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Post artist creates dinosaur exhibit at Grace Museum

by Sheri Lewis

Would you like to see what life was like 280 million years ago in Central Texas? La Gina Fairbetter, an artist who lives in Post, makes that possible through murals she has created for the Dinosaurs of Texas exhibit that opened June 7 at The Grace Museum in Abilene.

The exhibition takes visitors through time beginning in the Permian Period of the Paleozoic Era through the Mesozoic Era. On the way, Fairbetter shares her understanding of life in different periods through murals based on research and study.

Murals depicting scenes from the Permian, Jurassic and Cretaceous Periods are part of the exhibit. Visitors can see Fairbetter's first mural as they enter the Permian Period - a marsh scene where the artist has incorporated many creatures, including a Dimetrodon and Diplocaulus and a variety of plant life.

The next mural, displayed in the Jurassic Period room, attempts to show what life might have been like during this period in Texas. This is not an easy task because there are few fossil-bearing formations in Texas.

Three of Fairbetter's murals are incorporated into the Cretaceous Period room. One, a mural of a Mosasaur, a sea-living lizard, represents marine life. Another shows a Pleurocoelus, a plant-eater with a long neck and tail, bulky body and narrow head that grew to 30 feet long, being tracked by an Acrocanthosaurus, a meat-eater named for the 17-inch spikes growing out of its spine.

Her final mural, an extinction scene, shows the time immediately prior to the Cretaceous-Tertiary extinction event caused by the impact of a meteorite and volcanic activity.

"We are exceptionally pleased that La Gina is able to work with the museum to provide an important and accurate visual context for the specimens," said Judith Godfrey, president and CEO of the museum. "She is immensely talented, and her murals add a needed dimension to our exhibit."

Fairbetter has a history of painting dinosaurs and prehistoric scenes. She worked with the company, Exhibitors Inc., in association with Dinamation Corp. of Los Angeles, Calif., and Wonderworks, both in Abilene for several years.

While working with these companies, she researched and developed scientifically accurate representations of plant and animal life of specific archeological periods and painted murals depicting creatures and landscapes appropriate to the periods.

Her murals have been exhibited in conjunction with exhibits from Dinamation Inc. and Exhibitors Inc. as educational aids in several locations, including The Meadowlands, N.J.; Springfield, Missouri; Tyler; Sioux City, Iowa; Chicago; Harrisburg, Penn.; Boise, Idaho; Greenville, S.C.; and Omaha, Neb.

Fairbetter is an artist and instructor at Texas Tech University. She graduated from McMurry University in Abilene with a bachelor's degree in studio art and received a master's degree in studio art from Tech.

Sidelining Fairbetter's murals in the Dinosaurs of Texas display will be authentic fossil and cast specimens from the Paleozoic and Mesozoic Eras of the Texas region. Visitors will be able to take a walk through geologic time, beginning in the Permian Period 280 million years ago, through the Triassic and Jurassic Periods, and finally, the Cretaceous Period that ended 65 million years ago.

Dinosaurs of Texas is a culmination of more than three years of planning by teachers and community supporters. It is designed to promote comprehension of the vast geographic and biological changes that occurred in Texas.

On exhibit are full and partial fossil specimens of prehistoric reptiles, amphibians and dinosaurs, as well as a paleontology lab where fossils are being prepared and cast for study. The specimens in the exhibit are based on discoveries made in Taylor County, the Panhandle, Glen Rose, Big Bend and international sites.

Included in the exhibit are authentic invertebrate fossils, fossilized ammonites, a 16-foot long replica track way (dinosaur tracks) similar to the authentic track way at Glen Rose and a replica dinosaur foot in which children can sit.

The authentic and cast specimens are on loan from Texas Memorial Museum of Science and History at the University of Texas in Austin, Dallas Museum of Natural History, the Museum of Texas Tech University, Dinosaur World and Fossil Gallery in San Antonio, and private collectors.

The exhibit also features a Dino Dig Site in the outside courtyard of the museum. The site is a hands-on exhibit built by Boy Scout Troop 232 in which a replica of a fossilized juvenile Hadrosaur is covered in sand. Children will be introduced to paleontological fieldwork with buckets, shovels, brushes and gloves used to uncover the "remains" of the dinosaur.

The Grace Museum, where Fairbetter's murals are exhibited, is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Built

in 1909, The Hotel Grace served as a rest stop for railway travelers. The 55,000-square-foot mission-style building was renovated and reopened in 1992 at The Grace Cultural Center. The Grace Museum, a non-profit organization, now serves as home to a children's museum, history museum and art museum.

The museum is located at 102 Cypress St. in Abilene.

The Dinosaurs of Texas exhibit is made possible through the following sponsors: the Dodge Jones

Foundation, American Electric Power, Dian Graves Owen Foundation, the Junior League of Abilene, Cox Communications, Reynolds Mfg. Corp., United Supermarkets, Greathouse Foundation and a host of private and public sponsors in the Abilene community. Planning, support and assistance has been provided by area teachers and students from the Bonehead Paleontology Student Club.

The exhibit continues through Aug. 28.

Warning: fireworks can be dangerous

The celebration of the Fourth of July has long been associated with firework displays, ranging from elaborate shows to families popping firecrackers.

The fun of the Fourth is unmistakable, but the underlying danger always present when dealing with fireworks is something that requires careful attention. Even sparklers, which seem harmless, can burn at temperatures of up to 1,800 degrees Fahrenheit.

The Garza County Sheriff's Department would like to remind area residents that the use of fireworks within the Post city limits is prohibited, and certain limitations also apply within Garza County. Also, the sheriff's department offers several suggestions to users and bystanders to help minimize the chance of fireworks injuries:

- Always light fireworks outdoors in a clear area away from on-lookers, houses and flammable materials;
- Light one device at a time and maintain a safe distance after lighting the devices;
- Do not try to relight fireworks;
- Never allow young children to handle fireworks;
- Do not allow any running or horseplay while fireworks are in use;
- Never ignite devices in a containers, and;
- Always store fireworks in a dry, cool place and avoid rough handling that might damage the fuse or handles.

"Basically, we'd like to encourage people to use common sense," Sheriff Kenny Ratke said.



Larry Miller (left) and LaGina Fairbetter at the Grace Museum in Abilene

Celebrate July 4th in Post!

Food, fun, games and music are scheduled Friday in Post at the city-county park, beginning at 5 p.m. with singing by Damion, Ted and Vanesa, followed at 6 p.m. with the popular decorated bicycle parade.

Sponsored again this year by MAD DADS Inc., with assistance by the Post Volunteer Fire Department, the big event concludes at dark with a colorful fireworks display.

An auction will begin at 6:30 p.m. and music by the Silver Threads begins at 8 p.m.

The drawing for a "Patriotic Quilt" and 13 inch color TV/VCR will be held at 9 p.m.

Post native David Morrow, visiting here from New York City, will perform at dark with the National Anthem, followed by a 30 minute fireworks show.



Tammy Gibson (left) was named Colgate Country Showdown runner-up, with Katelyn Hobson (right) getting this year's showdown first place at last Saturday evening's performance at the Garza Theatre. (Photo by Tim Burnett)



Talented performers competing for the prestigious Colgate Country Showdown in Post last Saturday night were (back row, left to right) Master of Ceremony Steve Richie, Keith Sanders, Tammy Gibson, Debbie Nelson, Billy Cork, O.L. "Ferg" Ferguson, Katelyn Hobson, (front) Ashley Rene Hatley, Karla King, Venus Holmes, Megan Cheek and Raelin Ogle. Hobson, of El Paso, won the title this year and will represent Post at the West Texas Regional competition in Abilene September 13 at the West Texas Fair and Rodeo. The local show was hosted by KPOS Radio and produced by Wesley W. Burnett. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

Post Notes

Benefit Saturday for Alaniz

A benefit for Refugio Alaniz, sponsored by Josefina Alaniz Serrano to assist with medical expenses, will be held Saturday, July 5 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 601 N. Avenue P. The event features a garage sale and tacos/gorditas, burritos sale.

Free computer classes offered

The Post-Garza County Community Network is offering free computer classes, with basic computer skills from 5-7 p.m. and beginning PowerPoint from 7-9 p.m. on July 9, 10, 16 and 17. For more information contact Shellee at 495-3343.

Father/Daughter tourney July 4

The father/daughter softball tournament has been set for Friday, July 4. Teams are still needed. Call Ysabel Overton at 543-3603 or Christina Jones at 629-4092. A food booth is also available for the event.

Rotary Club "Dog Dip" July 12

Saturday, July 12 has been set for this year's annual Post Rotary Club "Dog Dip" from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Post Volunteer Fire Department building. Services include dipping for \$5, rabies shots for \$7 and other vaccinations will be available.

OS Museum offers new exhibits

"Art Through The Ages," a new exhibit of swords, chess sets, jade, porcelain, state glass, African art, artifacts and more opened July 1 and continues at the OS Museum through September. Admission to the museum is free. The museum, located at 201 East Main Street (upstairs), is open Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m.

Public Library offers "Story Hour"

The Post Public Library's "Story Hour" begins July 8 at 10 a.m. for children ages three through five and at 10:45 a.m. for sixth through eighth grade. The event will be held each Tuesday through the end of July.

Post Public Library "Blue Bonnet" books

The "Blue Bonnet" books and tests are available at the Post Public Library. Third grade students must pass seven out of 10 questions and the fourth and fifth graders must pass eight out of 10 questions. They will be one test opportunity only. Parents should encourage children to take their time reading the book before taking the test.

County oral history project

The Garza County Oral History Project is seeking volunteers to assist in preserving local history. All necessary supplies and equipment, along with training, are available. Volunteers will be asked to help only a few hours each month. Call 495-4148 for more information and to volunteer.

Reception honors Postmaster

A "Meet and Greet" reception will be held Thursday, July 3 at the U.S. Post Office from noon to 4 p.m. The event is in honor of Postmaster Roy Willis on his retirement, and an opportunity to meet Margaret Toler, officer-in-charge (acting postmaster). Cookies and punch will be served.

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Dr Stephen and Sonya Ellis

Petroleum Club honors Dr Stephen Ellis

Stephen R. Ellis, M.D., received the Faculty's Resident of the Year award at a June 14 awards dinner held at the Petroleum Club in Houston. Ellis has been an anesthesia resident at the University of Texas-Houston Medical School Department of Anesthesiology for the past year. He has two years of his residency to complete and plans to pursue a career in pain management. Ellis, his wife Sonya and son Cade live in Pearland. Ellis is the son of Richard Ellis of Scotland, UK, and Christine Triggs of Houston and the son-in-law of Jacky and Thressa Harp of Post.

Judy's Jabberin'

by Judy (Ballentine) Bush

Hello for one more week,



4TH OF JULY

Does everyone have big plans for the 4th? Don't forget the special week end that Old Mill Trade Days has

planned. Lots of activities going on in town, so get out and take part.

CONGRATULATIONS TO BILLY

I want to send special congrats to Billy Williams on his retirement from Brown Bros. Monday was his last day after 37 years on the job. I understand a big party was planned for him at Jerry's BBQ hosted by Brown Bros. I also understand (from Wilma) that travel plans are coming up. You two have a ball.

ALSO FROM WILMA
Wilma and Billy attended Wilma's 44th class reunion last week end. The following is what they passed out to everyone, but I thought it was so cute I decided to share it with you all.

Class Reunion
It was my class reunion, and all through out the house, I checked in each mirror and begged my poor spouse

To say I looked great, that my chin wasn't double,
And he lied through false teeth, just to stay out of trouble

Said that neath my thick glasses, my eyes hadn't changed
And I had the same figure, it was just a mite rearranged

He said my skin was still silky, although looser in drape,
Not so much like smooth satin, but more like silk crepe

I swallowed his words hook, sinker and line
And entered the banquet feeling just fine

Somehow I'd expected my classmates to stay
As young as they were on that long-ago day

We'd hugged farewell hugs.
But like me through the years,
They'd added gray to their hair, and pounds to their rears.

But as we shared a few memories and retold some class jokes,
We were eighteen in spirit, though we looked like our folks.

We turned up hearing aid volumes and dimmed down the light,
Rolled back the years, and were young for the night!

(Too cute Wilma, thanks for sharing)
DOWNTOWN WINDOWS
Be sure and go downtown and

check out the windows that will be decorated for the 4th. Also, pay close attention to the windows that Theresa Doggett and Jackie Cruse decorated in their building. I wish I had just a little of those two folks talent. The windows are out of this world.

WOMEN DRIVERS

Driving to the office this morning on the Interstate, I looked over to my left and there was a woman in a brand new Cadillac doing 65 mile per hour with her face up next to her rear view mirror putting on her eyeliner.

I looked away for a couple of seconds and when I looked back she was halfway over in my lane, still working on that makeup. As a man, I don't scare easily.

But she scared me so much; I dropped my electric shaver, which knocked the donut out of my other hand.

In all the confusion of trying to straighten out the car using my knees against the steering wheel, it knocked my cell phone away from my ear which fell into the coffee between my legs, splashed, and burned my legs, ruined the phone, soaked my trousers, and disconnected an important call. Darn women drivers! (Thanks to Gene Posey and Barbara Gossett)

TILL NEXT WEEK Guess that is all for this week. Have a great week-end and I'll see ya next issue. May God bless each of you. Have a happy 4th! Judy

Hill-Parrish reunion honors Lois Hill, Jewel Parrish

The Hill/Parrish Reunion and birthday celebration honoring Lois Hill Powder and Jewel Parrish, both 90 years of age, was held Saturday, June 28, in Del City, Okla.

A special aunt, Margaret Parrish, age 97, attended the event, which was hosted by Juanice Hill Surtace, Freddie Sexton and Judy Setion.

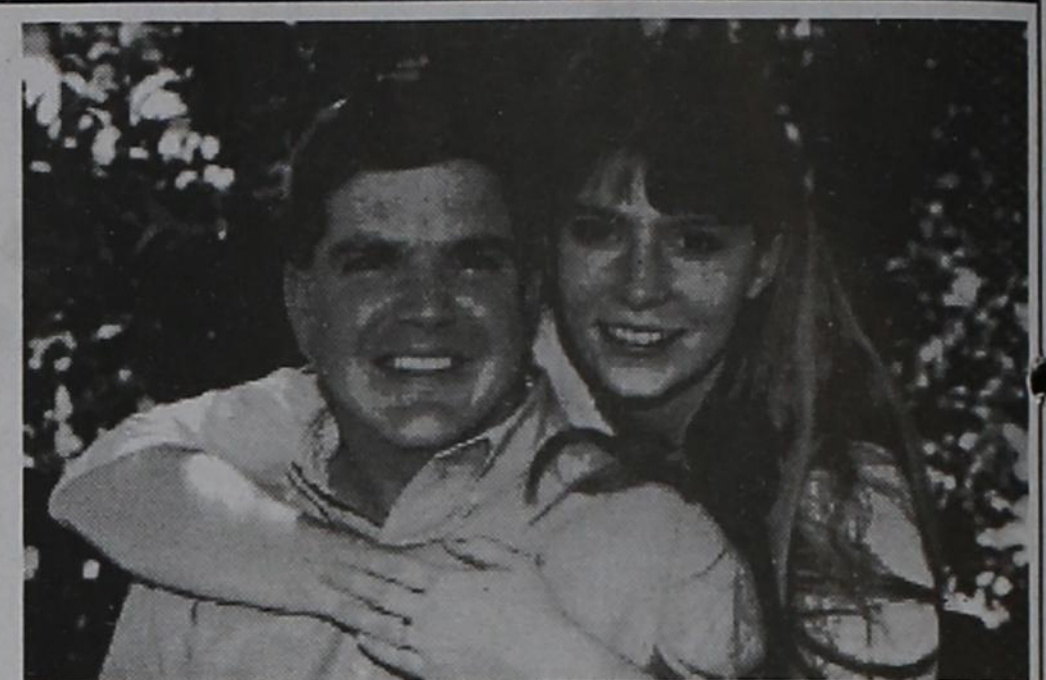
Ples and Betty Hill attended the event.

Jason Haire earns TTUHSC pharmacy degree

Jason Haire, son of Johnny Haire and Sherry Farquhar, was among 76 Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Pharmacy students who graduated May 18 at the United Spirit Arena in Lubbock.

Haire earned a doctorate of pharmacy degree.

Worth repeating ...
When the people find that they can vote themselves money, that will herald the end of the republic.
— Benjamin Franklin



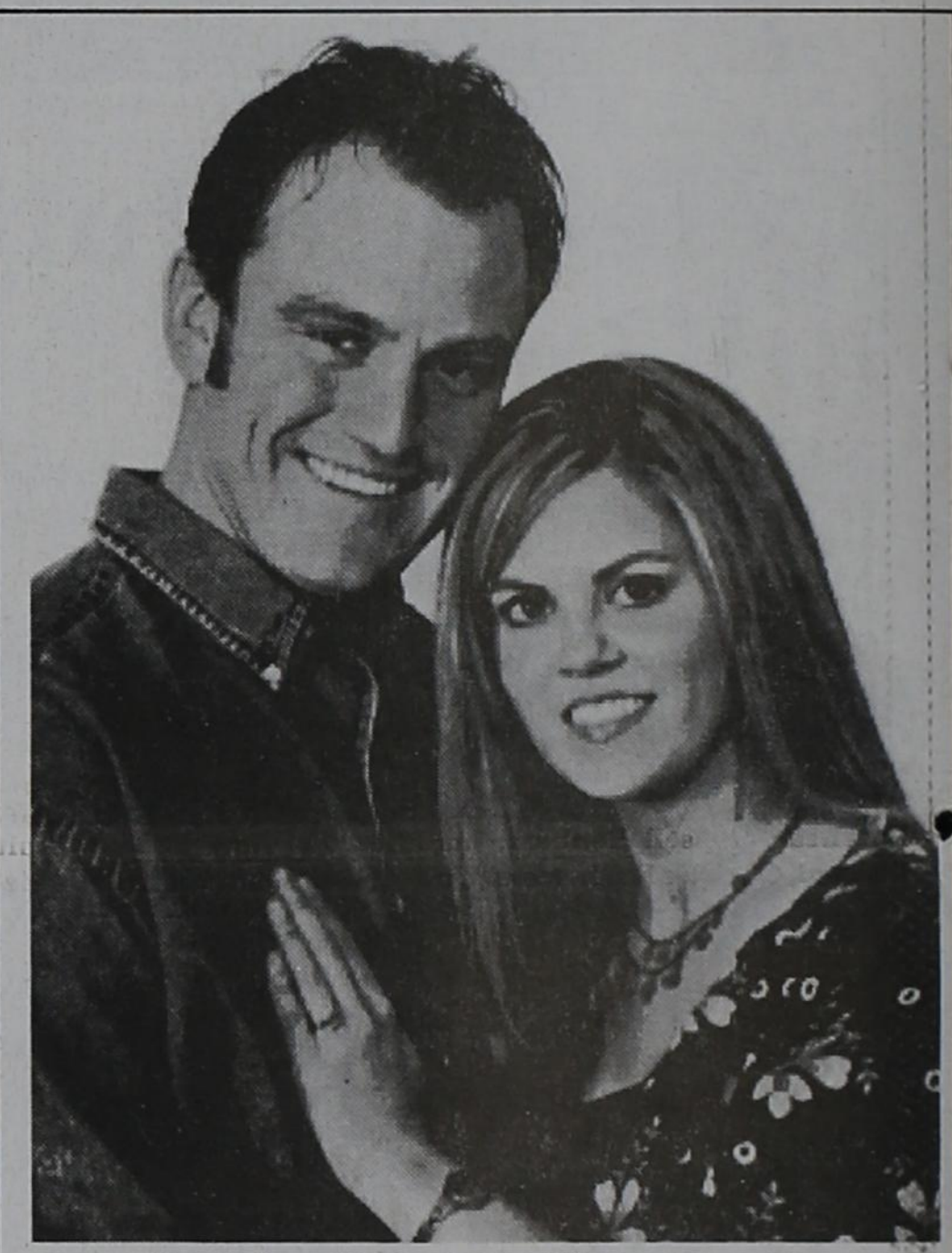
Lee Vanacker and Keely Cahill

Keely Cahill, Lee Vanacker set July 26 wedding date

Michael and Joleen Cahill of Cameron are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Keely Anne Murphy Cahill, to Lee Vanacker of Kerrville, son of Dianne Vanacker of San Angelo.

A July 26, 2003, wedding is planned. The bride-elect is a 1994 Post High School graduate who received a bachelor's degree in math from Schreiner University in Kerrville in 1998. She is completing work on a master's degree in counseling at Texas Tech University and taught at Cavazos Junior High for five years. She plans to teach at Tivy High School in Kerrville next year.

The prospective bridegroom, a 1994 graduate of Central High School in San Angelo, graduated from Schreiner University in 2002 with a bachelor's degree in accounting. He is employed by the DFEC accounting firm in Kerrville.



Brandon Patschke, Elyse Merritt

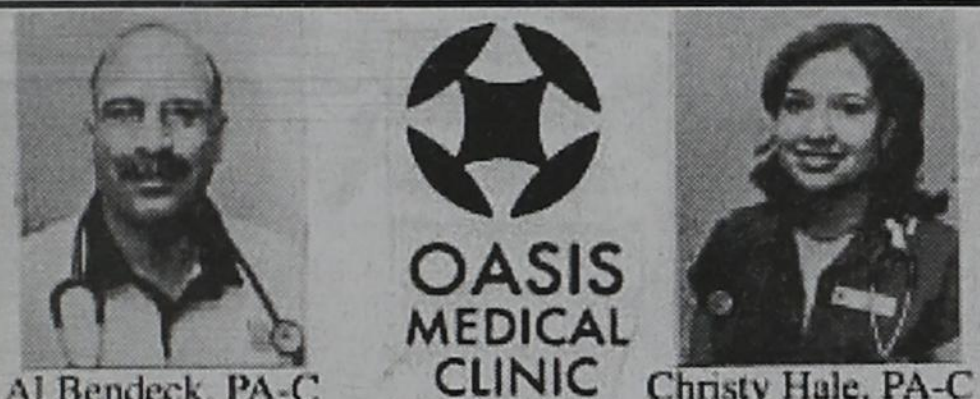
Announce Engagement

Brandon Patschke and Elyse Merritt announce their engagement and approaching marriage. The couple will be wed Aug. 8, 2003, at 6 p.m. in the St. Paul Lutheran Church in Wilson. Parents of the prospective groom are Judy and Bruce Sanderson of Post and Mike and Vicki Patschke of Acuff. The bride-elect's parents are Craig and Janet Merritt of Snyder.

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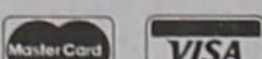
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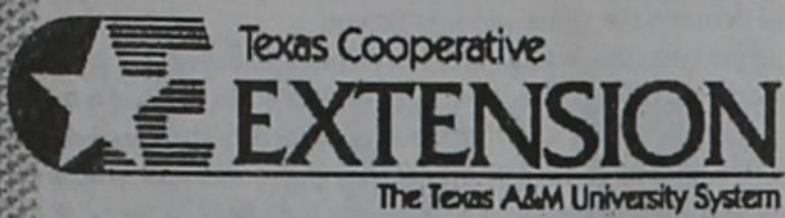
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Neighbor to Neighbor

by Julie Neitsch,
Garza County Extension Agent-Family & Consumer Science

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Thyroid Disorders

Are you experiencing unexplained fatigue, forgetfulness, irritability, nervousness, mood swings, heat or cold intolerance, muscle weakness or tremors, weight gain or loss, or sleep disturbances? Do you have coarse skin and hair, a hoarse voice, vision problems, or eye irritation? Are you, woman experiencing irregular menstrual problems that seem to have no explanation? If you can answer yes to just a handful of these symptoms, you may have a thyroid disorder. In fact, an estimated 13 million Americans have thyroid disorders and more than half of them remain undiagnosed.

Among the most common types of thyroid disorders are hypothyroidism (underactive thyroid) and hyperthyroidism (overactive thyroid), benign nodules, inflammations of the thyroid, and malignant cancers.

The thyroid gland is a small butterfly shaped gland, found just below the Adam's Apple at the base of the neck, and in front of the trachea. The hormones produced by the thyroid gland control the rate at which every part of your body works, as well as your body temperature, muscle tone, and growth hormone secretions, essentially influencing every organ, tissue, and cell in the body.

Most thyroid disorders fall within one of two categories: 1. Hypothyroidism-which involves an underactive thyroid gland. 2. Hyperthyroidism-which involves an overactive thyroid gland.

If there is not enough thyroid hormone in the bloodstream, they body's metabolism slows down. Complications of the hypothyroidism may include an enlarged thyroid gland, increased risk of heart disease, an enlarged heart, severe depression, slowed mental functioning, and rarely a life threatening function known as myxedema.

If there is too much thyroid hormone in the bloodstream, they body's metabolism speeds up. Complications of hyperthyroidism may include rapid heart rate, atrial fibrillation and congestive heart failure, osteoporosis, severe eye problems, and rarely severe skin problems causing redness and swelling of the skins and feet, as well as risk for thyrotoxic crisis.

Symptoms of hyperthyroidism include: fatigue or weakness, weight gain, decreased appetite, mood swings, depression, forgetfulness, hoarse voice, dry-coarse skin and hair, hair loss, muscle aches, puffiness around the eyes, brittle nails, trouble swallowing, feeling cold when others are not or trouble withstanding the cold, increased cholesterol, heavy or irregular periods, and trouble getting pregnant or infertility.

Symptoms of hypothyroidism include: fatigue or tiredness, weight loss, hair loss, bulging eyes, soft nails, nervousness or irritability, rapid or irregular heart beat, increased perspiration, feel hot when others are not, irregular periods, frequent bowel movements, troubled or disturbed sleep, weakness in muscles, tremors or trembling hands, eye irritation or problems seeing.

The best way to diagnose a thyroid disorder is to be seen and tested by a



The Guthries - Colgate Country Showdown Favorites

Entertaining country music fans last Saturday at the 3rd Annual KPOS Radio hosted Colgate Country Showdown at the Garza Theatre were "the Guthries" ... (left to right) Brant, Derek, Vance and Danny. The band provided backup support for 10 talented contestants at the event, as well as offering additional country favorites while the judges were deliberating a decision. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

doctor. Physical exams, blood tests (particularly the TSH or Thyroid Stimulating Hormone Test), and ultrasound, a thyroid scan, a fine needle aspiration biopsy, chest x-ray, CT (computed tomography scan), or MRI (magnetic response imaging scan) are available to check for thyroid disorders. A doctor can best choose the most appropriate test to determine if a thyroid disorder is present in the body.

Source: Health Hints "Thyroid Disorders" June 2003 Vol. 7 No. 4

Births

Everette Collin Windham

Raiden Windham would like to announce the birth of his brother, Everette Collin Windham, on May 29, 2003, at 12:26 p.m.

The infant weighed nine pounds, 15 ounces, and was 20 1/2 inches in length at birth.

Parents are Brant and Andrea Windham of Hillsboro. Grandparents are Charles and Kay Wallace of Post and Danny and Lesa Windham of Abilene. Peggy Altman of Slaton, Everette and Mary Windham of Post and J.M. and Jesse Haley of Lubbock are the infant's great-grandparents, and Mrs. Frances Sargent of Slaton is the child's great-great-grandmother.



Relay For Life team captains in the recent event were 9back row, left to right) Rudy Cuevas, Roy Willis, Jamie Pewitt, Hugh Bryan, Carolyn Hair, Anita Abraham, Leslie Tatum, Tim Tatum, James Brashear, Russell Benham, (middle row) Amy Pennell, Anita Ayala, (front) Dick Odom, Jana Bullard, Christie Rutherford, Jeff McCauley, Ione Bond, Kellie Macy, Tonya Kirkpatrick and Larry Mills.



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Obituaries

Raymond Lewis Bennett

Graveside services for Raymond Lewis Bennett, 41, of Post were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 2, 2003, in the Terrace Cemetery with the Rev. Mike Holly officiating. The Hudman Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



He died Sunday, June 29, at his home. Born Aug. 13, 1961, in Denver City, Texas, he married Sherrie Scott Feb. 15, 1996, in Post. He was employed by Higginbotham-Bartlett Co.

Survivors include his wife, Sherrie of Post; two sons, Tyler Bennett and Justin Harris, both of Post; one daughter, Ashleigh Harris of Post; two sisters, Diane Thornhill of Houston and Tammy Honea of Hobbs, N.M.; and three brothers, Johnny Bennett of Weisner, Louisiana, and Preston Sellers and Dale Sellers, both of Denver City.

Lenora Dale B. Nichols

Services for Lenora Dale Bartlett Nichols, 88, of Post will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, July 3, 2003, in the Lubbock Primitive Baptist Church. Burial will follow at 4:30 p.m. in the Terrace Cemetery in Post under the direction of the Hudman Funeral Home. The family will receive friends from 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday, July 2, at the funeral home.



She died Monday, June 30, in the Golden Plains Care Center. Born in Dawson County to Ad and Dovie Bartlett on Feb. 28, 1915, she graduated from Tahoka High School in 1934 and worked for Willard and Ruby Kirkpatrick. She met and married a fellow employee, Martin Nichols. She was a homemaker and a member of the Lubbock Primitive Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband of 67 years, Martin Nichols of Post; six children, Naomi Matsler, Juanelle Etheredge and David and Karen Nichols, all of Post, Joy and Don Greer of Dublin, Doyle and Jan Nichols of San Angelo and Crystal and Jeff Hagen of Greenville, Ohio; one sister, Verda Kimbel of Atlanta; 34 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two sisters and one brother. The family has suggested memorials be made to the Lubbock Primitive Baptist Church, 4401 N. University, Lubbock, TX 79415.

Letters to the Editor

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

County officials answer Propst

Regarding the letter to the editor by Charles Propst last week: if you really wanted the correct information we would have provided you any information you desired. However, we find that most of your information was incorrect.

As to not allowing the taxpayers to vote on the issue of the juvenile center and prison, we are not the bondholders of these facilities. We only lease the two facilities from the Garza County Facilities Corp. They are the bondholders, so there is absolutely no liability to the county as far as the bonds are concerned.

We receive approximately \$400,000 in revenue from the prison, and last year received approximately \$52,000 from the detention center. This more than offsets any expense the county incurs for these facilities. As far as the support for the city, the prison alone pays approximately \$360,000 a year for water and sewer. We think that goes a long way on them shouldering their responsibilities to the City of Post.

Management & Training Corp. (MTC) is a very community- and employee-oriented company. The employees at the Dalby Unit have raised thousands of dollars for United Way and Relay for Life. They sponsor an angel tree every Christmas and helped approximately 97 needy children this past year, along with actively participating in the Christmas parade. Management & Training Corp. donates substantially to advertising for the honor students, baseball and many other areas of the community.

As to the purchase of bonds on the juvenile facility, we discussed the pros and cons, which is what we should do as being fiscally responsible. We would have to buy those bonds at a low amount, if we even considered it, but if you had read the paper you would see that we had decided not to purchase the bonds and give up our position of no liability, as we have now.

As to Lake Alan Henry, yes, Lubbock built the lake and they do reimburse us \$111,000 for law enforcement. They also furnish seven officers during peak weekends when we have large crowds. As a former law enforcement officer, you should know that the county is responsible for the citizens in all of the county for fire

and protection. Are you implying that we should not serve the people of Justiceburg and the new housing developments around the lake? They will pay taxes just like you do and will expect and demand the same services as you.

As to a new facility at the lake, this was an architect's plan, and we have not made a commitment to build anything. We did receive a gift of four acres to build a facility on, if we need it. We are also working with Lubbock on a facility they are building at the lake, where they want to house fire and emergency personnel and equipment.

In conclusion, we feel fiscally responsible for fulfilling the needs of the people in the county with the resources we have, along with all of our obligations to the public Garza County Commissioners Court

Who is the real owner of the JDC?

I would like to applaud our county commissioners for exercising enough wisdom to turn down the purchase of the bonds that financed the building of the Juvenile Detention Center. I'm not sure if the wisdom came from within the commissioners court or from outside influences, but it may have saved the taxpayers from a huge tax increase. For that, I will say "thank you." (I hope I'm not premature in stating this.)

However, while writing my letter to our county commissioners and judge last week, I came across a number of things that I felt needed some clarification. I have also found out a few more things that have been going on that I don't feel are proper. Rather than just wonder, I thought I'd put them down and ask our commissioners and judge to answer them publicly. After all, the taxpayers have a right to know these things and all commissioners court activities are supposed to be open for public scrutiny.

Most all of the items needing answers are related to the Garza County Public Facility Corp. and its relationship with Garza County, Garza Juvenile Detention Center and the Dalby Correctional Facility. First of all, just what is the Garza County Public Facility Corp., who is running it and where is its office? According to public comments of Judge Dalby, this is just a "dummy" corporation designed to protect the county from any liability that could arise from the sale of bonds and/or the management of either the Juvenile Detention Center or Dalby Correctional Facility. It was formed in 1996 and Bob Macy is listed as chairman.

The address listed for the GCPFC is 300 W. Main, Courthouse, Post, TX. So, where is the office of this corporation? I haven't seen any listing on the directory in the courthouse. Who else is involved in this corporation? Surely there is a board of directors! When do they meet and should the meetings not be open to the public?

Secondly, just who really does own Garza County Juvenile Detention Center? According to the deed of trust recorded at the courthouse, Garza County holds the title to the property and all its improvements. The county entered into an agreement with the GCPFC to lease the property and improvements to them for 16.5 years. GCPFC then leased the property to ABN AMRO Inc. Leasing and Financial Services of Chicago. Just where did MTC and now, Cornerstone, come into the management of the facility?

Now, Judge Dalby has stated publicly that the GCPFC has no assets. It was

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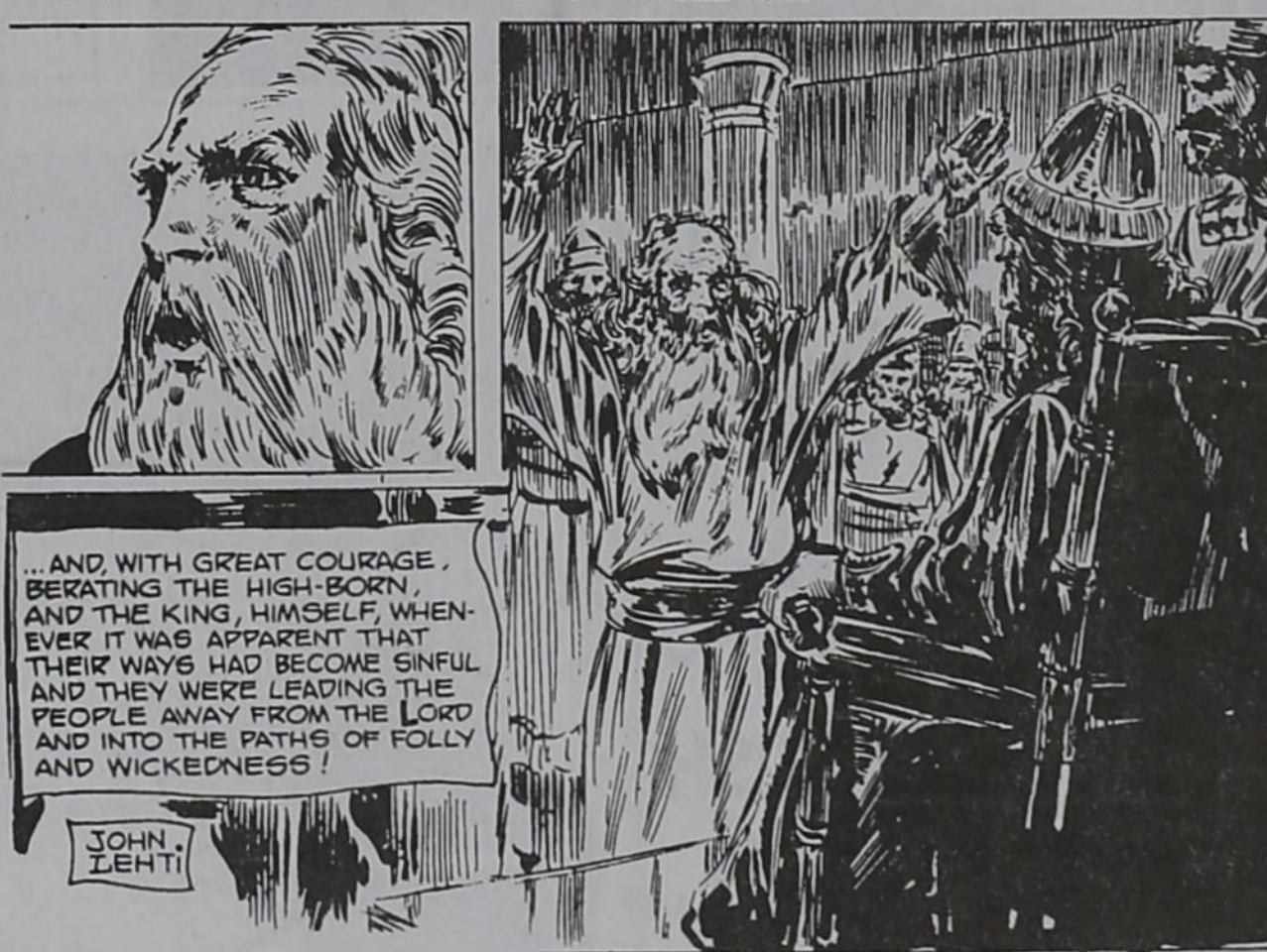
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AMOS, THE PROPHET

THE NAME AMOS MEANS A BURDEN OR A BURDEN BEARER. THIS PROPHET FROM TEKOA, IN THE TERRITORY OF JUDAH, WAS A MAN OF HUMBLE BIRTH. AS A HERDSMAN, HE DOUBTLESS SPENT MUCH OF HIS LIFE IN THE WILDERNESS THAT EXTENDED FROM THE VILLAGE OF TEKOA ALL THE WAY TO THE DEAD SEA. WHEN NOT ENGAGED AS A HERDSMAN, HE FOUND OTHER EMPLOYMENT AS A DRESSER OF SYCAMOR TREES, PRUNING THE FOLIAGE AND PICKING ITS FRUIT FOR PACKING. (AMOS 1:1, 7:14, 15) FROM THE KNOWLEDGE THAT AMOS DISPLAYS WITH DISTANT PLACES AND EVENTS, IT IS EVIDENT THAT HE WAS USED TO HARD WORK, IN MANY CATEGORIES SUCH AS DRIVING SHEEP AND CARRYING HIDES AND WOOL AS FAR AS DISTANT EGYPT AND DAMASCUS. ODDLY ENOUGH, ALTHOUGH A MAN OF JUDAH, HE WAS CALLED UPON TO PROPHESY IN THE NORTHERN KINGDOM OF ISRAEL! HE APPEARED AT BETHEL, WHERE THE TEMPLE HAD WITHIN IT ONE OF THE GOLDEN CALVES SET UP BY JEROBOAM (AMOS 8:14). AMOS SPOKE WITH SUCH BOLDNESS AGAINST THE SINS OF THE KING AND THE PEOPLE THAT HE IMMEDIATELY MADE A GREAT NAME FOR HIMSELF.....



...AND WITH GREAT COURAGE, BERATING THE HIGH-BORN, AND THE KING HIMSELF, WHENEVER IT WAS APPARENT THAT THEIR WAYS HAD BECOME SINFUL AND THEY WERE LEADING THE PEOPLE AWAY FROM THE LORD AND INTO THE PATHS OF FOLLY AND WICKEDNESS!

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Sadly, Americans have abandoned the ideals of the American Declaration of Independence

by Wes Burnett
It is a sad commentary, but true, that in our time, Americans have all but abandoned the ideals of our ancestors who took up arms in defense of their liberty.

When the history of our generation is written, historians will note that within the short span of about 200 years, Americans simply threw away the very foundations of American freedom and liberty which were the hallmark of our ancestors who boldly and facing much danger and calamity, determined to free themselves of tyranny in those anxious days in the mid 1770s.

How do we respond today when facing similar attacks on our liberty? We meekly mumble about how we need to give up some of our liberty in order to protect ourselves from the bad guys... you know, the ones who are demonized by government... today's it's those nasty Islamic fundamentalists... before that it was those dirty drug lords... whatever it takes to put fear into the hearts of the people.

Fear always drives people away from liberty and freedom... so today, those who happen to go into an airport, do so at the expense of their liberty... and most, the vast majority of Americans, simply shrug their shoulders and mumble about necessary it is to give up a little privacy so government can protect them.

Sadly, government never accomplishes that task. Every single act of terror has been carried out right under the noses of government agents... who later claim they just didn't have all the information they needed to stop the attack.

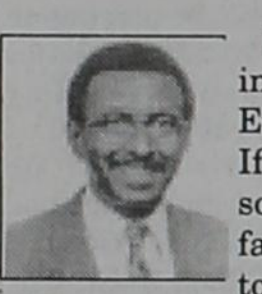
Sure. Like they didn't know in advance about the men who allegedly boarded the airplanes on September 11, 2001? I've always thought it was just a bit odd that within 24 hours the FBI was able to identify all those nasty bad guys by name and other details. Considering that all the bodies inside those plane were obliterated beyond recognition, isn't just marvelous how quickly the government put the blame on the bad guys? How'd they do that?

Sorry, it's just too neat a package... but think about it, all the "Patriot Acts" and other restrictions on our liberty stem from the Sept. 11, 2001 airplane "hi-jackings." Americans just shrugged their shoulders and cried out for more government action. Instead of insisting that airline crews be well armed to protect themselves from hi-jackers, Americans have laid down their common sense and arms in favor of the unbelievable nonsense that more government action will somehow make it better. America would never have been born had our ancestors behaved in such timid ways.

Shame on us for trashing the very liberty for which they died.

How much we tolerate

by Walter E. Williams



Marc Epstein teaches history at Jamaica High School in Queens, N.Y. He wrote the summer 2003 issue of Education Next's feature story, titled "Security Detail." If an American, who passed away as late as 1960, were somehow resurrected, he'd probably think Epstein fabricated the story. Unfortunately, the story is true for too many of America's schools.

Jamaica High School, with a student body of 2,500, has eight deans, Epstein being one of them. Student discipline occupies much of their time. The school has an assistant principal for security, and two secretaries and a school aide assigned to the dean's office. There are 10 school security agents assigned by the New York Police Department to patrol Jamaica High School's halls; there's more when there's random scanning of students for weapons. At least \$1 million is budgeted for school safety, and that excludes the cost of the 10 security agents paid by the police department.

Epstein's story samples a number of school incidents. A teacher saw a student take a gun from his locker to show other students. The security agent was informed and did nothing. Epstein searched for the student, but he had fled the building. When the student returned, he denied possession of the gun. He was searched by the police, who found nothing. After an investigation, which consumed a couple thousand dollars worth of personnel hours, a hearing officer transferred the student to another school.

A learning-disabled student, denied a hall pass, called his teacher a crippled bitch and threw an object at her. A security agent who witnessed the incident removed the student. At the student's hearing, a man appearing on behalf of the student's mother asked the teacher, "Do you consider yourself crippled, because if you do, then you are in fact a crippled bitch and the charges ought to be dropped." Because of the protections of federal special education law, the student was permitted to return to the school immediately.

Epstein says court decisions and school regulations have made schools a safe haven for dangerous criminals. Schools must admit

young people convicted of serious felonies, such as armed robbery.

The teacher's union is part of the problem, as well. During the 1990s, the United Federation of Teachers (UFT) deemed that forcing teachers to supervise home rooms was unprofessional. Through contract negotiations, this method of student control was abolished. UFT also argued that it was unprofessional for teachers to have cafeteria supervisory duties; they were replaced by school aides. The cafeteria quickly became student gang turf, where fights and other disorderly behavior became routine. School aides are easily intimidated by students, and for fear of retaliation, they rarely confront gang-affiliated students.

According to an August 2002 Department of Education report, "School Crime Patterns," "High schools with the highest levels of violence tended to be located in urban areas and have a high percentage of minority students (black and Hispanic), compared to high schools that reported no crime to the police." The report also said that 60 percent of violent school crimes occur in 4 percent of the nation's high schools.

Is there a sane reason for today's adults tolerating student behavior unimaginable 50 years ago? Don't try the poverty excuse. I attended Philadelphia's Benjamin Franklin High School from 1950 to 1954, along with students who, myself included, were among the poorest of the city's poor. Yes, there was the occasional after-school fight, with fists, but I can't recall a single incident of a student cursing or assaulting a teacher.

What to do? It's a no-brainer. Students who are alien and hostile to the education process ought to be removed.

You say, "What will we do with them?" I say that's a secondary issue. The first priority is to stop thugs from making education impossible for everyone else.

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A bold and dangerous declaration

Editor's Note: The following is the complete text of the famous document which rocked the world and began a political revolution which has inspired generations of Americans. How many of us today would dare to sign such a radical and potentially dangerous statement? As in the 1776, very few are willing to shake their fear in defense of liberty. Fortunately, the many benefit from the sacrifice of a few.

IN CONGRESS, July 4, 1776.

The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America

When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitles them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shown, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security. Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The history of the present King of Great Britain is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world.

He has refused his Assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public good.

He has forbidden his Governors to pass Laws of immediate and pressing importance, unless suspended in their operation till his Assent should be obtained; and when so suspended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them.

He has refused to pass other Laws for the accommodation of large districts of people, unless those people would relinquish the right of Representation in the Legislature, a right inestimable to them and formidable to tyrants only.

He has called together legislative bodies at places unusual, uncomfortable, and distant from the depository of their public Records, for the sole purpose of fatiguing them into compliance with his measures.

He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly firmness his invasion on the rights of the people.

He has refused for a long time, after such dissolutions to cause others to be elected; whereby the Legislative powers, incapable of Annihilation, have returned to the People at large for their exercise; the state remaining in the meantime exposed to all the dangers of invasion from without and convulsions

within.

He has endeavored to prevent the population of these States; for that purpose obstructing the Laws for Naturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their migrations hither, and raising the conditions of new Appropriations of Lands.

He has obstructed the Administration of Justice, by refusing his Assent to Laws for establishing Judiciary Powers.

He has made Judges dependent on his Will alone, for the tenure of their offices and the amount and payment of their salaries.

He has erected a multitude of New Offices, and sent hither swarms of Officers to harass our people, and eat out their substance.

He has kept among us, in times of peace, Standing Armies without the Consent of our Legislature.

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For depriving us in many cases of the benefits of Trial by Jury;

For transporting us beyond Seas to be tried for pretended offenses;

For abolishing the free System of English Laws in a neighboring Province establishing therein an Arbitrary government, and enlarging its Boundaries so as to render it at once an example and fit instrument for introducing the same absolute rule into these Colonies;

For taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable Laws, and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Government;

For suspending our own Legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with power to legislate for us in all cases whatsoever.

He has abdicated Government here, by declaring us out of his Protection and waging War against us.

He has plundered our seas, ravaged our Coasts, burnt our towns, and destroyed the lives of our people.

He is at this time transporting large Armies of foreign Mercenaries to complete the works of death, desolation and tyranny already begun with circumstances of Cruelty and perfidy scarcely paralleled in the most barbarous Ages, and totally unworthy the Head of a civilized nation.

He has constrained our fellow Citizens taken Captive on the high Seas to bear Arms against their Country, to become the executioners of their friends and Brethren, or to fall themselves by their Hands.

He has excited domestic insurrections amongst us, and has endeavored to bring on the inhabitants of our frontiers, the merciless Indian Savages, whose known rule of warfare, is an undistinguished destruction of all ages, sexes and conditions.

In every stage of these Oppressions We have Petitioned for Redress in the most humble terms. Our repeated Petition have been answered only by repeated injury. A Prince, whose character is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the ruler of a free people.

Nor have We been wanting in attention to our British brethren. We have

warned them from time to time of attempts by their legislature to extend an unwarrantable jurisdiction over us. We have reminded them of the circumstances of our emigration and settlement here. We have appealed to their native justice and magnanimity and we have conjured them by the ties of our common kindred to disavow these usurpations, which would inevitably interrupt our connections and correspondence. They too have been deaf to the voice of Justice and to consanguinity. We must, therefore, acquiesce in the necessity, which denounces our Separation, and hold them as we hold the rest of mankind, Enemies in War, in Peace Friends.

We, therefore, the Representatives of the united States of America, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, That these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States; that they are Absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as Free and Independent States they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliance, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and Things which Independent States may of right do. And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor.

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Sheriff reports 10 arrests

Ten individuals were jailed locally during the past week, according to Garza County Sheriff's Department records.

On June 23, five arrests were made, including that of a 34-year-old female and 42-year-old male for tampering with government documents; a 49-year-old female and a 42-year-old male on indictments, driving while intoxicated/ third or more; and an 18-year-old male, DWI commitment.

Two men, ages 30 and 46, were jailed June 26. The younger man was arrested for not paying child support, while the other man was jailed for DWI/third offense.

Three arrests were made June 29, including a 20-year-old male on Department of Public Safety warrants; a 33-year-old on family violence/assault; and a 37-year-old male for assault with bodily injury to a family member.

Thanks for help

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the team members of each church who participated in this year's church softball league. Along with the run and fellowship of the game, everyone also got the chance to be a reflection of Christ in healthy competition.

I would also like to thank Lex Dunn, Mike Hensley, Allen and Jerrad Grisham, Javen Abraham, Lanny Fluit, Scott Creech, Freddie and Eric Reyna, Colt Mason, John Bill Hedrick, Jason Porter, Lloyd Stice and Trey and Jona Jones. They were always there to umpire the games when asked, and without their help things wouldn't have run so smoothly.

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Pixie Grisham

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only created to sell the bonds and raise the capital to build the Juvenile Detention Center. Judge Dalby, since the JDC has been having financial problems, has also stated publicly that if the bondholders refuse to accept lower bond payments over a longer period of time that they would get nothing.

If the bondholders cannot find a suitable buyer for their bonds, what can they do to secure their investments? Since the bondholders have now been turned down by the county commissioners and the GCPFC has no assets that could be seized, what would be the next step to secure their investment?

During the last few years, Judge Dalby has made mention at several commissioners court meetings of the "heavy workload" on his office regarding the Juvenile Detention Center and Dalby Correctional Facility. Does this mean that the business of the GCPFC is conducted at the Garza County Judge's office? Because of this and also Judge Dalby's personal involvement in the daily operations of both facilities, the argument could be made that the GCPFC and Garza County are one and the same.

Using this logic, it could be possible that the bondholders could challenge Garza County as the ultimate and "real" owner of the GCPFC and therefore, Garza County would be fully liable for the indebtedness of these bonds with the approximate value of \$4.75 million! (How high would our taxes go then?)

Possibly Judge Dalby and the county commissioners could also be held personally liable.

Charles Propst

Colgate Country Showdown 2003

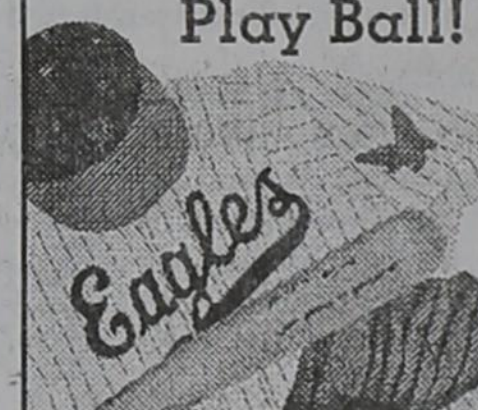
The folks that did not attend that show, I would guess they surely missed something. I have never been in any kind of contest bigger than an arm wrestling or chug-a-lug beer contest in my life. We entered this contest (The Country Boys) mainly to support the local show. We actually had no great expectations of winning, but nevertheless, a person don't enter a poker game planning on losing.

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10 Years Ago
June 26, 1993

Garza County sheriff's deputies are trying to determine the whereabouts of Edna Blodgett. The 76 year old Post resident was last seen June 2 west of town near the roadside park east of the Chaparral Restaurant.

Post director of the City County Drug and Alcohol Abuse Program Glenda Baker was recently honored as the Counselor of the Year by the Texas Association of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors at the associations annual awards banquet in League City.

Post Extension Homemakers Club's Women of the Year were honored at a dinner at the Chaparral. Ida Jones and Vee Gordon were presented their plaques by Garza County Extension Agent John Senter. Joyce Kiker of Post is proud to announce the arrival of her grandson, Brandon Cole, born May 21, 1993.

Daniel Fluit won the people's choice award and was the high point winner at the Kids N Art show recently completed. Clay Ashley was the points runnerup.

20 Years Ago
June 29, 1983

Four subjects remain in Garza County jail after attempting to rob the Caprock Texaco No. 1. While the attendant was busy under the hood checking their oil, the subjects went inside the station and apparently pryed open the cash register. After officers were alerted, neighboring towns were also notified and the subjects were apprehended going into Snyder.

The new home of Mrs. Andy Williams was the scene of a miscellaneous bridal shower honoring Miss Kim Hester, bride-elect of Scott Copeland of Mesquite.

David Morrow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morrow, has received the lead role in the play "First Act Texas,"

Second Act New York". The play will be presented at the Hyde Park Showplace in Austin. David will be entering the University of Texas in the fall to obtain his master's degree in music education.

Miss Lee Ann Babb bride-elect of Brad Burnett, of Roscoe, was honored with a bridal shower in the home of Mrs. Glenn Norman.

Several Post lyards have clear gallon milk jugs filled with water sitting around the perimeter of the yards. When the reporter asked of one resident, what is this for? The reply, "to keep animals, dogs in particular, to refrain from using the yards as a dumping ground." I didn't believe this, but residents swear it works.

30 Years Ago
June 28, 1973

Bernard S. Ramsey, minister of the First Christian Church here for the last 12 years, has submitted his resignation to the official church board, saying he felt it was necessary to resign due to health reasons.

Wedding vows were exchanged by Miss Deabarra Lynn Cooper and Bruce Wayne Ledbetter Friday, June 22, in the First United Methodist Church.

The Cardinals won the 1972 Little League championships with a 12-3 record. Members are: Marty Conoly, Brent Davis, Bryan Taylor, Phil Tyler, Kevin Craig, Pat Mitchell, Danny Gunn, Kelly Baumann, Brent Terry, Tommy Reed, Dale Redman, Barry Tyler and Loe Lofton. The team is coached by Jimmy Redman.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Windham of Lorenzo, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Kemp of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Williams of Post spent the weekend in Juarez, Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Collier, Don and DiAnna returned last week from a three-weeks European air tour.

40 Years Ago
June 27, 1963

Editor Charlie Didway and Publisher Jim Cornish received a first place plaque and the third place certificate for the Post Dispatch in the Texas Newspaper Contest at Fort Worth Saturday. The first place was won on news writing and the third place on appearance. The Dispatch finished in a second place tie for general excellence.

Barry B. Thompson assumed his new duties here Saturday as superintendent of schools, replacing R. T. Smith, who has moved to San Angelo.

A pickup truck loaded with minnows for fish bait struck a wooden light pole at Broadway and West 7th Street early yesterday and scattered minnows all over the highway.

Ed Scott, longtime cowboy and pioneer of the Justiceburg community, was honored on his 90th birthday by the members of the Justiceburg Baptist Church.

Mrs. Travis Guy was honoree at a layette shower last Friday in the Community Room.

Susanne Krause was the honoree at a farewell party in the Reddy Room, giving by Dr. and Mrs. B. E. Young, Beverley, and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Livingston. Mis Krause is Post High School's first foreign exchange student.

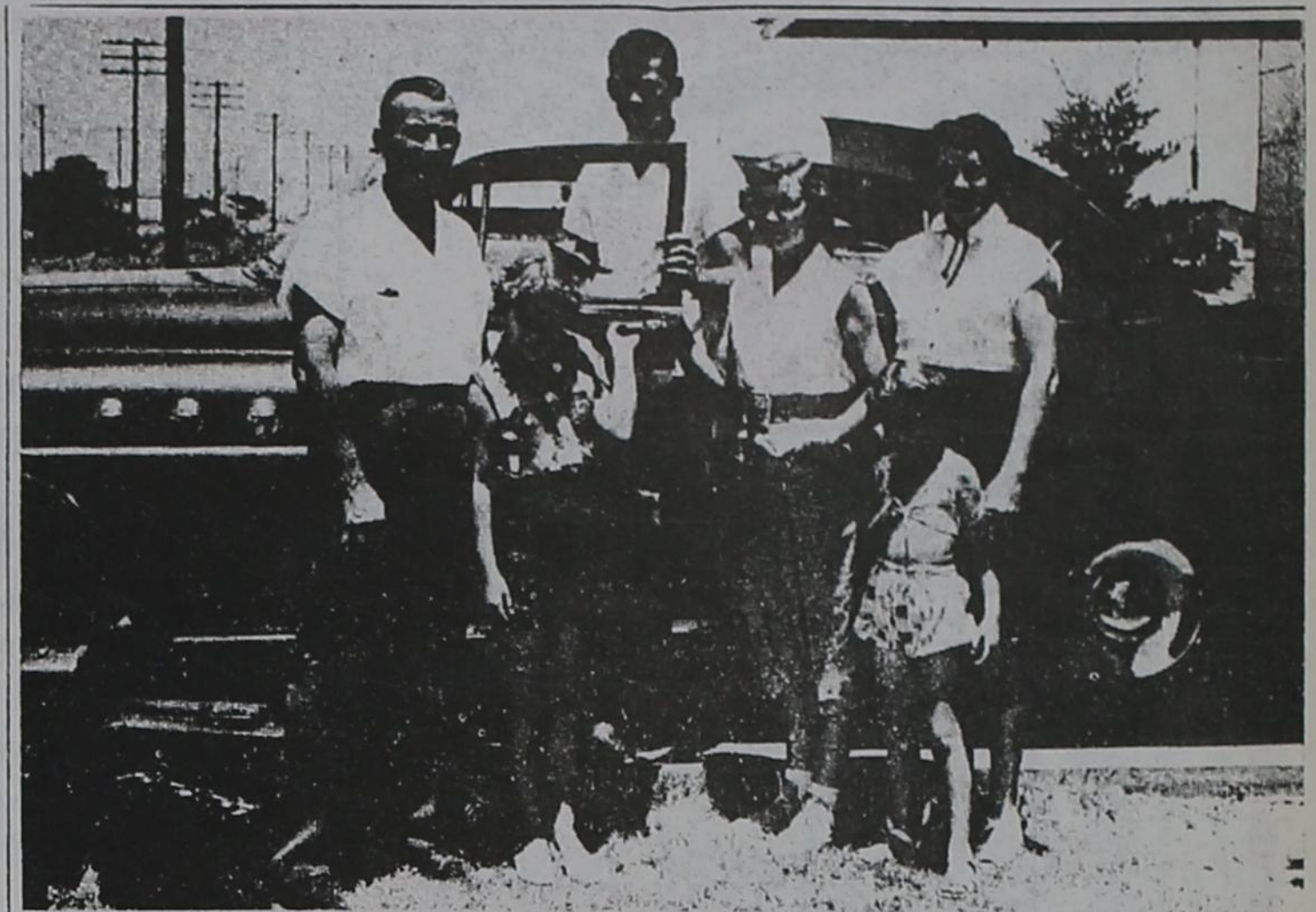
50 Years Ago
June 25, 1953

Nine members of the local Rainbow Assembly with supervision left Sunday night for grand assembly in Galveston. Included in the group were Misses Glenda and Gayle Askins, Donna Kay and Freda Kennedy, Leslie Nichols, Billie Moreland, Connie King, Sammie Williams and Carolyn Hudman.

A daughter, Sherry Elizabeth was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Bird in Garza Memorial Hospital. The Birds have a son, Jay Cliff.

Main Street: Our good friend, T. L. Jones, the ice man, invites us all down to the ice plant if we want ice cold watermelons. There is nothing more cooling in the good old summer time than the pink meat of a melon. Be seeing you at T. L.'s place.

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OFF FOR ALABAMA—The J. L. Ballentine family is shown here just before leaving on a vacation trip to points in Alabama, including their former home town of Tallassee. Mr. Ballentine is overseer of the carding and spinning departments at the Postex Mill, which closed Saturday for a one-week vacation. The Ballen-

tines are among the many families connected with the mill who are out of town on vacation and July 4th trips. The Ballentines have been residents of Post for 21 months. In the picture, left to right are Mr. Ballentine, Kay, Jack, Jane, Judy and Mrs. Ballentine.—(Post Dispatch Photo).

From The Post Dispatch July 1953

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Gilmore, observed her first birthday Friday, with a party given by her mother.

The Post Stampede Cowboys left early Wednesday for Graham to ride in the parade opening the Possum Kingdon Roundup and to take part in the grand entry. Approximately 20 riders attended.

Junior Malouf, former Post High School and Hardin-Simmons University football star, has accepted a coaching position at Eunice, N. M.

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- Valley medicinal plant
- Mrs. Fondren, philanthropist for SMU, Rice & Baylor
- this Harris starred with TX Powers Boothe in "Nixon"
- asn. for a "pill wrangler"
- TX actress Fawcett Joe & Matthews owned 2 TX teams in NWFL
- TX disc plow inventor Ole Ringness was born
- small RR vehicle propelled by sweat
- TXism: "a shy dog don't biscuits"
- TXism: "big enough to elephant"
- "days of"
- in McLennan Co. on hwy. 6
- TX John Nance was thirty-VP
- Lt. S. Grant fought at the Battle of Palo Alto
- Julliff, TX song: "Diddy Diddy, ain't no town, ain't no city..."
- Observatory near Fort Davis
- TXism: "put a pencil"

DOWN

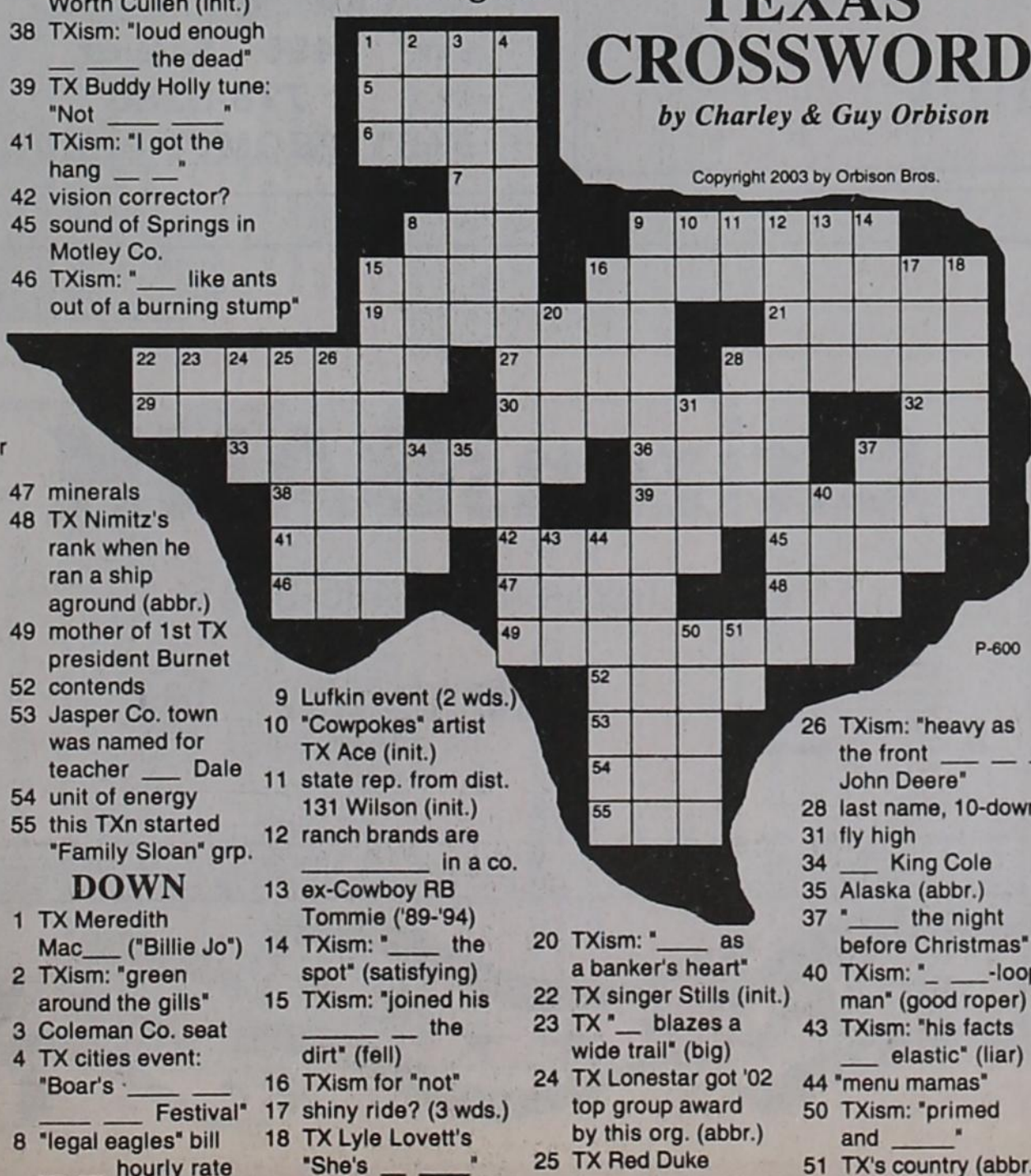
- TX Meredith Mac ("Billie Jo")
- TXism: "green around the gills"
- Coleman Co. seat
- TX cities event: "Boar's Festival"
- "legal eagles" bill hourly rate
- infamous Fort Worth Cullen (init.)
- TXism: "loud enough the dead"
- TX Buddy Holly tune: "Not"
- TXism: "I got the hang"
- vision corrector?
- sound of Springs in Motley Co.
- TXism: "like ants out of a burning stump"
- minerals
- TX Nimitz's rank when he ran a ship aground (abbr.)
- mother of 1st TX president Burnet contends
- Jasper Co. town was named for teacher Dale
- unit of energy
- this TXn started "Family Sloan" grp.
- ex-Cowboy RB Tommie ('89-'94)
- TXism: "the spot" (satisfying)
- TXism: "joined his the dirt" (fell)
- TXism for "not" shiny ride? (3 wds.)
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