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County steps up courthouse security

Shooting in Kaufman County spurs local officials to take action

By Wayne Hodgkin
The Post Dispatch

Garza County commissioners this week have stepped up courthouse security in the wake of the tragic shooting of the district attorney and his wife in Kaufman County over Easter weekend.

Commissioners on Monday approved the hiring of former Garza County sheriff's Deputy Bob Zivek as the new security chief for the courthouse and its adjacent county buildings.

"This is an issue members of the Commissioners Court have been discussing for quite some time now," Judge Lee Norman said. "We feel like it's time to take more action."

Norman said he has been in talks with Sheriff Terry Morgan and Constables Daniel Yarbro and Eric Creavy and others on the best way to address courthouse

security. "Right now, everything is on the table," Norman said. "We're looking at everything from permanent metal detectors to hand wands to video surveillance. We feel like the security of our county staff is of utmost concern."

The courthouse is technically under the control of the Office of the Sheriff, but any kind of funding maneuver for security control would have to be approved by the Commission.

Sheriff Terry Morgan said Zivek was the perfect choice to lead security at the courthouse.

"For years, Mr. Zivek led security for district court in Gracem County. He's recently retired from the Garza County Sheriff's Office, and this is a good way for him to make a little money in retirement and an economical way for us to get top-notch security at our courthouse."

Morgan said the current courthouse facility wasn't built for 21st-century security.

"You know, we're having to do the best we can with what we have," he said. "Retrofitting the courthouse with top-of-the-line security would come at a tremendous cost, but we'll do our very best to keep courthouse personnel as safe as possible while also keeping the residents who use the courthouse as safe as possible."

In other business:

- Commissioners approved allowing the justice of the peace clerk to utilize an 800-number to call in credit and debit card payments for the collection of fines and fees associated with the court. A similar 800-number is used by the tax assessor's office for residents who opt to pay taxes with a credit/debit card.
- Commissioners rejected a lone bid

for \$666,074 from Comfort Masters of Lubbock to install a heating, ventilation and air-conditioning system at the courthouse. Judge Norman said staff would be meeting with the project engineers again to determine if the project could be scaled back. Commissioners originally approved the allowance of only borrowing \$400,000 for the project.

- Approved a farming lease on property the county owns in Bailey County as part of a long-standing statewide land-lottery program that helps generate money for the school system. Judge Norman said the county gamers roughly \$1,000 a year on the property and that the money is still given to the school system each year.
- Approved a proclamation in support of April as National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence Awareness Month.

Post Notes

Events are listed free of charge for nonprofit civic organizations, schools and community events. Submit listings at least two weeks ahead of the date. Listings will run through the date of the event. Emailed submissions are preferred to thepostcitydispatch@gmail.com.

Fish fry

Trailblazers senior citizens center, 205 E. Main St., Post, will have a fish fry fundraiser from 5 to 7 p.m. April 12. For information, call 495-2998.

Trap practice

5 p.m. Mondays at the Palmer Gun Club. For information, contact Ray Mason at 806-781-8022.

Homestead exemption

Anyone who turns 65 in 2013, or who has a birth date of 1948 or prior, is eligible for the over-65 homestead exemption on their property taxes. Anyone with a business personal property is required to file a rendition with the Garza Central Appraisal District. If a rendition is not filed, a 10 percent penalty will be added to the total tax. For information, or to file an exemption, contact the Garza Central Appraisal District at 806-495-3518 or visit 124 E. Main St., Post. Due date is April 15.

Horse validations

Four-H Connect horse validations will be conducted Friday through May 1. Cost is \$10 through April 15 and \$20 from April 16 through May 1. For information, contact the Garza County Extension Office at 495-4400.

Goat/lamb validations

State goat and lamb validations will be due no later than 5 p.m. April 19. Cost is \$10. For information, contact the Garza County Extension Office at 495-4400.

Steer validations

Steer validations will be due no later than 5 p.m. April 19. Cost is \$10. For information, contact the Garza County Extension Office at 495-4400.

Volunteers needed

Post City Festivals is in need of volunteers to help build a number of the miniature houses on site at Silent Night Village. If interested, call Jackie Cruise at 990-9907.

Visitor's Guide

The deadline for the Post Visitor's Guide has been extended to Monday, April 15. The committee would like to encourage all businesses to get an ad, free of charge, to be included in the updated guide. Contact Janice Plummer at the Post Area Chamber of Commerce at 495-3461.

Social media class

A free class explaining various social media websites and how to keep you and your family safe from online harm will be at 2 p.m. April 18 at the Poka Lambro office, 115 W. Main St., Post. Classes are free, but pre-registration is required. Call 990-9901 for information or visit poka.com.

Corrections

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Unique outdoor art exhibit planned for downtown

By Wayne Hodgkin
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Members of the Caprock Cultural Association has conceived a new outdoor art exhibit they hope will not only help revitalize the downtown art scene but also help bring more local and area residents and tourists into Post City.

The "Sit a Spell in Post" outdoor art exhibit will literally take art to the streets of Post, CCA spokeswoman Rosa Latimer said.

"The exhibit will be comprised of 12 chairs beautifully decorated by area artists using original designs and medium of their choice," she said. "The chairs will be displayed in public spaces throughout the community and welcome the public to 'sit a spell.'"

Latimer said the purpose behind the exhibit will be to present a different form of art to the community and to make it easily accessible to residents and visitors.

"We hope the 12 dazzling chairs will provide an incentive for visitors to stop, take a photo and spend time discovering our shops, museums and other facets of our historic town," she said.

See EXHIBIT, Page 7

Tractor Show



DeAnn Bryant/For the Dispatch

Ronnie Graves of Post shows off his red 1955 Dodge show car to Jim Ellis, manager of the Close City Gin on Saturday. The first Antique Tractor and Car Show at the Close City Gin drew in scores of people from all across the South Plains. About 45 antique tractors, cars, motorcycles, combines and covered wagons were exhibited for event-goers to enjoy, including food, games and fellowship. Gin officials hope to make the event an annual one. See more pictures on page 10.

Justice to retire from JP seat

County commission poised to appoint unexpired seat

By Wayne Hodgkin
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Seven-term Justice of the Peace Dee Justice has announced his retirement from his Place 2 elected seat in Garza County.

The announcement came during Monday's regular Garza County Commission meeting and will be effective April 30.

Justice has served 31 years in the position, and said this week it was time for him to step down.

"Both my wife and I have had some health issues, and I feel like it's just time for me to slow down a little," said Justice, 61, who also owns and operates Justice-Mason Funeral Home in Post.

Justice began serving Garza County about a year prior to his election in 1981 — "that was the year the mill closed," he said. "The sheriff's office was suffering from a lack of help due to a large turnover, and I stepped in to a deputy sheriff roll."

Justice said not too long thereafter, the county grew to the point that deputies had to be peace-officer certified.

"I went through the basic law enforcement training and graduated in the top five of my class," he said. "After a year of service, I received my permanent peace-officer certification. Soon after I was asked to run for justice of the peace."

There are two justice of the peace positions in Garza County. Gordon Terry serves in the Place 1 spot.

Justice of the peace courts have original jurisdiction in class C misdemeanor criminal cases, which are less serious minor offenses. These courts also have jurisdiction of minor civil matters. A justice of the peace may issue search or arrest warrants, and may serve as the coroner in counties where there is no provision for a medical examiner. These courts also function as small claims courts.

County Judge Lee Norman said commissioners will determine whether to fill Justice's unexpired term during their regular meeting April 22.

"It'll be up to the commissioners whether to fill that spot or not," Norman said. "I feel like



Wayne Hodgkin/The Post Dispatch

Dee Justice stands beside a framed photo and window of the old post office at Justiceburg, which is named after his great-grandfather. Justice announced his retirement as justice of the peace in a letter to Garza County commissioners this week effective at the end of the month.

there's enough work to keep both seats." Justice's term would have expired Dec. 31, 2014.

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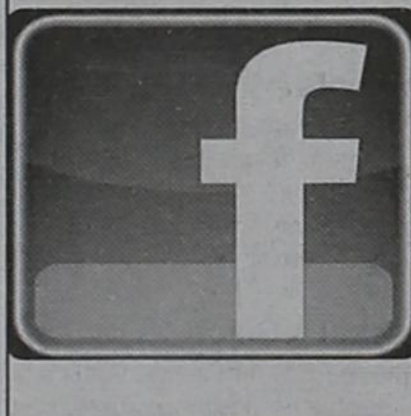
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Deaths

Ronnie Pruitt

Graveside services for Ronald Lee Pruitt, 56, of Post were held at 3 p.m. Wednesday, April 10, 2013 at Terrace Cemetery with Mike Taylor, Bubba Smith and O. L. Ferguson officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

He died Saturday, April 6, 2013 in Lubbock. He was born November 3, 1956 in Slaton to Charles and Marietta (Whitten) Pruitt.

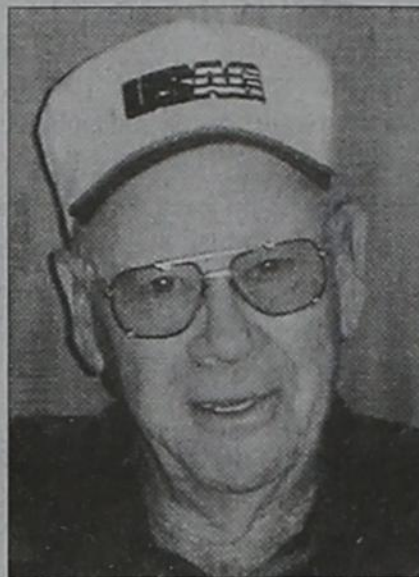
Chic Stevens

Services for Emory Ralph "Chic" Stevens of Post will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, April 11, 2013 at the Graham Chapel Methodist Church with John Hedrick officiating. Burial in Terrace Cemetery will be under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

He died Monday, April 8, 2013 at his home. He was born on September 9, 1928 in Garza County to Phillip Emory and Lillian (Echols) Stevens. Chic married Glenda Oden on July 21, 1955 in



RONNIE PRUITT
He attended school in



CHIC STEVENS
Lubbock. He and Glenda

Post and worked in the oil field.

Survivors include his mother: Marietta Pruitt of Post, 1 Son: Charles Pruitt of Lubbock, 2 Daughters: Jeri Stone of Odessa and Trisha Brumley of North Carolina, 3 Sisters: Diana Poe, Anita Morris and Karen Palmer all of Post and 3 Grandchildren: Kara Thomas and Chelsea Thomas both of Post and Michael Clay Pruitt of Lubbock.

farmed in Lynn and Garza counties for many years.

Survivors include his wife Glenda Stevens of Post, 1 Son: Kirk Stevens of Garden City, Tx, Daughter-in-Law: Traci Stevens of Lubbock, 2 Grandchildren: Branda Stevens of Hammond, La. and Blace Stevens of Garden City, Tx. and by 4 nieces and nephews: Joe Bilbo of Alba, Tx, Jan Nichols of San Angelo, Gary Bilbo of Beeville and Ronnie Bilbo of Lubbock.

The Paperboy Got news? Let us know!

I spoke to a reader last week who caught a dog stealing her newspaper. Pretty smart dog.

Looks like North Korea is looking for a fight from South Korea, which pretty much means us.

I guess they don't realize that the outcome of an attack on a U.S. ally in the region

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would be very bad for them.

Perhaps it's time to get Ambassador Dennis Rodman to resolve the situation. (That will only be humorous if you're aware that Rodman recently hung out with the North Korean dictator.)

We've redesigned each one of our newspapers. The design was the brainchild of Wayne Hodgin, editor, The Post Dispatch. I think the papers look good!

Hodgin convinced me to change The Dispatch and from there we went paper-to-paper.

The last three newspapers were Floyd County, Wellington and Childress. Those papers have substantial page-one advertising and some of our clients frowned upon an offer to relocate.

In the end, we were able to appease the advertisers and pretty much complete the project. We continue to tweak them some, but overall, I like the way they look, and I think the fonts we're using are easier on the eyes.

Some of the people who have a hand in building your newspaper are un-

known to you, yet they play an important part in producing the product.

I think one of the biggest positives I have in this company are people who care. They take pride in their respective jobs and they want to perform.

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I'm proud of my team, and if you feel like what you have in your hand is improving and a positive reflection of your city, let us know.

Likewise, if you are not pleased or have an issue, we'd like to know that too. Feel free to call your local office or call us here at 888-400-1083.

My wife told me the other day to remind secretaries of civic clubs and organizations to submit write-ups of monthly meetings. I'm doing so now.

Local groups are the backbone of small towns and you need to be recognized for your efforts. Obviously we cannot cover every meeting of every club and group, but we sure as heck can put your news in the newspaper.

Please help us let your community know what your group or organization is doing.

Emailing us your write-ups is the easiest way to eliminate misspelling of names. That is, if the names are correct to begin with.

For those of you who make it a habit of submitting your news, thank you very much for adding some spice to the paper!

Christopher Blackburn is the publisher of the The Post Dispatch and CEO of Blackburn Media Group.

Menus: Week of April 15 - 19

Southland ISD

Breakfast
Monday: Pancake on a stick, fruit, juice, milk
Tuesday: Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk
Wednesday: Breakfast bar or cereal, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk
Thursday: Muffins, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk
Friday: Biscuits, sausage, gravy, fruit, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday: Crispy beef taco, garden salad, refried beans, applesauce, tortilla chips, salsa, milk
Tuesday: Country fried steak, whipped potatoes with gravy, carrot coins, hot roll, strawberry cup, milk
Wednesday: Chicken fajitas, tortillas, charro beans, tortilla chips, salsa, orange smiles, milk
Thursday: Chicken spaghetti, garden salad, carrots with ranch, breadstick, apple slices, milk
Friday: Fish sticks, mac and cheese, green beans, fruit, milk

Post ISD

Breakfast
Monday: Biscuits, sausage, gravy, fruit, milk
Tuesday: Muffins, sausage link, fruit, milk
Wednesday: Cream of wheat, toast, sausage, fruit, milk
Thursday: Cinnamon toast, sausage link, fruit,

milk
Friday: Cereal, toast, fruit, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday: Barbecue rib sandwich, refried beans, garden salad, salsa, hot cinnamon apples, milk variety
Tuesday: Hot dog, potato rounds, fresh veggie cup, fresh seasonal fruit, milk variety, chocolate chip cookie
Wednesday: Grilled cheese sandwich, vegetable soup, baby carrots, fruit cup, milk variety
Thursday: Chicken nuggets, mac and cheese, garden salad, green beans, apple slices, crispy treat, milk variety
Friday: Hamburger, seasoned corn, baby carrots, sliced peaches, milk variety

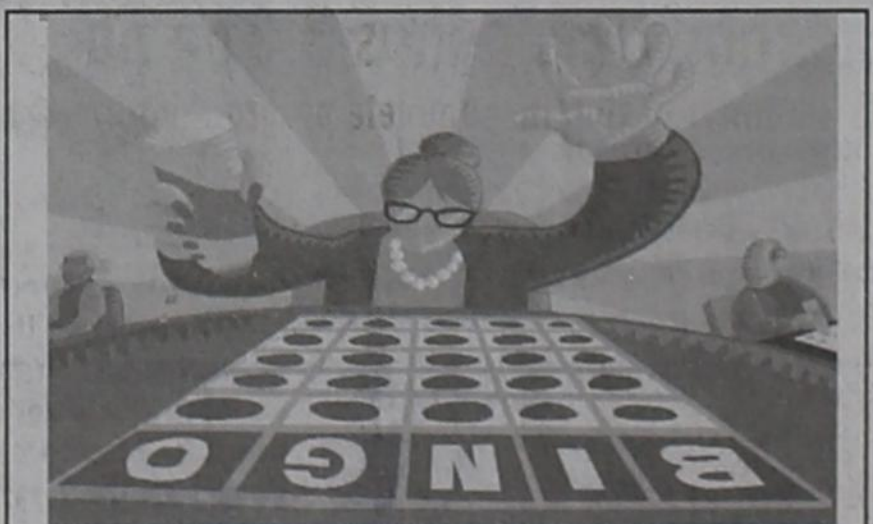
Trailblazers

Lunch
Monday: King Ranch casserole, pinto beans, rice, tortilla, peanuts
Tuesday: Turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes, squash casserole, roll, lemon cookie
Wednesday: Hamburger steak, baked potato, zucchini, roll, banana pudding
Thursday: Oven-fried chicken, mashed potatoes, carrots, roll, chocolate cake
Friday: Hamburger, tater tots, baked beans, apples, milk

Thanks for reading! Pet of the Week



Janice Plummer/For the Dispatch
This is Chico. He was found scared and injured running downtown. He is a very small, male Chihuahua. If he belongs to you, or if you are interested in adopting, please contact Postarc@yahoo.com or on Facebook at Post Arc.



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Letter to the Editor

Members of the Close City Gin would like to thank all the people who came out to visit and participate in the first Close City Antique Tractor & Car Show last Saturday.

We had about 45 vehicles exhibited in the event, including antique tractors, cars, pickups, motorcycles, combine and covered wagon.

Some of the tractor games were the balance beam, barrel roll and chain pull, and prizes for these events were donated by Grassland Butane.

The Close City community would like to thank everyone who attended and participated. We look forward to making this an annual event.

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Manager, Close City Gin

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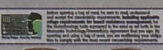
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Nancy's Notions

I'm with the positive

Have you ever heard of the Law of Intentionality? I'm not real sure if it is actually a law but in this third and final piece from Chris Boleman's



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presentation, we'll see the unfortunate effort involved in being positive. Many have been programmed since birth to have negative thoughts. It is a way of life. A positive attitude requires intentional effort. "A positive mind anticipates happiness, joy, health and a successful outcome of every situation and action." Growth doesn't just happen. You have to grow on purpose. You have to make the choice to grow. The choice you make makes you.

Begin by always using only positive words while thinking and while talking. Use words such as, "I can," "I am able," "It is possible," "It can be done," etc. When I was teaching, we had an assignment in my parenting class where the students were not allowed to use any form of the word "no" for the entire class period. That was very difficult for most. We laughed when some students just decided they were safer by not talking at all. Mission accomplished.

We've all heard it takes 21 positive comments to balance out or erase one negative comment? There are many different ratios reported but regardless, this is reason enough to strive to speak carefully to your friends, co-workers and family members. Let's say on a decent day at school, your child's going to hear five negative comments. Let yourself be challenged by that; compliment your child and "catch them doing

something good" whenever possible.

Allow into your awareness only feelings of happiness, strength and success. Try to disregard and ignore negative thoughts. Refuse to think such thoughts, and substitute them with constructive happy thoughts.

Believe me, this was extremely challenging when I heard the doctor say the word cancer. I needed words that evoked feelings and mental images of strength, happiness and success.

I knew the words "Nancy has cancer" would spread like wildfire so I purposed immediately to filter and control the words that were to be said about me as much as possible because my life truly depended on it.

I began reading for pleasure again, during my chemo days, but strived to find positive, uplifting books. Over time, I bought 10 or so from Mardel's that looked like the "Little House on the Prairie"-type thinking these would be comforting. Wrong! Every one of them had a character or a character's distant relative had died of cancer. I was amazed. I am not exaggerating. Most likely I would never have noticed this commonality in my pre-cancer days, but when going through chemo this was not what I wanted or needed to be reading.

Dr. Boleman challenged us to adopt the following habits. Read at least one page of an inspiring book every day. Watch movies that make you feel happy. Minimize the time you listen to negative news. Read only positive, uplifting articles in the newspapers. Surround yourself with people who think positively. We have the tendency to want to change circumstances. Out with the negative. In with the positive.

Nancy McDonald is the family and consumer sciences agent for the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Garza County.

Yesteryears

10 years ago
April 10, 2003

The Post City Council and Garza County Commissioners met in a joint session Tuesday, April 1, to discuss jointly funded projects. No changes were made as officers of both government units agreed with current operating functions and funding.

Garza County Hospital District (HCHD) board president Mike Travis admitted at last Thursday's called meeting that the district has no budget nor cost estimates for operating a health clinic here.

"Relay for Life Day" will be June 13 in Post. According to a mayoral proclamation signed March 28, the annual Relay for Live even conducted by the American Cancer Society will be conducted in June.

MAD DADS is open weekdays from 3:30 to 5:50 p.m. for all students ages seven and older. The after school program provides student a comfortable and safe setting for homework, watching t.v. or playing games.

U.S. 84 took on a major renovation through the city of Post which began last week with Granite Construction ripping up the old asphalt roadway in preparation for installing a storm sewer drainage system and concrete surface.

20 years ago
April 14, 1993

Following a lengthy executive session, the Post City Council appointed Delbert Rudd interim city manager. Rudd was appointed during the council's regular meeting held Tuesday, April 6 at City Hall. Rudd, who is currently the City Code Administrator, will serve a six-month term a Post's top employee before a permanent decision is made on the position.

Citizens of Garza County will have a change to voice their

opinions about expanding the courthouse in a public hearing tentatively scheduled for Monday, May 10, in the courtroom. "We'd really like to get some input before we proceed any further," said Judge Giles Dalby. He said the meeting would provide a forum for citizens to ask question and offer opinions.

Post Caprock Photographers were well represented in the Lubbock Art Association's annual photography show currently on exhibit at the Lubbock Garden and Arts Center through April 30.

Alvin Reed finished off the Post Lopes qualifying heat in 400 m run in Brownfield. Post later came back in the finals to capture second place in the even with a time of 43.53.

David Tyler received a Certificate of Service for his nine years on the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service in Garza County Committee.

30 years ago
April 13, 1983

Clyde Zucker of New York, who has been negotiating with Burlington Industries for the purchase of the Postex Plant here, told us Tuesday morning that he is definitely interested and has a strong feeling about purchasing the plant.

"Burlington's comment last week that I would not afford to raise my offer is somewhat incorrect," Zucker told us by telephone.

"I told them I was willing to raise my offer, but we were so far apart that it didn't make any sense to make a counter-offer at that time," he continued.

"They knew that their counter-offer was way too high, and at their price it would not be economically feasible to operate the plant," the potential plant buyer added.

"I Burlington wishes to continue negotiating, I will do all I can to buy the plant and get it in full operation," Zucker commented.

For the first time in the history of Post High School, the one-act play won area Saturday night at Lubbock Cooper High School.

"Our Hearts Were Young and Gay" was performed before a packed audience and a large turnout of Post supporters, won its way to the regional meet in Odessa and will perform there Thursday, April 14, at 1 p.m.

40 years ago
April 12, 1973

The Garza County Commissioners Court on Monday implemented only half of the federal grant for a county probation officer at an annual salary of \$7,500 with 10 cents per mile car allowance.

District Judge George Hansard of Lamesa has appointed Les Brown, former deputy sheriff, to the position to handle district court probation cases and County Judge Giles Dalby concurred by naming him to handle the county court probations.

Judge Dalby told The Dispatch yesterday that Brown, who meets all the legal qualifications for an adult probation officer, also will handle juvenile probation cases as well.

Contract for 30 blocks of seal coating was let by the Post City Council Monday night to High Plains Pavers, Inc., of Plainview on its low bid of 21 cents a square yard, which totals \$10,978.80 on the 30 blocks originally set up for seal coating by the council and its consulting engineering firm of Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc.

"Messiah" by George Frederic Handle will be presented in part, this Sunday at 8 p.m. in the

First United Methodist Church sanctuary by the Post Community Chorus.

The Chorus, sponsored by the Post Music Club and directed by Bob Stice, will be singing several of the familiar choruses from the Easter portion of the Messiah.

50 years ago
April 11, 1963

Johnnie Johnson, 47-year-old local Negro sought for two years on a 1960 murder charge, was captured about 6:30 p.m. Saturday in the Johnson family home here near the former Lincoln school. Sheriff Fay Claborn, Deputy Lloyd Merritt, and State Highway Patrolmen Max Knox and Henry Harden surrounded the house with guns drawn and then officers went in after him.

Harold Lucas took over as mayor Monday afternoon when he was administered the oath of office by outgoing mayor, Powell Shytles. After being sworn in, Lucas administered the oath of office to J.B. Potts and Bob Collier, who are beginning terms on the city council.

Robert L. (Bob) Waldrop, 88, was burned to death early yesterday morning in a fire that gutted his four-room frame house at 416 South Ave. H.

Mr. Waldrop's body, burned almost beyond recognition, was found on the floor just three feet inside the front door of the house.

Said by some of his acquaintances to have been a resident of Post "for at least fifty years," Mr. Waldrop lived alone.

Firemen, called to the blazing house shortly after 6:30 a.m., fought the flames for 30 minutes before subduing them enough for Mr. Waldrop's body to be removed.

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High School Track

Post varsity track teams finish fourth, JV wins overall at Roosevelt

The varsity and junior varsity track teams from Post High School recently competed in the Acuff Relays at Roosevelt on April 5. Both the varsity boys and girls teams finished in fourth place overall while the JV boys finished as team champions.

Following is individual and team results.

Varsity Boys: Team finished 4th with 81 points

100 M Dash; 4th Place, Nathaniel Gill; 11.33
400 M Dash; 4th Place, Zeb Graves; 56.02
800 M Run; 6th Place, Isaac Stern; 2:22.42
110 M Hurdles; 2nd Place, Campbell Kirkpatrick; 16.98
300 M Hurdles; 3rd Place, Campbell Kirkpatrick; 45.61

4x100 M Relay; 2nd Place, Nathaniel Gill, Aron Lopez, Bryan Smith, DJ Brown; 45.26
4x400 M Relay; 4th Place, DJ Brown, Bryan Smith, Isaac Stern, Aron Lopez; 3:48.36
Shot Put; 1st Place, Bryan Smith; 41'10.25"

Pole Vault; 2nd Place, Paden Babb; 10'6"
Discus; 1st Place, Travis Greathouse; 150'11"

Discus; 3rd Place, Bryan Smith; 119'2"

Varsity Girls: Team finished 4th with 92 points

100 M Dash; 2nd Place, Madison Carr; 13.24
100 M Dash; 6th Place, Seaira Scott; 13.74

800 M Run; 6th Place, Andi Soliz; 2:53.75
1600 M Run; 3rd Place, Andi Soliz; 6:37.47

4x100 M Relay; 1st Place, Miranda Apolinar, Taylor Osborn, Bethany Curtis, Haily Berry; 51.71
4x200 M Relay; 3rd Place, Madison Carr, Cheyenne Gill, Katie Dunn, Sarah Stinson; 1:59.77

4x400 M Relay; 1st Place, Miranda Apolinar, Bethany Curtis, Taylor Osborn, Haily Berry; 4:23.88
Long Jump; 6th Place, Cheyenne Gill; 14'9"

Shot Put; 3rd Place, Sara Greer; 30'8.75"

Shot Put; 6th Place, Taylor Osborn; 28'9"

Discus; 2nd Place, Sara

Greer, 107'7"

Discus; 3rd Place, Taylor Osborn; 104'8"

Discus; 5th Place, Rebecca Taylor, 86'3.25"

JV Boys: Team Champions with 190 points.

100 M Dash; 2nd Place, Blaine Reece; 11.64

100 M Dash; 6th Place, Christian Saucedo; 12.27

200 M Dash; 4th Place, Dylan Pearson; 24.96

400 M Dash; 1st Place, Sammy Soto; 57.17

400 M Dash; 5th Place, Alejo Rodriguez; 60.83

800 M Run; 1st Place, Jarred Curtis; 2:25.18

800 M Run; 3rd Place, Alejo Rodriguez; 2:26.98

800 M Run; 6th Place, Greer, 107'7"

Josiel Delgadillo; 2:32.59

1600 M Run; 1st Place, Blake Boren; 5:36.75

3200 M Run; 3rd Place, Blake Boren; 12:42.77

3200 M Run; 5th Place, Hayden Belongia; 13:33.49

3200 M Run; 6th Place, Isaac Jones; 13:52.20

110 M Hurdles; 1st Place, Carson Kirkpatrick; 16.27

110 M Hurdles; 4th Place, Shandon Wiley; 18.46

300 M Hurdles; 3rd Place, Carson Kirkpatrick; 48.08

300 M Hurdles; 6th Place, Shandon Wiley; 49.20

4x100 M Relay; 2nd Place, Blaine Reece, Dylan Pearson, Cambry Gilbert, Ethan Self; 46.90

4x200 M Relay; 2nd Place, Blaine Reece, Dylan Pearson,

Ethan Self, Austin Garza; 1:41.17

4x400 M Relay; 1st Place, Blaine Reece, Austin Garza, Cambry Gilbert, Sammy Soto; 3:44.49

Long Jump; 3rd Place, Dylan Pearson; 17'6.5"

High Jump; 3rd Place, Ethan Self; 5'6"

Pole Vault; 2nd Place Tie, Tristan Fannon; 8'0"

Triple Jump; 1st Place, Ethan Self; 39'10.5"

Triple Jump; 2nd Place, Jarred Curtis; 39'1"

Shot Put; 3rd Place, Alan Alaniz; 36'4"

Shot Put; 4th Place, Sergio Soliz; 35'6.25"

Discus; 1st Place, Alejo Rodriguez; 130'9"



Zeb Graves runs the varsity 400-meter event at Roosevelt on April 5.



Haily Berry runs the girls varsity mile relay to a first-place finish at Roosevelt on April 5.

High school baseball



Aron Lopez pitches against Childress on Saturday. Post lost, 10-2, despite Lopez' stellar performance on the mound.

Antelope Baseball

Antelopes fall 8-2 to Floydada

POST — Despite Nathan Gill's 2-3 performance at the plate Tuesday, the Post Antelopes took a 8-2 loss at the hands of Floydada.

Floydada's lineup had no answer for Aron Lopez. Lopez held Floydada hitless over 1 2/3 innings, allowed no earned runs, walked one and struck out two.

Floydada was sparked by Danny Martenez and Hunter Galvin, who teamed up for three hits and three RBIs.

The Antelopes jumped out to an early 1-0 lead in the bottom of the second. Gill got things going for Post with a single. A stolen base then moved Gill from first to second.

Floydada stayed on top until the final out after taking the lead in the fifth, scoring three runs on a three-run home run by Galvin.

Floydada increased its lead with five runs in the sixth. A clutch ground out scored J.P. Chavarria to open the scoring in the frame. That was followed up by Micheal Cisneros's single, scoring Seth Nielson.

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Pearson's big day not enough

CHILDRESS — The Post High School Antelopes collected nine hits but fell, 10-2, to Childress on Saturday.

Dylan Pearson racked up two RBIs on one hit for the Antelopes. He singled in the fourth inning.

Childress couldn't get anything going so long as Aron Lopez was on the hill. Childress managed just two hits off of the Antelopes' pitcher, who allowed one earned run, walked two and struck out none during his 3 2/3 innings of work.

Joe A. recorded the win for Childress. He allowed two runs over seven innings. He struck out nine, walked two and surrendered nine hits.

Childress was sparked by Straton Roc and Jacob Miller, who teamed up for four hits and four RBIs.

Childress tacked on another six runs in the third. A clutch passed ball scored Arturo Tventes to open the scoring in the frame. That was followed up by Servando Duran's single, scoring A.

A two-run fourth inning helped bring Antelopes within six. A two-run single by Dylan Pearson fueled Antelopes' comeback. But, Joe A. got Marco Erives to end the inning.

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90th WTHA Meeting



Hanaba Munn Welch/The Post Dispatch

Mildred Sentell, president of the Caprock Cultural Association, board visits last Friday night with Lewis Toland of Roswell, N.M., at a banquet at Kemp Center for the Arts in Wichita Falls. Next to Sentell is her daughter Mary Ezell of Snyder. The banquet was part of the 90th annual meeting of the West Texas Historical Association. Most sessions of the Friday-Saturday event were held at Midwestern State University. Toland teaches English at the New Mexico Military Institute; Ezell is an artist.

First Place Team



Lance Dunn/Special to the Dispatch

The Post FFA Horse Judging Team recently competed at a contest at Clarendon College and placed first overall. Taylor Osborn (second from left) placed second individually, and Matti Smith (third from left) placed seventh. Also competing were Kortness McKee (first from left) and Callie Odom (fourth from left). There were 73 teams and more than 200 individual competing students. The Post team will compete this Saturday in the area contest at Texas Tech. The state contest will be April 20.

Lions Club selects scholarship finalists

Special to the Dispatch

Members of the Post Lions Club chose nine Post High School seniors as district finalists for entrants in the Opportunities for Youth scholarship contests held by the District 2-T2 Lions Clubs.

Youth from various Lions Clubs in the District (51 clubs) participated in the event at the area annual Lions Midwinter Conference in Lubbock on Jan. 21. Post students competed in three different contests: Drug Awareness Speech, Diabetes Awareness Essay and Outstanding Youth Essay.

The Drug Awareness contest required students to give a

5- to 7-minute unwritten speech to a panel of three judges. The topic of the speech was "Minors and Alcohol." Only one Post student — Caden Dean — qualified to participate.

The Diabetes Awareness contest asked students to research the causes, concerns and solutions to the growing problem of Type 2 Diabetes. The students then read their essay to a panel of judges. Post students competing in this category were Jace Fannon, Torie Whisenant and Haily Berry.

The final category was the Outstanding Student contest where students had to meet a grade point criteria, write an essay on the importance of volunteerism, and went through

a rigorous interview with a panel of judges.

Post students participating in this contest were Audree Williams, Adam Smith, Kayla Comeaux, Dalton Holly and Morgan Deen.

Post High School placed in two of the three contests. Taking second in the Outstanding Student contest was Morgan Deen. Morgan was awarded a \$500 scholarship.

Taking first in the Drug Awareness was Caden Dean, he was awarded a \$, scholarship so far, with an opportunity to win \$3,000 when he represents the entire District 2T-2 of Lions Clubs in Austin, the morning after he graduates from Post High School.



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House OKs revised version of state budget

By Ed Sterling
For the Dispatch

AUSTIN — On April 5, the Texas House of Representatives approved Committee Substitute Senate Bill 1, a proposed state budget of \$194 billion for fiscal years 2014 and 2015.

The Senate earlier approved a \$195.5 billion budget, so the next step is for differences in the two budgets to be worked out in a House-Senate conference committee. Both budgets spend less than what it would take to keep in stride with inflation and the state's increasing population. The House version adds, above base spending, \$2.8 billion back into the elementary and secondary education budget, far less than the \$5.4 billion the Legislature cut from education in 2011 to cope with a projected state revenue deficit.

In a split vote to approve CSSB1, the House went along with a joint recommendation not to expand Medicaid spending made by Gov. Rick Perry, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, House Speaker Joe Straus and other leading Republicans on April 1.

"Medicaid is a broken, unsustainable federal program that could eventually bankrupt Texas and all states, and it's nuts to expand it," Dewhurst said. "I've spoken with our Texas senators about examining all the best ideas being considered nationwide on Medicaid, but I'm not willing to consider going forward unless we can agree on a solution that is right for Texas."

State Rep. Lois Kolkhorst, R-Brenham, chair of the House Committee on Public Health, on April 1 said, "This debate will shape our nation's

debt and financial future for generations. That's why I'm honored to play a part as we seek Texas solutions. When we reform the Medicaid system, Texas can lead the way to a brighter future here at home and across the country."

Casting nays on final passage of CSSB1 were state Reps. Rafael Anchia, D-Dallas; Lon Burnam, D-Fort Worth; Nicole Collier, D-Fort Worth; Joe Farias, D-San Antonio; Mary Gonzalez, D-Clint; Ana Hernandez-Luna, D-Houston; Justin Rodriguez, D-San Antonio; David Simpson, R-Longview; Chris Turner, D-Arlington; and Armando Walle, D-Houston.

Farias explained his vote saying, "We clearly had the means to restore the cuts from two years ago but budget writers chose not to restore the full \$5.4 billion. The budget also fails to fund Medicaid expansion, an opportunity that chambers of commerce, faith leaders and Texas hospitals all agree is necessary for our future."

Turner, chair of the House Democratic Caucus, said, "There is no greater investment in our future than doing everything we can to help the nearly five million school children of Texas realize their full God-given potential by providing the very best public education for each and every one of them. This budget falls well short of that basic values test, which is why I voted no."

Senate OKs CPRIT bill

Voters approved a constitutional amendment in 2007 establishing the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas and authorizing the state to issue \$3 billion in bonds to fund groundbreaking cancer research and pre-

vention programs and services in Texas.

On April 3 the Texas Senate unanimously approved SB 149, legislation to tighten oversight of the agency under fire for awarding tens of millions of dollars in grants to researchers with ties to agency officials.

Jane Nelson, R-Flower Mound, chair of the Senate Health and Human Services Committee said the legislation "establishes an ironclad system of checks and balances that will make it impossible for the agency to run without 100 percent transparency and accountability."

An example of what the bill does is it prohibits individuals or entities that make donations to CPRIT or the CPRIT Foundation from receiving grants. The bill has moved to the Texas House for consideration.

Listed as coauthors of SB 149 are Sens. Kevin Eltife, R-Tyler; Charles Schwertner, R-Bryan; and Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo.

Leases help school fund

Oil and gas exploration on state lands earned Texas schools more than \$9.2 million on April 2 at the quarterly Permanent School Fund lease sale, the General Land Office reported last week.

Private oil companies competitively bid more than \$11.5 million to explore for oil and gas on land owned by the state, Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson reported.

Twelve leases were awarded for tracts of submerged state land in the Gulf of Mexico, showing renewed interest in an area that has seen diminishing activity since the Macondo well blowout three years ago, Patterson added.

EXHIBIT

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Artists from around the region will be invited to submit their creative vision depicting Post and Garza County on the chairs in the media of their choice.

Twelve artists will be chosen to transform the chairs provided by the Caprock Cultural Association into works of art that will be displayed in public spaces throughout the community, creating an impressive outdoor art exhibit.

Local organizations, businesses and individuals have the opportunity to support this project by sponsoring a chair for \$500.

Chairs will have a nameplate displaying the name of the sponsor and the artist. In addition, sponsors' names will be included in publicity and exhibit brochures.

Each \$500 sponsorship will cover the cost of the chair and installation, as well as provide a \$300 stipend for the artist.

"Sit a Spell in Post" will be on exhibit from August through October. At the exhibit's conclusion, chair sponsors will own their chair to use as they wish, including displaying the unique work of art in their business or home or donating it to a public space, such as the school.

To be a part of this special outdoor art exhibit by sponsoring a chair, or making a donation in any amount, contact the Caprock Cultural Association at 495-4148.

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CORRECTED/RESCHEDULED NOTICE OF HEARING

ON THE APPLICATION OF SAGA PETROLEUM, L.L.C. OF COLORADO
TO CONSIDER UNITIZATION AND SECONDARY RECOVERY AUTHORITY
FOR THE SOUTHWEST GARZA UNIT LEASE
GARZA FIELD
GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS

CAUTION: TO APPEAR AT THE HEARING IN OPPOSITION TO THIS APPLICATION, YOU MUST COMPLETE AND FILE WITH THE COMMISSION THE ENCLOSED NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST AT LEAST FIVE WORKING DAYS PRIOR TO THE HEARING DATE REGARDLESS OF WHETHER YOU PREVIOUSLY FILED A NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST IN RESPONSE TO A PREVIOUSLY ISSUED NOTICE OF APPLICATION. [Please read this entire Notice of Hearing for further instructions.]

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the public and to all interested persons that under the legal authority and jurisdiction of Title 3, Oil and Gas, Subtitles A, B, and C of the Texas Natural Resources Code, Chapters 26, 27 and 29 of the Texas Water Code, and TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. art. §§ 2001 et seq. (2013), the RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS will hold a hearing on MAY 22, 2013, at 9:00 a.m. at the William B. Travis State Office Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. This hearing will be conducted in conformity with the TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. §§ 2001 et seq. (2013). For room assignment, on the date of the hearing please check the bulletin board in the 1st Floor lobby. Persons planning to attend this hearing are urged to contact the applicant (see service list) immediately prior to the hearing date to be sure that the hearing will proceed on the scheduled date.

This hearing will be held to consider the application of Saga Petroleum, L.L.C. of Colorado to consider Unitization and Secondary Recovery Authority for the Southwest Garza Unit Lease (Lease No. 61155), Garza Field (Field No. 34113001) in Garza County, Texas.

1. Approval of the Corrected Second Amendment to the Unit Agreement for the Southwest Garza Unit (Unit) that expands the Unitized Formation to include the lower San Andres formation. A copy of this Corrected Second Amendment is on file with the Docket Services office of the Railroad Commission of Texas at 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas 78701.

2. Approval of the expanded Unit as a secondary recovery unit pursuant to Chapter 101 of the Texas Natural Resources Code;

3. Approval of secondary recovery operations by waterflooding in the enlarged Unitized Formation that is part of the Garza Field (Field No. 34113001) as recognized by the Railroad Commission; and

4. Railroad Commission recognition of Saga's Southwest Garza Unit (Lease No. 61155) as an entity for density purposes.

Saga has more than 85% of the working interest and more than 65% of the royalty interest within the Unit Area of the Unit committed to the Corrected Second Amendment of the Unit.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, H. Philip Whitworth, at (512) 495-6300. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Railroad Commission, at (512) 463-6848.

IF A CONTINUATION IS NECESSARY, this hearing will proceed at the William B. Travis State Office Building, Austin, Texas, and, to the extent possible, on subsequent working days. The room number and exact time of the continuation will be announced on the record in this proceeding and recorded with Docket Services, Railroad Commission of Texas.

PURSUANT TO SAID HEARING, the Commission will enter such rules, regulations, and orders as in its judgment the evidence presented may justify.

ANY REQUEST FOR POSTPONEMENT of this hearing must be received no later than five (5) working days prior to the scheduled date shown above. Copies of such request must be forwarded to all parties shown on the service list.

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IF ANY PARTY DESIRES A WRITTEN TRANSCRIPT of the hearing by a Court Reporter, that party should notify Docket Services at (512) 463-6848, at least five (5) working days in advance of the hearing date. If a written transcript is requested, the Commission may assess the cost of the transcript to one or more parties. Unless any party requests a written transcript, the record will be made by audio recording.

ANY INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY who needs auxiliary aids and services in order to have an equal opportunity to effectively communicate and participate in this hearing must request such aids or services at least two weeks prior to the scheduled hearing by notifying the Personnel office of the Railroad Commission of Texas by mail at P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711-2967, or by telephone at (512) 463-7327 or TDD No. (512) 463-7284.

ALL EXHIBITS FILED AS A PART OF THE RECORD in this cause must be submitted in duplicate. Data in Commission records may be incorporated by reference, but the reference must be specific, and if it includes exhibits filed in prior proceedings before the Commission, a copy of such exhibit properly identified shall be submitted for this record.

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Norwood launches new talent-seeking endeavor

By Anna Gibson
The Post Dispatch

LUBBOCK — Daron Norwood opened his first live West Texas Country Music Hayride Saturday night show at the Furniture Warehouse Sales, featuring Cathy Whitten and Byron Norwood with special guests Steve Burrus, Ray Espinoza, Little Miss Alex Garza, and John Hendrick.

Daron Norwood is back on tour and performing for his fans. The Texas country music artist is presenting his tribute Legends Show, as well as bringing to the state his big hits, and new music that is being prepared for his upcoming album to be recorded soon.

Norwood has had several major hits on the radio and music charts and has worked with some of the biggest names in country music, including Travis Tritt, Alabama, Kenny Chesney, Rascal Flatts, Blake Shelton, Faith Hill, Tim McGraw, Merle Haggard, George Jones and others. He has performed on the Grand Ole Opry as well as touring most of the United States.

In 2004, Norwood was nominated for five awards, and was honored with the Song of the

Year by the Inspirational Country Music Association with the song, "In God We Trust."

When Norwood sang this song for his record label his management team from the record label all agreed and said, "Take the 'J' word out of this song and you'll get a lot more advertisement for it," Norwood said. "God blessed me with the song and all I really did was hold the pen and play the guitar. I'm not about to take that credit away from God. I wanted to stick to my guns because God gave me this song."

By "sticking to his guns," Norwood lost that record label and was back to square one.

During his second run for president, Norwood said, President George W. Bush and first lady Laura Bush appreciated the song so much he was asked to sing it before one of the president's speeches.

In 1993, Norwood recorded "You'd Be Home By Now" for the movie soundtrack "A Thing Called Love" starring River Phoenix and Sandra Bullock. He also co-wrote and recorded "Little Boy Lost" for the Keith Whitley tribute album that went platinum. In 2010, Norwood released his latest video

"Take Me Back."

When Norwood is not touring or recording, he enjoys fundraising for communities as well as motivational speaking at schools and performing inspirational concerts. Norwood was once asked, "What is the main purpose of your life as an entertainer and recording artist?" He replied, "If I can touch one person's heart and change their life and make it more positive, then my life and career has been worth it. That means more to me than just the music."

Norwood will be coming to Post on May 4 during Trade Days looking for talent. His goal is to "help kids see their dream and start reaching it by keeping their feet on the ground, remembering that God is first and family second."

J.B. Cloud of KBCY-99.7 in Abilene said, "I've known Daron for a long time and have been a fan ever since the first day I met him. I was working for KOUL (Corpus Christi) at the time. Daron has an amazing voice and passion for music and singing. He has lived the songs he sings. He sings about real stuff the real people go through and I think that allows him to relate better through song."



Anna Gibson/The Post Dispatch

Daron Norwood and Jim Leaves performed along with others this past weekend at the West Texas Country Music Hayride in Lubbock. Norwood will be in Post during Trade Days on May 4 looking for singing talent.

The Dalby Awards

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The 501 Name and fame a double whammy

Celebrities have it rough. So do their children. They're always in the sights of the greedy amoral paparazzi.

A picture of Blue Ivy Carter is worth \$500,000. No kidding. I heard it on TV. It's enough to make you want to invest in a very powerful telephoto lens.

Who's Blue Ivy? The daughter of Jay-Z and Beyoncé. (Forgive the omission of Beyoncé's accent. I'm keyboard-challenged.)

In a pop-culture pop quiz, would Blue Ivy be your downfall? I had to look her up. Sure, I gaze at the tabloids along the supermarket checkout line, but since nobody's managed to snap a cover shot of Blue Ivy, certainly not recently, it makes sense I'd never heard of her.

Poor child. It's bad to be hounded by paparazzi, and the 1-year-old also has another burden — an unusual name. Ask anybody who's grown up with one. Ask me.

Yep, I'm identifying with little Blue Ivy because we both have odd names. Guess what else we share.

PAUSE FOR GUESSING. Our father's names. My daddy was J.Z. too — pronounced

like her famous daddy's stage name. Per my research, the rapper-entrepreneur began life as Shawn Corey Carter and later acquired "Jay-Z," inspired by his nickname, "Jazzy." Something like that.

My daddy wasn't jazzy or a rapper. He was Victorian and, along with my mother, believed jazz was inherently sleazy, even immoral. Even so, my parents took me at age 14 to a Jack Teagarden jazz concert because they both liked Teagarden. I'll forever applaud that child-rearing inconsistency.

Back to accents. At least Blue Ivy doesn't have one. I snuck in some keyboard research, and I'm going to impress you: Beyoncé.

Today's keyboards do it all. Too bad accents weren't avail-

able back when so many parents were naming girl babies Renée. You had to get a special type-writer.

I'm thinking of adding an accent to Hanaba. Maybe Hanabá? Think Bogatá. Anything to decrease connotations to the similar-sounding name that brings to mind the guy who took elephants over the Alps or the psychiatrist who got his finger bitten off by the mental patient. I didn't see the film, but wasn't he a psychiatrist, and isn't that what happened? Maybe not, but something happened. And now creepy Hannibal Lecter is going to be a television show. Great. I'm feeling shades of what my friend Sandy felt when they flat out stole her name for that super storm.

There you have it. Name

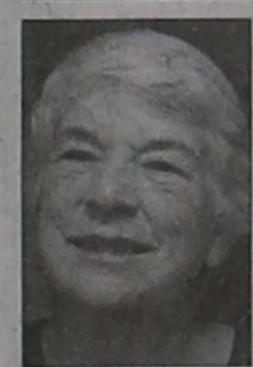
a child something safe like "Sandy," and the next thing you know she's something worse than a hurricane. Life.

Lastly, consider "il papa," as in Pope Francis — the last word in name changes and target of his own set of paparazzi, no doubt. Call them "papapaparazzi."

INTERNET PAUSE. "Papapaparazzi" is taken. It occurs in Lady Gaga lyrics but not in reference to a papal entourage.

Alas. Just when I was fancying myself to be Hanabá, lexicographic pundit to the pope.

Might as well sell that slightly used accent. The price? I'm thinking 500,000 lire. Hanaba Munn Welch is a columnist and contributor to The Post Dispatch.



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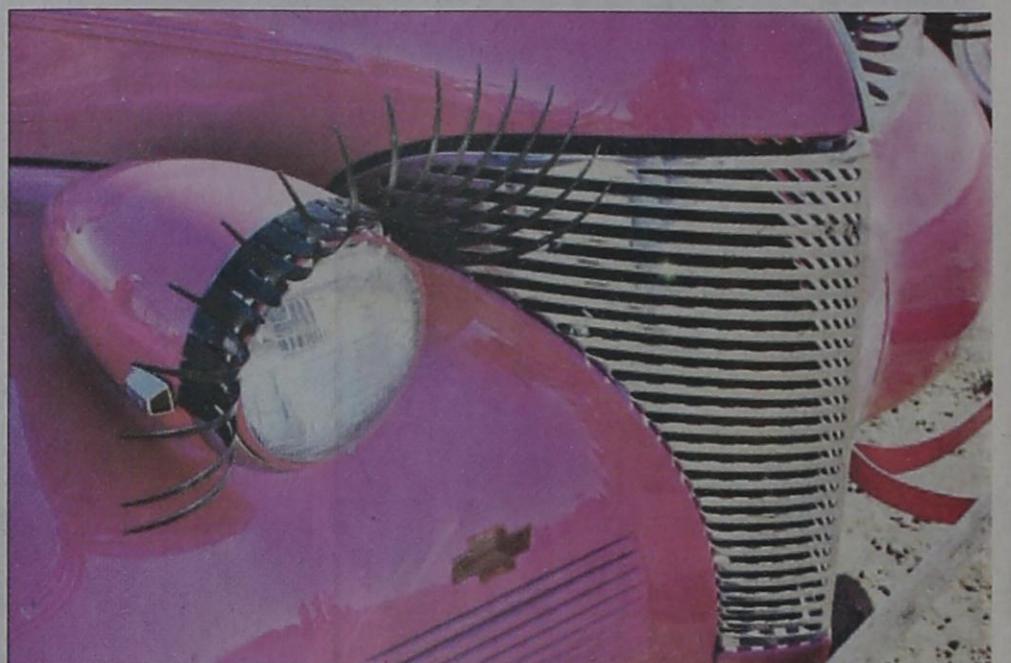
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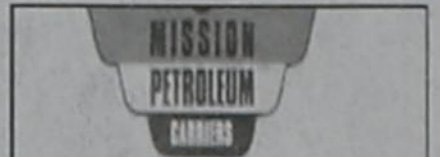
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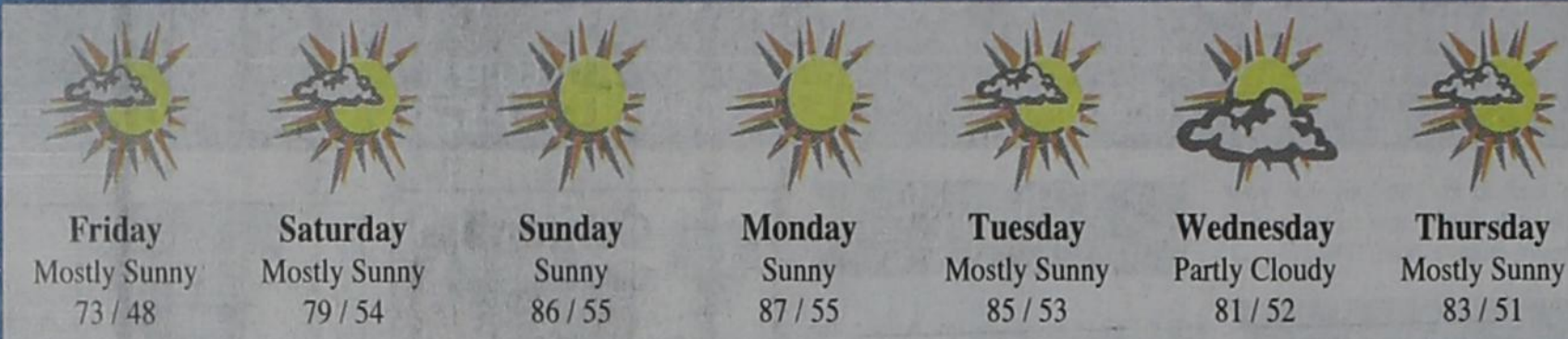
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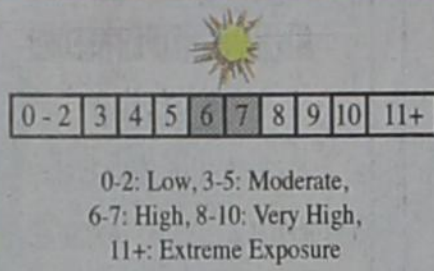
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Post's Seven Day Forecast



Local UV Index



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Detailed Local Forecast

Today we will see mostly sunny skies with a high temperature of 73°, humidity of 26%. East southeast wind 5 to 15 mph. The record high temperature for today is 100° set in 1972. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 48°. Southeast wind 10 mph. The record low for tonight is 24° set in 1997. Saturday, skies will be mostly sunny with a high temperature of 79°, humidity of 19%. South southeast wind 10 to 15 mph. Skies will be mostly clear Saturday night with an overnight low of 54°. South southwest wind 15 mph.

Peak Fishing/Hunting Times This Week

| Peak Times | | Peak Times | | | |
|------------|-----------|------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Day | AM | PM | Day | AM | PM |
| Fri | 1:09-3:09 | 12:39-2:39 | Tue | 4:21-6:21 | 3:51-5:51 |
| Sat | 1:57-3:57 | 1:27-3:27 | Wed | 5:08-7:08 | 4:38-6:38 |
| Sun | 2:46-4:46 | 2:16-4:16 | Thu | 5:54-7:54 | 5:24-7:24 |
| Mon | 3:34-5:34 | 3:04-5:04 | www.WhatsOurWeather.com | | |

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

| Day | Sunrise | Sunset | Moonrise | Moonset |
|----------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|
| Fri 4/18 | 7:17 a.m. | 8:14 p.m. | 8:36 a.m. | 10:39 p.m. |
| Sat | 7:16 a.m. | 8:15 p.m. | 9:18 a.m. | 11:32 p.m. |
| Sun | 7:15 a.m. | 8:15 p.m. | 10:03 a.m. | Next Day |
| Mon | 7:13 a.m. | 8:16 p.m. | 10:51 a.m. | 12:22 a.m. |
| Tue 4/25 | 7:12 a.m. | 8:17 p.m. | 11:42 a.m. | 1:08 a.m. |
| Wed | 7:11 a.m. | 8:18 p.m. | 12:34 p.m. | 1:51 a.m. |
| Thu | 7:10 a.m. | 8:18 p.m. | 1:29 p.m. | 2:31 a.m. |

Last Week's Almanac & Growing Degree Days

| Date | High | Low | Normals | Precip | Farmer's Growing Degree Days | | | |
|------|------|-----|---------|--------|---|--------|------|--------|
| | | | | | Date | Degree | Date | Degree |
| 4/2 | 47 | 35 | 71/41 | 0.00" | 4/2 | 0 | 4/6 | 16 |
| 4/3 | 48 | 32 | 71/41 | 0.00" | 4/3 | 0 | 4/7 | 19 |
| 4/4 | 73 | 27 | 72/42 | 0.00" | 4/4 | 0 | 4/8 | 20 |
| 4/5 | 82 | 37 | 72/42 | 0.00" | 4/5 | 10 | | |
| 4/6 | 80 | 51 | 72/42 | 0.00" | Growing degree days are calculated by taking the average temperature for the day and subtracting the base temperature (50 degrees) from the average to assess how many growing days are attained. | | | |
| 4/7 | 89 | 49 | 72/43 | 0.00" | | | | |
| 4/8 | 89 | 52 | 73/43 | 0.00" | | | | |

Dixie Divas
When Lincoln Dies

(Editor Note: The following column is third in a three-part series.)

Charlie Tinker, according to his diary, was feeling poorly on the morning of April 15, 1865. He had left the office on April 12, gone home and to bed. A doctor visited and said he must stay in bed since he had an intermittent fever. Sadly, that sickness would confine him to bed for the next two days meaning the last he would see of his good friend, Abraham Lincoln, was when the president had comically frolicked out of the telegraph office on the 11th.

“The maid came into my room and said she had heard on the street that President Lincoln and Secretary Seward had been killed at five o’clock that morning,” Charlie wrote. He dismissed it as idle talk until his wife, Miss Lizzie, returned from the market and said she had heard a similar story.

Isn't it amazing to think of a time when the assassination of a president was spread via word of mouth and newspapers? Charlie hurriedly dressed, “swallowed” his

breakfast and headed to his office at the War Department. On his way, he saw people on the streets excitedly discussing “matters of apparent interest.”

Let me pause here to point out two differences between Tink's family and mine: First, none of my people ever had a maid. Second, unlike the discreet Tinkers, we would not have minded our own business. We would have stopped on the street and asked, “What’s goin’ on?” This goes without pointing out the biggest difference here — Tink's people won the war. My people were forced, after a heart-spent effort, to tuck tail and go home.

In front of Secretary Seward’s house were guards. One informed Charlie the president was dead. (Seward had been seriously injured in an attack but would live.) At the White House, “I met our porter John Bailey coming from the office from whom I learned that President Lincoln had been assassinated in Ford’s Theater about 10 o’clock last night by John Wilkes Booth, an actor.”

Charlie goes on to accurately detail the events that are historically recorded. Like the Tinkers I know, he did not embellish. He stuck to the facts, and nary a fact was incorrect. Now, my family? We’re loathe to stick strictly to the facts because we always think they sound better prettied up.

“Our office feels most mournful,” he wrote of that day. “We had learned to look upon him in his daily visits as a companion while we venerated him for his goodness as a father. We had no heart for work, bitter tears flooding every eye and grief choking every utterance.”

Just an aside here: My people would have been weeping, wailing and gnashing teeth. We are unrestrained for we believe in a good, hearty show of grief. Tink's people are more dignified. I already knew that our families didn't have a lot in common but Charlie's diaries underscore that.

April 18th: “The remains of Abraham Lincoln lie in state at the White House. I took Lizzie at noon and we saw him in the East Room.”

The Tinkers, as befitting their relationship to the president, were seated near the front at his funeral. Charlie Tinker celebrated the memory of his good friend for the rest of his life. He named his son Arthur Lincoln Tinker and spent the rest of his long life participating in history events about Lincoln's presidency and ending his legacy in any way possible. After his service in Washington, Charlie moved his family to Brooklyn, where, as typical of most New England descendants of the Mayflower, he was heavily involved in community and was chairman of the deacons of the Washington Avenue Baptist Church.

“Hey Tink,” I said as I pulled out a program from a deacons' supper meeting that Charlie had organized. “I have finally found something we have in common.”

My great-great grandfather was a Baptist, too.

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