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## UBS blood drive slated April 18 at Dalby Unit

Post-area residents will have the opportunity to give blood Friday, April 18, at the Dalby Unit. The blood drive will run from 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. "It is important to come together as a community to help one another," said Ciminie Palacios of United Blood Services. "We're hoping to see many familiar faces, as well as people who have donated in the past and were turned away the last time for one reason or another."

Typical reasons for temporary deferrals from blood donation include travel to malarial areas or the intake of certain medications like antibiotics.

"We'll do a health history and mini-physical to make sure it's OK for you to give," Palacios said. Blood received will be used in hospitals throughout the area.

To donate, a donor must be at least 17 years or older and in good health. People who have given at least three times - with one of those donations in the past six months - are eligible for a

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Post Lady Lopes J.V. and Varsity track team members celebrating their championship victory after last Thursday's District Track meet in Tahoka are (back row, left to right) Tanisha Paiz, Kalyn Villalon, Haley Lester, Branda Stevens, Bethany Berry, Shyra Perez, (middle row) Shirley Araiza Shawnda Wylie, Sydnee Jones, Gabi Gomez, Yesenia Gomez, Alex Miller, Cheyenne Miller, Sabrina Sanchez, Katelynn Short, Danica Williams, (front row) Lori Jones, Brenna Postell, Samantha Hoover, Elaena Morrison and Brittney Miller.

## Council amends solid waste code, hears VFD report on fuel fund

Recent surges in fuel costs combined with an increase in the number of fires in and around Garza County may force the Post City Council to shovel more money into the fire department's fuel fund.

During the April 1 City Council meeting, Brandt Taylor, the new Volunteer Fire Department fire chief, advised the council that a "giant red flag" has been waved when it comes to the department's fuel budget for the year.

The fire department already has expended almost 75 percent of its fuel funds for the fiscal year.

In his report, Taylor also updated the council on the department's equipment issues. Most of the fire department's equipment is antiquated, he said, with three trucks dating back to the 1960s and one from the mid-1980s and a pumper that is an early 1990s model.

The fire department is entertaining bids for a new pumper truck and another grass truck and will present recommendations for purchase at the next council meeting.

Taylor said he hopes to keep the council apprised of the actions and issues relating to the fire department and encouraged council members to contact him anytime they have a question or a comment about departmental operations.

In other business, the council unanimously agreed to amend a city code regarding municipal solid waste.

City Manager Ric Walton said that county residents continue to bring trash in and place it in the city's Dumpsters. By amending the city code, he asked the council to make it unlawful for individuals who do not pay for municipal solid waste service to place refuse in a city Dumpster.

Under the amended ordinance, the action will be deemed a theft of service and will be punishable by fine.

Council members also:

- Approved the payment of 60 percent of the final payment due on the paving project. Following a recent walk-through of the project where several deficiencies were noted, the council agreed to hold a portion of the final payment until the deficiencies are corrected.

- Approved final payment on the wastewater treatment plant project.

- Approved an engineering contract for a "very ambitious" water lines project briefly outlined by the city manager. The project, which likely will be long-range, will include numerous upgrades and added water storage capacity. Cost for the project's engineering will be \$135,000.

- Approving an engineering contract for a sewer line to the area where the new Garza County Hospital District Clinic is being constructed at Avenue S and U.S. 84.

- Approved the certification that Ward 5 council candidate Rodney Tidwell is running unopposed in the upcoming municipal election and authorized cancellation of the Ward 5 portion of the election.

- Appointed election judges as presented.

- Agreed to table consideration of revisions to the city's animal ordinance to allow the city attorney further time to review related information. At the close of the meeting, during a time period allotted for citizen communication, Cindy Polk briefly talked with the council, calling the stepped-up enforcement of the city's animal ordinance at "quite heavy-handed and ill thought out." She suggested the city come up with a better way of informing its citizens of ordinance changes and changes in enforcement because

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### Junior Rodeo this weekend

The High Plains Jr. Rodeo will be held Saturday, April 12 at 10 a.m. and Sunday, April 13 at 9 a.m. at the Post Rodeo Ground. Admission will be adults-\$4, kids 10 and under-\$2. Events will last until 6 p.m. A concession stand with great food will be available. Contact Kellie Macy at 549-6461.

### Scrap Tire Roundup

Post City Manager Ric Walton announced that an aggressive Scrap Tire Roundup will be starting later this month. Through an agreement with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, the City of Post will be allowed to collect used tires and transport them for recycling. There will be designated drop-off points announced. There will be no limit to the number of type of tires. Both individuals and businesses will be allowed to participate.

### April PTO meeting planned for Tuesday

We are forming a Parent Teacher Organization for Post Elementary, Post Junior High School and Post High School and we need you! Parents, friends and teachers - we need you to join us as we elect officers on Tuesday night, April 15 at 6:30 p.m. in the Post Cafeteria. For each parent/guardian in attendance, their student or students will get their name in a drawing for a bundle of gift cards from local merchants that will be drawn at the meeting. For information please contact Kim Lott at 789-6755.

### Homestead exemption for 65 and older

Anyone who becomes 65 in 2008, or has a birthday of 1943 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% penalty will be added to the total tax. Please call Garza Central Appraisal District at (806) 495-3518 or come by the office at 124 E. Main, Post, Texas to file a homestead exemption or rendition. Due date is April 15, 2008.

### "Dearly Beloved" opens at Garza Theatre March 28

The Garza Theatre production of "Dearly Beloved" continues April 11, 12 and April 13. The play is directed by Stan Tucker and features Beth Bass, Christie Baradshaw, Karen Dolter, Whitney Garrity, Christy Morris, Mitzi Ravenscraft, Derek Thomas, Stan Tucker, Ric Walton and Blair Wilson. Call the box office at 495-4005 for reservations.

### Post Dance Club

If you are interested in joining a dance club in Post, please contact one of the following people: Jimmy Bird (806) 781-0186; Jimmy Jones (806) 495-3628; Richard Hart (806) 759-4446; Jeremy King (806) 777-5041; Kim Mills (806) 543-1055. With enough interest, the club will host four dances this year with membership fees of \$120.00 couple/\$60.00 single. Pay at the door prices will be \$20.00 per person.

### Post Book Club to meet

The Post Book Club will meet Saturday, April 19 at 11 a.m., Ruby Lane Books, 127 E. Main. The group will discuss "The Secrets of a Fire King" a collection of short stories by Kim Edwards. The May selection

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## Imperials, Donnie Sneed to take stage at Ragtown

The legendary Southern gospel quartet The Imperials will perform at the Ragtown Gospel Theater tonight (Friday).

The Imperials have carved out a niche in gospel music with performances that stretch back more than 40 years. The group frequently performed with Elvis Presley, and prior to the Gaither era gained national exposure with appearances on popular television programs.

The theater's new production, "Mary, Mother of the Lord," will follow The Imperials' 7:30 p.m. concert.

Ticket prices will cost \$20 for adults, with discounts available for groups of 12 or more.

On Sunday, Branson entertainer Donnie Sneed will return to Ragtown with his special style of music and comedy.

Sneed's performance will run from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., and admission will be free; however, those planning to attend should call for reservations. Donations will be accepted and will benefit the production of "Mary, Mother of the Lord."

## New parent-teacher group organizing, meeting Tuesday

A Parent-Teacher Organization that will support the elementary, middle school and high school campuses in Post is being organized, and the group's first meeting is set for 6:30 p.m. Tuesday in the school cafeteria.

Officers will be elected at the meeting.

According to the event's coordinators, the National Coalition

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Garza Theatre cast members in 'Dearly Beloved' are (left to right) Mitzi Ravenscraft, Ric Walton and Christy Morris. Directed by Stan Tucker of Lubbock, the final performances of the play will be tonight and Saturday at 8:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. For more information call 495-4005. Staff photo by Tim Burnett

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Bill O'Neal, author of *The Bloody Legacy of Pink Higgins, A Half Century of Violence in Texas*, visited Post last week and while here was a special guest at the Post Area Chamber of Commerce monthly membership meeting.

The *Bloody Legacy of Pink Higgins*, the first book-length biography about Higgins, is described by the author as the story of "a rugged Texan who lived a life of classic Western adventure." Higgins was "a cowboy, Indian fighter, trail driver, stock detective, rancher and deadly shootist who killed more adversaries" than some more well-known gunfighters such as Wyatt Earp and Doc Holliday.

The Sims-Johnson family feud, well known in Scurry, Kent and Garza County, is a part of the "Pink Higgins" tale,

as well as a story of gunfire in the Algerita Hotel in Post. Post resident Ed Sims is a nephew and namesake of Ed Sims, who figured prominently in this saga as a member of the Garza County Sims family.

O'Neal, who has written 16 books and over 400 articles and book reviews, was selected as True West Magazine's Best Living Non-Fiction Writer in 2007. He also received the

2005 National Association of Outlaw and Lawman History Book of the Year award for *The Johnson County War*. He is a member of the Western Writers of America and has appeared in TV documentaries on TNN, The History Channel, the BBC, the Discovery Channel, TBS and A & E.

In addition to many Western titles, O'Neal has also written books about baseball, Western

movies and three books for young readers.

O'Neal, who has retired from teaching at Panola College in Carthage to write full time, is planning a return trip to Post later this spring to research his next book. That book will be a follow up to the Sims-Johnson feud story. Several titles of O'Neal's most popular books are available in Post at Ruby Lane Books.

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Post residents visiting with author Bill O'Neal (right) during his recent visit to Post for a Post Area Chamber of Commerce luncheon are (left to right) Linda Puckett and Anne Sims.  
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Brandi Todd of Post was one of 118 students inducted into the Kappa Mu Chapter, Phi Theta Kappa, recently on the South Plains College campus. A ceremony honoring the inductees was conducted in the Sundown Room on the Levelland campus.



Torre Richardson and Byron Burnett

### Torre Josey, Byron Burnett announce engagement

Karla and Gary Richardson of Panhandle and Patricia and Randy Josey of Midland are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Torre Nikole, to Byron Jackson Burnett, son of Dinah and Danny Daugherty and Bruce Burnett of Amarillo.

The bride-elect, granddaughter of Gene and WYvonne Kennedy and Bobby Josey of Post, R.E. and Martha Josey of Karnack and Flo and Thurman Richardson of Panhandle, is a 2004 graduate of Panhandle High School. In 2007 she graduated from West Texas A&M University with a mass communications degree. She is a producer for KCIT-TV.

The prospective bridegroom is a 2001 graduate of Amarillo High. He received a bachelor's degree in psychology from West Texas A&M in 2006 and will graduate with his master's in counseling in August.

The couple plans to wed July 12, 2008, in the Calvary Baptist Church in Panhandle.

### Births



### Kolt Riggans McDaniel

J.D. and Shay McDaniel of Sundown are proud to announce the birth of a son, Kolt Riggans McDaniel, at 7:55 a.m. on Feb. 29, 2008.

The infant weighed 7 pounds at birth and was 21 inches long.

He was welcomed home on March 28 by his brothers, Seth Everett and Luke Kincaid.

Grandparents are Donna and Stanley Degan of Calgary and Kay and Bubba McDaniel of Sundown. Great-grandmothers are Glenna Rogers and Leona Degan, both of Flomot, and Billie Jo Craddock of Sundown.

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 is "Papa Hemingway" a personal memoir by A. E. Hotchner. Anyone interested in reading can attend. There is no cost for membership; however, each member is responsible for obtaining a copy of the club's reading selection. For more information, call 495-2665 or email [rosa@rubylanebooks.com](mailto:rosa@rubylanebooks.com).

**Republican County Convention**  
 Republican County Convention of Garza County will be held at Trailblazers on Saturday, April 29 beginning at 10 a.m. For information call Scott Creech at 325-207-9064.

**Graham Ole Opry**  
 The Graham Ole Opry will be held Saturday, April 19 from 7-10 p.m. at the Graham Community Center, five miles west of Post on US Hwy. 380 and two miles south on FM 399. There is no admission charge; a hat will be passed for donations to help with upkeep on the center. For more information contact Noel White at 495-3261.

**Crosbyton Jam Fest Talent Contest**  
 Crosbyton Jam Fest is seeking singer for Talent Contest. Proceeds will benefit Youth Building fund. Special guest Highway 101. For more information please call 1800-749-0760.

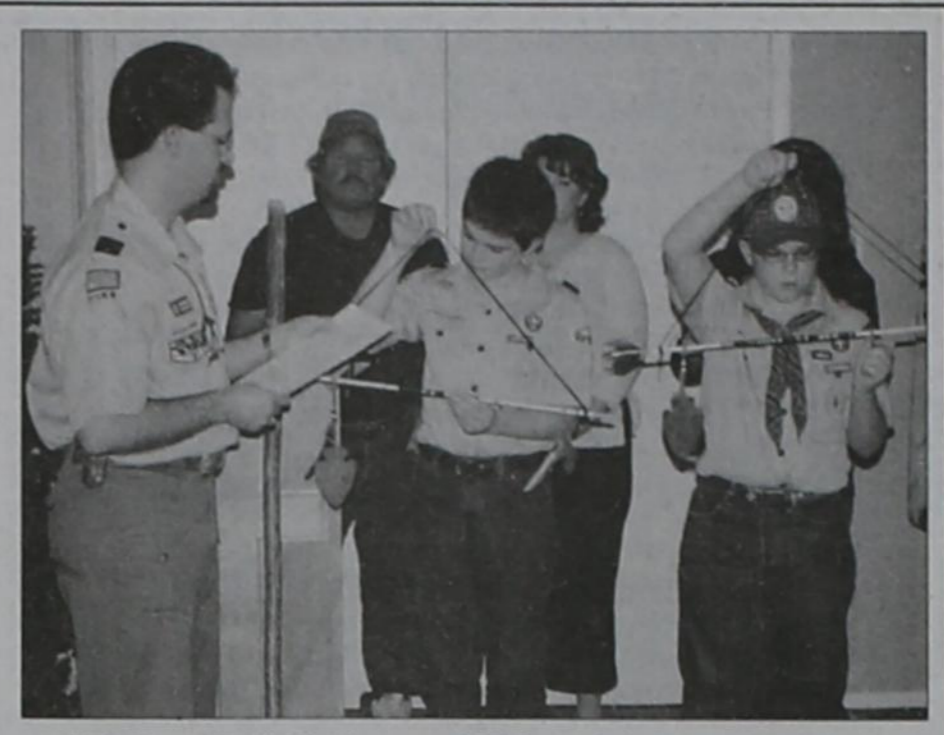
**Tickets available for All Sports Banquet**  
 Tickets are on sale for Post Booster Club's annual "All Sports Banquet" to be held on Monday, May 5 at P.I.S.D Cafeteria. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. A catered meal will be served and varsity athletes will be recognized. You may purchase tickets from: Donna Jones, Ammons Printing; Carol Short, Wells Fargo Bank; Kay Postell, P.I.S.D Business office or the office at Post High School.

**Writer's Workshop**  
 A writer's workshop for both promising and published writers will meet the first and third Saturdays during April, May and June. Each class will include an informational program over subjects helpful to all writers as well as discussion and Q&A relevant to each participant's writing experience and plans. Cost for the six week workshop is \$30 per person. Enrollment is limited to 8 participants. Call Ruby Lane Books, 495-2665 or email [rosa@rubylanebooks.com](mailto:rosa@rubylanebooks.com) for more information or to enroll in the workshop.

**Methodist youth lead services Sunday**  
 The Junior High and High School Youth Groups will be leading worship at 10:50 a.m. this Sunday. There will be a fund raising lunch following to receive money for the 2008 Camps Scholarship Fund. Thank you for your support.



Scout Pack 316 members celebrating achievements during the recent Blue and Gold Banquet are (back row, left to right) Cubmaster Trevor Thuett, Georgette Isbell, Rachel Britton, Cassandra Boren, Eric Eller, Joe Poe, (middle row) Ricky Fontenot, Caelan Thuett, Blake Boren, Trey Havens, (front row) Matthew Eller, Cord Isbell, Austin Britton, Brandon Britton, Ryan Willborn and Dillon Poe. Photo courtesy of Trevor Thuett



Cub Scout Pack 316 Arrow of Light recipients presented with special personalized arrows are Blake Boren (front, center) and Caelan Thuett (front, right). Presenting the arrows is Cubmaster Trevor Thuett (front, left). Watching the event in the back are (left to right) David Boren, Cassandra Boren and Jodi Thuett. Photo courtesy of Trevor Thuett

## Cub Scouts observe Blue & Gold Banquet

The local Cub Scout Pack 316 held its annual Blue and Gold Banquet March 8 to celebrate the accomplishments of the Cub Scouts.

The annual banquet was a time for the parents, leaders and Cub Scouts to come together to receive their advancement awards earned during the Cub Scout year.

The evening began with an opening flag ceremony conducted by the Webelos Den, the Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Wolf and Tiger Dens and the Bear Den recited the Cub Scout Promise.

A brisket dinner catered by Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Osborn was served, followed by the introduction of each Cub Scout's family members in attendance. Cubmaster Trevor Thuett gave a brief history of Cub Scouting, and a member from each den gave an explanation of the Advancement Rank he stood to represent.

The evening also included a gift presented to Thuett for his leadership as Cubmaster, presented by Randy Britton. Cassandra Boren also was recognized as the incoming Cubmaster, as she will take over the Cubmaster duties as Thuett steps down from the pack to continue as Scoutmaster of Troop 316.

Thuett conducted the rank advancement ceremonies, with the assistance of the Den Leaders. The Tiger rank

was awarded to Matthew Eller and Dillon Poe, presented by Eric Eller and Joe Poe. The Wolf rank was awarded to Cord Isbell, presented by Georgette Isbell. The Bear rank was awarded to Austin Britton, Brandon Britton, and Ryan Willborn, which was presented by Raquel Britton and Cassandra Boren.

## Bhakta honored by Post Rotary Club

The Post Rotary Club hosted Post High School senior Suhani Bhakta as its Rotary Student for the month of March.

Bhakta is the daughter of Mukesh and Daxa Bhakta. Her school activities include UIL math, science and CX debate, Student Council president, National Honor Society vice president, 4-H Club president, Senior Class president and one-act play. Also, she has participated in tennis, basketball and cross-country, Math Club and Science Club while in high school.

Her awards and honors include three-time state qualifier for the CX debate competition, two-time district champion in CX debate, first place science team, science regional qualifier, National Honor Society, Who's Who, perfect attendance, Physics Outstanding Student, Trigonometry Outstanding Student, Commended Performance on 11th grade TAKS test, 4-H Food Show certificate, A Honor Roll, Outstanding Achievement on 10th grade TAKS, World Geography Outstanding Student, Spanish III Outstanding Student, Algebra II Outstanding Student, Pre-AP/Chemistry Outstanding Student, Spanish II Student of the Year, Pre-AP/Biology Student of the Year, Geometry Student of the Year, UIL Math second place team.

In her bio, Bhakta wrote that she enjoys dancing, coin collecting and volunteering. "I believe helping others is very important," she wrote. She plans to attend Texas Tech University in Lubbock where she will pursue a career in the medical field or forensic science.

The Webelos rank was awarded to Trey Havens, along with Activity Badges. The Arrow of Light Badge. The Arrow of Light represents their hard earned accomplishments, and a special gift of a personalized arrow that was made by their den leader and Cubmaster was presented to each to honor their hard work. After receiving these awards, the two were joined by Ricky Fontenot in a continued ceremony, which was conducted by members of Troop 316. The crossover ceremony was the troop's way of welcoming in its newest members into Boy Scouts.



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# One Hundred years in Iraq?

by Sheldon Richman  
 John McCain, the Republican candidate for president who dubiously claims the status of war hero because he was imprisoned and beaten after bombing civilian targets in North Vietnam 40 years ago, apparently wants other young men to have the chance to become war heroes.  
 He continues to be dogged by a remark he made in January during the New Hampshire primary. At a town meeting a man asked McCain what he thought of President Bush's statement that U.S. forces could be in Iraq for 50 years.  
 "Maybe 100!" McCain said. "We've been in Japan for 60 years. We've been in South Korea for 50 years or so. That would be fine with me as long as Americans are not being injured or humiliated or wounded or killed. It's fine with me — I hope it'd be fine with you — if we maintain a presence in a very volatile part of the world where al-Qaeda is training, recruiting, and equipping and motivating people every single day."  
 Later, McCain amplified his position in response to questions from David Coon of Mother Jones:

"After the event ended, I asked McCain about his 'hundred years' comment, and he reaffirmed the remark, excitedly declaring that U.S. troops could be in Iraq for 'a thousand years' or 'a million years,' as far as he was concerned. The key matter, he explained, was whether they were being killed or not: 'It's not American presence, it's American casualties.'" (<http://tinyurl.com/yu639c>).  
 Since then, McCain's critics have used this statement to denigrate the senator. McCain and his allies have cried foul. Are the critics out of line?

I don't think so. Sen. Hillary Clinton accurately summarized McCain's position: "He said recently he could see having troops in Iraq for 100 years." Sen. Barack Obama put some spin into his summary, but was certainly in the ballpark, "Senator McCain said the other day that we might be mired for 100 years in Iraq — which is reason enough not to give him four years in the White House" (<http://tinyurl.com/2b4bdz>).

McCain is wrong about al-Qaeda in Iraq. By nearly all accounts, it is a minor element in the country, largely despised by its fellow Sunni Muslims. Moreover, the group wasn't even in the country until the United States invaded. Saddam Hussein trusted Osama bin Laden. Before 2003 an al-Qaeda operative was in northern Iraq, but that was the semi-autonomous Kurdish region that Saddam did not control.

Nevertheless, since McCain believes al-Qaeda is an important force there, his openness to keeping U.S. troops there for a hundred, a thousand, or a million years in defense of America's interest in the region signifies his openness to continuing war and American casualties — not to mention Iraqi casualties, which seem to count for little in the eyes of Americans.

How can this be if he stresses that a long occupation is acceptable only if no Americans are killed or injured? The answer is that McCain is not likely to end an occupation because of American casualties. He attacks the Democrats for wanting to do this now, so he could hardly follow that course himself. His real point, which he has said on other occasions, is that the American people would not object to a long occupation if there are no casualties.

Thus it is no exaggeration to say that McCain would accept 100 years of bloody occupation if that is what it took to win in his view. The Democrats' charge against him is true.

Oddly, last November McCain seemed to understand the implications of a long-term occupation when he appeared on Charlie Rose's television program and expressed opposition to a long-term occupation even if there were no casualties.

ROSE: Do you think that this — Korea, South Korea is an analogy of where Iraq might be, not in terms of their economic success but in terms of an American presence over the next, say, 20, 25 years, that we will have a significant amount of troops there?

McCAIN: I don't think so.

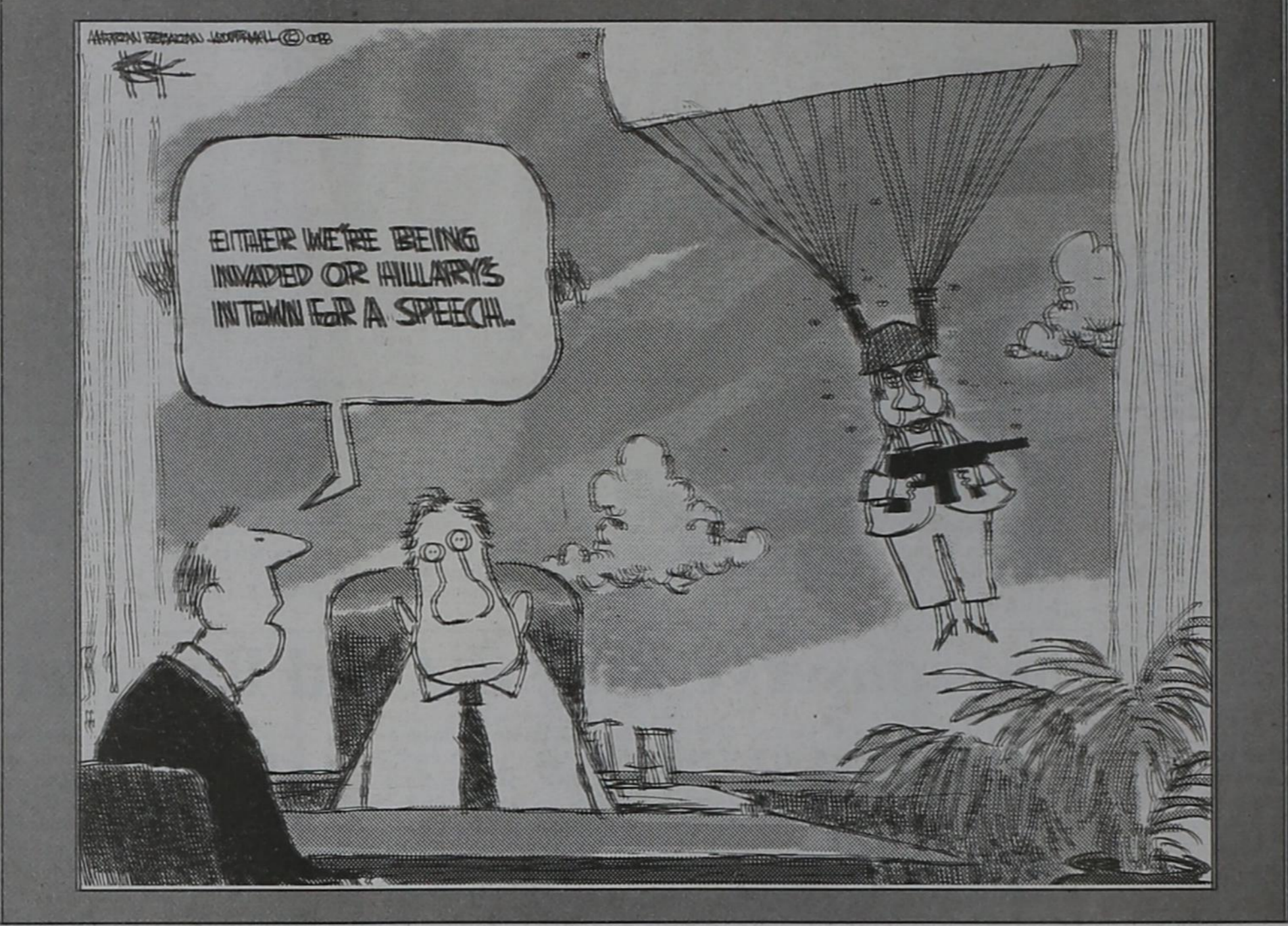
ROSE: Even if there are no casualties?

McCAIN: No. But I can see an American presence for a while. But eventually I think because of the nature of the society in Iraq and the religious aspects of it that America eventually withdraws [emphasis added; <http://tinyurl.com/38hvf1>].

Note his reference to the nature of Iraqi society and its religious aspects. McCain seems to be saying that the Iraqis will never accept a U.S. force and that therefore America perhaps could never count on an occupation without casualties, regardless of what goes on in South Korea.

Which is it, Mr. Straight Talk? Is a long occupation acceptable or not? Sheldon Richman is senior fellow at The Future of Freedom Foundation, author of *Tehered Citizens: Time to Repeal the Welfare State*, and editor of *The Freeman* magazine. Visit his blog "Free Association" at [www.sheldonrichman.com](http://www.sheldonrichman.com).

# Opinions



## Political Loathsomeness

by Walter E. Williams  
 Do any of the prospective nominees of either party deserve respect from the American people? The answer partially depends on your knowledge, values and respect for the U.S. Constitution.

When either Barack Obama, Hillary Clinton or John McCain take office, they are going to place their hand on the Bible and take the oath, "I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully execute the Office of President of the United States, and will to the best of my ability, preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States."

It will be a phony affirmation, but what's worse is that the chief justice of the United States, who administers the oath, and the average American will believe the new president.

You say, "Hey, Williams, that's a pretty tall charge! Explain yourself." There's a measure introduced in every Congress since 1995, by Rep. John Shadegg, R-Ariz., called The Enumerated Powers Act that would require that all bills introduced in the U.S. Congress include a statement setting forth the specific constitutional authority under which the law is being enacted.

The Enumerated Powers Act currently has 44 co-sponsors in the House. In the Senate, it has never had a single co-sponsor, and that's a Senate that includes our three presidential aspirants. The question one might ask is why would Sens. Obama, Clinton and McCain have a distaste for, and fail to support, a measure binding them to what the Constitution actually permits?

There's a two-part answer to that question. First, few congressmen, including our presidential aspirants, have the integrity, decency and courage to be bound by the Constitution, but more important is that congressmen and presidents simply reflect the constitutional ignorance or contempt held by the American people.

Most of what Congress is constitutionally authorized to spend for is listed in Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution and includes: coining money, establish Post Offices, to support Armies and a few other activities. Today's federal budget is over \$3 trillion dollars. I challenge anyone to find specific constitutional authority for at least \$2 trillion of it. That includes Social Security, Medicare, farm and business handouts, education, prescription drugs and a host of other federal expenditures. Americans who have become accustomed to living at the expense of another American would not want Congress to obey the Constitution, especially if it left out their favorite handout.

A harebrained politician or lawyer might tell us that the Constitution's general welfare clause authorizes those expenditures. Here's what James Madison, the acknowledged father of the Constitution, said: "With respect to the two words 'general welfare,' I have always regarded them as qualified by the detail of powers connected with them. To take them in a literal and unlimited sense would be a metamorphosis of the Constitution into a character which there is a host of proofs was not contemplated by its creators."  
 Later, Madison added, "If Congress can do whatever in their discretion can be done by money, and will promote the general welfare, the government is no longer a limited one possessing enumerated powers, but an indefinite one subject to particular exceptions."

Thomas Jefferson explained, "Congress has not unlimited powers to provide for the general welfare, but only those specifically enumerated."

At one time there were presidents who respected the Constitution. Grover Cleveland vetoed hundreds of spending measures during his two-term presidency, often saying, "I can find no warrant for such an appropriation in the Constitution." Then there was Franklin Pierce who said, after vetoing an appropriation to assist the mentally ill, "I cannot find any authority in the Constitution for public charity," adding, "To approve such spending would be contrary to the letter and the spirit of the Constitution and subversive to the whole theory upon which the Union of these States is founded."

We should consider ending the charade and get rid of our 200-year-plus presidential oath of office and replace it with: I accept the office of president.

Walter E. Williams is a professor of economics at George Mason University. To find out more about Walter E. Williams and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at [www.creators.com](http://www.creators.com).

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## Memo to Hollywood

by Bill O'Reilly  
 Hey, Hollywood people, thanks for taking this meeting. I wish I had some good news about the new movie "Stop-Loss." But I don't. It's a bomb, a major disaster at the box office despite the presence of Ryan Phillippe. Sorry.

One thing: Why do you guys keep making these Iraq war films when nobody wants to see them? I mean, "Home of the Brave" went straight to video, and most theaters wouldn't even consider "Redacted." I understand that billionaire Mark Cuban has no clue, but come on, the guy spends more than five million bucks on "Redacted" and it grosses about \$65,000. Wow, that's some write-off.

As you know, even the big boys are getting hammered with these anti-American movies. Tom Cruise and Robert Redford took in just \$15 million for "Lions for Lambs." That doesn't even pay Cruise's Scientology tab. And what about Tommy Lee Jones, Charlize Theron and Susan Sarandon grossing less than \$7 million for "In the Valley of Elah," a.k.a. "In the Valley of Failure"? Most films have peaks and valleys. No such luck in Elah.

With all due respect, maybe you guys in Hollywood should actually leave Los Angeles and talk to the folks in the heartland. You see, most Americans believe their country is a noble nation. They love America. And while many are disenchanted with the war in Iraq, they don't think the USA is evil for removing Saddam Hussein. Instead, they are disappointed the war is dragging on with no clear resolution in sight.

Also, most folks deeply respect the sacrifice our military people are making in Iraq and Afghanistan. So here's a clue: People are not going to pay 10 bucks to see Mark Cuban or anyone else portray our forces as savages.

Perhaps, Hollywood people, you might want to examine some stars of the past. Did you know that James Stewart earned a chestful of medals for bombing the Germans? And that Clark Gable flew B-17's in World War II?

Charles Durning actually won a Silver Star at Normandy. And Lee Marvin and Charles Bronson both fought the Japanese in the vicious Saipan campaign.

Contrast those men with the stars of today — most of whom will not even visit our troops in the field even though the USO would pay for the trip. Scarlett Johansson and Robin Williams are exceptions, but many movie people are roughing it in Malibu — happy not to think about Islamic fascism.

Finally, because I know how busy you all are, let me wrap things up. There is a difference between loyal dissent, a good thing, and trying to make your country look bad. You, Hollywood people, often do the latter. And the folks know it.

So, please stop.

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?" To find out more about Bill O'Reilly, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at [www.creators.com](http://www.creators.com). This column originates on the Web site [www.billoreilly.com](http://www.billoreilly.com).  
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Former Post High School cheerleaders Steffi Norman (front, middle) and Mandy Berry (second row, far right) help cheer on the South Plains College basketball team as they won the 2008 NJCAA National Championship. According to a recent SPC newsletter, Norman will return to cheering squad during the 2008-09 season.  
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## Extension Extras

### Entomology Project

The next Entomology Project group meeting will be Friday, April 11, and again Thursday, April 17, at 4:00 p.m. at the Extension office.

### Rifle Project

If you are interested in the Rifle project, call Curt Greer at 629-4396 to find out what time they will practice Saturday, April 12.

### Shotgun Project

Shotgun practice will be held Mondays at 6 p.m. at Palmer Gun Club.

### Do Well Be Well Seminar

The Do Well Be Well Seminar on Diabetes will be held Monday nights, 6:00-8:00 p.m., at the Senior Citizens Center. Call Nancy McDonald at 495-4400 for more information.

### 4-H Night With Lubbock Renegades

Please mark your calendars for Saturday, April 26 at 7 p.m. for 4-H Night with the Lubbock Renegades Football Team, hosted by Lubbock County 4-H Teen Council. We will have a dance, immediately following the game. Ticket purchases are due by April 18. Come by the Extension office if you want to order tickets.

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

## McKenna Campbell advances to regionals following district quiz

McKenna Campbell will advance to the regional-level Zone Children's Quiz competition in BeeBe, Ark., in June after her success at district and zone contests in Lubbock.

The Zone Children's Quiz was conducted on March 29 at the First Church of the Nazarene. Campbell placed first, Kelbie Oden took second place and Kylee Dean finished in third place. All advanced to the district-level contest, which was conducted at the First Church of the Nazarene in Lubbock on April 4.

Campbell received a bronze medal, Oden a silver medal and Dean a bronze medal at district. Dean also sang a solo and received a silver medal.



Participating in the recent District Zone Children's Quiz at the First Church of the Nazarene in Lubbock are (left to right) Kelbie Oden, McKenna Campbell and Kylee Dean. Campbell will advance to the regional-level contest in BeeBe, Arkansas in June.

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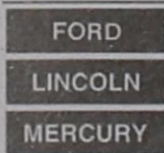
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# In and Around Close City

by Traci Freeman

\*Ok, there is not much to say about the weather as of this writing (Tuesday) so we'll get straight to the news, I have lots this week.....

• Oneita Gunn, Linda Livingston Runkles and Norman and Rita Fern Settlemire took off on a trip to New York City a couple of weeks ago. While there they visited Ellis Island and the Statue of Liberty, got to see a few Broadway plays and central park. Oneita said it is definitely a site to see if you have not been.

• Rusty and Melanie Morris took their boys, Russ and Jake to Texas Motor Speedway to see the NASCAR race this past weekend. The left out on Friday and spent the night in Weatherford getting up Saturday Morning and enjoyed some shopping before heading to the race on Sunday. Mel says it was a dream come true for Russ and Jake loved Carl Edwards back flip!

• Mack and Jane Terry had visitors last week. Jane's cousins, Frank and Clara where here from Florida.

• The home of Daymon and Barbra Ethridge was the place to be last Friday night, as they hosted a fish fry. Enjoying the visiting and a great meal of fried fish, cole slaw and baked beans were; Daymon and Barbra; Novice and Rexene Pennell; Ted and Barbra Tatum; Noel and Orabeth White; Jack and Jean Morris; Jerry Don and Barbra McCampbell; Jerry and Judy Bush; Marie Davis; Kenneth and Mary Ethridge; Walter and Willa Fay Didway and Annie Violet Graves.

• Lee and Marsha Norman have a couple of their grandchildren with them this week. Tipton, 5 and Ivy, 2 are the children of Matthew and Laura May of Austin. They are going to spend the week with Gran and GiGi before Emily, 2 gets here for the weekend. Emily is the daughter of David and Brenda Norman of Lubbock.

• I went on my annual trip to Lubbock to meet my "gin clerk" buddies. Lisa Hooper from Swisher Co-op; Connie James from Parmer County Co-op and I ate at Abualoes before attending the gin show at the civic center. We had a great time and can't wait till the next one.

• Susan Gonzales and her sisters, Rhonda and Julie took off on a vacation last week. They all met up in Dallas last Thursday, spent the night with Stevie and then left out Friday morning for Cancun. Susan says they enjoyed the beach, attended 2 fiestas and just had a blast catching up with each other before returning to reality on Monday evening.

### Get Wells...

Lois Childs is home and doing great! Welcome home Lois!!!  
Remember our Ragtown folks in the nursing homes-Doug Tipton and Ruby Carpenter in Post and Mary Ethridge in Lubbock. Keep rain and that our troops come safely home in your daily prayers!

### Birthdays

April 13th - Sarah Freeman  
April 14th - Caelan Thuett  
April 16th - Doris Fluitt  
Be sure to call and let me know about any happenings going on, birthdays, anniversaries or any one that may be sick. You can call me at the gin or email me at close.city.coop@pcca.com

## 2008 GCJLA Sale Totals \$63,295

The following is a list of exhibitors, premiums and buyers from the 2008 GCJLA Sale:

1. Sylar Jones - \$1,000 Jackpot: B & P Supply, Bill Price Construction Inc., Blevins Pumping Service, Bobby Heckaman Family, Lance & Tonya Dunn, Primexx Operating Corporation, WOW Antiques;
2. Callie Odom - \$750 - Driveline Express;
3. Taylor Osborn - \$750 - United Supermarket, Wells Fargo Bank-Business Banking;
4. Taylor Osborn - \$750.00 Jack-pot: B & P Supply, Macy Ranch, Post-Spur Insurance Agency, R.G. Havens Jr., South Plains Electric-Dickens, TDR Service Inc, Texas Treasures, U Lazy S Ranch;
5. Jarrett Blevins - \$750.00 Jack-pot: Cocara's, Economy Mills, Reef Services LLC., Scooter & Bunny Lynch, Spur Veterinary Clinic, Tommy Young, U Lazy S Ranch;
6. Katie Dunn - \$675 - Altman Group;
7. Pat Reiter - \$1,000 - Bob &

Betty Reiter;

8. Matti Smith - \$750 - Emily Stahl, Ben Murphy, CPA, Larry & Wanda Smith, Gary McDaniel Family, Wentz Orthodontics;
9. Pake Jones - \$500 Jack-pot: B&P Supply, Dr. Ben Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. H.C. Gribble, Plains Cotton Growers Inc., Post Volunteer Fire Department, Texas Battery Company Inc., Twins Fashions;
10. Michael Porter - Citizens-Bank of Post, L&D Pump Service LLP, West Texas Testers;
11. Blake Davis - \$700 - Ag Texas Farm Credit Services-Ralls, Crosby County Fuel Association-Ralls, Hurst Farm Supply Inc., Owen's Cooperative Gin, Terry Rainwater Crop Insurance;
12. Pake Jones - \$450 - Keith, Roxanne and Taylor Osborn;
13. Devin Blanton - \$575 - Blanton Farms;
14. Michael Porter - \$525 - T.K. Thompson Wrecker;
15. Skylar Jones - \$450 Jack-pot: John David Fields Family, Post

### 4-H Clothing Project youth tour La Posta

4-H Clothing Project members recently took a tour of La Posta, with owner Ada Lou Bird providing information about current styles and accessories. Shown from the left are Torie Whisenant, Jacie Kimmons, Audree Williams, Addee Williams, Jessi Isbell, Chelby Morris and Bird. Information the girls received as part of the tour will help them not only in their design projects, but also in their clothing projects for the fashion show.



Enjoying a tour of LaPosta lead by owner Ada Lou Bird are (left to right) Torie Whisenant, Jacie Kimmons, Audree Williams, Addee Williams (front), Jessi Isbell, Chelby Morris and Mrs. Bird. Photo courtesy of Janece Williams

Posteer Fire Department, The Volunteer, Primexx Operating Corporation, Reef Services LLC., Ruth Davis, Steve and Patti Babb;

16. Blaine Osborn - \$525 - CitizensBank of Post;
17. Matti Smith - \$500 - Post Stampede Rodeo;
18. Kevin Strube - \$450 - WSI Cased Hole Specialist, Jordan Spooling Service Inc.;
19. Russ Morris - \$1000 - Hurst Farm Supply Inc., Altman Group, Texas Star Co-op Gin;
20. Justin Tanner - \$500 - Post Stampede Rodeo;
21. Dakota Greer - \$500 - Grubbs RV Park, Delton and Dusti Osborn;
22. Blaine Osborn - \$500 - E&E Service & Supply Inc., Gebo's Distributing Company Inc.;
23. Callie Odom - \$450 Jack-pot: First Bank & Trust, Wilson, Ira Pump & Supply Company Inc., Janece Williams, District Judge Carter Schildknecht, County Judge Lee and Marsha Norman, Ricky and Cynde Barron;
24. Katie Dunn - \$775 - Ag Texas Farm Credit Services-Lubbock, Hurst Equipment;
25. Morgan Williams - \$500 - Ja D. Young, Reed and Audree Williams, Wes and Ben Mason;
26. Sara Greer - \$775 - K Cattle Company, Drew and Tonya Kirkpatrick, Hart Contract Pumping;
27. Chase Greathouse - \$525 - Double J Services;
28. Ben Mason - \$1,000 - Lubbock Cotton Growers, Mason Farms, UAP Southwest, Sam Ashcraft Crop Insurance;
29. Jayci Stone - \$600 - United Supermarket, Wells Fargo Bank-Business Banking;
30. Brian Osborn - \$550 - Tim & Dianne James;
31. Devin Blanton - \$450 Jack-pot: Ira Pump & Supply Company Inc., Marie Odom, Poka Lambro Telephone Co-op Inc., Post Rotary Club, Shallowater Equipment & Salvage, Tanner's Appliance, Heating & Air, Twins Fashions;
32. Audree Williams - \$550 - Post Stampede Rodeo;
33. Jarrett Blevins - \$450 - Dr. Charles McCook, Garza Soil & Water Conservation;
34. Jaden Binford - \$575 - County Judge Lee & Marsha Norman;
35. Mikeison Guerrero - \$600 - Audra King;
36. Pat Reiter - \$900 - 3-R Oil Company;

37. Brenna Postell - \$750 - United Supermarket, Wells Fargo Bank, Peggy Ashley, Post Auto Parts;
38. Brooke Morris - \$800 - Pyc Industries Inc., Close City Co-op Gin, Hurst Farm Supply
39. Justin Tanner - \$425 - Audra King, \$25 - Jack-pot;
40. Paden Babb - \$450 - Jerry and Wanda Osborn, Keith, Roxanne and Taylor Osborn;
41. Heath Palmer - \$725 - Monk & Lavena Palmer;
42. Aaron James - \$500 - Post Stampede Rodeo;
43. Blake Davis - \$1,000 - Ag Texas Farm Credit Services - Ralls, Davis Farms, Hurst Farm Supply Inc., Owen's Cooperative Gin;
44. Kris Crenshaw - \$500 - Chris and Glenna Reiter;
45. Corlee Greene - \$525 - D&D Well Services;
46. Tyler Johnson - \$575 - Deb and Gina Palmer, Jerry and Marianne Tyler;
47. Ben Mason - \$500 - Post

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## Menus

Post ISD

- April 14  
Breakfast: Pancakes, sausage, fruit, butter & syrup, milk  
Lunch: Chicken fajitas, refried beans, seasoned corn, orange smiles, chocolate pudding cup, milk
- April 15  
Breakfast: Churros, sausage link, fruit, milk  
Lunch: Pigs-n-blanket, pint beans, baked chips, orange pineapple salad, milk
- April 16  
Breakfast: Malt-o-meal, toast, sausage, fruit, milk  
Lunch: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, hot roll, strawberry shortcake, milk
- April 17  
Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit, milk  
Lunch: Meat & Bean chalupas, Spanish rice, lettuce & tomatoes, rosie applesauce, milk
- April 18  
Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, juice, milk  
Lunch: Submarine sandwich, lettuce, tomato & pickle, tater tots, baby carrots w/ranch, brownie, milk

### Southland ISD

- April 14  
Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, juice, milk  
Lunch: Chicken nuggets, cream potatoes, corn, cake, milk
- April 15  
Breakfast: Breakfast burrito, juice, milk  
Lunch: Beef stew, cornbread, carrot & cheese sticks, orange, cookie, milk
- April 16  
Breakfast: Muffins, yogurt, juice, milk  
Lunch: Chicken spaghetti, tossed salad, peas, garlic bread, pudding, milk
- April 17  
Breakfast: Cereal, graham crackers, juice, milk  
Lunch: Meat & Bean Chalupas, grated cheese, lettuce, tomato, Spanish rice, dessert, milk
- April 18  
Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, sausage, juice, milk  
Lunch: BBQ rib sandwich, potato rounds, beans, salad, ice cream, milk

### TRAILBLAZERS

- April 14 Corn flake chicken, potatoes, spinach, roll, salad, chocolate cake
- April 15 Chicken spaghetti, squash casserole, tossed salad, garlic bread, jello w/fruit
- April 16 Meat loaf, black eyed peas, carrots, salad, roll mixed fruit
- April 17 Beef tostadas, Spanish rice, boracho beans, salsa, lettuce, tomato, cheese, Mexican wedding cake
- April 18 Taco salad, spanish rice, salsa, fruit, cookie bar

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- Stampede Rodeo;  
48. Dakota Greer - \$500 - Slip Service Company, Crown Unlimited Inc., Kurt and D'linda Chapman;  
49. Sara Greer - \$475 - KRT Bar Goats;  
50. Grant James - \$550 - Giles and Louise Dalby, Hometown Pharmacy;  
51. Aaron James - \$475 - C Bar Cattle Company;  
52. Brian Osborn - \$450 - Curt and Kim Greer, Gore Brothers Feed;  
53. Brooke Morris - \$450 - Jackpot: Conner Herefords, H&M Dirt Contractors Inc., Jeremy King, Keith, Roxanne and Taylor Osborn, Lubbock Grader Blade Inc., Ronco Fire & Safety, Texas Wild Boar;  
54. J.D. Young - \$525 - Jancee Williams, BOF Services, BWS, LLC;  
55. Chase Odom - \$500 - B&A LP Gas;  
56. Ernest Saldivar - \$500 - Jordan Spooling Service Inc., Earl and Carolyn Chapman;  
57. Mikeison Guerrero - \$500 - Mark and Lisa Kirkpatrick;  
58. Paden Babb - \$450 - County Judge Lee and Marsha Norman;  
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• Syd Conner of Conner Herefords donated a bag of jerky, which was purchased by Guin Miller for \$30.  
• Alma Lored donated a purse which was purchased by Barbara Palmer for \$22.50.

## On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett  
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### History of the earth...Genesis 1:26-27

Studying Genesis chapter one, God made light to shine, made the fish, birds, animals and plants and made mankind. The records of this act are found in Genesis 1:26 and 2:7 & 21-22.

Starting with Genesis 1:26-27, "And God said, 'Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.'"

"So God created man in His own image, in the image of God created He him, male and female created He them." Two interesting things about the above verses are that God created man and woman in His image, and that He originally created man to have dominion over His other creations.

This dominion was from God in heaven. In essence, Adam had authority over all the creatures and plants that God made on the earth. God gave him authority to rule over these things.

A more extensive study of Adam's dominion will show that he relinquished his authority at a later time. According to Genesis 2:16-17, God commanded that Adam could freely eat from every tree of the garden, but he was not permitted to eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil which would result in death.

So man and woman were originally designed to not experience death. After they disobeyed God, the nature of death entered into their genetic make-up. It stands to reason upon Adam's first disobedience of God, he would have given up his authority over what God made.

This abdication of man's authority and power is confirmed in Luke 4:6-7, "And the devil said unto him, 'All this power will I give you, and the glory of them. For that is delivered unto me, and to whomsoever I will, I give it, if you will worship me, all shall be yours.'"

The devil offered to give Jesus all the power that he had if Jesus bowed down to worship him. One thing we can learn from this is that the devil wanted to trick Jesus into giving up his own power and authority, which was from his Father in heaven. With this in mind, we can see that Adam gave up his authority from God and transferred it to the devil. Jesus didn't give in to the devil's offer.

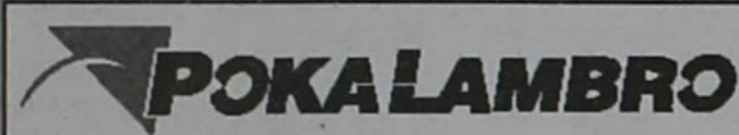
Another thing we learn from Genesis 1:26-27 is that God created mankind in his image. God repeats it three different times between verse 26 and 27. To understand what it means to be created in God's image we must understand what God is made of. One verse which provides a clear answer to this is found in John 4:24, "God is a spirit..."

The image and essence of God is spirit. Spirit has no shape or form for our five senses to perceive with. Therefore, to create man in God's image must be related to His spirit. In other words, God would have put His spirit in the man and communicated with him by the same spirit.

According to Genesis 2:7, God formed man from the elements of the earth. He then breathed in his nostrils the breath of life making man a living soul. It would have been at this point that God put His spirit in the man.

More information can be found in 1Thessalonians 5:23, "...and I pray to God that your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved..." A complete individual is somebody who is of body, soul and spirit. The references to body and soul align with the part of Genesis where God formed man out of the earth and then breathed life into him. The man's body was first formed, and then his soul life started when God breathed air into his body.

God finished his work with man by putting His spirit in him. This made him a complete man made in God's image. In the name of Jesus Christ, people can believe the Gospel unto being filled with holy spirit and get born-again. In the name of Jesus our Lord, they become complete with a body that was formed in the womb, soul life that began upon their first breath of air outside the womb, and God's holy spirit.



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Antelope Kevin Griffin (center) pushes past the finish line in the 100M dash for a second place finish during last Thursday's District track meet in Tahoka. Griffin advances to the Regional Track meet in Abilene.

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## PHS athletes qualify for regional meet in Abilene

Several Post High School track athletes qualified to compete in the regional track meet in Abilene April 25-26.

The boys 400m relay team - Giles Dalby, Clint Windham, Aaron James and Kevin Griffin - grabbed a second-place, 45.5 finish at the district meet to qualify for the next round of competition.

Griffin also will compete in the 100m dash, which he finished in second place with a time of 11.7.

Ben Mason earned the right

to compete in the pole vault competition after finishing in fourth place with a jump of 9'6". Mason became eligible for the district meet after one of the top-three finishers was declared ineligible to compete, according to coach's reports.

Overall district results for varsity boys were as follows:

- Long jump - Griffin, sixth place, 19' 1 3/4"
- Triple jump - Chase Greathouse, sixth place, 39' 2"
- High jump - Windham, sixth place, 5' 4"

• Pole vault - Mason, fourth place, 9'6"; James, sixth place, 9'

• Discus - Mitch James, sixth place, 107'8"

• 400m relay - Dalby, Windham, Aaron James and Griffin, second place, 45.5

• 100m dash - Griffin, second place, 11.7

• 800m relay - Jarrett Blevins, Windham, Aaron James and Griffin, sixth place, 1:39.6

Junior varsity results included Blake Davis, sixth place in the high jump, 4'10", and Kaleb Tanner, fourth place, shot put, 34'5".

## Lady 'Lopes lose to D-City, Slaton

The Post High School Lady 'Lopes dropped a 6-5 game to Denver City and a 4-2 contest to Slaton last week.

Offensively in the Denver City game, Gaby Vergara scored a run off one single; Sabrina Sanchez had one RBI off of three singles; Branda Stevens had two singles; Miranda Hair scored one run off a walk; Kelsey Overton scored one run off a single with one RBI; Brooke Morris had one single; Alex Miller scored one run off a single; and Sydnee Jones scored one run after being hit by a pitch, according to reports.

On the defensive side, Morris had one putout at shortstop, Hair pitched seven innings with one putout and an assist, 10 strikeouts and five walks; Vergara had one assist at third; Ashley Stenzel had seven putouts on first base; Stevens had a putout in left field; Sanchez had two putouts at first; Overton had one assist at catcher; Miller had a pair of putouts and two assists at second; and Stenzel had three putouts at first.

In Saturday's Slaton game, Vergara scored one run off a passed ball on a strikeout; Sanchez had one single; Hair

had a single; Stevens had a triple; Morris scored one run off of two singles; and Danica Williams had a single.

Defensively, Vergara had two putouts and an assist at third; Hair had two putouts and one assist, six strikeouts and one walk at pitcher while allowing only four hits; Stevens had one

putout at center field; Miller had one putout and an assist at second base; Morris had one assist at catcher; and Jones had one putout and three assists at shortstop.

With the losses, the team's overall record stands at 16-4, while the district record is 4-3.



Lady Lopes Katelynn Short (second from right) starts to hand the baton to teammate Branda Stevens (second from left) in the 400M relay during last Thursday's District track meet in Tahoka.

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Lady Lopes catcher Kelsey Overton (right) follows a Miranda Hair pitch into her glove during the recent win over Idalou in Post.

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Lady Lopes Gabi Gomez (center) finishes first in the 100M dash advancing to the Regional Track meet in Abilene during last Thursday's District track meet in Tahoka.

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## Tahoka swamps Lady Lopes

The Post Lady Lopes were out-scored 8-1 in Tuesday's district contest here with Tahoka.

The Lady Lope offense featured Sabrina Sanchez scoring off a walk; Kelsey Overton was credited with a single and an RBI and Sydnee Jones hit two singles.

On defense the Lady Lopes were led by Miranda Hair on the mound with seven strikeouts, one walk and one put-out with two assists. Other defensive action came from Sanchez with right field fly for an out; Alshy Stenzel with seven putouts and two assists at first base; Branda Stevens was credited with one out at center field and Jones with one put-out and one assist at third base.

Rounding out the defense were Alex Miller with two assists at second base; Brooke Morris with one assist at short stop and Kelsey Overton with two assists at catcher.




Ben Mason vaults to a third place finish advancing to the Regional Track meet during last Thursday's District track meet in Tahoka.

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Antelope Clint Windham (front) takes a baton hand-off from teammate Giles Dalby in the 400M relay during last Thursday's District track meet in Tahoka. The team will advance to the Regional Track meet in Abilene.

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## Southland ISD News...

by Brad Ellison  
• Congratulations to the following girls who qualified for the area track meet: Bianca Abraham and Jade Zelenikar, shot put; Courtney Raddler, 100m dash, 400m dash.  
• These students also fared very well at the district track meet: JV boys—Rygan Cantrell, third place, shot put; Jeremy Hernandez, second place, 400m dash, fourth place in the 800m dash and sixth place, 1600m run; JV girls—Mikimsey Zelenikar, first place, shot put, second place in the 100m dash; Journey Zelenikar, second place, 800m run; Dagan Moore, second place, long jump, fourth place in the 100m dash and sixth place in the 200m dash.  
• Congratulations and good luck to our IFFA students who will be competing in the area IFFA judging contest this weekend at Texas Tech University.  
• Congratulations and good luck to Jared Raddler as he competes at the regional UIL academic meet on Friday as well.  
**Events for this Week**  
• Regional Academic Meet at South Plains College on Friday.  
• Area IFFA Judging Contest at TTU on Saturday.  
• The Alumni Basketball game that was to be held Saturday has been postponed. More details will be made available at a later date.



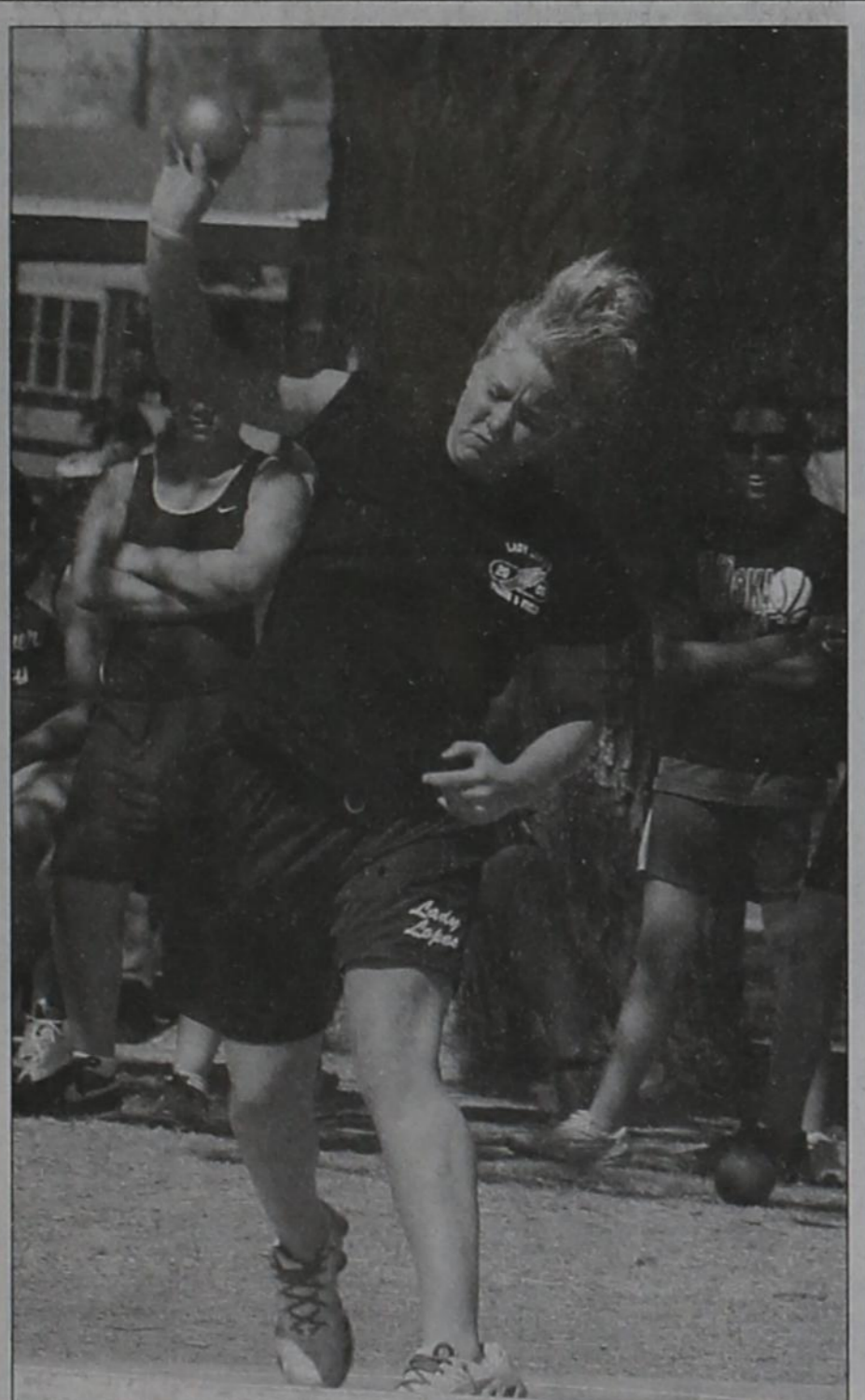
Lady Lopes Kaitlyn Willhalm releases the shot-put for first place during last Thursday's District Track meet in Tahoka. Willhalm advances to UIL Regional Track meet in Abilene.  
Staff photo by Tim Burnett



Lady Lopes freshman runner Brittney Miller (front) accepts a third place finish in the 1600M run during last Thursday's District Track meet in Tahoka. Miller earned a position at the Regional Track meet in Abilene.  
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Lady Lopes Alex Miller (front) takes the lead in the 800M run during last Thursday's District Track meet in Tahoka. Miller will advance to the Regional Track meet in Abilene. Lady Lope runner in the back third and fourth positions are (left to right) Ysenia Gomez and Shawnda Wiley.  
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Lady Lopes Elaena Morrison pushes the shot-put into a third place position advancing to the Regional Track meet in Abilene.  
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Lady Lopes Cheyenne Miller (front) takes the baton from teammate Samantha Hoover (back) in the 800M relay during last Thursday's District Track meet in Tahoka. The team advances to the Regional Track meet in Abilene.  
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**CAUSE NO. 01-03-05685 IN THE INTEREST OF DUSTIN R. POE AND HALEY R. POE CHILDREN IN THE 106TH DISTRICT COURT OF GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS**  
TO: HARRIETT LOUISE ESQUIVEL, Respondent  
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A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Petitioner request that the rights and duties of the respective conservators of the children be modified, as is more fully shown by Petitioner's Petition on file in this suit.

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# Yesteryears

Compiled by Donna Jones  
From The Post Dispatch archives

## 10 Years Ago April 9, 1998

Jim Plummer was appointed by the Post City Council to serve as the new municipal judge. Plummer, a former council member, was one of three candidates interviewed.

The 1,000-bed private detention facility scheduled to be built in Garza County will bear the name of County Judge Giles W. Dalby, thanks to action taken by the county commissioners. Following a recommendation presented by Bob Macy, president of the Public Facilities Corporation involved in the detention center project, the court voted unanimously to name the detention center the Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility.

Marie Pritchard and Tyge Payne were united in marriage by the Rev. Glenn Shoemaker in the First Baptist Church of Winters.

Sisters Allane Ammons and Barbara Babb, along with three out-of-town friends, took a 7 day tour of the Old South. The history lovers visited ten southern ante-bellum homes, each with old fashioned gardens of azaleas and camellias in Natchez, Mississippi. During the Spring Pilgrimage the friends enjoyed the Confederate Pageant and several outstanding musicals.

## 20 Years Ago April 13, 1988

Mike Bartlett placed first at the district golf meet held at Post's Caprock Golf Course and advanced to the regional tournament in Odessa.

Freddy Cockrell, with a total of 620 votes, defeated Billy Timms' 601 votes to capture the Democratic Party's nomination for county sheriff. Cockrell would face Republican nominee Max Chaffin in the November general election.

Mike McClellan was really able to talk about "the big one that got away." Except, in Mike's case, "the one he gave away." Mike and his parents, Glenda and Mason McClellan, were fishing at Houston County Lake, outside of Crockett, and Mike had the good fisherman's luck to land a 12 pound, 12 ounce bass. Now, most people would do one of three things with a fish that size (after they got a picture of it) - they'd mount it, eat it, or let it go. And, in a way, Mike did choose one of those options. He let it go, by donating it to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Dept. - specifically to the Tyler, Texas Fish Hatchery.

## 30 Years Ago April 13, 1978

Two long-time Postex Fabricating employees retired on March 31, 1978. Wilma Stone of Post, sheet re-inspector, completed 28 years of continuous service. Vela Wartes of Southland, sheet pillowcase mender, completed 20 years of continuous service.

Mayor Giles McCrary swore in incumbents Dr. Wilson and Jim Jackson and new councilman Jack Alexander at the City Council meeting.

Hilary Ann Williams and Riley Dee Holly were named "Little Mr. and Miss Post" in the Primary Auditorium in the annual contest sponsored by the Xi Delta Rho Sorority. Runners-up in the contest were Heather Heidelberg and Lance Bagby. "Little Mr. and Miss Mini Post" were Kim Reiter and Jason Ray Key with runners-up Mandy Alaniz and Lance Claborn.

Presented honorary member certificates to the Future Farmers Chapter during the FFA banquet were Noel White, E. A. Howard and Jimmy Bartlett.

## 40 Years Ago April 11, 1968

Garza Memorial Hospital officially received its approval for Medicare participation, which put the institution in its best financial position since it reopened December 1, 1967.

Six individuals of the Post High School vocal department received superior ratings at the U.I.L. contest held in Lubbock. They were Sue Harrison, Sharyn Bilberry, Beth Peel, Jackie Gordon, Elbert Rudd, and Don Collier.

The Post Antelope qualified two trackman, miler Pete Morales and shot putter Norman Tanner, in the District 4AA track and field meet in Frenship, Morales, defending state class AA champion in the mile run, won first place in district with a time of 4:35.1.

Mark Clayton, an 8th grade student in Post Junior High School, won the 16th annual Garza County Spelling Bee.

## 50 Years Ago April 10, 1958

A record-breaking 565 voters went to the polls to elect E. R. (Buster) Moreland and Burney Francis to the board of trustees of Post consolidated Independent School District and to elect Russell Wilks Jr. as a new member of the board.

Joe Carl Shedd, nine-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Shedd, was chosen top winner of the Baby

Contest, sponsored by the Tower Theatre. Joe was awarded a \$25 United States Savings Bond.

Probably it was fitting, though disconcerting, that the statue of C. W. Post, town founder, was unveiled in a stinging sandstorm. Mrs. Merriweather Post, who gave the statue of her father to the city, uttered "nary" a word about the bad brand of West Texas weather she encountered, she stepped smilingly into the sand and wind, with her youngest grandson present, David Rumbough, 8, pulled the green ribbon which slid the canvas covering from the life-sized likeness of her father seated in a chair atop a five-foot pedestal of Georgia granite.

## 60 Years Ago April 8, 1948

Mayor John Herd announced that the City Commission accepted with regret the resignation of Clint Herring as Commissioner. Dr. Glenn Kahler was appointed to fulfill his

unexpired term.

Mr. and Mrs. Owsar Garner and son moved to their new home on the Tahoka Highway and within a few days they began moving the fixtures and stock from the Main Street location of the Garner Butane and Appliance Company to the new quarters near their home.

Coach Bing Bingham Post Antelope baseball team members were Junior Malouf, Lonnie Wall, Mack McCullough, Jerry Odom, Jimmy Smith, Billy Ramage, R. E. Josey, Roy Wade, Buddy Hays, Curtis Butler, Charles King, Harold Reno and Shorty Hester. Coach Bingham announced that only five spots were open.

First grade honor pupils were Kay Gene Jones, Sandra Lee Veach, Herbert Hays, Victor Hudman, Jr., James Short, W. A. Talley, Don Davies, Sidney Hart, Anneta Henderson, Lois Josey, Linda Moreland and Sue Stanley.

# Letters ...

Letters are published at the sole discretion of the publisher. Letters may be edited for brevity, grammar or spelling. Letters considered libelous or defaming individual character will be rejected.

### Not like it seems...

With the recent brouhaha about fenced-in dogs, I am reminded of another incident about yard trimmings when a city manager told Cindy Polk she should not remove the little flags on the front of her yard, but weed eat around them when she did her yard work.

This incident brought to mind an earlier confrontation between the city and property owner Inez Hartel. Those of you who knew her will readily see her poise and can remember those arched brows as she made her point.

It seems that one day a city employee called at her door and informed her that she would have to cut down a mesquite tree on the side street of her property as it was a hazard to traffic on 14th Street. Quite calmly she replied, "No, that is your tree on your property, and if you don't want the tree there you can cut it down. It is not my tree, and I am not going to remove it." As far as I know, the tree is still there. If not, at least Inez did not cut it down.

Cindy Polk should remember this

next time a city employee tells her what is what. She should let him weed eat around those little flags.

Geraldine Butler

### Thanks for helping...

I would like to write a letter of thanks to many, many people who made this year's one-act play season successful.

First of all, I want to thank the students for their hard work, which began in January, and for their excellent attitudes when faced with disappointment. They all possess a disciplined work ethic and demonstrate respectful behavior during the critique process, behavior that is a reflection of their maturity.

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Robert Redden of Lubbock displays his 6lb-13oz Black Bass on a rattle trap that was caught on Monday, March 10 at White River Lake. Photo courtesy of White River Marina



Willie Goins shows off his 7 lbs - 1 oz Black bass that he caught last Saturday at White River Lake. Goins also logged in another Black Bass that weighed in at 10 lbs - 1 oz on the same day. Photo courtesy of White River Marina

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- Crab\_p\_l\_ - wild tart fruit
- \_l\_Crab - quarrelsome and grouchy
- Crab\_a\_e\_ - seafood delight
- Crab\_y\_ - a sour mood
- \_a\_d\_crab\_l\_ - a tough job with little return

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My shell is getting a bit too snug. I think I need an upgrade.

Laura Craig

Why did the crab cross the road?

To get to the other tide.

Answers: 1. crabgrass, 2. Scrabble, 3. crablegs, 4. King Crab, 5. crabbing, 6. crabapple, 7. Old Crab, 8. crabcakes, 9. crabby, 10. hardscrabble

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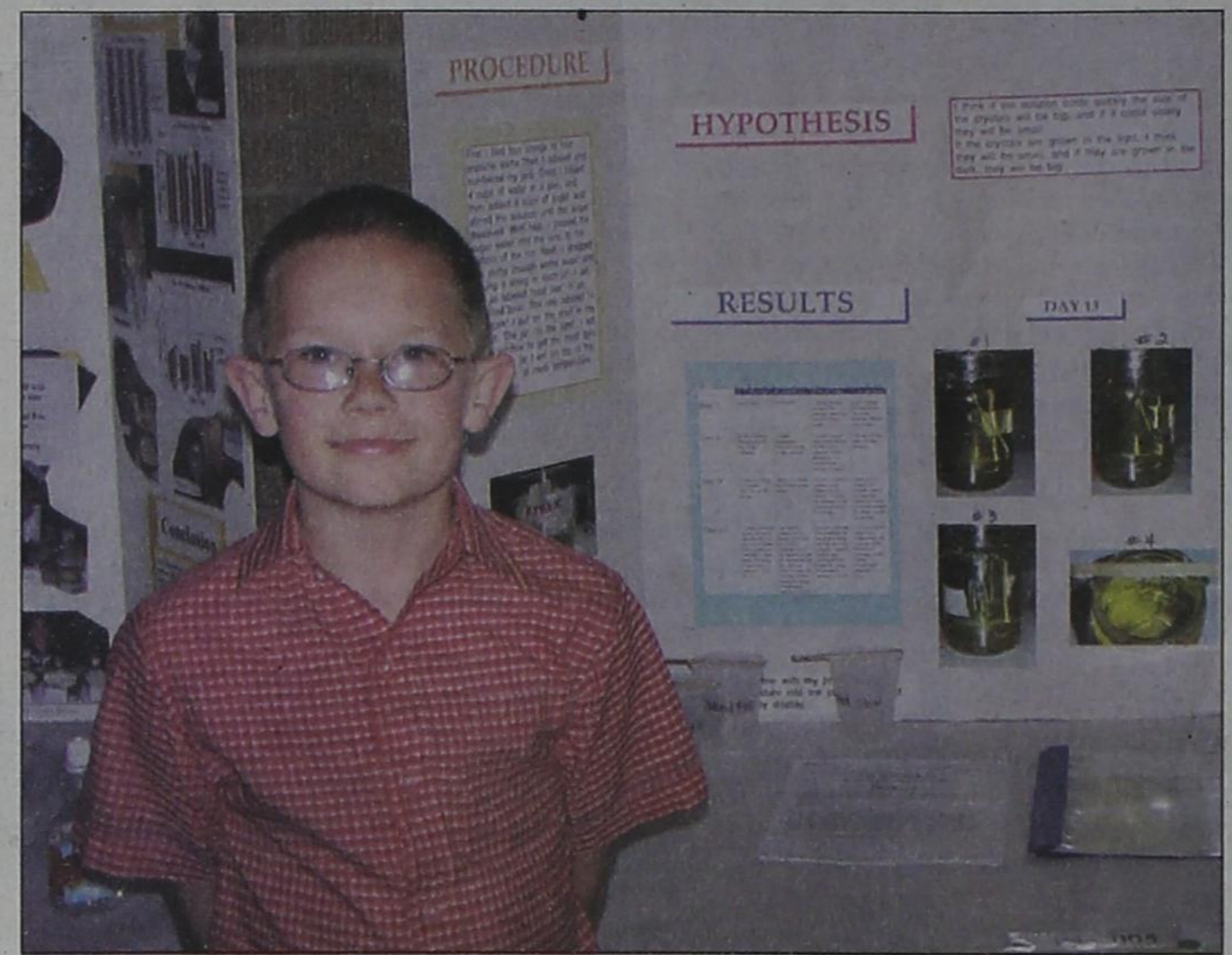
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Post fourth grade student Trey Havens wins a first place medal for his science project during the recent South Plains Regional Science and Engineering Fair at Texas Tech University in Lubbock. Haven's project is entitled, "Growing Crystals: What are the most favorable conditions for growing sugar crystals?" Photo courtesy of Sarah Quisenberry, Post Elementary School.

## Letters to Editor ...

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Students who were individually honored at the district contest were Kelly Chapa, Chad Miller and Jessica Quisenberry as Honorable Mention All-Star Cast. Tim Wilson and Zachery Kocurek were named to the All-Star Cast.

Secondly, I want to thank the students' parents for supporting practice times and for helping with candy sales, ticket sales and for aiding the directors in planning and executing a wonderful night of entertainment through a dinner theatre experience. Specifically I would like to thank the following persons for decorating tables: Diann Windham, Shellee Odom, Betty Curry, Sarah Mills, Edie Lester, Lisa Kirkpatrick, Leslie Tatum, Tim Tatum, Teri Morris, Meagen Howard-Griffis, Kathy Whitfill, Terry Read, Diane Griffin, Nita Jo Heckman, Kellie Berry, Tammie Quisenberry, Ruth Davis, Hope Nava, Julie Wilson, Charla Miller, Ruby Williams, Linda and Kelly Chapa, Evonne and Chelsey Sapp, Juanetta Bocko, Mary Short, Quinton and Rhonda Valdez, Cheyenne Miller and Lisa Morrow.

The lovely costumes were sewn by Karen Nichols, Juanetta Bocko, Eunice Pope, Linda Self, Onita Gunn, Tammie Quisenberry, Glenda Morrow and Ruby Williams. Their efforts and talents are deeply appreciated. These costumes will be cleaned and

available for future productions, which is a tremendous asset to the theatre program. Thank you so much.

I also want to thank Scotty Mills, John Berry, Ruth Davis, Marvin Self and Marlin Marcum for supporting this program with their encouragement, and for their commitment to providing an atmosphere where students have the opportunity to pursue excellence.

I especially want to thank Leslie and Tim Tatum for their after-school hours of hard work and for sharing their creative abilities. They helped with every aspect of the show. These two educators give of themselves happily and freely

to Post ISD students. They do so now just as diligently as they did when their own children were in the OAP program, which shows their continued dedication to all Post students. Most of all, I appreciate their help with grooming positive attitudes in students and in nurturing young people to become successful adults who will, in turn, give back to their communities.

Last, I want to thank all those who attended the dinner and performance and for the many words of encouragement and praise that you extended to the students. Post produces so many fine young people, and it is because they are supported by positive adults who care for them. It is a pleasure to teach in such a community.

Sterline Marcum

## Blood drive ...

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streamlined health interview with fewer questions.

Donors are asked to bring a photo ID and donor card. First-time donors will receive a donor card in the mail shortly after their first donations.

UBS provides a free cholesterol test on all donations.

Donors can schedule an appointment and lock in a time slot at the blood drive by logging on to [www.UnitedBloodServices.org](http://www.UnitedBloodServices.org).

## City Council ...

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"most people don't read the Post paper" where the municipality generally publishes such notices.

- Heard from the city manager about a disputed utility bill; however, no action on the disputed bill was taken as the utility subscriber, Joann Blacklock, was not in attendance at the meeting.
- Approved a colon cancer prevention proclamation.
- Agreed to activate a water tap for Joe Marts.
- Approved a request from Joe Marts to extend water to 13th Street.
- Approved a pair of resignations to the Cemetery Board.
- Approved the consent agenda as presented.
- Agreed to change the meeting day for the May council meeting to May 20.
- Received the city manager's report.

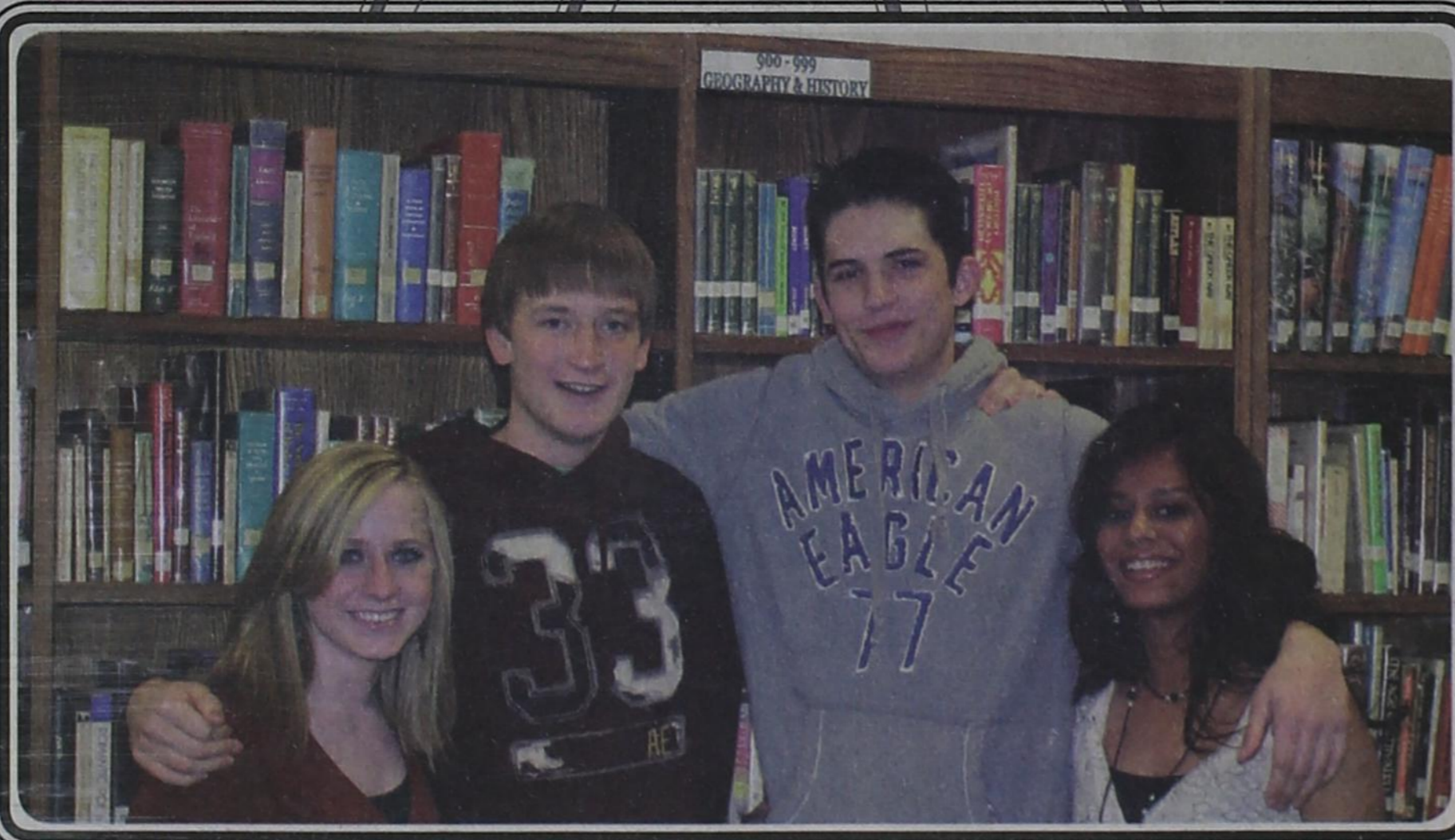


## Run Across America

Andrew Wahila, Matthew Durkin and Ken Stannard, all of New York, are shown during their visit to Post last weekend. The group began its quest to "run across America" in Savannah, Ga., and will finish in San Diego, Calif. The runners were guests of Post Area Chamber of Commerce members Jacky and Thessa Harp and Lee and Marsha Norman for dinner Sunday night and were overnight guests of the Harps. "I offered to drive them up the Caprock when it was time for them to leave Post. I thought that would save a little wear and tear on their bodies," said Thessa Harp. "But, they insisted that they pick up Monday morning exactly where they stopped Sunday evening, right in front of the chamber office." The men were impressed with the Texas breakfast served by the Harps. "Thessa Harp prepared us, what we all agreed on, the best breakfast to date on our trip," the bikers wrote on their Web blog. "This is quite the statement as we are 60 days into our journey and we have had 60 other breakfasts to compete with... but this one was the best."

Staff photo by Rosa Latimer

## Congratulations Cross X Debate Team



Congratulations to Post High School CX Debate Team members (left to right) Meagen Howard, Tim Wilson, Call Windham and Suhani Bhakta for their outstanding accomplishments at the recent State UIL Debate competition. Meagen and Suhani placed first while Tim and Call placed second.

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