mission in Rome. My wife and I committed to send \$100 a month for a year to help with the mission. We returned to the United States with the joy we had started something, all within the will of God.

In the following days, Sister Lucy Giovannetti contacted the pastor of the Living Gospel Church (Iglesia del Evangelio Viviente), Rev. Luigi Brugnneti, informing of the birth of the mission and requesting the use of their facility to host their meetings. Our brother allowed the group to meet

twice a week at the Pietro Bembo 40 church. The work began to yield fruits immediately, as if it were a mature mission having been part of the Church of God of Prophecy for some time. Upon my return, Bishop Ortiz was in El Paso. I traveled there and gave a full report. We planned a return trip to Rome for March 2003, where we planned to minister the word to the group that had grown spiritually as well as financially.

Our fourth missionary trip was in March 2003, a date that coincided with the visit of the European Presbyter, Bishop Clayton Endecott and Brother Ximo Gregorio from Spain who were visiting the work in Brescia and Naples. Brother Luigi Brugnneti invited Brother Ortiz to preach to the Italian church, a time saturated with the power of the word of God, and served for them to get to know us better. The Italian church and the Latin church celebrated united services every two weeks. It was on Saturday during the evening service that Brother Ortiz felt the inspiration of having a family conference during the month of September. The news was received with joy by the community of faith. Brother Payano was appointed coordinator for the event. That night, March 4, 2003, Brother Ortiz, Brother Endecott and Sister Norma Soto gave \$500 for the expenses of the conference. Brother and Sister Payano donated pizza for all the brethren who were present. This missionary group was composed of Bishop Ortiz, Sister Norma Soto and Brother and Sister Payano.

During the month of June, I made my

fifth missionary trip to Rome, primarily to promote the family conference. I was accompanied by Bishop Manuel Girón, pastor of the Church of God of Prophecy in Palestine, Texas. There was great enthusiasm and expectation by the brethren for the conference. On this occasion, I was able to minister the word to the Italian church and this brought the friendship with Brother Luigi and the congregation closer.

The month of September was quickly approaching, and my financial resources were in chaos. I didn't have the funds to purchase our tickets to what would now be our sixth missionary trip to Rome. I started to think we would not be able to make it for the conference. The local church in Post worked hard and enthusiastically and was able to cover both tickets. From the first missionary trip to Rome, the church in Post has not ceased to pray and contribute to the work in Italy. Sister Katuska Giovannetti spent two months in Post studying English.

The staff Brothers Ortiz chose was composed of Brother and Sister Jimenez of San Antonio; Brother José and Sister Felicia Payano of Post; Bishop Clayton Endecott of Germany, who came with his wife, their son and daughter-in-law; Brother Ximo Gregorio, his wife and children from New York, who at the last moment could not travel; as well as Bishop Ortiz and his wife, Dollie. We also were joined by Sister Digna Campos from New York and Brother Luis King, pastor of the church in Amsterdam, N.Y. We celebrated the Conference Rocca of Papa, where 24 nations were represented. It was a wonderful experience. During the Saturday evening service,

Sister Antonieta of the Italian church, after seeking the baptism of the Holy Spirit for almost 20 years, was baptized with the evidence of speaking in tongues as the spirit gave her utterance. Others were called to serve in the ministry. Brother Luciano Naliato, pastor in Alessandria, came with a group of sisters from the congregation. Brother Luigi Brugnneti also participated with his congregation. It was an unforgettable weekend and one with which the new mission would take a direction no one had imagined. God was working in the hearts of all, and we could only watch in admiration at what God was doing in the lives of his people.

On Monday morning, Brother Leo Echeverria informed me of his decision to resign his pastorate of the mission and leave the Church of God of the Prophecy. We regretted the decision, for our brother had worked arduously for the mission and the family conference. We regret his decision but respect it. They had made a sacrifice in the work of establishing the mission in Rome. That same day, Brother Luciano, who had traveled to return to Alessandria, called us to inform us that he wanted to return to Rome and speak with us. Our brother arrived Tuesday morning, and from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. we answered his questions, showing him how the Church of God worked. He requested that we visit the church in Alessandria. We immediately made the necessary arrangements and our trip was deferred by one week in order to fulfill our brother's desire. Brother Ortiz had already planned a trip to Switzerland and upon his return, we would go to Alessandria.

On Thursday, the church had a special

service where we thanked the Echeverria family for the good work they had done for the kingdom of God. The church thanked him and there were many tears due to our brother's departure. On Sunday night, Brother José Avilla was appointed pastor of the mission. Brother Ortiz returned from his trip to Switzerland. On Wednesday, Brother Luigi Brugnneti, pastor of the Italian church, began to distribute among the brethren his business card as pastor of the Church of God of the Prophecy, without even having become a member or notifying us of what he planned to do.

Brother Luigi Brugnneti and his wife, Liliana, Sister Lucy Giovannetti, Brother Ortiz and his wife, Brother Payano and Sister Felicia left in two vehicles heading to northern Italy toward Alessandria.

Brother Ortiz preached the word in Alessandria and the brethren were blessed. We visited the brethren in Luino, where Brother Payano preached the word. We met Pastor Laverde and his church was grateful for our visit. Brother Ortiz had invited the brethren from Brescia to join us during the Sunday service. It had been good to meet and get to know them, but they were unable to come. After a succulent meal, Brother Luciano Naliato decided to take the pact of membership of the church in his office. His membership was taken to the church in Post. We agreed to return in November with the purpose of receiving more new members and to organize the local church. We traveled the whole night and we arrived in the early hours of the next morning to Rome. On Wednesday, Brother Luigi Brugnneti and his wife took the pact of membership and were added to the membership of the church in Post. The following day, the Avila brethren also were received as members. The Avila brethren were members of the Church of God in Peru, where they are from. They had been ministering in the church on Tiburtina Street for more than eight years in Rome.

In November we arrived in Rome for my seventh missionary trip, with the intention of organizing the churches in Rome and Alessandria. Brother Ortiz and his wife, Brother Mike Holly of Post and Brother José Payano formed the missionary team on this trip. We arrived in Alessandria, where we taught the church doctrine, answering the questions they asked. We wrote down the names of the individuals that would become the founders of the Church of God in Alessandria. On Sunday, the church was organized by Brother Ortiz with 25 members. The brethren from Brescia arrived and enjoyed themselves in the Lord. They had a long conversation with Brother Ortiz. Brother Luciano agreed to visit the brethren in Brescia and minister the word of God. On Saturday we returned via train to Rome where the Italian church in Pietro Bembo was organized by Brother Ortiz with 11 members. On Sunday afternoon, the Latin church held a baptismal service. We taught the doctrine of the church and its teachings, we received our members and transfers and the Latin church was organized with 26 members.

The following day, we visited Brother Apolitano Enrique, who had been working with a group in Naples. We preached the word of God and we had a beautiful time there with the brethren. The service was held in another denomination's church and they were pleased with the preached word and invited us to visit the central church in Naples the next time we returned. It was glorious to return home with the satisfaction of pleasing God and being a blessing to his people.

I want to express my gratitude for all the accomplishments obtained for the kingdom of God, for all he has allowed to come to pass in Italy. All the glory and the honor belong to the savior and his redeeming work on Calvary. Also to Sister Martha Aguilar, who was the reason for our visit to Italy. To Pastor José Daniel Cipollone, to the Church Ebenezer, Brother Leo Echeverria and his family. To Mario y Lucy Giovannetti and their family. To the local church in Post who has sacrificed itself, allowing

us time to dedicate to the missionary work in Italy. To the church in Amsterdam, N.Y., for their financial and spiritual support to Rome. To Brother Manuel Girón and the churches in Palestine, Dallas, Crockett and Henderson for their financial assistance and spiritual support. To Brother Ortiz, Texas Presbyter, who, with the vision and tenacious work, was able to inspire us to continue ahead even in the most difficult moments to establish the work. To the State of Texas for its unconditional financial support in for the many expenses this work has cost. To the church in San Angelo and the Humphrey family. Thanks to Mike Holly, Kit Osborn, Miguelina Garcia, Irma Gómez and all those who in one way or another have sown a seed in Italy. And to all those who I have unwittingly omitted from mentioning here, know that God remembers your work and you will receive great rewards for the labor of love you've given for Italy.

In order to coordinate the transition of the work to Bishop Clayton Endecott, the Presbyter of Europe, I made my eighth missionary trip to Italy in March. Together with Brother Luciano we visited the brethren in Brescia, Luino and Taino. Of course, we ministered to the church in Alessandria. In Rome, I ministered to the Italian and Latin churches. I promoted Brother Ortiz and his wife's arrival, as well as prepared the brethren for the administrative transition of the following month. I said goodbye to the brethren in Rome, with the promise of seeing them again in the first national convention in October. Mainly due to Sister Dollie's illness, Brother Ortiz decided he could not go in April for the transition. I received a call from him in which he informed me it was necessary for me to go to Italy for the transition. Without even wishing for it, I found myself taking my ninth missionary trip to Italy. I arrived April 26 and on April 28, I ministered to the Italian church. Brother Ximo Gregorio arrived from Spain and Brother Endecott arrived on April 29. We had a ministerial meeting and he preached the word that evening. We had ministerial meetings on Friday and Saturday. Brother Ximo Gregorio was appointed representative for the Mediterranean area. We visited the notary to continue the process of registering the church with the Italian government. On Saturday, the ministry was informed that Brother Luciano Naliato was appointed as the legal as well as the spiritual representative of the Church of God of Prophecy. An official notification will be sent from the United States to be given to the notary and to continue the process of registering the church with the Italian government.

On Saturday evening, Brother Ximo ministered to the Italian church and on Sunday morning, Brother Endecott ministered to the Latin church. On Tuesday, we went to Alessandria where Brother Endecott met the brethren and saw a piece of property where the local church plans to build a project to reach the communities of Marengo and Alessandria. That evening, Brother Endecott preached in English. I interpreted to Spanish and Brother Luciano interpreted to Italian. At midnight, we took a train to Rome, where we arrived at 8 in the morning. On the same day, Brother Endecott returned to Germany and Brother Ximo returned to Spain. Both returned with a great impression of what God had helped us do, all for the glory of God.

Now, Brother Luciano Naliato is making plans for the first national convention to be held in October. This is to the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Brother Ortiz invited the pastors and their wives to come to the Texas state convention with the promise that he would pay half of their tickets if they paid the difference. Due to arrive in Houston are Brother Luciano Naliato with his wife, Maria, and their son, Manuel; Brother Luigi Brugnneti with his wife, Luliana, and their daughter, Ana Maria; and Brother José Abila with his wife, Carmen. We thank all the churches that have helped with the funds to cover the expenses that this invitation bears. Please continue to pray for the world of the Lord in Italy.

Sample Ballot

GENERAL ELECTION (ELECCION GENERAL)

(Condado de) GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS

NOVEMBER 2, 2004 (2 de noviembre de 2004)

SAMPLE BALLOT (BOLETA DE MUESTRA)

INSTRUCTION NOTE: Vote for the candidate of your choice in each race by placing an "X" in the square beside the candidate's name. You may cast a straight-party vote (that is, cast a vote for all the nominees of one party) by placing an "X" in the square beside the name of the party of your choice. If you cast a straight-party vote for all the nominees of one party and also cast a vote for an opponent of one of that party's nominees, your vote for the opponent will be counted as well as your vote for all the other nominees of the party for which the straight-party vote was cast.

(NOTA DE INSTRUCCION: Vote por el candidato de su preferencia para cada candidatura marcando una "X" en el espacio cuadrado a la izquierda del nombre del candidato. Usted podrá votar por todos los candidatos de un solo partido político ("straight ticket") marcando una "X" en el espacio cuadrado a la izquierda del nombre de ese partido político. Si usted vota por uno de los partidos políticos y también vota por el contrincante de uno de los candidatos de dicho partido político se contará su voto por el contrincante tanto como su voto por todos los demás candidatos del partido político de su preferencia.)

Candidates for: (Candidatos para:)	REPUBLICAN PARTY (Partido Republicano)	DEMOCRATIC PARTY (Partido Democratico)	LIBERTARIAN PARTY (Partido Libertariano)	INDEPENDENT (Independiente)	WRITE-IN (Voto Escrito)
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United States Representative, District 19 (Representante de los Estados Unidos, Distrito Num. 19)	<input type="checkbox"/> Randy Neugebauer	<input type="checkbox"/> Charles W. Stenholm	<input type="checkbox"/> Richard Peterson		
Railroad Commissioner (Comisionado de Ferrocarriles)	<input type="checkbox"/> Victor G. Carrillo	<input type="checkbox"/> Bob Scarborough	<input type="checkbox"/> Anthony Garcia		
Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3 (Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Num. 3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Harriet O'Neill				
Justice, Supreme Court, Place 5 (Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Num. 5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Paul Green				
Justice, Supreme Court, Place 9 (Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Num. 9)	<input type="checkbox"/> Scott Brister	<input type="checkbox"/> David Van Os			
Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2 (Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Num. 2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Lawrence "Larry" Meyers		<input type="checkbox"/> Quannah Parker		
Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 5 (Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Num. 5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Cheryl Johnson		<input type="checkbox"/> Tom Oxford		
Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 6 (Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Num. 6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Michael E. Keasler	<input type="checkbox"/> J. R. Molina			
State Senator, District 28 (Senador Estatal, Distrito Num. 28)	<input type="checkbox"/> Robert Duncan				
State Representative, District 85 (Representante Estatal, Distrito Num. 85)	<input type="checkbox"/> Kent Sharp	<input type="checkbox"/> James E. "Pete" Laney			
Justice, 7th Court of Appeals District, Place 4 (Juez, Corte de Apelaciones, Distrito Num. 7th, Lugar Num. 4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Jim Campbell				
District Attorney, 106th Judicial District (Procurador del Distrito, Distrito Judicial Num. 106th)	<input type="checkbox"/> Brian L. Kingston	<input type="checkbox"/> Ricky B. Smith			
District and County Clerk, Unexpired Term (Secretario del Distrito y Condado, Duración restante del Cargo)		<input type="checkbox"/> Jay Young			<input type="checkbox"/>
Sheriff (Sherife)	<input type="checkbox"/> Kenny Ratke	<input type="checkbox"/> Cliff Laws			

Precincts 3 & 4 Ballot

Precinct	Candidate	Candidate
Precinct 1 Ballot County Commissioner, Precinct No. 1 (Comisionado del Condado, Precinto Num. 1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Gary McDaniel	<input type="checkbox"/> Lee Norman
Constable, Precinct No. 1 (Condestable, Precinto Num. 1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Randy Nielsen	<input type="checkbox"/> Daniel Yarbro
Precinct 2 Ballot Constable, Precinct No. 1 (Condestable, Precinto Num. 1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Randy Nielsen	<input type="checkbox"/> Daniel Yarbro

On All Ballots:

UNCONTESTED CANDIDATES DECLARED ELECTED (CANDIDATO SIN CONTENDIENTE DECLARADO ELECTO)

Office Title (Titulo Oficina)	Candidate Elected (Candidato Electo)	Party (Partido)
County Attorney (Procurador del Condado)	Leslie C. Acker	Democratic (Partido Democratico)
County Tax Assessor/Collector (Asesor-Collector de Impuestos del Condado)	Judy Bush	Democratic (Partido Democratico)
County Commissioner, Precinct No. 3 (Comisionado del Condado, Precinto Num. 3)	John Valdez	Democratic (Partido Democratico)
Constable, Precinct No. 2 (Condestable, Precinto Num. 2)	Eric Cravy	Democratic (Partido Democratico)



Texas Country Reporter personnel were in Post on Friday and Saturday, October 1 and 2, 2004 to tape footage for an upcoming episode. The story focuses on Jim and Janice Plummer, who are owners of the Hotel Garza Bed & Breakfast, the hotels relationship with the Garza Theatre and Post tourism. The segment is scheduled to air the weekend of November 6th and 7th, 2004. The program should appear on Lubbock station KCBT, Newschannel 11 (Cebridge Cable channel 1) at 6:00AM, Saturday, 11/6 and at 8:00AM, Sunday 11/7.

Classified Advertising

Card of Thanks

The family of Arvill Hair wants to thank everyone who called and all the prayers that was offered up, the food, the words of comfort and concern for Arvill during his illness and demise. We appreciate everyone of them and may God Bless all.
The Gene Hair family

Words can not express the love and concern shown to us following the death of our husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, Charlie Lee. Special thanks for all the flowers, memorials, prayers, cards, food, visits and phone calls. Special thanks to Kenneth, Bobby, Jerry, Jeremy, Charles, and Don for serving as pall bearers. Thank you Sue and James for your beautiful words in song and Tressa for the special music. Thank you Bro. Kevin for the words of comfort given and for being there when we needed you. Thanks to all our family and friends for being there when we needed you most. Also, we would like to thank Dee and Janet Justice for all the help you gave our family during this time. God bless you all.

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Danny Lee and family
Gina Lee and Josh Lee
Lloyd Lee and family

Post Elementary wishes to thank the following businesses, Main St. Mercantile, Plum Crazy, and Higginbothams for graciously donating gifts in support of boosting morale. We also want to thank Moms-

In-Touch for being a "steppin' stone" in education. We greatly appreciate all you do.

Thank you to all the Antelope fans that attended the varsity football game at Idalou. It was a great game, and the Post fans were enthusiastic, supportive and really had a positive impact on the game. It is great to know that the community stands behind the activities at Post High School.

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Notice to all persons is hereby given that the original letters of Testamentary upon the estate of

Charlie W. Lee, deceased, were issued to the undersigned on the 19th day of October, 2004, in the proceeding indicated below my signature hereto, which is still pending, and that I now hold such letter. All persons having claims against said estate, which is being administered, the county below named, are hereby required to present the same to us, at the address below given, before suit upon same are barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such estate is closed, and within the time required by law. Julia Nell King Lee, 906 West 4th St., Post, Texas 79356 or her attorney Preston L. Poole, Jr., at P.O. Box 296, Post, Texas 79356
Dated: October 19, 2004
Julia Nell King Lee

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TXDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

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Contract 0053-01-107 for SEAL COAT in LUBBOCK County, etc, will be opened on November 10, 2004 at 1:00 p.m. at the State Office.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

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Yesteryears

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10 Years Ago October 19, 1994

At the annual Meeting and Symposium of the Native Plant Society of Texas (NPSOT), held in Corpus Christi, the NPSOT honored Zoe Kirkpatrick by awarding her the Carroll Abbott Memorial Award. This award is given for excellence in writing in the popular vein on Texas native plants. Kirkpatrick's book is titled "Wildflowers of the Western Plains".

Miguel and Regina Rodriguez are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter, Rubi Ann, born October 12 at University Medical Center in Lubbock. Maternal grandparents are Prudencio and Anna Basquez.

The Post High School Band crowned it's 1994 Band Sweetheart during a pep rally prior to the 'Lopes' Homecoming game against Tahoka. Melanie Valdez, daughter of John and Katy Valdez was crowned during the festivities. Other candidates were Melanie Tomlinson, daughter of Michael and Donna Tomlinson, and Sylvia Martinez, daughter of Elias and Julia Martinez.

Three Garza County 4-H girls competed in the 4-H Follies Fashion Show at the South Plains Fair in Lubbock. Participants were Raelye Taylor, Jessica Mason and LaRinda Ledbetter.

20 Years Ago October 24, 1984

Jana Middleton was crowned by Jim Rainbolt as the band sweetheart for the 1984 homecoming. Other candidates and their escorts were Jackie Wartes and Randall Carpenter, Marcie Sneed and Keith Craig.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Davis of Post announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Karen, to Dudley McKissack. The couple has set a January 5 wedding in the First Baptist Church of Post.

The Post-Garza County Airport will be the scene of an area-wide celebration Sunday, complete with an airshow, flying demonstration, sky-diving and free barbecue highlighting the dedication of the renovated facilities.

Former Post Antelope football players and coaches of the 1930s met last Saturday morning to renew acquaintances and recall football memories. Meeting were Leon Simpson (40), coach Jess Wright (41), and (49), Mason Justice (39), Ben Howell (33), A. C. Cash (37), Sam C. Gatzki (37), Tom Power (37), L. G. Thuet Jr. (34), Ralph Carpenter (36), Hulan Harrison (38), coach Jess Cearley (34-37), coach Howard Price (35-41), Bill Hudman (40), Hans Hudman (36), and Rusty Dean (42).

30 Years Ago October 24, 1974

The Post Antelope Band got three eggs thrown at its members from the Frenship side of the field during the game with the Tigers here Friday night. Spt. Bill Shiver reports. He said when he complained of the incident to Frenship's superintendent on Saturday he was told that Frenship's high school building entrance was "egged" Thursday night when Post Freshmen and JVs played at Frenship. He said that investigations made early this week by Frenship school authorities indicated that the Frenship "hi-jinks" was probably done by Frenship students.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Blacklock of Justiceburg announce the birth of a daughter, Tina Michelle, born October 21 in Garza Memorial Hospital.

Two burglars broke into the Southland school Tuesday and stole approximately \$400 in cash from Southland School Tax Collector Max Chaffin's file cabinet safe.

Miss Nancy Strawn and Bill Pendley were wed in a double ring ceremony on October 18 in Muskogee, Okla. Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Strawn of Post.

Coin Collectors, Attention! There is now a Coin Corner at Southwest, located at 101 W. Main Street. Operated by Gene Gandy.

40 Years Ago October 22, 1964

Wesley Scott and Bill Pool are the new owners of Post's Ford-Mercury agency and will operate it under the name Scott-Pool, Inc.

Fred Long has purchased the Lovell Humble Service Station business at 201 N. Broadway from Deri Lovell and has renamed the station, Long's ENCO Service.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Nance of Justiceburg celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary Sunday at the Community Room when they were honored with a reception.

R. G. (Wilkie) Wilkerson of Wilke's Supplies said today he is collecting used clothing for immediate distribution to needy school children and used toys for distribution at Christmas.

Walter Clark of 609 W. 8th Street, a native of Garza County and a longtime resident of Post, assumed his new duties last night as a member of the Post police force.

Mrs. Martha Harp and Mrs. Mattie Taylor were honored with a birthday party at Twin Cedar nursing home where they both make their home. Mrs. Harp, whose birthday is October 16, was celebrating her 93rd birthday. Mrs. Taylor's birthday was October 15.

50 Years Ago October 21, 1954

A public address system for use by the Post school bands, other school groups and civic organizations has been purchased and will be used for the first time Friday night at the Post-Tahoka football game. The sound equipment, which cost \$570, is of the latest type and is equipped for use indoors or outdoors.

Because he's a craftsman who believes in being able to see what he is doing, Reb. B. Dodson, Post jeweler, has patented an engraving machine which will facilitate the engraving of such articles of jewelry as watches, identification bracelets, cups, cigarette lighter, etc. Dodson this week received his letters patent from the U. S. Patent Office in Washington, D. C.

Marching at the head of the new Post Junior Band are Drum Major Sara Mills and Majorettes, Carolyn Martin, Ruthell Martin and Judy Clary.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Anderson, longtime Post residents, observed their 50th wedding anniversary with open house, at the First Baptist Church. The couple married in 1904 in Wise County. They moved to Garza County in 1928.

60 Years Ago October 19, 1944

"Bring a Box and Buy One" is the theme of the benefit box supper to be held Saturday night on the Court House lawn in front of the Servicemen's Honor Roll. Proceeds from the supper will be donated to the Garza County War Fund drive.

Forty-one Garza county men left October 16 for Fort Bliss, El Paso, where they were to be given preinduction examinations. This is the largest group of men to be sent from this county by the Selective Service Board.

Miss Beth Shepherd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Shepherd of Grassland has been chosen for listing in "Who's Who in American Colleges." Miss Shepherd is a student at McMurry College.

The Addax: One of the most outstanding boys of the Senior class who always has a smile for everyone is Bobby Cash. He is Business Manager of the Annual and a good football player.

A meeting was held Monday in the High School auditorium to discuss the possibility of opening a recreation center, called a Youth Canteen, for the teen-age youngsters of the community.

Letters to the Editor

Letters to the Editor Policy: We require all letters to be signed. Letters may be edited for brevity, grammar and punctuation. Opinions expressed in Letters to the Editor do not necessarily reflect those of The Post Dispatch nor its staff.

Sign of the times

Saturday evening I decided to take my girlfriend on a complete scenic tour of Post. After 10 months I figured it was time to do so.

We have been noticing what a bunch of campaign political signs there are around town, so we decided to count each candidate's sign. Saturday evening we drove the north and south streets, and Sunday we drove the east and west streets. I might bore some folks, but I thought it was kinda interesting.

Here is the total count we came up with within the city limits of Post:

- George Bush - 23
- John Kerry - 0
- Kenny Ratke - 186
- Cliff Laws - 177
- Charlie Stenholm - 35
- Randy Neugebauer - 137
- Ricky Smith - 153
- Brian Kingston - 13
- Lee Norman - 0
- Gary McDaniel - 5
- Pene Laney - 21
- Jim Plummer - 4

Seems unusual that some parts of town have more of one candidate than the other.

I am thinking that four more years of George Bush and America will be in total shambles. Four years of John Kerry will even be worse than that.

The USA under George Bush is gonna be so far in debt that our grandkids' grandkids will still be paying on the debt. And Kerry will tax everybody plumb into poverty. So in my opinion we are all gonna be in a heap of trouble regardless of who wins the presidency.

I don't suppose I'll predict the winners, but I believe I will make a wild guess and see how far I miss it. I think the winners will be Kerry, Laws, Neugebauer, Smith, McDaniel, Laney and Plummer. No offense to the losers. This is simply a guess I pulled outta the sky.

I also think the president and sheriff races will be so close that recounts of the ballots will be necessary.

I'm like the weather man - I'm quite capable of being wrong, but I'd bet I don't miss too far.

Now I wonder if the candidates and their campaigners will come around and gather up their mess when it's over or just leave it to the taxpayers' expense?

Good luck to all the candidates. You may or may not get my vote. As I see it and my opinion only. O.L. (Ferg) Ferguson

Congrats to our community

When the OS Ranch Steer Roping & Art Exhibit was first started in the early '70s, several members of the Post and Garza County communities came forward to help with the project. As time went on, more and more local citizens, businesses and media joined their fellow citizens spending hours, days and even weeks during the year to make the roping and art exhibit an even bigger and better success.

During the past several months, we organized the OS Ranch Steer Roping & Art Exhibit Reunion to commemorate the 12 years of the event and to honor the memories of so many friends and supporters who contributed so generously of their time and resources to make it a success, friends and supporters who are no longer with us.

Once again the community of Post and citizens of Garza County stepped forward to help and assist in this undertaking. Without your help there could not have been a reunion. Heavy rains altered our original plans, but not our spirits.

I want to sincerely thank each and every one of you who were such a valuable part of the OS Reunion and helped enormously to make it happen.

Jim Prather

What, no accounting?

As I was reading our newspaper last week, I came across an item in the report of the County Commissioners' meeting that I feel needs some clarifications. I doubt you will have the information, but I thought maybe if I brought it to everyone's attention, maybe someone would be able to shed some light on the matter. I think most of the taxpayers will want the answers to my questions, too.

In your report, you gave information from the annual audit of the Dalby Correctional Facility that the Commissioners Court received and approved. The last part of the report states that the facility "submits a commission payment to Garza

County at the rate of \$1.55 per prisoner per day. Of the \$1.55 per day paid to the county, 50 cents is withheld and applied toward startup costs that MTC incurred. This money is not currently being accounted for by the county or MTC."

What? This money is not being accounted for? And our Commissioners Court approved this audit? Why did they approve an audit when there are funds not being accounted for? Why did Dalby Correctional Facility even submit an audit report that listed money not being accounted for without any explanation for it?

So just how much missing money are we talking about here, folks? Let's see... 50 cents per day per prisoner at the Dalby Unit. That's an average of approximately 1,000 prisoners out there, so that's \$500 per day. And for how long has this been going on? Multiply that figure times 365 days and you've got \$182,500 for just one year!

If this money is supposed to be applied toward the startup costs that MTC incurred, who's keeping record of it to know whether or not those "startup costs" have been repaid? Sooner or later, they will be - if they haven't already - and then what's the money going to be used for? Maybe our commissioners could see fit to undo that tax rate hike they saddled us with? I would hope they wouldn't give themselves another raise.

Come on, folks. Somebody is going to have to "find" this missing money and account for just how much there is (or was) and where it's been going. May I suggest that the taxpayers start asking some questions of their commissioners? Let's have some answers! I'll be anxiously awaiting to hear from the commissioners myself.

Charles J. Propst

Justice for our veterans

This letter is very biased for the veterans of this Iraq war. Some people will say it's biased against this president. This president who says, "We will stay the course, no matter what." I stand for the brave men and women who protect us.

A letter came to my home today from the Veterans of Foreign Wars Ladies Auxiliary. This is excerpts from that letter. Anyone wishing to read the letter in its entirety, come do so.

Far too few Americans understand and appreciate what it means to

serve this great nation. Unfortunately it seems our Republican-controlled Congress and Senate don't either... as they make our veterans fight tooth and nail for what they have earned. It is not fair! It is not right!

The situation is growing grim for our veterans. Thousands suffer from poverty, illness, depression and joblessness. They feel alone and abandoned. They can't even get a needed doctor's visit or even get a veterans claims filed because the system is such a shameful bureaucratic disaster! (There are 7,000 disabled vets from this war and they're closing VA hospitals.) Imagine what will happen as thousands of new vets pour into the system as they are hurt or maimed.

Because I know how much you all care, be the kind of American we should all be - a citizen who stands up for justice, really stands up and cares about the sacrifices of our men and women. Go up to the VA in Lubbock and open your eyes and ears if you doubt this.

Remember where the buck stops! Remember when you vote! If we don't care about those who defend us, who in God's name will?

Sheri Riedel

Idalou upends JV 35-6

The Post High School JV squad dropped a 35-6 game to Idalou last week.

Game highlights included Pat Rieter, 10 rushes, 65 yards; Steven Hair, eight rushes, 35 yards; D.J. Rivera, eight rushes for 34 yards and Bradley Reed, 10 rushes for 21 yards, according to Coach Nick Dickson.

Rieter had four completions in nine attempts for 67 yards and a touchdown. Heath Fellhauer went 1-2 for five yards.

Edgar Garay had four catches for 67 yards and a touchdown. The Lopes raked in 235 yards of total offense.

Three fumbles and one pick led to the demise of the JV football squad," the coach said. "We have three games left and are shooting for three straight wins."

In the team's two previous games they defeated Abernathy 16-0 and Shallowater 20-6. The overall record stands at 4-3, while the district record is 2-2.

The JV's next game will be today at 6 p.m. in Tahoka.

★ Support our Troops...

Bring 'em home! ★

Menus

Post ISD

October 25- Breakfast - Biscuits, sausage, gravy, fruit, milk
Lunch - Popcorn chicken, french fries, salad, pears, milk

October 26- Breakfast-Muffins, sausage, fruit, milk
Lunch-Steak fingers, gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, jello, milk

October 27- Breakfast - Omelet, toast, fruit, milk.
Lunch - Chalupa, spanish, rice, salad, fruit cocktail, milk.

October 28- Breakfast - Malt-o-meal, sausage, toast, fruit, milk.
Lunch - Pizza, salad, corn, peaches, milk.

October 29- Breakfast - Cereal, toast fruit, juice, milk.
Lunch - Sandwich, chips, salad, pickles, orange, milk.

Southland ISD

October 25 - Breakfast - Pancake on a stick, juice, milk
Lunch - Enchilada casserole, pinto beans, rice, cookie, milk

October 26 - Breakfast - Muffins, sausage, juice, milk.
Lunch - Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, corn, bread, fruit cup, milk.

October 27 - Breakfast - Donuts, sausage, juice, milk.
Lunch - Carne guisada, refried beans, green salad, tortillas, orange, milk.

October 28- Breakfast - Cereal, Graham Crackers, fruit, juice, milk.
Lunch - Chili cheese doge, freis, carrot & celery sticks, fruit cup, milk.

October 29- Breakfast - Biscuit w/ gravy, sausage, juice, milk.
Lunch - Submarine sandwich, chips, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, apple, cookies, milk.

TRAILBLAZERS

October 25- Beef tip stroganoff, corn, fried okra, salad, biscuits, pineapple upside down cake

October 26- Tacos w/fixings, refried beans, stewed tomatoes, ships & sauce, apricots

October 27- Roast w/ gravy, oven potatoes, fried zucchini, salad, wheat roll, chocolate cake

October 28- Salmon patties, mac & cheese, spinach, cornbread, sugar cookies

October 29- Liver & onions, chicken strips w/gravy, baked potatoes, broccoli w/cheese, wheat roll, peaches, lemon cake

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ACROSS

1 TXism: "blind as _____"

5 TXism: "_____ sleeping dog lie"

6 TXism: "neon light _____" (inspiration)

7 TX's ZZ Top album: "Hombres"

8 "Gone _____ Texas"

9 vehicle for Dallas-based Greyhound

12 language of UT's rare Gutenberg Bible

17 TXism: "_____ hungry calf"

20 TXism: "jumpy as _____ ice"

22 UT yell: "Hook _____!"

23 TXism: "later"

24 "roughing it" in Highland Park or River Oaks (2 wds.)

29 Dallas-based oil co. this Guerrero was 1st woman on TX Railroad Comm.

31 TX Meredith who played Billie Joe

32 no _____ will was ever found for TX Howard Hughes

36 TX Hyer's "Sons of _____ Elder"

37 a "nice" town incorporated into Colleyville in '56

43 "sweet" company in Sugar Land, TX

45 TXism: "show 'em the _____" (teach)

47 deceased TX blues guitarist Vaughan

DOWN

1 TXism: "burn that brand _____" (explain)

2 where LBJ died

3 golf aid (2 wds.)

4 TX skills exam (abbr.)

9 TXism: "a real _____ burner" (exciting)

10 Roger Staubach's alma mater

11 San Antonio shoes

12 TXism: "tame as a _____ dog"

13 TXism: "following _____" (hopeless)

14 TX actress Sharon who was a victim of "Manson family"

15 TXism: "give _____ even chance" (be open-minded)

16 TXism: "_____ lick" (none)

18 Dallas' channel 33 is this type of "Ultra" TV station (abbr.)

19 TX Charley's "Where _____ Put Her Memory?"

21 TXism: "_____ hill for a stepper"

24 western bordering state (abbr.)

25 state seal features live _____ branches

26 C&W recording label

27 Joe Ruiz Grandee was the 1st official state _____ (71)

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49 early TX log houses

50 ripped

51 Dallas' Fair Park has several Art _____ bldgs.

52 king of the jungle

53 mom's mate

54 Lady Bird: Claudia _____ Taylor Johnson

55 TX melons: honey

57 Three Dog Night tune: "_____ Coming"

58 TX Ivory Joe Hunter's "Since I _____ You Baby"

38 told a "windy"

39 lop-_____ mule

40 mechanical man

41 TXism: "my stomach is balled _____ knot" (nervous)

42 ex-Ranger pitcher Robb

44 New Year's _____

46 TX singer Stills (init.)

48 what TX Gene Autry did very well

49 Lone Star Park is a _____ one track

56 TXism: "scared half out of my _____"

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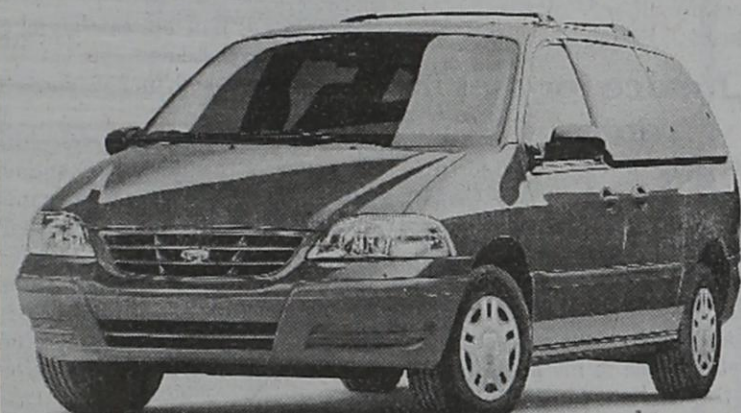
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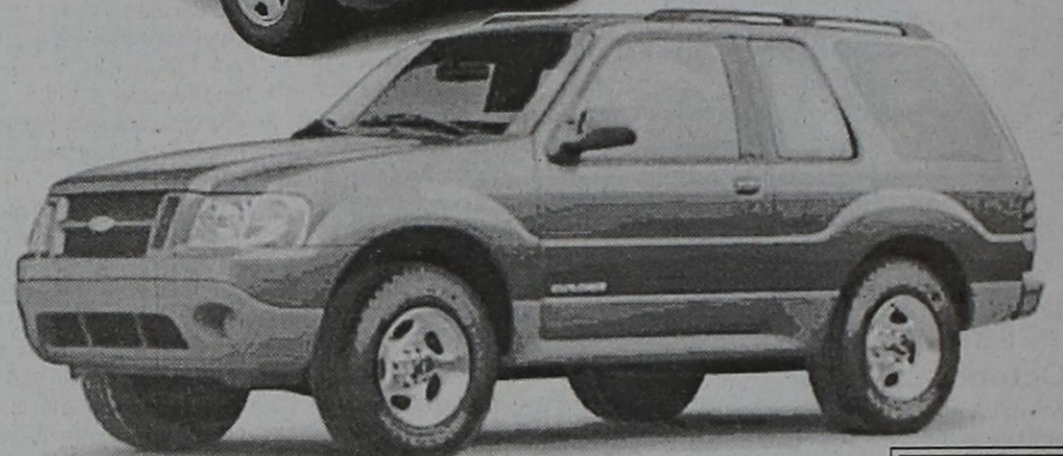
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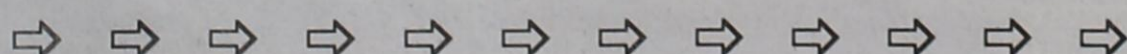
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