

The Post Dispatch

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Post Notes

Rotary annual broom sale

The Rotary Broom Sale will be held Tuesday, April 4th from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. The annual sale will be located on the 100 block of W. Main street, (Main & Broadway).

Memorial fund set up Gonzales brothers

A memorial fund for funeral expenses has been set up for Mikey and Patrick Gonzales at Citizens Bank in memory of Jackie Gonzales. All donations are greatly appreciated.

One-Act Play at district contest

Individuals interested in traveling to Shallowater High School to watch the Post High School One-Act Play performance of "The Crucible" in the district UIL competition should plan to be there by 4:30 p.m. Friday, March 31, according to PHS officials. The district contest will be conducted in the Shallowater HS auditorium beginning at 2 p.m., but the PHS play is the last of four performances scheduled.

4-H Shotgun sports initial meeting

There will be a planning meeting for the 2006 4-H Shotgun season Thursday, March 30th, 7 p.m. at the Garza County Extension office. 4-H Shotgun sports are open to 3rd graders that are at least 8 years old through 12th grade. If you have any questions, please call Mark Kirkpatrick at 806-495-2235 or 806-787-5104.

Garage sale to benefit mission trip

Church of God of Prophecy located at 602 W. 14th street will be having a garage sale on Saturday, beginning at 8 a.m. All proceeds will benefit the church's mission trip.

Wolf Man Kruse to visit Post

The Wolf Man Kruse, set to begin March 30 in Snyder, will be in Post Saturday, March 31. The antique and classic cars will arrive around 10:30 a.m. Give them a big wave as they travel through our friendly town.

Homestead exemption on school taxes

Anyone who becomes 65 in 2006, or has a birthday of 1941 or prior, is eligible for the over 65 homestead exemption on school property taxes. Anyone with business personal property is required to file a rendition with the Garza Central Appraisal District. If rendition is not filed, a 10 percent penalty will be added to the total tax. Please call Garza Central Appraisal District at 806/495-3518 or come by the office, 124 E. Main, Post, Texas to file a homestead exemption or rendition. Due date is April 15, 2006.

Prom organizers seek assistance

Organizers of the 2006 Post High School prom, which is set for April 8 at the community center, and the junior class-sponsored after-party, are seeking assistance from local businesses, organizations and interested individuals for donations. The after-party hosted by the junior class is designed to provide "a safe and fun atmosphere for PHS students and their dates in a drug-free environment." If you would like to help call 495-2770 or write the PHS Junior Class, attn: Meg Kattwinkel, 200 W. 6th St. Post, Tx. Arrangements can be made to have donations picked up.

Trailblazers host fish fry and music

Garza County Trailblazers senior citizens center, located at 205 E. 10th street will be hosting a fish fry and an evening filled with musical entertainment featuring local country and gospel singer Joann Foreman on Saturday, April 8, from 6-8 p.m. Plates are \$5 each and admission is free. Donations are being accepted. Take out orders will be available. Contact Mandi Criswell at 495-2998 for more information. All proceeds will benefit the Garza Co. Trailblazers operating fund.

Games continue for Little Dribblers

Little Dribblers games will continue at both gyms through the coming weeks. The daily schedule set at the old High School gym include Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. The Middle School gym will host games on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. The public is welcome.

Baptist Church to host Easter Musical

The First Baptist Church Mass Choir will host an Easter Musical for your soul and senses with "Eyes of Faith" - Seeing and Believing the Messiah! The program will be held on Friday-Saturday, April 14 & 15 beginning at 7 p.m. and Sunday, April 16th at 2:30 and 6:30 p.m.

Bake sale to benefit Trailblazers

We want to help make your Easter planning simple and yummy. Garza Co. Trailblazers will be having a fundraiser Bake Sale at United on Saturday, April 15 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Come and purchase our homemade goodies prepared by senior citizens in our community. All proceeds will benefit Garza Co. Trailblazers senior citizens center for operating funds.

Medical fund established

An account has been established at Citizens Bank to help assist with medical bills for Johnny Collazo, Jr. Contributions may be made to the Johnny Collazo Medical Fund, c/o Bethel Assembly of God or you may contact Diana Looney at 495-0454.

Fish fry set for Friday, March 31

Holy Cross Church will hold a fish fry on Friday, March 31 from 5-7 p.m. Plates will include fish, potato salad, beans, hush puppies, trimmings & tea. \$6.50 each.

My Special Place enrollment

My Special Place is now enrolling children birth through two years. Our wonderful staff has over 10 years combined experience and our center is the only licensed daycare in town. Financial assistance is available for those who qualify through Child Care Services of Lubbock. Come by and see us at 111 N. Ave. H or give us a call at 495-3446. Drop-Ins are welcome!

FREE hearing exams at senior citizens

If you are a resident of Texas and have trouble hearing, Hearing Technologies of Lubbock will be conducting FREE hearing exams at Garza County Trailblazers senior citizen on April 28 beginning at 11 a.m. Upon confirmation of a hearing condition, you will have the option to receive a free amplified telephone. This is a service by the State of Texas. There are no income eligibility requirements. For more information contact Donna Trammel or Pamela Smith at 795-0188 or Mandi Criswell, Trailblazers Director at 495-2998.

Blue Ribbon Rally/Harley party set

The Family Guidance and Outreach Center of Lubbock, in recognition of the April Child Abuse Prevention Month observance, will sponsor its eighth Blue Ribbon Rally/Harley Party on April 29 in Lubbock's Depot District. Tickets will cost \$30 or four for \$100. For information, contact Lynnette Wilson at 806-747-5577.

Spring and Easter exhibits at museum

OS Museum, 201 E. Main invites you to view the Spring and Easter exhibit, "Signs & Symbols of Spring". The exhibit will continue thru May 30, 2006. Viewing hours are 10 a.m.-12 noon and 1-5 p.m., Monday thru Saturday. There is an elevator for your convenience.

Little League tryouts Sat.

Little League tryouts will be held Saturday, April 1 beginning at 10 a.m. Please call Drew 787-1617 or Terri 549-0420 with any questions.

City Council sets second vote on curfew Tuesday

During their regular meeting Tuesday, Post City Council members will consider on second reading an ordinance implementing a juvenile curfew within the city limits.

City officials confirmed this week that the ordinance, approved March 7 on first reading, will be included on the agenda for Tuesday's meeting. Public comment also will be received.

According to the ordinance, anyone under the age of 17 is in violation of the curfew if "he remains in any public place or on the premises of any establishment within the city during curfew hours." A "public place" is defined in the ordinance as "any place to which the public or a substantial group of the public has access and includes, but is not limited to, streets, highways and the common areas of schools, hospitals, apartment houses, office buildings, transport facilities and shops."

The parent or guardian of any individual under the age of 17 is in violation of the curfew if "he knowingly permits or by insufficient control allows a minor/juvenile to remain in any public place or on the premises of any establishment within the city during curfew hours."

Additionally, owners, operators or employees of local establishments are in violation of the curfew if they knowingly allow "a minor/juvenile to remain upon the premises of the establishment during curfew hours." An "establishment" is defined in the ordinance as "any privately-owned place of business operated for a profit to which the public is invited, including, but not limited to, any place of amusement or entertainment."

The ordinance outlines several exemptions or "defenses," including situations where the minor/juvenile is accompanied by

a parent or guardian; on an "errand at the direction" of a parent or guardian; involved in interstate travel; working or traveling to or from work; involved in an emergency situation; attending or traveling to or from a school

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March Madness

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Post High School senior Israel Beggs (right) shares his medal and plaque earned during last Saturday's UIL state powerlifting meet in Houston. Beggs placed second overall and broke the state record on the bench press. Standing by Beggs is PHS powerlifting coach John Wright (left). (Photo by Susan Strawn)



Post High School One Act Play team winning last Thursday's Zone contest in Post ISD's Elementary Auditorium are (back row left to right), Brenna Postell, Ty Hopper, Jonathan McGregor, Timothy Wilson, Allen Heckaman, OAP Director Sterline Marcum, Director Leslie Tatum, Laurel Tatum and Director Tim Tatum (fourth row), Claire Kirkpatrick, Joey Guerra, Emily Marcum, Brandon Hernandez, Courtney Copeland and Jerin Tyler (third row), K'Nell Dalby, Keely Bramblett, Shannon Rasbeary, Aide Auyekhan and Ashley Wilson (second row), Meagen Howard, Josie Whisenhunt, Kelsey Sanderson and Bailey Odom (front) Vince Robles. The team advances to district contest on Friday, March 31 at Shallowater. (Photo by Shellee Odom, Courtesy of Post ISD)



Post ISD Superintendent Marlin Marcum stands in the area where construction recently began on the new school cafeteria. (Staff photo by Tim Burnett)

Burned money leads to arrest in store burglary

An 18-year-old Post man remained in the Garza County Jail Tuesday in connection with a burglary that occurred last week at the local Dollar General store.

Jacob Egbert was arrested within eight hours after it was discovered that the store, located at 109 W. 8th St., had been broken into sometime early March 22, said Tommy Binford, deputy with the Garza County Sheriff's Department. Egbert has been charged with burglary of a building.

Egbert's arrest was the result of a "community-wide effort" involving several local businesses, Binford said.

Law enforcement officers investigating the scene determined that a cutting torch was used to gain access to the store's safe. From the condition of the safe, lawmen surmised that at least a portion of the money taken from the safe might have sustained some fire damage as a result of the use of the cutting torch. Authorities contacted local businesses and alerted them to be on the lookout for "burned money," the deputy said.

Egbert was arrested after he was observed "passing burned money" at a couple of local businesses, Binford said.

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New Post ISD cafeteria construction gets underway

Construction began last week on Post's newest dining facility.

Located at the southeast corner of the elementary school campus, the new school cafeteria will be almost 9,300 square feet in size. It is expected to be completed by Nov. 30.

"That means if completed on time we would move in for the second semester of the 2007 school year," Superintendent Marlin Marcum said.

District officials budgeted the cafeteria construction at \$1.7 million. Low bidder of the project was Jim Hunter Construction Co. with a bid of \$1,682,887.

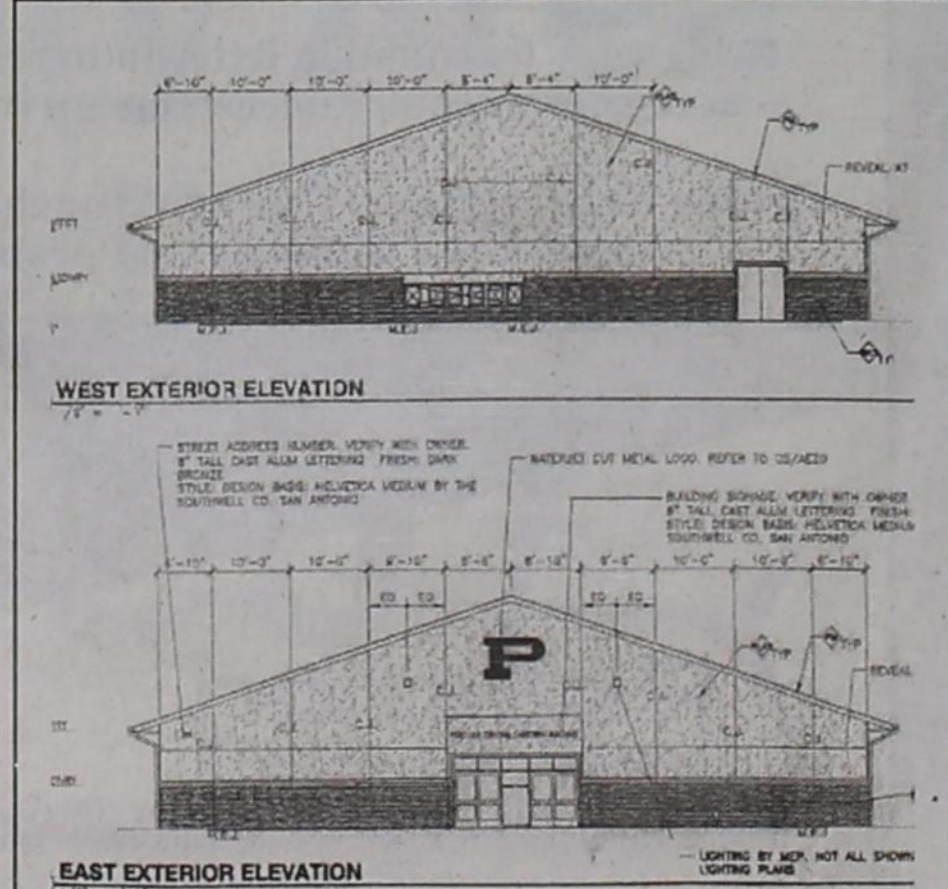
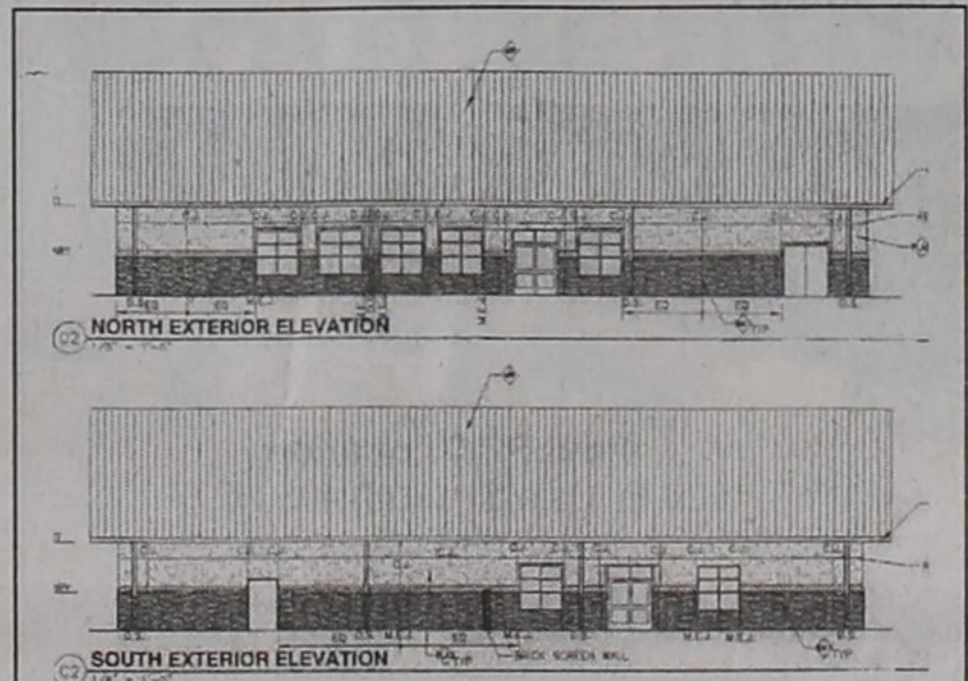
The structure has been designed with a larger food preparation area and separate serving areas for elementary and secondary students. The cafeteria will be fitted with "moveable furniture," making it compatible for use for community functions as well as for school use.

Much of the existing furniture and equipment used in the current

cafeteria will be utilized in the new facility, Marcum said.

The existing cafeteria space will be utilized by the school district, and one plan calls for renovating the area for use as a new band hall. However, no firm plans have been established.

"The future use of that building will be determined by the school board at a later time," Marcum said.



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by Judy Ballentine Bush

Hello,
 Hello for another week. Hope everyone had a great weekend and that you have had a good week so far.

GET WELL

To Sunny Mason, who I heard gave his whole family a big scare. I get almost daily reports from Chita and know that he is on the mend, but just wanted to tell him to behave and take care of him self. You get better quick.

SYMPATHIES

Don't know how many of you remembered Maxine Edwards who passed away last week. There are many, many of us in Post who did and were saddened by her passing. Maxine's daughter Lynn and I were classmates and we all attended church together so and I have many wonderful memories of Maxine. Just wanted to send my thoughts and prayers to her family. I know she will be missed so much.

RETARDED GRANDPARENTS

(this was actually reported by a teacher)
 After Christmas, a teacher asked her young pupils how they spent their holiday away from school.

One child wrote the following:???

We always used to spend the holidays with Grandma and Grandpa.

They used to live in a big brick house but Grandpa got retarded and they moved to Florida.

Now they live in a tin box and have rocks painted green to look like grass.

They ride around on their bicycles and wear nametags because they don't know who they are anymore.

They go to a building called a wrecked center, but they must have got it fixed because it is all okay now, and do exercises there, but they don't do them very well?

There is a swimming pool too, but in it, they all jump up and down with hats on.

At their gate, there is a dollhouse with a little old man sitting in it. He watches all day so nobody can escape.

Sometimes they sneak out. They go cruising in their golf carts.

Nobody there cooks, they just eat out. And, they eat the same thing every night --- early birds??

Some of the people can't get out past the man in the dollhouse. The ones, who do get out, bring food back to the wrecked center for potluck.

My Grandpa says that Grandpa worked all his life to earn his retardment and says I should work hard so I can be retarded someday too.

When I earn my retardment, I want to be the man in the dollhouse. Then I will let people out so they can visit their grandchildren.

PRICELESS!!

PERSONAL NOTE
 I want to thank everyone for all of their calls concerning jabberin. I plan on doing Jabberin as long as I am able. Look for me each week right here! Please remember to call in your news. You may call 405-0277 or e-mail me at cellonepost@dtinspeed.net or jabberinjudy@valornet.com. I would love to hear from you.

UNTIL NEXT WEEK
 Guess that is it for this week. Remember God loves you all and I appreciate you all. Keep rain in all of your prayers. See you next week.
 Judy

Burglary...

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"We really appreciate the merchants and businesses helping us out here," he said.

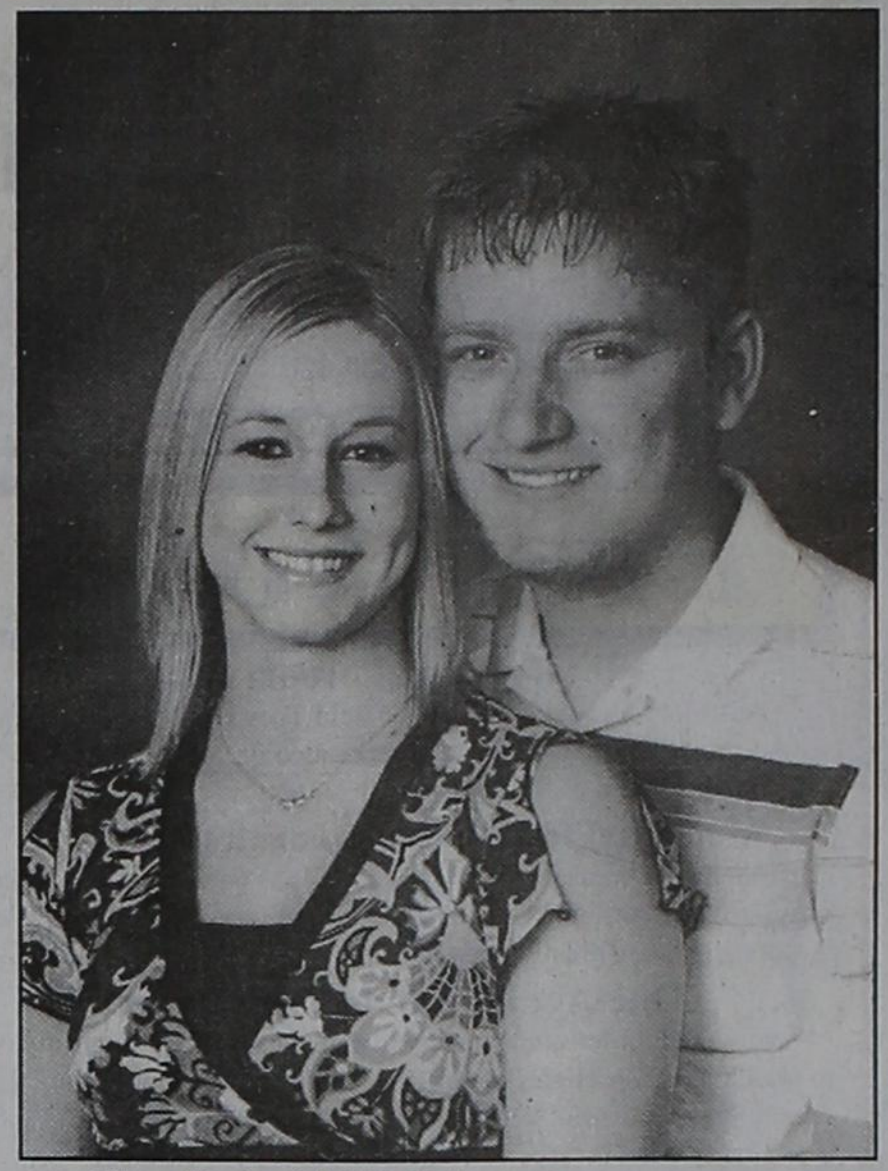
Entry to the store was gained after a rock was used to break a portion of the front glass. Inside, spray paint was used to leave graffiti on the floor. There was damage to some goods inside the store, according to reports. Some candy, soft drinks, trash cans, batteries and other goods also were taken.

Although money was taken from the safe, none was in the store's registers, which had been emptied and left open at the close of the business day, according to reports. Total loss to the store was estimated at about \$1,700, Binford said.

Curfew...

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or religious function or other recreational activity supervised by adults and sponsored by the city, a civic organization or another entity responsible for the youth; is married; or is exercising First Amendment rights protected by the U.S. Constitution, such as the



Allison Blevins & Mitch Holly

Allison Blevins, Mitch Holly announce engagement

Gary and Jaquita Blevins have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Allison Blevins, to Mitch Holly, son of Mike and Dana Holly.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Bill and Juanita Blevins of Eunice, N.M., and Vinnie Darnell of Eunice and the late Glen Darnell.

The prospective bridegroom is the grandson of Marynell Holly of Post and the late Lewis Holly and Audrey Brookshire of Amarillo and the late James McWhorter.

The couple will exchange vows at 2 p.m. April 15, 2006, at the Graham Chapel Church of Christ. A reception will follow at Chapa's Garden Room.

Zellmer earns SHSU honors

Christina Zellmer, 2005 Graduate of Post High School, has been selected for membership in Beta Beta Beta National Biological Honor Society.

Requirements for membership in Tri-Beta include a major field of study in Biology, Environmental Science, or Science Composite; a minimum of 11 hours of biology credit; a minimum of a 3.0 Grade Point Average in those courses; and good overall academic standing.

Miss Zellmer will be inducted into Tri-Beta on March 29, 2006 at Sam Houston State University where she is enrolled as a Biology and Chemistry Major and is in the Honors program for undergraduate students.

She will be transferring to Texas Tech University beginning the fall semester with a continuing major in Pre-Med.

Christina is the daughter of Cindy Mansker of Lubbock and Dale Zellmer of Spring. She is the grand daughter of Fred and Irene Howell of Post and Chris and Millie Zellmer of Waco.

free exercise of religion, freedom of speech and the right of assembly.

The ordinance also allows a defense for any owner, operator or employee of an establishment who notifies local authorities that a minor is present at his or her establishment during curfew hours and the minor has refused to leave.

The curfew will run from 12:01 a.m. to 6 a.m., seven days a week.

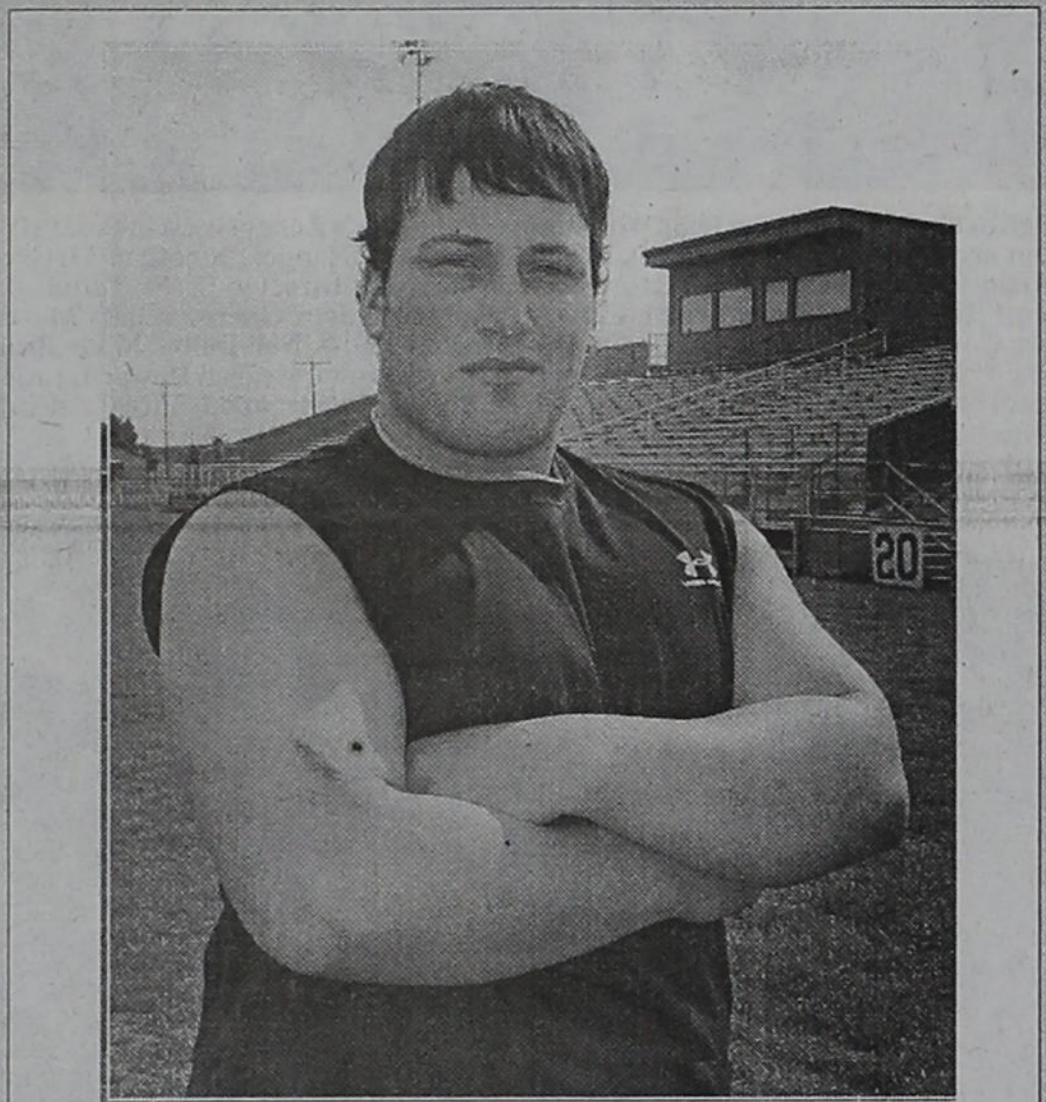
A violation of the ordinance will be classified as a Class C misdemeanor, according to Council members. A fine of up to \$500 can be assessed for each conviction.

If approved on second reading, the ordinance will be subject to a third and final reading.



Christina Zellmer

Congratulations



We congratulate Post Antelope senior Jace Pollard for his selection to the 57th Annual Greenbelt Bowl Classic, 7 p.m. June 10, 2006. Jace is the son of Sherry and Jay Pollard.



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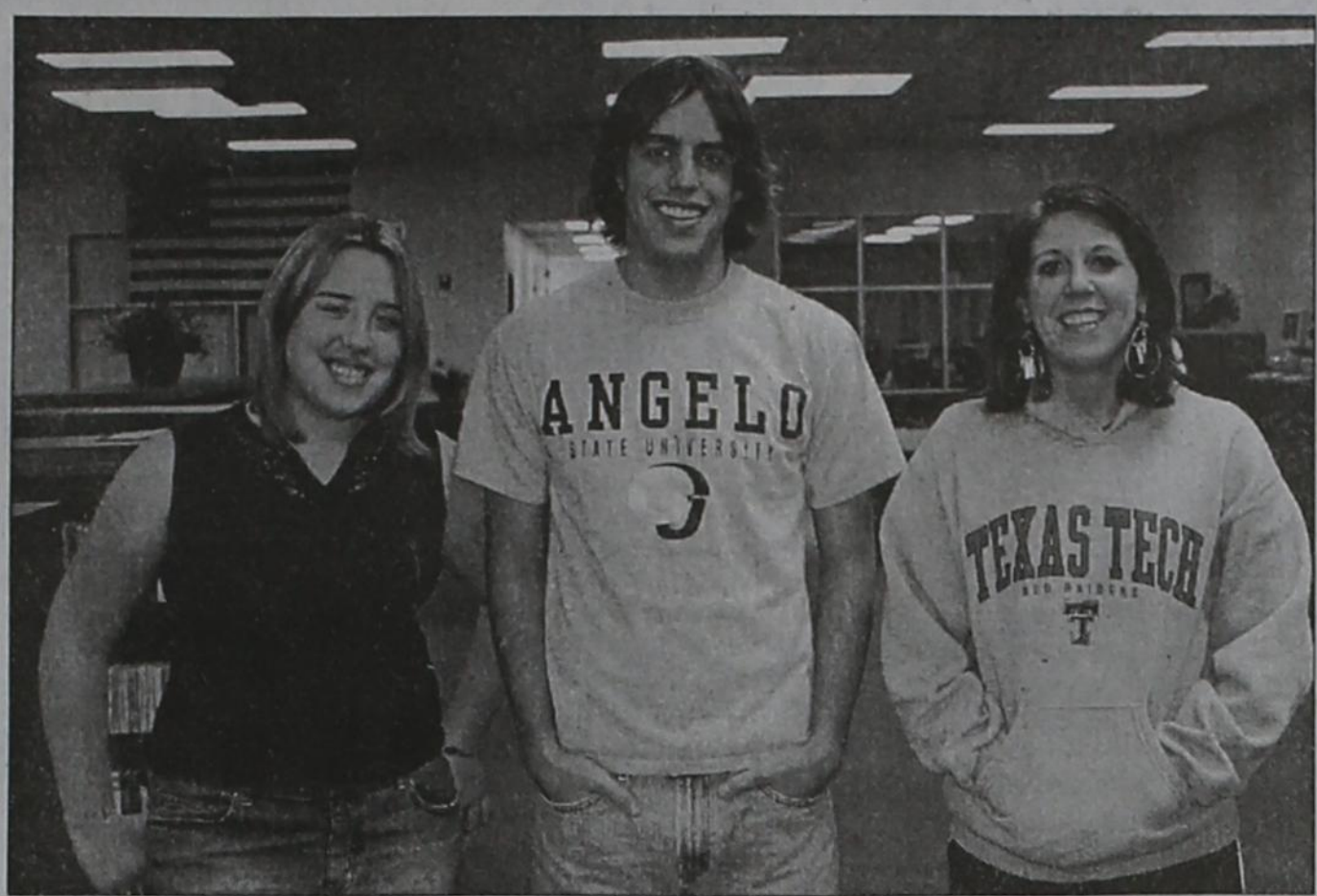


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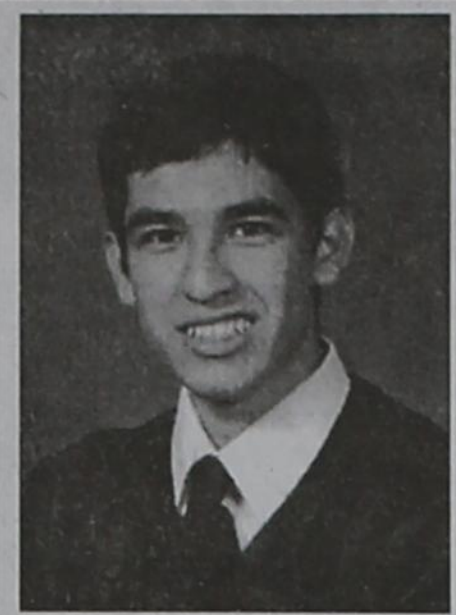
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Post High School students participating in the District UIL Lincoln Douglas Debate contest last Wednesday at Shallowater are (left to right), Stacey Bocko, Allen Heckaman and Emily Marcum. (Photo by Melvena Moore, Courtesy of Post High School)



Brandon Hernandez



Roby Lester



Laurel Tatum

PHS trio recognized by Post Rotarians

Members of the Post Rotary Club recognized three Post High School seniors earlier in the month.

The honorees included Laurel Tatum, Brandon Hernandez and Roby Lester.

Tatum is the daughter of Tim and Leslie Tatum. Her school activities have included varsity basketball and track, UIL one-act play, UIL poetry, UIL journalism, staff member for the eLope Legend newspaper and National Honor Society secretary.

Awards and honors Tatum has received include Class Favorite, 2005; Academic All-District Basketball, 2005 and 2006; Academic All-District Track, 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006; Honorable Mention All-District Basketball, 2006; One-Act Play Zone All-Star Cast member, 2005; One-Act Play District Honorable Mention, 2005; One-Act Play Area All-Star Cast, 2005; Regional qualifier, UIL poetry, 2004 and 2005; regional qualifier, track, 2005; Football Sweetheart nominee, 2005; and top 10 percent/number five class ranking.

"God is the number-one priority in my life," Tatum wrote in her biographical brief. "I am actively involved in the Graham Chapel congregation and youth group. I also attend White River Youth Camp, a Christian camp, and volunteer my summers to the wonderful mission effort."

"I am a very hard-working person. Every task that is set before me is important, whether it be homework or (a) regional track meet," she wrote.

Tatum plans to attend Lubbock Christian University. Her goals are to teach high school English and later, to serve as a college professor.

Hernandez, the son of Julio and Debbie Hernandez, has been actively involved in UIL journalism, UIL current events, UIL science, one-act play, the Antelope Weekly and the eLope Legend.

His awards and honors have included earning the Algebra I Student Achievement Award; fifth place in the UIL district newswriting contest; and honorable mention in the UIL Zone One-Act Play competition.

"I am interested in journalism in all its aspects, going to church and giving glory and honor to my Lord," Hernandez said. "I am active in my church youth group. I get good

grades. I consider myself a people person."

He plans to attend Texas Tech University or the University of Texas at the Permian Basin.

Lester is the son of Gregg Lester and Marsha Williams. His school activities include varsity basketball, varsity baseball, UIL science and UIL number sense.

Lester's awards and honors have included Academic All-District in basketball, Academic All-District in baseball and being named to the National Honor Roll.

"I take interest in playing baseball," he wrote. "I look to possibly play in college."

Lester said he is undecided on his future, but he does plan to attend college. He is looking at possibly studying to become a coach and teacher.

Marcum captures LD district championship

Post High School students took first, fifth and sixth places respectively in the LD district competition conducted at Shallowater High School March 22.

Emily Marcum took first place

and the district championship. Allen Heckaman finished in fifth place, while Stacy Bocko took sixth.

Students from Shallowater High earned second and fourth places, while an Idalou High School student

finished in third. A total of nine contestants competed.

The topic of the debate competition was drug testing of high school extracurricular activity participants is justified.

Post City Celebration Committee continues work for 2007 event

The Post City Centennial Committee met Monday evening to continue its work toward the city's upcoming 100-year celebration.

More than 20 local residents attended the session, which included reports on most of the many activities planned for the May/June 2007 celebration.

According to Post City Celebrations Inc. project chairman Thressa Harp, reports included:

- An overview of the Longest Breakfast Table event planned for June 2, 2007. The event will see tables lined up from that area behind the Garza County courthouse all the way down to Avenue A. Bowls of cereal - Post brands, of course - will be set out to accommodate anyone interested in participating in the community-wide breakfast. Coordinators are hoping to set some sort of record with the

event.

- Information on the dance and concert set for June 2, 2007, at the newly constructed stage at Old Mill Trade Days. A "well-known artist" has been recruited for the event.

- Details about the role family histories will play in the celebration. This committee, headed up by Lee Norman, will ask local residents to put together pictures and short stories about their families using project boards. These project boards will be displayed throughout the community during the celebration.

Also, families will be asked to write short stories, "like the ones in the book eWagon Wheels," about their history in Post and Garza County.

"We have a lot of history up until about the 1950s," Harp said, "but a lot of the history after that is not

documented. We need to bring it up to date. We need a Wagon Wheels II."

- Information on the all-school reunion that will be headed up by Les Acker. Acker plans to begin contacting former Post High School students this summer in preparation for the 2007 reunion.

The group also heard brief updates on some of the other celebration-related activities, including ranch tours; courthouse renovations; special plans at the Garza Theatre and Ragtown Gospel Theater; the juried art show; and parade.

One of the highlights of the evening, Harp said, was the showing of a video of film captured at the 1957 parade that marked Post's 50-year celebration.

Volunteers still are needed to work on the 2007 activities. Anyone interested in getting involved should contact Harp.

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Obituaries

Charles I. Chandler

Services for Charles I. Chandler, 68 of Post were at 2 p.m. Saturday at the First United Methodist Church of Post with the Rev. John Hedrick officiating. Burial followed at the Terrace Cemetery under the personal care of Justice-Mason Funeral Home.



Mr. Chandler died Thursday, March 23, 2006 at his home.

Born April 11, 1937 to Irvin and Louzell Shepherd Chandler. He attended school at Close City and then graduated from Post High School. He farmed around Floydada and returned to Post in 1979.

Survivors include four daughters: Revis Pernel of Canadian, JanAn Diver of Ransom Canyon, LeShay Everett of Floydada and Valynda Chandler of Southland. One sister: Tommie Woods of Post. Eight grandchildren: Rance Pernel, Reagan Howard, Jaron Everett, Kember Gillespie, Logan Everett, Heather White, Ashley White and Justin Diver. Four great-grandchildren: Aspen Howard, Talon Howard, Riley Everett and Kyler Gillespie. A special friend: Leta Davis.

Pallbearers were: Rob Everett, Jaron Everett, Richard Howard, Dan Redman, Tony Jones and Tom Pearson.

Memorials are suggested to the NursCare Hospice, 1312 Texas Avenue, Lubbock, TX 79401.

Letters to the Editor

Letters must be signed by the writer. Editor reserves right to edit for brevity, grammar, libel and accuracy. Letters are published at the sole discretion of the editor.

Do they think we are stupid?

I received a great e-mail today. It said "the nice thing about growing old in a small town is that even if you don't know what you're doing, everyone else does."

That is surely the way I have felt this past two weeks. Without knowing why, seems I have been put in the middle of the "CMI" mess. So, although I said I wasn't going to do this, here I am putting my two cents worth in.

On March 10, when Mr. Grady Shyles walked into my store with the now famous letter from CMI, I admit that I blew my cork!! At that time, the reasons I reacted the way I did were NOT because, (1) Wes and Pat Burnett are my friends; or (2) that Mr. Shyles was well aware that I write a weekly column for the Dispatch and he was arrogant enough to hand out that CMI letter in my store anyway.

The reason I got so upset was that this group of unidentified people, who did not even have enough courage to sign their names, had taken it upon themselves to threaten downtown merchants to advertise with the "right" media or lose business from the "moral" folks who backed the letter.

Now I know "The Post Dispatch" was never mentioned in the letter, but come on people, how stupid did the ones who put the CMI letter together think the merchants are? What other media have we had for years? Then to top it off, they send this person who is supposed to be a man of the cloth to deliver the threat!

I wonder if in their quest to hurt Mr. Burnett if they gave any thought about the people at the Dispatch, not me, but five other people who labor week after week producing our hometown paper. I wonder how comfortable they would be if someone threatened their jobs?

I will be the first to tell you I don't always agree with Mr. Burnett's opinions in the paper. He will tell you the same. In the seven years I worked for him, we had many colorful discussions about that very thing. But I tell you this, Mr. Burnett and his family are wonderful, Christian, people and he has the right, thank God because of where we live, to freedom of speech.

I much agree with Diann Windham. If there were half-truths printed in the Dispatch, why not point them out, or express an opposing view? I have never seen Mr. Burnett refuse a letter to the editor unless the writer refused to sign

their name (or if it contained libelous statements).

Maybe those who agree with the CMI letter should take a lesson from him.

The only thing CMI has accomplished is to bring downtown merchants together and inspire them to stand up for their rights. The right to do business with whomever they choose. That is what freedom is all about.

Finally, I want to say that everyone has a choice. If you do not agree with Mr. Burnett, don't buy the Dispatch... or let him know, he will welcome your opinion and even print it if you want him to. If Post can support two papers, buy the one you prefer, after all, you live where you have a choice.

But don't let a handful of people rip our town apart or cause friction among friends with their "moral judgments".

I thought that job was left up to our Lord.

Thank you for your time and God bless.

Judy Ballentine Bush

Big Thanks to Post VFD

I just wanted to say a big THANK YOU to our volunteer fire department.

We had a grass fire on Monday, March 20, and as always, they responded quickly and were able to control a fire fueled by 50 to 60 mph winds. I always marvel at this group of men who are willing to drop what they are doing and respond to fires not only within our county, but also in fires outside the county.

We have been so fortunate that we have not had more fires within Garza County; nonetheless, I sleep easier at night knowing that when a fire occurs, we have volunteers that are willing to come to our aid promptly and efficiently to do the job that needs to be done.

I also wanted to thank the county maintainer crew that worked so diligently to cut fire guards as the fire department fought the fire. We are all truly blessed to live in a county where I have no problem explaining the definition of neighbors.

If you are reading this, please realize that our volunteers fall under the constraints of governmental budgeting, that that local support, through private donations, only strengthen their ability to provide the best services to all of us. Please remember this each time the fire department has a fundraiser.

Thank you all again for all you

do! I have no doubt that you are all indispensable in our community and county.

Mark W. Kirkpatrick

Post people are not so dumb

Every day I think and get a little madder at whoever thinks the people of Post are so dumb.

One thing, I know something, not as much as I'd like to, but I use it every day. This book is the BIBLE: Basic Information Before Leaving Earth. That's the Ten Commandments of God. I won't list them for you; you can read them or not. But that's the rules from God. Then our forefathers wrote the Constitution. It also numbers 10.

The number one is freedom of speech. You can read the rest of them, or not. So I personally feel the Ten Commandments of God in the Bible and the 10 constitutional Bill of Rights, that makes a total of 20 rules and regulations we, as citizens of the U.S.A., have the right to every day of our life.

No one controls me, nor my actions. If I sin, no one pays for my sins except me. And I don't have to pay for anyone else's sin.

There's a lot of hard-working people who know their own business and don't need any help handling their

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On God's Word

By Timothy W. Burnett

God's servants make mistakes at times...

God's people will make decisions and commit to actions that are not according to His will. This can happen to anybody. From the youngest, to the more experienced and seasoned believers, every member of the body of Christ is capable of moving in directions that are not best for them and the ministry. This includes believers who are strong in certain gift ministries such as apostles, prophets, teachers, pastors and ministers. The more experienced believers will probably make fewer mistakes. Sometimes it takes just one whopper to obstruct people's ability to serve God. How do we approach the errors of God's servants? God's word gives a basic principle to consider. According to Romans 8:1, "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus."

Understanding this basic information can help us to determine how best to reprove and correct people in ministry positions. When God's servants are caught in an error, our tendency is to become very upset, angry and hurt. And in that hurt and anger, we may resort to a form of reproof that is not according to God's will. Let's look at some examples of godly reproof and correction.

The apostle Paul served God mightily and taught many people, yet he made a big mistake. He consciously chose to disobey the spirit of God. Paul was determined to be at Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost (Acts 20:16). According to Acts 20:22, he said, "And now, behold, I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that shall befall me there." The words "bound in the spirit" are more accurately translated "firmly resolved." We

know he was not lead by the spirit of God because Acts chapter 21 reveals three different occasions in which believers prophesied by the spirit of God that he should not go to Jerusalem (See Acts 21: 4, 9 & 11).

After hearing all these things, Paul proudly replied, "Why do you weep and break my heart? For I am ready to not only be bound, but also to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus" (Acts 21:13). He was committed to something that God clearly warned against. Look at the response of the others, "And when he would not be persuaded, we ceased saying, 'The will of the Lord be done'" (Acts 21:14). Their responsibility was to simply warn him by the spirit of God. And when Paul would not be convinced about the warnings, they simply stopped saying, "the will of the Lord be done." The other believers did not condemn Paul. They didn't punish him. They simply reproved him by the spirit of God.

Let's go back to Acts chapter 9. Paul believed he was serving God by imprisoning and killing the saints. While on the way to Damascus, he was confronted by a vision of our Lord Jesus Christ who reproved Paul and sent him to a believer named Ananias. By the time Paul arrived, Ananias had already received information from our Lord. Ananias had very good reasons to criticize and condemn Paul. Instead, he approached Paul from God's point of view. Ananias even referred to Paul as a brother. This is a wonderful example for all Christians.

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Opinions



The perils of economic ignorance

by U.S. Congressman Ron Paul

I recently wrote of a perfect economic storm facing America, caused by a federal government that spends, borrows, and prints so much money that our dollars are eroding in value at an alarming rate. Year after year our federal government spends beyond its revenues, prints new money to pay its debts, and borrows hundreds of billions abroad in the form of Treasury obligations that someday must be paid.

With too many dollars and debt instruments in circulation, and no political will in Washington to cut spending, we've created a monster. Our perceived prosperity depends on keeping the great debt and credit engine pumping, but the only way to attract new lenders to fuel the engine is higher interest rates.

At some point one of two things must happen: either the party in Washington ends, or the supremacy of the dollar as the world's reserve currency ends. It's a sobering thought, but a choice must be made.

How did this happen? How did we get to such a state? The answer is found in the nature of politics itself. The truth is that many politicians and voters essentially believe in a free lunch. They believe in a free lunch because they don't understand basic economics, and therefore assume government can spend us into prosperity. This is the fallacy that pervades American politics today.

I believe one of the greatest threats facing this nation is the willful economic ignorance of the political class. Many of our elected officials at every level have no understanding of economics whatsoever, yet they wield tremendous power over our economy through taxes, regulations, and countless other costs associated with government.

They spend your money with little or no thought given to the economic consequences of their actions. It is indeed a tribute to the American entrepreneurial spirit that we have enjoyed such prosperity over the decades; clearly it is in spite of government policies rather than

because of them. I certainly have seen firsthand a great deal of economic ignorance in Congress over the years.

Few members pay any attention whatsoever to the Federal Reserve Bank, despite the tremendous impact Fed policy has on their constituents. Even many members of the banking and finance committees have little or no knowledge of monetary policy. Perhaps this is why so many in Congress seem to believe we can all become rich by printing new dollars, or that we can make $2+2=5$ by taking money from some people and giving it to others.

We cannot suspend the laws of economics or the principles of human action any more than we can suspend the laws of physics. Yet this is precisely what Congress attempts to do time and time again, no matter how many times history proves them wrong or economists easily demonstrate the harms caused by a certain policy.

I strongly recommend that every American acquire some basic knowledge of economics, monetary policy, and the intersection of politics with the economy. No formal classroom is required; a desire to read and learn will suffice.

There are countless important books to consider, but the following are an excellent starting point: *The Law* by Frederic Bastiat; *Economics in One Lesson* by Henry Hazlitt; *What has Government Done to our Money?* by Murray Rothbard; *The Road to Serfdom* by Friedrich Hayek; and *Economics for Real People* by Gene Callahan.

If you simply read and comprehend these relatively short texts, you will know far more than most educated people about economics and government. You certainly will develop a far greater understanding of how supposedly benevolent government policies destroy prosperity. If you care about the future of this country, arm yourself with knowledge and fight back against economic ignorance.

We disregard economics and history at our own peril.

Can taxpayers afford the cost of curfew?

Guest Editorial

by Phil Mathews

Just what percentage decrease is expected of the juvenile crime in the coming year to five years with this ordinance? Can the City of Post afford a Juvenile Curfew Ordinance?

Curfews have been imposed on and off since the turn of the century, curfews tend to receive increased attention when there is a concerned need for a more rigid effort at social control.

There are two goals of a curfew ordinance: To prevent juvenile crime and to protect the youth from becoming a victim.

According to the National Council on Crime and Delinquency, curfew enforcement is often ineffective and unnecessarily funnels non-delinquent youth into a criminal justice system that is already flooded with alleged offenders. In the study it was found that the criminal level was not changed - just the hours when the activity happened.

In 1996, the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia found that both minors and parents had protected fundamental rights under the US Constitution and the evidence was insufficient to support a curfew as a means to reduce juvenile crime and victimization. Furthermore, the court found that the law was not allowable because it interfered with a minor's right of freedom of movement and a parent's right to raise and supervise his or her minor children.

The City of Post needs to demonstrate a clear connection that will distinguish between crimes committed by juveniles and the times that they occur.

Sheriff Laws is known to ask the question *is it against the law?*

Can the City Council and Sheriff Laws change the way parents are choosing to raise their children?

Where is the planned Curfew Center where the violator will await their parent? You can not house a juvenile in a locked facility.

Who will staff this Curfew Center?

Will this be a part-time or a full-time position?

Will the staff receive benefits?

Who will pay for the utilities in this building?

Will there be parenting skills seminars; will someone be able to

provide intervention services for juveniles and their families?

What will happen to the repeat offenders, will there be recreational, educational, and job opportunities for the offenders; and anti-drug and anti-gang programs?

Are the deputies going to be able to strictly enforce the ordinance? Will this mean that the Sheriff will need to hire more law enforcement? Can the City Council provide a hotline for community questions or problems related to curfews and juvenile delinquency in general? If there are so many juveniles on the street in the early morning hours how will the deputy enforce the ordinance while maintaining law enforcement for the community?

According to the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention report, two of the keys to the success of any curfew ordinance are sustained enforcement and community involvement. Curfew laws are less successful when they are enforced strictly immediately after the adoption of the curfew, but become more loosely enforced as limited law enforcement resources and personnel are pushed into other policing efforts.

Has something happened in Post to warrant such drastic measures? Just because Lubbock and Tahoka have an ordinance does that mean we must spend the extra money to keep up with them? A ticket and a fine are not going to teach our children responsibility or values. It won't teach them to say *yes, sir* or *no, ma'am*, thank you or please, nor will it give them the incentive to respect others or their property.

(Editor's Note: Mr Mathews is a career law enforcement officer and a retired Texas DPS officer.)

Legislating "good parenting" does not create "good parents." Curfews make criminals out of innocent children.

Warning: Ideas expressed on this page have been known to cause people to react with irrational and unexplainable behaviors.

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To punish or not to punish

by Bill O'Reilly

Here's the state of American justice right now:

-- Andrew Selva, 46, confesses to raping two young boys in Ohio and is sentenced to probation by Judge John Connor, who believes Selva has a curable "disease."

-- Debra LaFave admits to having sex with a 14-year-old boy in Florida but does not receive prison time. The 25-year-old LaFave was a teacher at the school at which she seduced the student.

-- Andrea Yates murdered her five children by drowning them one by one. A Texas jury found her sane and very guilty. She was sentenced to life in prison. But the conviction was overturned because an expert witness falsely testified about a TV program that had little to do with the crime.

Despite that, The Houston Chronicle is calling for "enlightened justice" in the case. The paper wants Ms. Yates sent to a mental hospital instead of prison. Enlightened justice? Sounds to me like that might be avoiding punishment for violent actions. Somehow, Andrea Yates walked around the planet for almost 40 years and did not kill anyone.

Then, suddenly, she was compelled to drown her five little kids? She couldn't stop herself? That is what the people who don't want Yates in prison believe. The jury did not see it that way. After hearing both sides, they came to the conclusion that while Yates is undoubtedly disturbed mentally, she CHOSE to kill her kids. She planned it and then phoned police when it was done.

Does that action not warrant punishment? Five human beings destroyed? What's "enlightened" about not fitting the punishment to the crime? Debra LaFave looked good at her press conference. Hair freshly dyed, makeup perfect, eyes sparkling. Before the cameras, Ms. LaFave wove a tale of sorrow and pity. She was contrite, she announced she is bi-polar, she told the world she is being treated.

OK. She didn't kill anybody, but, again, she CHOSE to molest the kid. No prison time because the prosecutor did not seek it.

In Ohio, it is far worse. Andrew Selva admitted everything. He confessed to the court he sexually abused two young boys. One of the boys told me on television, Selva physically forced him to perform a sexual act. But Judge Connor, who has two DUI convictions himself, was unmoved. Casually, he issued this stunning statement to the court: "he (Selva) has a disease, like I have a disease."

Selva nodded and then went home to serve his probation. Connor's incredible sentence was supported by most newspapers in Ohio and the largest legal group in the state.

I understand that I am not "enlightened," but this is insane. Selva should be sitting in a prison cell for at least 20 years. Chances are those boys will be screwed up for life. Selva robbed them of their childhood and their dignity. Yet, this very evening, Selva will eat dinner in his own home and enjoy the comforts of that sanctuary.

Something is desperately wrong in America. The doctrine of "moral relativism" where judgments are not made about even dastardly behavior is taking root, just as it has in Western Europe. There is nothing "enlightened" about allowing violent criminals to escape punishment; it is flat out dangerous for society. Selva, Yates, and LaFave are just the beginning. There will be more of these kinds of stories coming. Count on it.

Veteran TV news anchor Bill O'Reilly is host of the Fox News show "The O'Reilly Factor" and author of the book "Who's Looking Out For You?"

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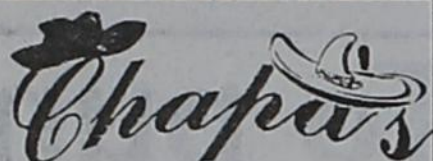
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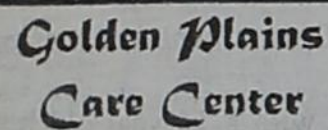
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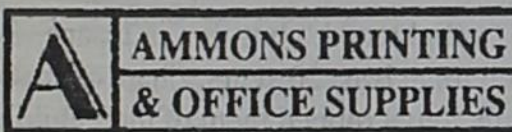


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Spring Sports

Lady Lopes place second at Tahoka Bulldog Relays

Lady Lopes team second at Friday's Bulldog Relays

The Lady Lopes posted a second place team finish at Friday's Bulldog Relays, scoring 146 points. Overall the girls earned six gold medals, four silver and two bronze.

Rachel Gray won a pair of gold medals for the 800 and 400 races and a silver in the 1600 relay. Samantha Hoover took two gold medals in high jump and the 300 hurdles, while Jenee Lott won a gold in the triple jump, a silver in the long jump and a bronze in the 800 relay. Laurel Tatum won gold in the 100 hurdles.

Gabi Gomez took home a silver medal in the 200 and 1600 relay and a bronze medal in the 800 relay, while Kadie Vernon won a silver in the shot put.

Gray ran the 800-meter dash for the first time ever, winning with a time of 2:29.84 n a half-second off the school record.

Look for that record to fall soon, her coach said.

Samantha Hoover also ran a personal best n 52.84 n to win the 300 hurdles.

Individual results were as follows:

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Track photos

by Donna Jones

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Antelope discus team members enjoying a successful day during last Saturday's Tahoka track meet are (left to right), Blake Nichols and Zach Witcher. In the background (right) is discus coach Diane James.

1 High jump n Samantha Hoover, 48.1, first place; Claire Kirkpatrick, 46.1, sixth place

1 Long jump n Jenee Lott, 15i 3 1/4i, second place; Gabi Gomez, 13i 11 1/2i, sixth place

1 Triple jump n Jenee Lott, 32i 10 3/4i, first place; Gabi Gomez, 31i 6 1/4i, fourth place; Sabrina Sanchez, 30i 2 3/4i

1 Shot put n Kadie Vernon, 29i 11 1/4i, second place; Brenna Postell, 24i; Kenzie Mason, 16i

1 3200 run n Haley Lester, 15:20.21, fifth place; Marie Mendoza, 15:49.95; Claudia Hernandez, 16:12.81

1 400 relay n 55.48, third place (Sabrina Sanchez, Whitney Williams, Claire Kirkpatrick, Marlee Plummer)

1 800 run n Rachel Gray, 2:29.84, first place; Haley Lester, 3:01.00; Shelly Gearheart, 3:11.0

1 100 hurdles n Laurel Tatum, 17.74, first place; Tamara Reynolds, 18.22, fourth place

1 100 dash n Joanna Manjares, 13.70, fourth place; Shyra Perez, 13.95; Patricia Wright, 14.70; Amber Spargo (JV), 15.22

1 800 relay n 1:55.72, third place (Marlee Plummer, Jenee Lott, Whitney Williams, Gabi Gomez)

1 400 dash n Rachel Gray, 62.29, first place; Brenda Manjares, 68.90, sixth place; Shyra Perez, 68.99

1 300 hurdles n Samantha Hoover, 52.84, first place; Tamara Raymundo, 55.75, sixth place



Long Jump specialist Kenny Garay lunges forward for the Post Antelopes last Saturday during the Tahoka track meet.

PHS Spring Sports Schedule

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Baseball @ Abernathy, Noon
Tennis @ Post

April 4

Softball vs. Hermleigh @ Post, 4:30 p.m.
Baseball @ Shallowater, 7 p.m.

April 7

Tennis @ Idalou

April 8

Softball vs Idalou @ Post, 11 a.m.
Baseball @ Idalou, Noon

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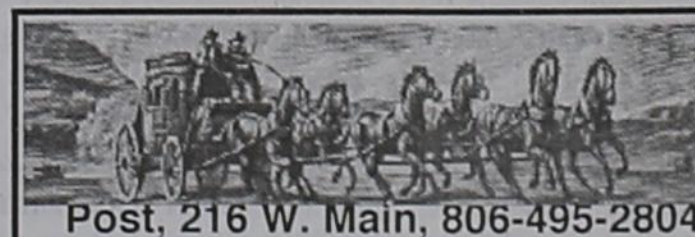
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Antelope Call Windham stretches through the high jump for the JV team during last Saturday's track meet at Tahoka.

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Lady Lopes ...

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1200 dash n Gabi Gomez, 27.96, second place; Joanna Menjares, 28.89, fourth place; Patricia Wright, 31.33; Amber Spargo (JV), 33.43; Valarie Moreno (JV), 30.59

11800 run n Maria Mendoza, 7:14.61; Shelly Gearheart, 7:29.24; Claudia Hernandez, 7:16.28

11800 relay n 4:30.83, second place (Sabrina Sanchez, Gabi Gomez, Marlee Plummer, Rachel Gray)

Varsity 'Lopes finish fourth at Tahoka meet

The varsity eLopes took 84 points and a fourth place finish in the track meet held March 24 in Tahoka.

New Deal topped the tourney with 213 points, followed by the host team with 133 and Lorenzo, 96. Slaton finished just behind Post with 54 and Crosbyton had 28 points in the meet. Lubbock Christian also participated.

Individual results, as provided by the coach, were as follows:

- 400m relay n 46.15, fourth place (Wilson Cash, D.J. Baiza, James Griffin and Kenny Garay)
- 800m run n D.J. Rivera, 2:12.31, third place
- 100m dash n Kenny Garay, 12.00; Steven Hair, 12.00
- 300m intermediate hurdles n Heath Fellhauer, 44.45, second place

- 200m dash n James Griffin, 23.12, first place; Steven Hair, 25.44
- 1600m relay n 3:46.44, third place (Fellhauer, Baiza, Cash and Rivera)

- Shot put n Blake Nichols, 45i 1/4i, first place; Zack Witcher, 32i, sixth place
- Discus n Blake Nichols, 140i 11i, first place; Zack Witcher, 103i8i, sixth place
- Long jump n Kenny Garay, 18i8i; Heath Fellhauer, 18i3/4i; Steven Hair, 17i4i
- High jump n Heath Fellhauer, James Griffin
- Triple jump n Kenny Garay, 37i11i; James Griffin, 36i5i
- 800m relay n 1:35.70, fourth place (Garay, Baiza, Cash and Griffin)



Rachel Gray (front middle) pushes toward a first place finish in the 800m run last week during the Tahoka track meet.



Post Antelope Preston Ortiz unleashes in the shot-put contest for the JV team during last Saturday's track meet at Tahoka.

Spring Sports

Beggs takes second, sets new state record

Israel Beggs, a senior at Post High School, set a state record and grabbed a second place finish overall in the 275 weight class, Division 3, of the state powerlifting meet held last weekend in the Campbell athletic Complex in Aldine.

More than 300 competitors participated in the meet. Beggs' lifts, according to Coach John Wright, were as follows:

- 650 squat that tied the state record (broken later in the meet by Dacory Lister of San Augustine)
- 440 bench press, setting a new state record
- 540 deadlift
- 1630 total, breaking the state record of 1600 total (Beggs' record was broken later in the meet by Lister with 1680)

"Israel had the best meet of his career as a lifter here," Wright said. "He finished second overall in state with a total that was in the top three of all totals in 1A and 2A. Israel improved his regional meet total from 1585 to 1630, a drastic jump from one meet to another."

"Israel is a special person with a great amount of potential. Israel has worked hard to get where he is for his whole career here. To see the outcome of his hard work be rewarded this way is inspiring to me as a coach and should be to all Post athletes of the future."



Post Antelope senior powerlifter Israel Beggs ties the state record with a total of 650 pounds in the squat event during last weekend's UIL state meet in Houston.

(Photo by Susan Strawn)

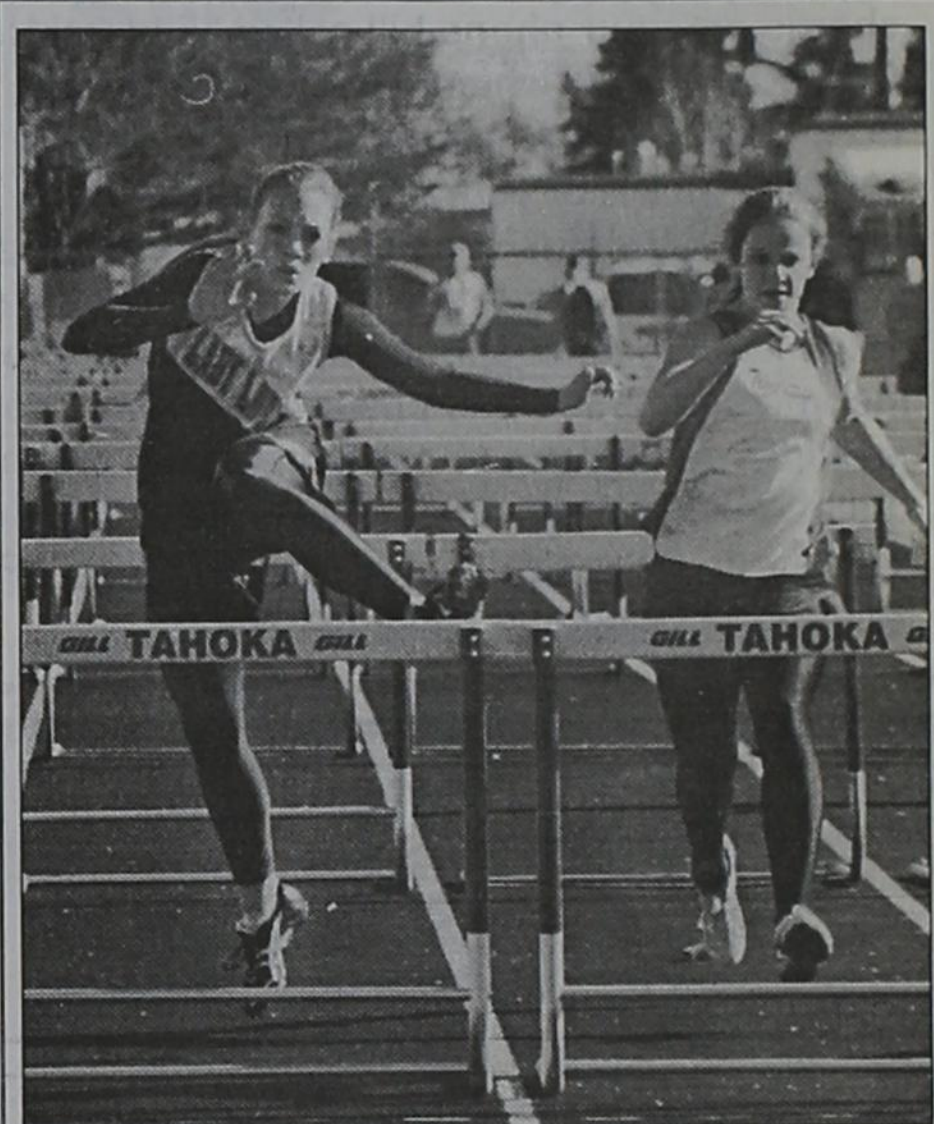
JV boys take third at Tahoka contest

The junior varsity Post High School boys track team grabbed a third place finish at the March 24 meet at Tahoka.

New Deal won the team totals with 204 points, followed by Tahoka with 144, Post with 70, Lubbock Christian with 67 and Crosbyton with 48 points. Lorenzo had 45 points in the meet and Slaton earned 27.

Individual results, as reported by the coach, were as follows:

- 400m relay n 50.23, fourth place (Eric Washington, Call Windham, Steven Perez and Pat Reiter)
- 800m run n Zack Nava, 2:32.74, fourth place; Nathan Jurado, 2:35.11, sixth place
- 100m dash n Jay Dihenia, 12.20, fourth place; Jesse Vera, 13.08; Jarrett Blevins, 13.24
- 400m dash n Blaise Lester, 62.25; Steven Perez, 68.07; Jarrett Blevins, 69.97
- 200m dash n Jay Dihenia, 25.44, third place; Rick Crenshaw, 25.86, sixth place; Jarrett Blevins, 28.49
- 1600m run n Zack Nava, 5:51.29, sixth place
- 1600m relay n 3:58.80, third place (Washington, Windham, Lester and Reiter)
- Shot put n Kris Crenshaw, 34i5 1/2i, fifth place; Jesse Vera, 28i7i; Ricky Vegara, 28i2i
- Discus n Kris Crenshaw, 86i1i, sixth place; Preston Ortiz, 85i9i; Dale Spawn, 75i2i
- Long jump n Pat Reiter, 16i4 1/2i; Call Windham, 16i 1 1/2i; Steven Perez, 15i2i
- High jump n Call Windham, 5i8i, third place; Pat Reiter, 5i2i, fifth place
- 800m relay n 1:48.11, second place (Washington, Windham, Dihenia and Reiter)



Laurel Tatum (middle) of the Post Lady Lopes, dashes to a first place finish in the 100m hurdles event last week during the Tahoka track meet.

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DISTRICT 8A
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Mar 9, 2006

Rule 38 Case No. 8A-0246634
Status/Permit No. 613399

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the CHOLLA PETROLEUM, INC., [RRC Operator No. 150683] has made application for a density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DENSITY requirement of the field rules for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 1282, Bk. <N/A>, BS&F/GALBRAITH, B J Survey, A-652, P. H. D. Field, GARZA County, being 7 miles NW direction from POST, Texas. The location and identity of the well is as follows:

FIELD: P. H. D.

Lease/Unit Name : SPECK
Lease/Unit Well No. : 6
Lease/Unit Acres : 80.0
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 330.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 686.0

Lease Lines : 330.0 F N L, 380.0 F B L
Survey Lines : 2461.9 F S L, 380.0 F E L

As part of this application, applicant also seeks permit authority in 1 additional field: (1) P. H. D. (GLORIETA). No rule exception is necessary pursuant to the field rules for this field.

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

P. H. D. : OIL Special Rules 330/660, 20.0 acres.
P. H. D. (GLORIETA) : OIL Special Rules 330/660, 20.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 4999 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant at (214) 6927052.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted without a hearing if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protester should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512)463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission at (512)463-6848.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE BY APR 20, 2006 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

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Steve Deaton
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PHS 'Crucible' advances to district contest Friday

The Post High School One-Act Play "The Crucible" was one of two performances tapped to advance to the district competition Friday in Shallowater following the March 23 District 5-2A South Zone contest.

Performances by Post High School and Denver City High School earned the right to advance to the next level of competition. Also participating in the South Zone contest were Slaton High School and Tahoka High School students.

In addition to earning one of the two open spots at the district contest, PHS also made a strong showing in the number of cast members cited for individual work. Vice Robles was recognized as Best Actor in the daylong competition, and two of his fellow cast members - Kelsey Sanderson and Colter Creech - received nods as members of the All-Star Cast. Receiving honorable mention were Jonathan McGregor, Laurel Tatum, Emily Marcum and Shannon Rasbeary.

Cast members of "The Crucible" include Marcum, Rasbeary, Bailey Odom, Keely Bramblett, Josie Whisenhunt, Meagen Howard, Claire Kirkpatrick, Sanderson, Allen Heckaman, Joey Guerra, Creech, Tatum, Robles, McGregor and Jerin Tyler.

Ashley Wilson, Courtney Copeland, Brandon Hernandez and

Timothy Wilson make up the crew. Alternates include K'Nell Dalby, Brenna Postell, Aide Auyeskhan and Ty Hopper.

Sterline Marcum, Tim Tatum and Leslie Tatum serve as directors of the play.

Denver City High performed the one-act play "Opal." Two DCHS cast members were named to the All-Star Cast, while four received honorable mention.

Two Slaton students were named to the All-Star listing, while two Tahoka students also made the contest's honor roll. A third Tahoka actor, Christyn Chapa, was tapped as Best Actress.

Friday's district contest schedule begins at 2 p.m. in the Shallowater High School auditorium. The following performance order will be observed: Denver City High School; Shallowater High School; Idalou High School; Post High School.

Individuals interested in seeing the PHS performance at Shallowater are encouraged to be at the auditorium by 4:30 p.m.

"The students really appreciate anyone who can come and support with their attendance," Marcum said.



Receiving special awards for their performance of "The Crucible" during last Thursday's Zone One Act Play contest in the Post Elementary Auditorium are (back row left to right), Emily Marcum, Colter Creech and Laurel Tatum (middle row), Kelsey Sanderson and Shannon Rasbeary (front row), Vincent Robles and Jonathan McGregor. (Photo by Melvena Moore, Courtesy of Post High School)

Notice to Poka Lambro Customers

Effective April 1, 2006, you may notice an increase in the charge on your phone bill called "Federal Universal Service Charge (FUSC)", which pays for the Federal Universal Service Fund. The FCC has approved an increase in this charge from 10.2% to 10.9% of your monthly interstate access charges for residential and business customers effective April 1, 2006. This charge contributes to the national universal service fund, which helps keep local telephone service rates affordable for low-income customers and customers in high cost rural areas, and provides assistance to customers with disabilities. If you have questions about the change, please call our office. Poka Lambro Telephone Cooperative Inc. - 800-422-2387; Poka Lambro Telephone Company - 888-568-7305.

Gentry Creech honored at wedding shower

Gentry Creech, bride-elect of Josh Slayden, was honored with a wedding shower from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. March 12, 2006, in the First United Methodist Church fellowship hall.

Guests were served thumb-print cookies, chocolate-covered strawberries and punch from a table decorated in the bride's colors: black, white and red.

Special guests included the bride's mother, Teresa Slayden.

Hostesses for the event were Tonya Kirkpatrick, Lisa Kirkpatrick, Patty Kirkpatrick, Diann Windham, Debra Robertson, Alexa Collier, Jana McCallister, Kim Mills and Janice Plummer. The hostesses presented the couple with bedding and bath accessories.



Best friends Kari Strivens (left) and Jodye Rutherford share a laugh during the March 24 birthday party for Kari at Chapa's Family Restaurant's Garden Room. Approximately 30 guests attended the event, all dressed in formal attire. The Garden Room was beautifully decorated. Music and dance highlighted the special occasion.

Karianna Strivens & Best Friend, Jodye Rutherford
My sweet little girl has turned 17!

Who would know that time really would fly by this fast?

I have been told over and over again, but still thought it would last.

Who would have thought what beauty God would mold, Inside and outside her
God she holds.

Thru many tests and trials we have been,
But God has a plan and by Him she does STAND.

So when you see this gem that God has blessed me with,

Just remember to encourage her and those like her with love and their hearts to lift.

I Love you, honey.
Philippians 4:13

I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

Happy Birthday
Love, Mom & Kameron



Post Antelope golfer Call Windham (right) puts one in during the Idalou golf tournament on Monday, March 6. (Photo by Rhonda Norman)

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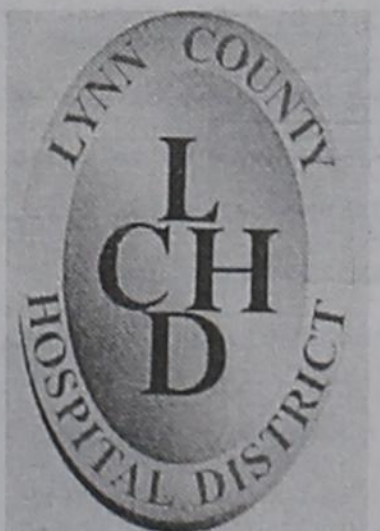
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Primary Run-off Election

The Primary Election of March 7, 2006 has produced run-offs for three state races.

The Republican Party ballot will have one race for the position of Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 8 between Terry Keel and Charles Holcomb.

The Democratic ballot will feature two races: US Senator between Barbara Ann Rodnoffsky and Gene Kelly.

The Lieutenant Governor run-off is between Benjamin Z. Grant and Maria Luisa Alvarado.

Early Voting is from April 3 through April 7 and Election Day is Tuesday, April 11, 2006.

The courthouse will be the one voting location in Garza County for Early Voting and Election Day.

The clerk's office will be open from 8:00 A.M. to 12 Noon and 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. for Early Voting.

Letters ...

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business.
There's a lot of people in this world who have bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees. They may have a whole lot of education or book learning, but they are not smart enough to run their households and try running mine. Mine is mine, not theirs to try telling me what to do. They do not live in my household. They do not pay my bills.

You do whatever you want, but you understand you have no rights to tell me what to do now or ever, so back off. I am a free American and plan on staying that way.

My husband and I raised three boys, one girl. He was employed by Phillips Pet Co. I drove school buses 10 years and worked (in the) school cafeteria, served for the square dance club. We and our four children never had help from good stamps or any other lgive mef programs. They all worked and two boys had scholarships to college. We have six grandchildren. They've all attended college. My husband passed away from cancer 20-plus years ago, but these 10 people, my children and grandchildren, do not try to tell me what to do.

It takes some common sense to know when to put up and shut up. I was raised on a farm, went to work on weekends at 12 years old in a general store. My mom and dad was the boss. I obeyed 99 percent, but 1 percent I have always had a mine of my own.

I taught my children to be leaders, not followers. You don't do something because someone else does. You do what is right. You don't wear certain clothes because someone else does. You wear what you like and looks good on you. In other words, be an individual. Think before you leap. And if you get yourself in a jam, admit it and you alone will have to get yourself out.

After all, no one is perfect. The only perfect person to ever be on this earth was Jesus Christ. No one can compete to that degree. I've made my mistakes, but I just pull my boot straps up, take a step out. Nothing can keep me down.

Ola Faye Crawford

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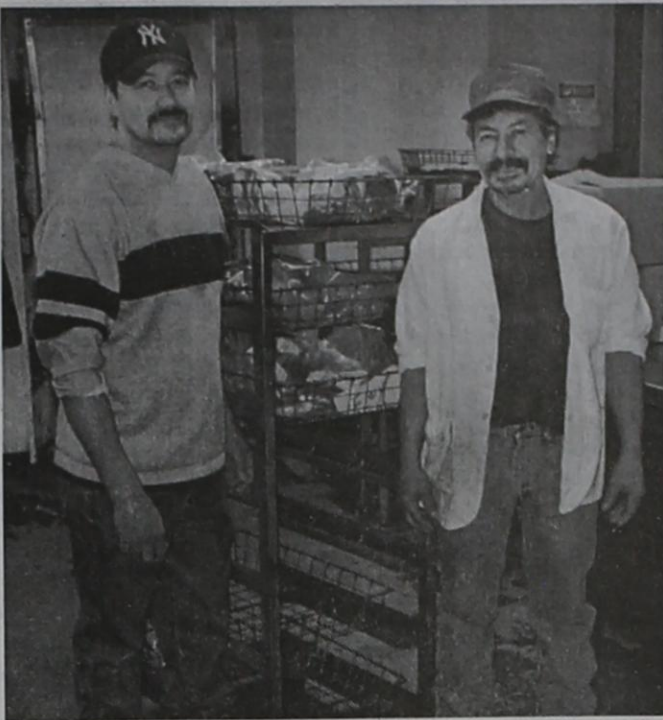
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David Hernandez and Jose Rodriguez, cousins and longtime employees of Jackson Bros., purchased the business from former owner Bo Jackson several years ago.

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In addition to the hardware store, the Porters are busy revamping the washateria next door to their 311 E. Main location. The couple purchased the laundry several months ago and are about to install new washers and dryers. The business will operate under the name Post City Laundry; hours will be 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. seven days a week.

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Mikey and Patrick Gonzales

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The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the San Andres formation, Connell -B- lease, Well Number 29. The proposed injection well is located five miles southeast of Post in the Rocker -A- NW (San Andres) Field, in Garza County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 2600 to 2825 feet. LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Request for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

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LEGAL NOTICE

Post Independent School District, like other school districts around the state, is requesting a waiver to start the 2006 - 2007 school year the week

of August 14, 2006 instead of the week of August 21, 2006. Starting this week will enable the school calendar to be set so that the first semester of school ends by December 21, 2006, the number of days per semester is approximately equal, and the ending date for the 2006 - 2007 school year is before June 2007. If you have any questions regarding the proposed school calendar, please contact the Superintendent of Post Independent School District.

Cotton Market Weekly March 23, 2006

After hitting lows not seen since mid-September on Wednesday, May cotton futures on the New York Board of Trade settled higher Thursday. Weather conditions continued to be a topic of market discussion this week as precipitation finally fell on parched Texas soil. Most of the High and Rolling Plains received up to one or two inches of rain over a three-day period last weekend. Farmers who had been running equipment across fields to minimize soil erosion were able to halt the time-consuming, costly operation. Ground in the area that had been too hard to plow now is more pliable, and spring land preparation can proceed.

Unseasonably cold, winter-like weather with daytime highs mainly in the 30 to 40 degree range was reported in northern Texas at the end of the week. Light snow fell on some areas of the Texas Panhandle, briefly easing extremely dry conditions. However, much more precipitation will be needed prior to planting to ensure adequate topsoil moisture to germinate seeds.

The Upper Coastal Bend and central parts of the state also received beneficial rainfall this week while the Rio Grande Valley remained dry. Final planting dates are looming, and producers there are hoping for timely rain.

In other news, the National Cotton Council (NCC) reported U.S. textile mills used cotton on a seasonally adjusted annualized rate of 6.34 million bales in February, up from the adjusted figure of 6.19 million bales at the same time one year ago. NCC also revised its January figure to 6.25 million bales.

The steady pace of world consumer demand could be seen in the weekly export sales report from USDA. The department reported net export sales of U.S. cotton reached 438,900 bales in the week ended March 16. The figure was one percent lower than the previous week but 54 percent more than the four-week average. Primary buyers included China, Turkey, Indonesia, Thailand, and Taiwan. Sales of 13,500 bales for delivery in 2006-07 were mainly for Mexico.

Export shipments of 363,300 bales were 13 percent lower than the previous week and eight percent less than the four-week average. China was the primary destination followed by smaller quantities to Mexico, Taiwan, Indonesia, and Turkey.

Meanwhile, spot cotton sales also were lower than the previous week. Online trading by producers in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas in the week ended March 23 totaled 14,821 bales compared to the previous week when 35,155 bales were traded. Average prices received by producers in the most recent week ranged from 45.86 to 50.34 cents per pound compared to 47.20 to 48.86 cents per pound the previous week.

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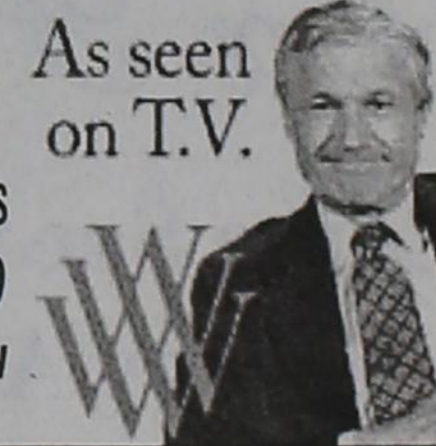


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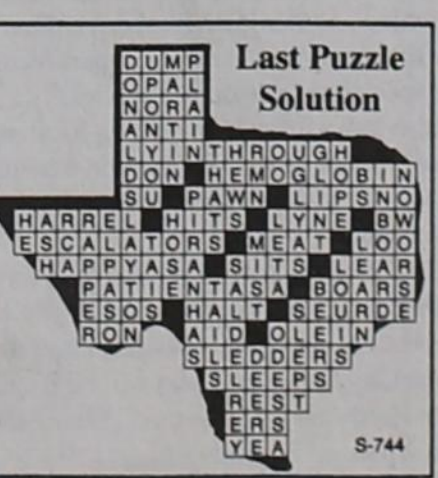
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Yesteryears

Compiled by Donna Jones
From The Post Dispatch archives

10 Years Ago March 28, 1996

You never know who's going to stop in Post for a bite to eat...customers at El Matamoros were pleasantly surprised last Saturday when famous country and western entertainer Lorrie Morgan and her road crew pulled their buses into the parking lot. The music star was pleasant and cooperative and fans stepped aside to respect her privacy while she enjoyed her meal.

Post High School students selected for the academic all-district team are Jeremy Josey, Nikki Pollard, Arimya Gráidine, Cassie Short, Macee Mills, Nichole Cruse, Jay Childers and Natalie Pollard.

Grand opening ceremonies at the new Sonic last week included a Post Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting welcome.

Congratulations VFW Post 6797 on the 50th Anniversary! The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post was organized in 1946 with Henry Aten as first post commander, Ladies' Auxiliary president in 1946 was Johnnie Rogers.

The Texas Horseshoe Pitchers Assn. kicked off their 1996 season with the State Mixed Doubles, held in Bastrop. Two pitchers from Post, Johnny and Jean Davenport made the trip for the tournament, bringing home first place trophies in their class.

20 Years Ago March 27, 1986

First place trophies in last Saturday's Post Merchants' Association sponsored Festival of the Winds parade went to Caprock Photography for the best float, A. C. Cash for classic auto entry (Rolls Royce) and John Shults for the Ugly Truck contest.

Saturday morning at sunrise "Chief" Frank Runkles repeated an ancient Plains Indian ceremony which has been a tradition in Post for more than 70 years. The smoke from the fire drifted to the northeast...as "Chief" Runkles pointed the feather southwest indicating a "poor year" for agriculture.

A new school record set by Post 8th grade girls at the Post Jr. Relays include the 400 meter relay team of Megan Bush, Dana Morris, Shal Sneed and Dusti Cash with a time of 52.93.

Saturday, March 1st marked a milestone for the Post Community Assistance and Resource Emergency Services, with the facility's doors having been open one year.

30 Years Ago March 25, 1976

Nancy Reno, a freshman at McMurry College at Abilene is a member of the McMurry Chanters. The Chanters, a nationally renowned group of singers, will be going on tour to Washington, D. C. this spring. Nancy is a 1975 graduate of Post High School and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Reno.

Jackie Browning, 34, defensive coordinator for the Antelope football team for two years under Bobby Davis, will return to Post as Post's new head football coach and athletic director.

David Pierce has resigned as county probation officer effective March 31. Pierce, who has served in the position almost a year plans to go to Washington, D. C. and look into possible opportunities in the nation's capital.

Harold Lucas Motors: 1976 Chevrolet Laguna S-3 - \$5,565.00; 1976 Chevrolet Silverado Heavy Duty Fleetside - \$5,650.77.

Dr. Charles McCook's new four-wheel drive pickup got some distinctive rear bumper identification this week while it was parked behind the local dentist's office, the bumper boldly read "TOOTH FAIRY".

40 Years Ago March 29, 1966

Mrs. Tillman Jones received the award of "Outstanding Leadership of Long Continuous Service," at the 6th annual convention of the Caprock District of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs held in Brownfield.

Justiceburg News: S-Sgt. Bruce Ainsworth, son of Hardie

Ainsworth, is stationed in Saigon. His wife and children are living in California while he is overseas.

Mrs. Carl Fluit of Route 3 was chosen as "Woman of the Year" at the benefit style show sponsored by Xi Delta Rho. Mrs. Fluit has lived in the Graham community for 33 years since her marriage to Mr. Fluit in 1933. The Fluits are the parents of two sons, Delwin and Jacky.

Birch Lobbaan, Post High School senior and a 4-H Club member, was awarded the over-all showmanship trophy in the junior livestock show.

The Becker brothers of Slaton were issued a city building permit Monday for the construction of a Mobil service station at the northeast corner of Broadway and 11th street.

50 Years Ago March 29, 1956

A contest developed this week in another Garza County political race, with Nathan Mears announcing for the office of sheriff. Already in the race was the incumbent, Carl Rains.

The Scouter's Key, which is the highest award a woman can receive in Boy Scout work, was awarded to Mrs. Victor Hudman of Post.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim R. Norman are parents of an eight pound, 10 ounce son born March 18, in Slaton Mercy Hospital. He has been named Jimmy Charles.

Ray Gary, Post Antelope half-miler, ran his best race of the season Saturday in winning first place in the Lockney Relays with a time of 2:06.05.

Facts and Fads around PH'S: Couples that were together during the past week include: Jack Morris and Ann Osborne, Howard Jones and Leslie Nichols, Ted Tatum and Patsy Rountree, Dickey Beggs and Barbara Wheatley, Charles Chandler and Bettie Sue Norman, Jimmy Hutton and Jackie Sue Mason, Leon Davis and Marie Howard, Charles Morris and Sharron Wodds.

60 Years Ago March 28, 1946

Up and Down Main Street: Looking in on the Haws Dry Goods bunch this week we found them playing checkers, so to speak, with the display counter in the dry goods and variety departments. A new hardwood floor was being laid throughout the store. A. B. Sr. and Jr. were busy measuring and otherwise assisting the workmen; Another face-lifting and repair job we noticed was that underway at Short Hardware Store (formerly Doughty's). Mr. Short is preparing for his grand opening; A new paint job is also being given the exterior of the Earl Hodges Tractor Shop on North Broadway and B&B



Members of VFW Post 6797 in March 1951 were (left to right) George Samson, Lt. commander J. T. Rutherford, H. Herr, Holly, Bill Carter, Bob Post, John Shedd, Carl Rains, N.C. Outlaw, John Rodgers, Emmett A. Stelzer and Henry Aten. The men were standing in front of city hall before the center of Main Street was paved. (Photo courtesy of Andy Stelzer)

VFW Post 6797 members have marched in many a parade during the past 50 years... these members led the parade in 1966 on Main Street. (Photo courtesy Andy Stelzer)

Exclusively from the archives of The Post Dispatch, Thursday, March 28, 1996

Auto Supply store is sporting a new appearance with its spatter work stucco front.

Announcement of the opening of a dairy business to serve Post is being made this week by Conner and Percy Parson. The brothers have purchased a dairy herd and will begin operation of the business in April.

Farmers may begin anew on preparations for this year's crop because the 'wind crop prediction' indicated an 'average' yield. The wind last Friday morning was from the northwest, according to findings of Judge Clark M. Mullican of Lubbock. Judge Mullican has been making this forecast for the last 15 years, carrying on the experiment

after the late W. O. Stevens, formerly of Post, had died. Mr. Stevens had assisted the late J. I. Wilborn, also a pioneer Garza rancher, in making the predictions.

Menus

- Post ISD**
April 3 - Breakfast - Sausage on stick, fruit, milk.
Lunch - Carne guisada, salad, pinto beans, fruit cocktail, milk.
April 4 - Breakfast - Pop tart, sausage link, fruit, milk.
Lunch - Manwich, southwest beans, salad, peaches, milk.
April 5 - Breakfast - Malt-o-meal, sausage, toast, fruit, milk.
Lunch - Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot rolls, milk.
April 6 - Breakfast - Cinnamon toast, fruit, milk.
Lunch - Chalupa, spanish rice, salad, rosey appleauce, milk.
April 7 - Breakfast - Cereal, toast fruit, juice, milk.
Lunch - Corn dogs, tater tots, pork&beans pears, milk.
- Southland ISD**
April 3 - Breakfast - Biscuits&sausage gravy, juice, milk.
Lunch - Corn dogs, vegetarian beans, chips, pudding, milk.
April 4 - Breakfast - French toast, fruit cup, milk.
Lunch - Chicken spaghetti, salad, peas, fruit, cookie, milk.
April 5 - Breakfast - Donuts, fruit, juice, milk.
Lunch - Fried chicken, cream potatoes, green beans, roll, cake, milk.
April 6 - Breakfast - Cereal, graham crackers, juice, milk.
Lunch - Chili cheese burrito, salad, beans, orange quarters, milk.
April 7 - Breakfast - Waffles, bacon, juice, milk.
Lunch - Cheeseburger w/fixins, fries, yogurt, milk.
- TRAILBLAZERS**
April 3 - Beef stroganoff w/noodles, broccoli, wheat rolls, peach shortcake.
April 4 - Green chili chicken enchiladas, ranch style beans, mexican corn, salad, cornbread, fruit salad.
April 5 - Roast w/gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed veggies, colelaw, biscuits, brownie.
April 6 - Polish sausage, cabbage, corn, cornbread, pumpkin crunch.
April 7 - Tuna pasta casserole, blackeyed peas, brussell sprouts, cornbread, cobbler.

Post City Television

Daily Program Guide

March 31 thru April 6

- Friday, March 31**
7 a.m. Graham Ole Opry
10 a.m. This Week In Post City
3 p.m. Family Harvest Church
5 p.m. Graham Ole Opry
7 p.m. This Week In Post City
- Saturday, April 1**
7 a.m. Graham Ole Opry
9 a.m. This Week In Post City
1 p.m. Post Antelope Baseball
3 p.m. Family Harvest Church
7 p.m. This Week In Post City
10 p.m. Post Antelope Baseball
- Sunday, April 2**
1 p.m. Post Antelope Baseball
3 p.m. Family Harvest Church
5 p.m. This Week In Post City
8 p.m. Post Antelope Baseball
- Monday, April 3**
7 a.m. Graham Ole Opry
9 a.m. This Week In Post City
1, 5 & 10 p.m. Post Church of Christ Sunday Services
- Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, April 4, 5 & 6**
7 a.m. Graham Ole Opry
9 a.m. Garza County Commissioners Court
11 a.m. Post ISD Board of Trustees
1 p.m. Garza County Hospital District
3 p.m. Post City Council
7 p.m. Graham Ole Opry

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Are there any advantages to you?
The advantages of filing a rendition are:
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• You record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes on time or paying extra charges for late payments.
• You can also file a report of decreased value to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 2005. The district will look at your property before assigning a value in 2006.

What's the deadline?
The last day for filing 2005 renditions is April 15. You can get an automatic extension to May 15 if you ask for it in writing on or before the April 15 deadline. The other appraisal year may grant an additional 15 days after May 15 for an owner who shows good cause in writing.

Where do you file?
File renditions with your local appraisal district at:
Garza Central Appraisal District
124 East Main, P.O. Drawer F
Post, Texas 79356
(806) 495-3518

For more information, stop by your appraisal district and pick up "Texas Property Taxes: Taxpayers' Rights, Remedies and Responsibilities" or contact:
Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn
Property Tax Division
P.O. Box 13628
Austin, TX 78711-3628
or call: 1-800-252-9121
or on the Web at:
www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/propinfo/propinfo.html

A variety of homestead exemptions can lower your property taxes!

A homestead exemption lowers the property taxes on your home by lowering the taxable value. If your home is valued at \$20,000 and you receive a \$1,000 homestead exemption, your home will be taxed as if it were worth \$19,000.

Who qualifies for an exemption?
Anyone who owns a home on January 1st and uses it as a primary residence on that date is eligible for a homestead exemption. To be eligible, you must own the home and live in it on January 1st. You must also be a Texas resident on that date. There are other special taxing districts that may offer homestead exemptions.

Are there other exemptions available?
If you're disabled—or if you're 65 years old or older—you are entitled to an additional \$10,000 without tax exemption on your home. And, you qualify for the disabled or disabled dependent exemption if you're disabled or if you're a disabled dependent of someone who is disabled. The amount for the disabled or disabled dependent exemption is \$10,000. The disabled or disabled dependent exemption is available to you if you're 65 years old or older at the time of the appraisal and you're a Texas resident. The disabled or disabled dependent exemption is available to you if you're 65 years old or older at the time of the appraisal and you're a Texas resident. The disabled or disabled dependent exemption is available to you if you're 65 years old or older at the time of the appraisal and you're a Texas resident.

Do I have to apply each year?
No. If you had a homestead exemption on your home in 2005, you won't need to reapply for 2006 unless your circumstances change. However, if you haven't received an exemption on your property for 2006, you'll need to reapply for it. You'll need to reapply for it for the age 65 or older exemption up to one year after the date you turned 65. And if you become disabled, you'll need to file for the disabled person's exemption.

When and where should I file?
File applications by April 30 at your appraisal district office. If you need more time, you can file your application with the Garza Central Appraisal District.
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When is the application deadline?
If your land has never had a productivity appraisal or you are a property owner based upon the "production value" of their land rather than on market value. This "productivity appraisal" means that you can base your taxes on the ability to produce crops, livestock or timber—not on its value on the real estate market. And it can mean substantial property tax savings.

Do you need to reapply annually?
If your land already receives agricultural or timber productivity appraisal, you normally don't need to reapply unless the appraisal expires. You may have to do so if a new application is required, the appraisal district will notify you by mail.

For more information, call or come by:
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We'll be happy to answer your questions and provide you a free copy of:
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Property Tax Division
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Austin, TX 78711-3628
or call: 1-800-252-9121
or on the Web at:
www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/propinfo/propinfo.html

¿Cuidese de las multas!

"Presente" su propiedad antes del 15 de abril.

Una "declaración de propiedad" es un reporte que el dueño de un inmueble debe presentar al 15 de abril de cada año. Si no lo hace, se le aplicarán multas y sanciones.

¿Quién debe hacer una declaración de propiedad?
Debe hacer una declaración de propiedad el dueño de un inmueble que sea propiedad personal—por ejemplo, el propietario y agente vendedor de un negocio. Si usted es dueño de un negocio, el propietario de un negocio que sea propiedad personal o si usted es dueño de un negocio que sea propiedad personal, usted debe presentar una declaración de propiedad.

¿Que ventajas me da?
Las ventajas de hacer una declaración de propiedad son:
• Se registra su opinión sobre el valor de su propiedad. El distrito de valoración debe notificarle en la escritura de cualquier cambio de valor y programar una audiencia para que usted presente su opinión sobre el valor de su propiedad.
• Puede registrar su dirección correcta para que su recibo de impuestos llegue a la dirección correcta. Si su recibo de impuestos llega a una dirección incorrecta, la ley aún le hace responsable de pagar sus impuestos a tiempo o pagar cargos adicionales por pagos tardíos.
• También puede presentar un "reporte de disminución de valor" para avisar al distrito de valoración de una disminución significativa en el valor de su propiedad en 2005. El distrito de valoración revisará su propiedad antes de asignarle un valor en 2006.

¿Cual es la fecha límite?
El 15 de abril es el último día para presentar su declaración para el 2006. Puede obtener una extensión automática hasta el 15 de mayo si lo pide por escrito en o antes del 15 de abril. El jefe de valoración también puede otorgar una extensión hasta el 15 de mayo si usted puede demostrar una causa justificada para la extensión.

¿Dónde hago mi declaración?
Haga su declaración en el distrito local de valoración en:
Garza Central Appraisal District
P.O. Drawer F, 124 East Main
Post, Texas 79356
(806) 495-3518

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¿Varias exenciones de residencia pueden rebajar sus impuestos de propiedad!

Una exención de residencia reduce su impuesto de propiedad. Por ejemplo, si su residencia tiene un valor de \$10,000 y usted recibe una exención de \$1,000, su casa será valorada en \$9,000.

¿Quién califica para una exención?
Cualquier dueño de una residencia principal en el día 1 de enero tiene derecho a una exención de residencia de \$10,000 en su valor de su propiedad. Si usted es un propietario de una residencia principal, usted también puede calificar para una exención de residencia por discapacidad o por edad avanzada.

¿Hay otras exenciones?
Si usted es discapacitado—o tiene 65 años o más—usted también puede calificar para una exención de \$10,000 en su valor de su propiedad. Si usted es un propietario de una residencia principal, usted también puede calificar para una exención de residencia por discapacidad o por edad avanzada.

¿Debo solicitarla cada año?
No. Si usted recibió una exención de residencia en el 2005, no hay necesidad de solicitarla de nuevo en el 2006. Sin embargo, si su situación cambia, usted puede necesitar solicitarla de nuevo.

¿Dónde y cuando debo solicitar mis exenciones?
Debe presentar su solicitud en el distrito local de valoración. El distrito de valoración debe notificarle en la escritura de cualquier cambio de valor y programar una audiencia para que usted presente su opinión sobre el valor de su propiedad.

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¿La valoración "productiva" puede reducir los impuestos de su terreno agrícola, ganadero o maderero!

La ley de Texas permite a los propietarios, rancheros y madereros pagar sus impuestos de propiedad basados en el "valor de producción" de su terreno agrícola, ganadero o maderero. Esto puede reducir significativamente sus impuestos de propiedad.

¿Cual es la fecha límite?
Si su terreno nunca ha tenido una valoración productiva, o si usted es un propietario de un terreno que ha sido valorado basándose en su valor de mercado, usted debe solicitar una valoración productiva antes del 15 de abril de cada año. Si usted ya tiene una valoración productiva, usted no necesita solicitarla de nuevo a menos que cambie el uso del terreno o si su terreno cambia de dueño.

¿Debo solicitarla cada año?
No. Si usted ya tiene una valoración productiva, usted no necesita solicitarla de nuevo a menos que cambie el uso del terreno o si su terreno cambia de dueño.

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ACROSS
1 TX "thick as flies at a garbage"
5 gem found in TX
13 this Linares was first director of the TX Lottery
7 opposed to
8 TX "he's _____ his teeth"
16 this Nelson was Mavericks' coach before Avery
17 pigment in red blood cells
21 TX "me casa es _____ casa"
22 lowly chess piece
23 George H. line: "Read my _____ new taxes"
24 first name of former TX Ranger owner
28 "Eddie" Chiles
29 smacks
30 this TX Phil was '71 & '72 rodeo champ
31 this Billy was the Grand Ole Opry "Tall Texan" (int.)
34 beef
35 "skip to the my darling"
36 TXism: "_____ as the top line on an eye chart"
37 TXism: "_____ hog in mud"
38 TXism: "_____ tall in the saddle"
39 TXism: "_____ jet"
39 TXism: "_____ circling buzzard"
41 wild male pigs

DOWN
1 TX Mercury astronaut "Deko"
2 "The eyes of Texas are _____"
3 Stanton is seat of this county
4 TXism: "_____ as the top line on an eye chart"
5 TXism: "_____ hog in mud"
6 TXism: "_____ tall in the saddle"
7 Pres. Nixon (int.)
8 middle of a book?
9 TXism: "_____ circling buzzard"
10 in his eye?"

15 TX Charley Pride's "You're _____ Feelin' Me"
18 A&M degree (abbr.)
19 motor inside the boat hull
20 _____ for
21 TXism: "_____ as the top line on an eye chart"
22 carnivorous fishes
24 TXism: "careless about which horse _____ saddles"
25 TX Mary Kay _____ manufacturer
27 hip hop performer
28 TX's westernmost city

37 Lake "El _____" (The King's Salt)
38 early French fort in TX: "Fort St. _____"
40 TXism: "happy as a dog with two _____"
41 honky tonk offerings
44 11-down _____ at the Menger in San Antonio
47 Ector Co. seat service (abbr.)
49 TXism: "heavy as the front end of a John _____"

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Warmer weather expected to impact fishing at the lake

by Capt'n Mike

For the most part the weather won last week, with the cold temp and winds, it really slowed the spawn. It will take a warm week to get back to where we were. There were still some fish caught though. Most people are saying the temp has been around 54* last week. Since yesterday was warm I will say it is around 57* now and should get warmer this week. Still the white double bladed spinner worked slow off the bottom or tops of trees in about 10 to 15 ft. water was the ticket. It is all changing day by day as the fish stage in pre-

spawn.

Most Texas lakes are in spawn now but not this one it will be April as I predicted.

I think the real fishing will start next week unless we have another cold spell and will continue into May like the years past.

The crappie are still a little hard to find but improving.

Open tourneys set at Lake Alan Henry

With the beginning of the spring comes an upsurge in the number of tournaments, both open and private, at Lake Alan Henry.

The following is an overview of upcoming tournaments listed on the LAH Web site maintained by the City of Lubbock Parks & Recreation Department. Only open tournaments are listed, along with contact person and telephone number:

- Saturday, April 1 - Fun Fishing Bass Tournament, Mel Phillips, 806-353-3654
- Saturday, April 1 - Green Pastures Bass Club, Maurice (Mo) Herridge, 806-495-0720
- Saturday, April 1 - Post Masonic Lodge, Archie Gill, 806-620-3830 or 806-495-3419
- Sunday, April 2 - American Bass Anglers, Joe Parker, 806-252-1119
- April 8 - Sun Country Bass Club, Ken Marlow, 806-522-4953
- April 15 - Gebois Big Bass Bonanza, Mel Phillips, 806-353-3654
- April 22 - Green Pastures Bass Club, Maurice (Mo) Herridge, 806-495-0720
- April 22 - Grubis Bait & Grill Second Annual Bass Tournament, Sue Cash, 806-629-4026
- April 22-23 - American Bass Anglers, Joe Parker, 806-252-1119
- May 6 - Green Pastures Bass Club, Maurice (Mo) Herridge, 806-495-0720
- May 6 - Lubbock Bassmasters Hourly Tournament, Josh Arp, 806-790-5544
- May 7 - American Bass Anglers, Joe Parker, 806-252-1119
- May 13 - Fun Fishing Bass Tournaments, Mel Phillips, 806-353-3654
- May 20-21 - American Bass Anglers, Joe Parker, 806-252-1119
- June 3 - Green Pastures Bass Club Night Tournament, Maurice (Mo) Herridge, 806-495-0720

For more information, visit the LAH Web site at www.lakealanhenry.org and look for the listing of 2006 tournaments

Early voting for Primary Run-Off elections

The Primary Election of March 7, 2006 has produced run-offs for three state races.

The Republican Party ballot will have one race for the position of Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 8 between Terry Keel and Charles Holcomb.

The Democratic ballot will feature two races: US Senator between Barbara Ann Rodnofsky and Gene Kelly.

The Lieutenant Governor run-off is between Benjamin Z. Grant and Maria Luisa Alvarado.

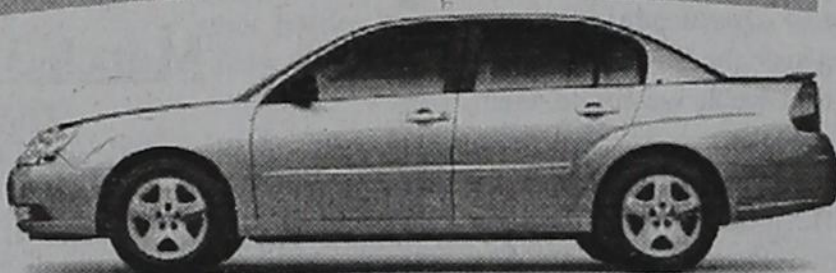
Early Voting is from April 3 through April 7 and Election Day is Tuesday, April 11, 2006.

The courthouse will be the one voting location in Garza County for Early Voting and Election Day.

The clerk's office will be open from 8:00 A.M. to 12 Noon and 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. for Early Voting.

On Election Day, the polling place will be open from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. Please call the clerk's office for information: 495-4430.

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Conservation Reserve Program information

USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) will hold a Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) general sign-up from March 27 to April 14, 2006. CRP is a voluntary program that helps agricultural producers safeguard environmentally sensitive land. Producers enrolled in CRP plant long-term resource-conserving covers to control soil erosion, improve water and air quality, and enhance wildlife habitat. In return, FSA provides participants with rental payments and cost-share assistance. Contract duration is 10 years.

Land that is not currently enrolled in CRP may be offered for enrollment during CRP sign-up 33. In addition, CRP participants with contracts expiring on September 30, 2006, may submit offers.

To be eligible for CRP enrollment, a producer must have owned or operated the land for at least 12 months prior to the end of the sign-up period. The land must be cropland that is planted to an agricultural commodity four of the previous six crop years from 1996 to 2001.

FSA provides participants with annual rental payments based on the relative productivity of the soils on the land relative to the average dryland cash rent value. Cost-share assistance is also available to help establish approved cover crops.

FSA will rank offers according to the Environmental Benefits Index (EBI). Offers will be accepted for approval after the sign-up according to the ranking.

To submit an offer, a producer must visit their local FSA office by April 14, 2006. The Garza-Borden FSA Office is located at 208 W Main, Post, Texas. The phone number is 806-495-2801, ext. 2.

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