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LAH property owner challenges restrictions

At least one Lake Alan Henry property owner has formally requested a change in the City of Lubbock's shoreline restrictions.

In an undated letter from attorney Jerry Corbin of Midland, property owner Joy Moore Hogan asked the City of Lubbock to grant her permission to construct a boat dock at her Lot 5 site in the Northridge development.

Hogan, described in the letter as "disabled," requests that she be allowed shoreline ramp access and a boat dock under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Without these accommodations, Corbin states, she is unable to access the lake shoreline.

Quoting the U.S. Department of Justice, the letter reads, "Access to civic life by people with disabilities is a fundamental goal of the Americans with Disabilities Act. To ensure that this goal is met, Title II of the ADA requires state and local governments to make their programs and services accessible to persons with disabilities. This requirement extends not only to physical access at government facilities, programs and events, but also to policy changes that governmental entities must make to ensure that all people

with disabilities can take part in and benefit from the programs and services of state and local governments...."

Under the Memorandum of Agreement governing Hogan's property, the city has "the right to prevent the construction of or the removal of, with due notice, any structure or facility located or to be located on said land," according to the document.

"The Memorandum of Agreement gives the city the right to prevent construction, but it does not state that a structure cannot be built on such land," Corbin writes. "The city, therefore, has the right to disregard the Memorandum of Agreement in its entirety. The city has the right to prevent and inversely has the right to allow any and all construction. Accordingly, the Memorandum of Agreement needs no modification for this accommodation to take place."

Corbin states the request "does not create an undue burden on the City of Lubbock" and that Hogan, if granted permission, will construct the requested shoreline access at her own expense.

GHD board member questions increased budget

The Garza County Hospital District has adopted a new budget for the coming year, but at least one of the district's directors is unhappy with the document and how it was put together.

Fred Howell, the hospital district's newest director, said this week he was "very disappointed" with district administrator Tanya Boucher's efforts to prepare the budget for the new fiscal year.

Clinic revenues denoted in the budget were \$18,431 less than estimates provided by Physician Network Services, Howell said, noting that Boucher was attempting to be conservative in her figures.

"She also did not mention that the budget included \$24,000 if we decide

to hire a recruiter to try to find a doctor to come to Post; \$6,200 if we need to replace the air conditioner; \$3,000 if we need to replace the water heater; \$5,000 if we need to replace other equipment; \$4,000 if we have additional legal expenses because we are involved in a law suit; \$1,500 if we need to have an additional election; \$15,000 if we decide

to replace the carpet; \$6,000 if we need to help the ambulance service with supplies and expenses; and \$20,000 if we need to help the ambulance service purchase a new ambulance," Howell wrote in an e-mail to The Post Dispatch.

"When all of these items are considered you have a total (of) \$103,131 included (in) the budget that might

or might not happen," he wrote. "In a normal budgeting process, if you have items that might or might not happen you identify them as contingencies and assign them a probability of happening and group them into one category of contingent items. If the PNS revenue estimate had been used, that would have left a \$17,700 reduction."

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Little gadgets over the lights...

Called "cameras" by some, or "Big Brother" by others, these little devices are actually image finders, according to a representative of the Texas Department of Transportation. When a vehicle is captured in the scope of the image finder, the device notifies the signal light controller to let it know a vehicle is waiting for the light to change. In years past, similar detectors that used magnetic fields were placed underground at intersections for the same purpose, merely to detect traffic. (Staff photo by Tim Burnett).

Post Notes

Band Booster Meeting

Post Band Boosters will be meeting Tuesday, September 7 from 7-8 p.m. Parents and community members are invited. We will be electing officers.

Flag Football Sign-ups

Post Flag Football sign-ups will be held from August 26-September 7 everyday after school from 3:30-5:30 p.m. at MAD DADS for boys and girls ages 1st-6th grades. The cost is \$10 per participant. If you have any questions call 620-0960 or 495-3960.

La Iglesia De Dios De La Profecia

La Iglesia De Dios De La Profecia en Post le invita a usted y su familia a la celebracion de su 4 Festival Cristiano en el Algerita Park el dia 4 de Septiembre desde las 11 de la manana hasta las 9 de la noche. Tendremos a los afamados cantantes Nacho Galindo y Pep Franco, ademas habra otros cantantes ante el dia, buena comida, juegos, y muchas cosas mas. Todos son bienvenidos.

Church of God of Prophecy

Church of God of Prophecy in Post invites you and your family to celebrate with us our 4th Annual Christian Festival at the Algerita Park on September 4, from 11 a.m. - 9 p.m. We will be featuring the famous singers Nacho Galindo and Pepe Franco, along with various groups singing throughout the day, with good food, games, and much more. Everyone is welcome.

Elementary Patriotic Assembly

The Elementary School will have a patriotic program on Friday, September 10 at 10:00 a.m. in the Elementary auditorium. The children performing will be from Pre-K to 5th grade. We would like to invite all veterans and men and women that presently serve in our Armed Forces. Fireman, policemen, highway patrolmen, EMT's, doctors, nurses, prison guards, pastors, and any other civil servants are also invited to attend. There will be special seating provided at the front of the auditorium for these people.

Benefit Dance for Arturo Torrez

A benefit dance will be held on Saturday, September 11 from 8 a.m. - 1 a.m. at the Post Community Center. Tickets are on sale for \$8 per person and \$15 a couple. Music will be provided by Juan Casares y Su Conjunto. Also, from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. there will be carnitas and enchilada plates for \$5. All proceeds will help Arturo Torrez with medical expenses. Call 495-2670 after 4 p.m. or call 928-7964 for more information.

Dance Classes to Begin

Dance classes for boys and girls, ages 3 thru 3rd grade will begin Monday, September 13. Classes will include ballet, tap and jazz. Call 495-4966 for more information.

Town Hall Meeting

There will be a town hall meeting to discuss and start organizing for the Post Centennial to be held in 2007. Committees are needed for special events, organization, publicity, and funding. Please attend and bring your ideas and expertise to this meeting. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 14 at 7 p.m. in the Post Community Center. This is your chance to be a part of the 100th anniversary of your city. Everyone is invited.

Gospel Music Concert

Post Lions Club will present "Stars of Gospel Music" a FREE concert featuring Jubil-heirs, Patricia Patrick and Second Generation on Saturday, September 18 at 7:30 p.m. in the Post Elementary school auditorium. VIP seats are available with Lions donation. Call 781-8481.

Bold Gold Pep Rallies

Post High School will hold their Pep Rallies every Friday at 9 a.m. at the Antelope Arena. The public is invited to come out and support the Antelope squad.

Antelope Booster Club

Weekly meetings for the Antelope Booster Club will be held on Mondays at 7 p.m. in the Post High School Library. The meetings will include the coaches report and a review of the previous varsity game, plus a preview of the next opponent.

Antelope Booster Club Posters

The Antelope Booster Club is once again selling posters of the individual players, teams, individual cheerleaders, or cheerleader squad to businesses for display when they purchase a business membership. Parents, grandparents and friends can also order a poster of their choice for \$25. Contact Allen and Pixie Grisham or Rex and Terri Cash to order a poster.

Class of 1954 Reunion

The PHS class of 1954 will hold its 50th reunion on Friday and Saturday, September 17th and 18th. There will be a reception before the homecoming game on Friday, from 5-7 p.m. in the Citizens Bank community room, 210 N. Broadway, and a gathering after the game at the same location. All friends and family of classmates are invited to come by the bank for visitation and refreshments. If you are a classmate, and have questions regarding other planned activities, you may contact Natalee Shepherd at 495-3300 or Velta King at 495-1598.

Softball Clinic

Texas Tech pitcher Keely Tucker and Julie Young, Post High School's softball coach will hold a softball clinic Saturday, September 25 from 9 a.m. until 12 noon for ages Kindergarten thru 8th grade. The price is \$25, \$5 discount for each sibling. For more information contact Lance Dunn at 495-2770 during the day or 996-5622 at night or Joey Cowley at 495-1884.

City Council to set tax rate, budget

by Wes Burnett

City Council members have set a tentative tax rate of \$.5701 for the fiscal year 2004-05 following a review of the budget Tuesday, August 24.

The final vote on the tax rate and budget is scheduled for Tuesday, September 7 at the regular city council meeting (6:30 p.m.) in city hall.

The tax rate is broken into two parts: (1) maintenance and operations at \$.3928 and (2) water project debt service rate at \$.1773.

The proposed tax rate is a decrease from last year's \$.5828, but creates more revenue for the city due to increased property valuations.

In other matters, the council approved the first reading of an ordinance setting a five foot clearance from the rear lot line for structures.



Post students at 76th Annual State FFA Convention

Post FFA members, (left to right) Colt Vernon and Trent McDonald prepared for their Team Roping Run during the Scholarship Rodeo portion of the 76th State FFA Convention held July 12-16. The event was held at Fort Worth's Cowtown Coliseum. They placed 4th in this event. Other participants from Post included Braden Bratcher, Sterling Smith, Kelly and Matti Smith, Dennis, Nancy and Dakota McDonald and Advisor Perry Smith. To participate in the rodeo a student must be a member of Texas FFA and participate in at least two FFA activities throughout the year. Each participant at the rodeo must pay an entry fee that covers expenses of the rodeo and a percentage is returned to the contestants in the form of a jackpot. A \$1000 scholarship is also awarded to the winner of each event. Next year's FFA Convention and Rodeo will be in Lubbock. Plans are already underway to make it even better than this one, and Post FFA members plan to attend. (Photo by Nancy McDonald).



Agricultural Extension Agents Julie Dirks (at podium) and Greg Jones presented Club and Project Appreciation Plaques during last Tuesday's 4-H Banquet in the Post Community Room. New 4-H Council members are sitting at the front table (left to right), Ashley

Young (Reporter), Kadie Vernon (Vice President), Diann Heckaman (President), Avne Bhakta (District Delegate) and Tony Apolar (Alternate District Delegate). Not in photo, sitting to left of Ashley Young is Kevin Strube (Secretary). (Staff photo by Tim Burnett).

Thank you!

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the cards, letters and prayers during my recent illness. I am well on the road to recovery, and I hope to be back in the office full time very soon.

Sincerely,
Judge Giles and Nelda Dalby

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Celebrating 50th Wedding Anniversary

Arnold and Patsy Sanderson are being honored on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception hosted by Bruce and Judy Sanderson Saturday, September 4 from 2 to 4 p.m. at Wells Fargo Community Room.

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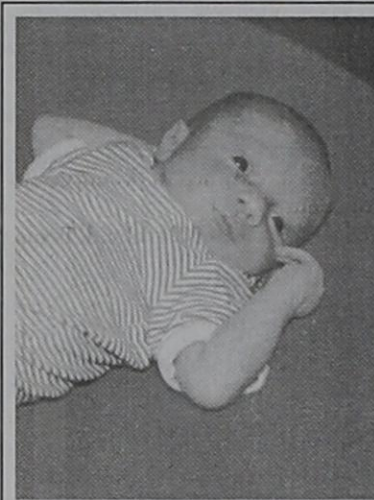
Births

Sean Allen McDonald

Katherine McDonald is proud to announce the birth of her brother, Sean Allen McDonald, at 5:57 p.m. Aug. 10, 2004, in Harris Methodist Hospital in Fort Worth.

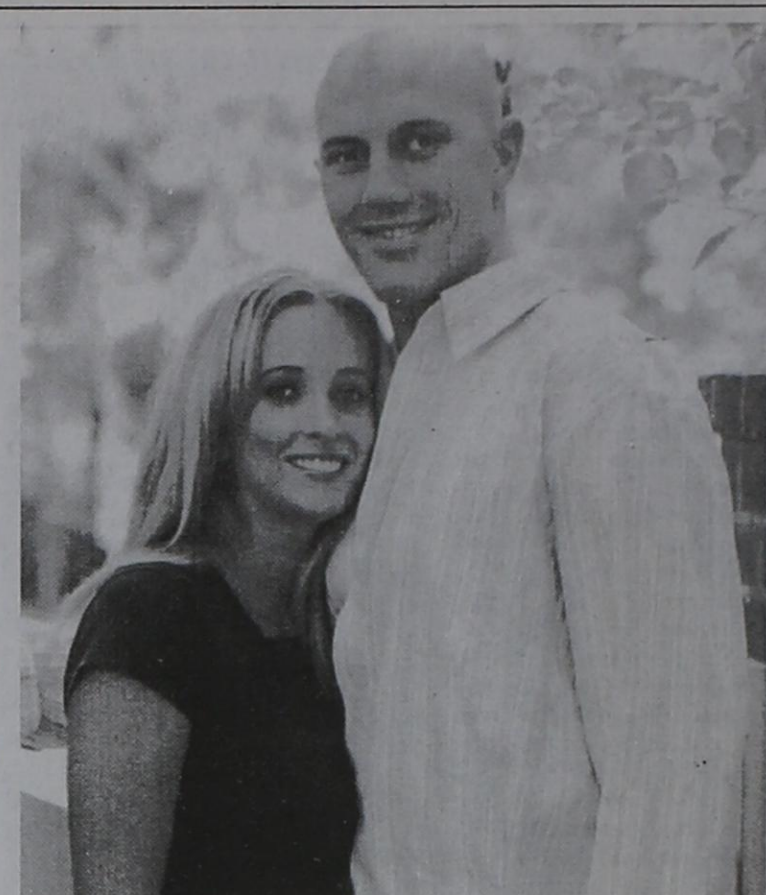
The infant weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces, and was 19 3/4 inches long.

Parents are Robert and Miranda McDonald of Bedford. Grandparents are John and Dretha Shults of Post and David and Doris McDonald of Keller. Lou Shults of Post is the baby's great-grandmother. Janet and Tim Tallman of Magnolia are the infant's aunt and uncle.



Sean Allen McDonald

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Jennifer Nicole Strawn and Trey Howard Peacher

Jennifer Strawn, Trey Peacher announce engagement

Jay and Susan Strawn of Post are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Jennifer Nicole to Trey Howard Peacher, son of Ted and Sherry Peacher of Lubbock. The couple plan a February 19, 2005 wedding in Post at the First United Methodist Church. Jennifer is a graduate of Post High School and the Lubbock Institute of Therapeutic Massage. She is currently employed at United Supermarkets in Vernon. Trey is a graduate of THS Christian Schools and is currently employed as a service manager with United Supermarkets in Vernon.

OS Ranch Steer Roping & Art Exhibit Reunion hosts top artists

Thirty-three of the nation's top western artists are expected to participate in the art show and sale at the OS Ranch Steer Roping & Art Exhibit Reunion set for Oct. 1-3.

The Friday night art exhibit will take place in the OS Ranch headquarters, 14 miles southeast of Post.

The list of exhibiting artists includes Tom Ryan, Wayne Baize, Chuck DeHaan, Glenna Goodacre, Grodan Snidow, Jimmie Cox, Bill Shaddix, Garnet Buster and Steve Devenyns, according to Giles McCrary, representative of the committee organizing the event. Most of the artists exhibited during the original OS Ranch Steer Roping & Art Exhibit and Sale, which took place from 1971 to 1983.

Each participating artist will offer select pieces for sale at the ranch headquarters on Friday and at the Post Art Center on Saturday and Sunday.

Conducting an art exhibit in conjunction with a steer roping on a remote West Texas ranch was a "unique and untried inspiration" in the '70s, according to a press release on the reunion. "From the very beginning, the concept worked" and was an "enormous success," with collectors traveling from as far away as New York and California to purchase artworks.

Organizers hope the reunion once again will provide a unique opportunity for western art aficionados to expand their collections.

The OS Ranch Steer Roping & Art Exhibit Reunion also will offer two days of world-class steer roping and calf roping. Also scheduled is a special "memorial roll call" at the ranch arena Sunday morning, honoring artists, ropers, volunteers and supporters who are deceased.

For more information, contact reunion coordinators at 495-0151 or visit the Web site at www.osreunion.com.

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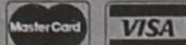
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USMC Cpl Steven Martinez serving in Iraq

Marine Lance Cpl. Steven Martinez, son of Cecil Martinez Sr. of Post, and more than 2,000 Marines and sailors assigned to the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit, recently began the process of ensuring security and stability in the central Iraqi province of Northern Babil.

Operating from Forward Operating Base Kalsu, Martinez's unit's first order of business was to establish rapport with their neighbors and let them know they are prepared to help in any way they can. The Marines drove throughout the area, stopping to offer residents water and talk with them about living conditions and how the Marines could help them.

The Forward Operating Base provides security against insurgents and anti-coalition militia for hundreds of Marines in Martinez's unit.

Martinez's unit is an expeditionary intervention force with the ability to rapidly organize for combat operations in virtually any environment.

MEUs are built around a reinforced infantry battalion, a combat service support element, a reinforced helicopter squadron and a command element. With its complement of fully integrated air and ground forces, Martinez's unit is ready to conduct real-world operations, including boat raids, tactical recovery of aircraft and personnel, noncombatant evacuation operations and humanitarian assistance operations.

Martinez is a 2001 graduate of Post High School. He joined the Marine Corps in November 2001.



July Saddle Series at Millertime Arena

The July Saddle Series winners at the Millertime Arena were Rex Prather (left) and Bobby Blair (right). Presenting the saddle is Danny Richardson (center). A special thanks goes out to the following sponsors: Lee Lawn & Feed, Tobe Palmer, Saddle Traders & Tack, Jenkins Electric, National Roper's Supply and Strawn Transport.

GHD budget challenge... (Continued from Page 1)

tion in the remaining \$84,700 of what I would consider contingent items to prevent having to increase the taxes collected."

Last month, the board voted 3-2, with Howell and Kenda Bartlett casting the dissenting votes, in favor of accepting the hospital district's proposed budget for the next fiscal year.

District officials have indicated they plan to utilize the same tax rate - .11481 per \$100 valuation - as used in the current fiscal year; however, with an increase in property values, some taxpayers could see increased tax bills despite no change in the tax rate.

The shift in property values will result in the district's collection of more than \$36,000 in taxes above the amount collected last year, providing a revenue increase of 7.88 percent.

In his e-mail, Howell also pointed out that during the board meeting at which the new budget was approved, Boucher indicated that the average taxpayer with property valued at \$50,000 in the new fiscal year would pay an additional \$4.20 in taxes.

"I stated that some of the seniors in our county live on fixed incomes, and a \$4.20 increase in taxes, while it is not much, meant they will need to reduce the money they spend on medications or groceries," he said.

"I was told that the taxes on seniors would not increase because their taxes were frozen at age 65. I called to check on this and found that the school district has a cap on property taxes, but the county and health care district do not. The \$4.20 amount does not sound like much and I am sure that is why it was used; however, when you consider there are only 4,872 people in Garza County, according to the last census, and the budgeted tax amount is \$484,461, that is \$95.33 for every man, woman and child in Garza County, and that sounds like a lot."

Howell also has questions concerning Boucher's time and compensation. "She has refused to be accountable for what she does and how much time it takes," he wrote. "I sent her an e-mail on July 25, 2004, before my first budget meeting, asking for a detailed list of her daily, weekly, monthly and yearly tasks and the time required for each. I have yet to receive anything from her."

Howell said Boucher is currently paid \$27.04 per hour, while the county treasurer receives \$15.14 per hour, the tax assessor earns \$14.18 per hour and the clerk, \$14 per hour.

"I believe this is unacceptable," he said. "My only objective is to try to get the best return possible on tax dollars for Garza County taxpayers, and all Garza County Health Care District employees must be accountable for their time at work."

Howell lauded PNS, the clinic operator, saying they were "very professional, open and helpful during the budget preparation process."

The board's next meeting will be held today at 6:30 p.m. at Citizens Bank. That session is expected to include discussion and consideration of the proposed tax rate.

The next regular meeting of district directors is set for 6:30 p.m. Sept. 16 at Citizens Bank.

Jesse Wood joins USDA NRC staff here

Jesse Wood has been named the GS-9 Range Management Specialist to the Post Field Office, according to Mario Avila, Resource Team Leader for the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Services for Garza and Lynn counties.

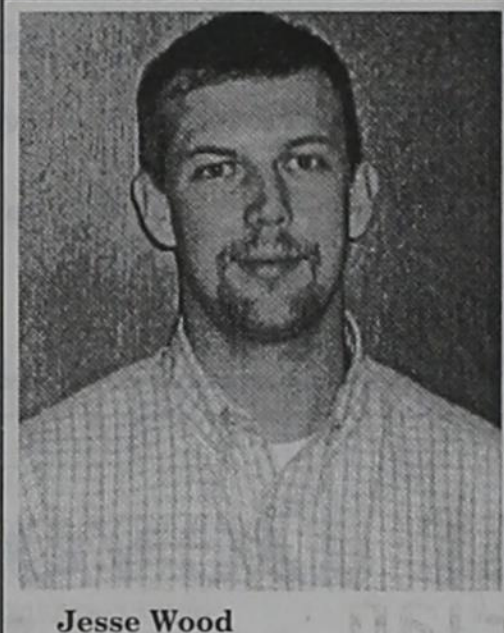
As a range management specialist, Wood will provide technical assistance to farmers and ranchers with conservation programs and in the planning and application of conservation practices. He also will assist in keeping the public informed of opportunities to participate in cost-share programs, as well as providing the latest technology and research information available.

As a member of the Tahoka Resource Team staff, he also will provide technical assistance to producers in Lynn County.

Wood is a native of Cleveland, Texas. He holds a bachelor's degree from Texas A&M University and a master's from Sul Ross State University. Following graduation in 2002, he briefly worked for the National Park Service prior to joining the NRCS. Wood's previous assignment was in Jackson County where he served as a rangeland management specialist at the Edna Field Office as part of the Victoria Resource Team staff.

Wood and his wife, Barbara, will reside in Lubbock. She is a second-year medical student at Texas Tech's School of Medicine.

Wood can be reached at the Post Field Office from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Mondays through Fridays or by calling 495-2056, ext. 3.



Jesse Wood

The owners and employees of Goetz Fibers would like to thank the Volunteer Fire Department of Post and the EMS unit of Garza County for your dedication and professionalism while responding to our warehouse fire August 27.

Friends are invited to join us as we celebrate a reception given by Bruce & Judy Sanderson in honor of Arnold & Patsy Sanderson's 50th anniversary. Saturday, Sept. 4, 2004 2-4 p.m. (Come & Go) Wells Fargo Community Room

Thank you all!

I would like to extend my appreciation to everyone for the congratulatory calls and cards upon my receiving the Trailblazer Award from the Texas Association of Counties. I am honored to have the support of so many people in this community.

Sincerely
Judge Giles Dalby

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ART EXHIBIT - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2, & SUNDAY, OCT 3, 2004
LOCATED AT THE POST ARTS CENTER

THE ARTISTS:

- 5 p.m. Friday, October 1, 2004 Yard Party with art exhibit and sale entertainment provided by Pake McEntire.
- 33 - Artists - 33 Representing OK, CO, WY, NM, seven artists who were in the 1972 OS original showing - Wayne Baize, Fort Davis, Tex; Ronald Thompson, Harper, Tex.; Tom Ry an, Scottsdale, Ariz.
- From the estate of Jim Hamilton - Pawhuska, OK; Paul Wyle, Lubbock, Tx.; Gordon Snidow, Ruidoso, NM; Harry Jackson, Cody, Wyo.

SENIORS STEER ROPING - SATURDAY, OCT 2, 2004, 12:30 PM
POST STAMPEDE ARENA

THE ROPERS: Senior Steer Roping

- Saturday, October 2, 2004, 12:30 p.m.
- All roping events at the Post Stampede Arena
- 3 ropers from the 1st OS Annual roping: Kenneth Mauldin, Ozona, Tex.; Eldon Dudley, Canyon, Tex. and Charles Good, Eldia, NM.
- Joined by 46 ropers from FL, OK, AZ, NM, WY, CO, MT, NE and TX.

CALE ROPING - SUNDAY, OCT 3, 2004, 1:00 PM

POST STAMPEDE ARENA

THE ROPERS: Match Calf Roping Between Monty Lewis and Trent Walls

- Plus 12 of the nation's top 15 confirmed to rope.
- Saturday Night Dance featuring Johnny Bush
Post Community Center, 8:30 p.m.
- Memorial Roll Call at the OS Arena
- Sunday, October 3 - 10 a.m. - breakfast and worship services start at 8:30 a.m.

SATURDAY NIGHT DANCE FEATURING: JOHNNY BUSH
Post Community Center, 8:30 PM

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Obituaries

Max Lewis

Private services for Max Lewis, 43, of Lubbock, formerly of Post, will be held this week under the direction of the Robert Massey Funeral Home of San Angelo.

He died at 4:56 p.m. Monday, Aug. 30, 2004, at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock following a lengthy illness.

Born Jan. 7, 1961, in Tulsa, Okla., he was a 1979 graduate of Central High School in San Angelo and earned a bachelor's degree from Howard Payne University in Brownwood. He was a longtime restaurant manager, operating the Dairy Queen in Post from 1996 to 1998. He also worked as a radio announcer in several Texas cities, including Post. He was an avid supporter of youth sports and served as a referee and umpire.

Survivors include his sons, Blake Lewis and Tye Lewis, both of Lubbock; an aunt, Imogene Buck of Miles; and several cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Floyd Lewis and Mildred Buck Lewis, and an uncle, Lonnie L. (Leonard) Buck Jr.

The family has requested memorials be made to the American Diabetes Association or to the donor's favorite charity.

Olivia Martinez

Prayer Services for Olivia Martinez, 58, of Post were Monday, August 30, 2004 at 7 p.m. at the Justice-Mason Funeral Home with the Rev. Vincente Villalon officiating.

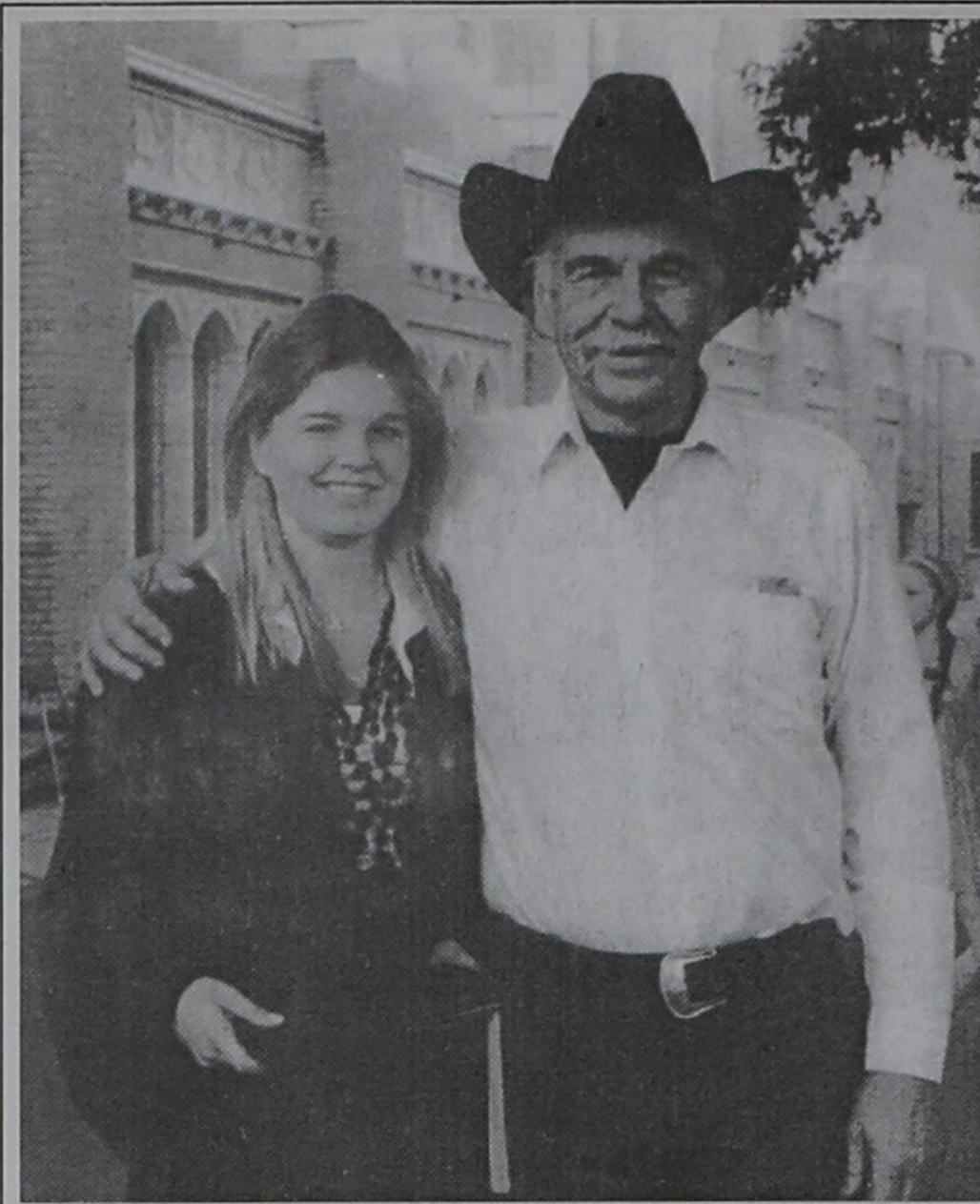
Funeral services were Tuesday, August 31, 2004 at 2 p.m., First Baptist Church. The Rev. Jose Payano, Pastor of the Church of God of Prophecy officiated and the Rev. Vincente Villalon, Pastor of the Assembly of God Church, assisted. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery with Jamie Pewitt officiating. Services were under the personal care of Justice-Mason Funeral Home.

Mrs. Martinez died on Saturday August 28, 2004 at the University Medical Center in Lubbock. She was born on March 10, 1946 to Jesus and Matilde (Rodriguez) Collazo, Sr. She attended Post schools and married Joe Martinez on May 25, 1963 in Post. They made their home here and she worked for Postex Cotton Mill and later for Cal Maine.

She was a member of Assembly of God Church. Her hobby was collecting Angels and pens. She enjoyed reading her Bible. She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers: Johnny Collazo and Dee Collazo and one sister: Esther Samora.

She is survived by: Husband, Joe Martinez of Post, three Daughters: Deborah Ann Martinez of Lubbock, Anita Jo Martinez and JoAnn Martinez both of Post. Four Brothers: Jessie Collazo, Jr. of Post, Elisio (Lee) Collazo of Waelder, Steve Collazo of Pearsall and Roy Collazo of Waco. One Sister: Eva Gonzales of Post. One grandson: Brandon M. Soto.

Pallbearers were Tommy Binford, Jackie Burkett, Jessie Collazo, III, Manuel Collazo, Jesse Lee Collazo, Cecil Martinez, Jr. and James Striblin.



Jamie Dawson graduates with R.N. credentials

Jamie Dawson (left), daughter of James (right) and Joy Dawson, graduated from Covenant School of Nursing on May 28, 2004. She is currently employed with Lynn County Hospital as a Registered Nurse. Dawson plans to continue her education and obtain her BS degree in Nursing in the near future.

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On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

Receive holy spirit ... Acts 10:43-47

In Acts, chapter 10, we learn about a man named Cornelius who was a "centurion of the band called the Italian." He was not in a marching band, but instead he served in the Caesarea as a captain over one hundred men. (See E.W. Bullinger's notes in KJV Companion Bible, p. 1601). According to verse 2, Cornelius was a devout man that revered God with his entire household. Verse 22 reveals that Cornelius got a good report card from the Jews.

A very important thing to know about Cornelius is that he was a Gentile. In Acts 10:3-7 Cornelius saw an angel of God come to him. This angel instructed him to send men to a nearby town called Joppa and ask for a man named Simon Peter. According to verse 8, Cornelius did as he was told. In verses 9-20 Peter was on the roof meditating and praying to God. He was given a vision of a sheet with all kinds of meats being drawn down from the sky, and heard a voice say, "rise, Peter; kill and eat." (verse 13). Peter debated the matter and said that he had never eaten anything common or unclean. After this interaction occurred three times, the sheet rose back up to the sky. Peter was perplexed by this vision. While he thought about the vision, the spirit of God told him that three men were looking for him. And that he must stand up and go with them, without any doubt. Peter meekly did as he was told.

In verses 21-33, Peter met the men and the next morning traveled with them back to Cornelius' place. He found that all of Cornelius' family, servants and friends were together to hear what God had to say through him. Both Cornelius and Peter shared their stories that lead to the meeting. The record of

Peter's teaching is found in verses 34-43. In essence, he taught about Jesus who was anointed by God with holy spirit and authority. He shared about Jesus the Lord who did many good deeds by the power of God, who the Jewish leaders slew and hung on a tree. And finally, he taught about Jesus the Christ whom God raised up on the third day, and showed him openly to those witnesses chosen by God. Peter taught the gospel of Jesus Christ.

We come to verse 43, "To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believes in him shall receive remission of sins." Does this sound familiar? To have remission of sins is simply to be filled with holy spirit when they believe with their hearts that God raised Jesus from the dead. (See also Romans 10:9-10 & Acts 2:4). The words "shall receive" came from the Biblical Greek word "lambano" which meant to lay hold of, or seize onto something. Peter instructed them to lay-hold of, or "lambano" holy spirit after they were filled with the same holy spirit.

Verse 44, "While Peter yet spoke these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word." How did they know the "Holy Ghost fell on" them? See verse 46, "For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God." There it is, right before our very eyes. In verse 47, Peter noted that the Gentiles received the Holy Ghost just as they did as recorded in Acts 2:4. They were first filled with holy spirit, then they began to speak with other tongues.

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Opinions

Just say "NO" to free speech permission slips

While some political groups continue to 'negotiate' with the City of New York for permits to protest next week's Republican National Convention, Libertarians — including a presidential candidate — are preparing to open up a whole new can of worms in the Big Apple. "If you ask for permission to protest, you deserve to be told no," says Manhattan Libertarian Party chair Jim Lesczynski. "The First Amendment guarantees our right to peaceably assemble — and we're going to do so" on Central Park's Great Lawn on August 29th. The city has denied permits to groups which have applied for permission to gather in the park, attempting to move them to more distant, and less visible, locations.

"There's an old saying — it's easier to get forgiveness than it is to get permission," said Michael Badnarik, the Libertarian Party's presidential candidate, during a campaign strategy teleconference. "I've got permission. By definition, where I am standing is a free speech zone. We don't need permission to protest, but George W. Bush needs forgiveness for his mistakes. We're gathering to offer him that forgiveness ... if he's willing to ask us for it."

Among those mistakes, says Badnarik, 50, of Austin, Texas, are the war in Iraq, the PATRIOT ACT — and the whole concept of "free speech zones" for protesters. "America itself — the whole country — is a 'free speech zone,'" he says. "That's what the First Amendment means, or it means nothing. We're going to find out which in Central Park. We're going to find out whether President Bush and Mayor Bloomberg believe in America or not."

While Badnarik is considered a long shot for the presidency, polling shows him determining the election's outcome in a number of "battleground" states, including closely watched New Mexico, where his support stands at 5%.

The Manhattan LP has a longstanding reputation in New York and in the Libertarian Party as an "in your face" activist group. Previous Manhattan LP initiatives have included "Guns for Tots," in which

Libertarians handed out toy guns to the city's schoolchildren to protest a proposed ban, and the "Great Cigarette Giveaway," which provided New Yorkers with free smokes to counter the city's massive 2002 cigarette tax increase.

Badnarik is also expected to debate Green Party presidential nominee David Cobb during his visit to the city. The Libertarian Party is America's third largest political party, with more than 600 Libertarians serving in elected and appointed office at the local, state and federal levels.

It's time to privatize social security

Recent polls show that more than 60 percent of Americans favor a shift from the government-run Social Security program to private accounts — and that 82 percent of voters under the age of 30 back the privatization proposal.

There are good reasons for this, says Dr. Andrew Bernstein, a senior writer for the Ayn Rand Institute. "Morally, the injustice of forcibly taking money from young working people to pay retirement benefits to the elderly will end. No longer will a person's inability or unwillingness to save for his retirement be used as a weapon against others."

Practically, Bernstein points out, "freeing taxpayers from the burden of financing Social Security, leaves them with greater choice: they can spend part or all of their additional income to improve their lives in the present — or they can save part or all of it for their retirement. Further, since private retirement accounts yield significantly more money than Social Security provides in benefits, a person who opts to save can have more wealth awaiting him upon retirement.

"Greater justice, greater freedom and greater wealth — these are the reasons that Social Security must be privatized."

Dr. Andrew Bernstein, a senior writer for the Ayn Rand Institute, is available for interviews.

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Why don't school busses don't have seat belts?

For almost 30 years, the laws regulating school bus safety have not changed. Yet, every state has passed stricter restraint laws for almost every other form of transportation. Every day, millions of parents who strictly enforce wearing seat belts in their personal vehicles put their children on buses with no restraints. Some statistics:

23 million children are transported every day on school buses in the United States. On average there are 26,000 school bus crashes each year, resulting in 9,500 injuries and 10 deaths to school bus occupants. 84% of parents across the U.S. think that lap-shoulder belts for school buses should be mandated on school buses.

Many parents do not realize that school bus seats with lap-shoulder belts are even available to school districts. At pennies a day for each child who rides a school bus — \$7,000 total — SafeGuard seats with lap-shoulder belts can be installed on a new bus or as

replacement seating on newer buses. Several schools are setting the standard by installing lap-shoulder belts on school buses, including Monroe-Woodbury Central School District, Central Valley, New York; Palmdale School District, Palmdale, California; and Heritage Christian School in Indianapolis.

The following people are committed to advocating for safety belts on school buses and are available for interviews:

Dave Lear, senior director of transportation, KinderCare, Portland, Oregon Clifford Berchtold, director of school transportation, Monroe-Woodbury Central School Dist., New York Ron Young, chief of operations, Heritage Christian School, Indianapolis, Indiana Sherilyn Thacker-Smith, director of transportation services, Palmdale School District, Palmdale, California Julie King, marketing and public relations, IMMI, Westfield, Indiana Heather Boody, IMMI (hboody@bjmpr.com)

Dealing with cynical presidential candidates

by Sheldon Richman

There is a simple reason why so many people despise politics. They can see that it is little more than a despicable grab for power and that most candidates will say anything, avoid saying anything, and "reinterpret" their own previous words to be elected. The current presidential campaign already abounds with examples.

Take the controversy around Democratic candidate John Kerry's time in Vietnam. (I will not call it "service," unless that is to mean service to the corrupt Lyndon Johnson and Richard Nixon. America was not served by anything that went on there.)

I do not know who is telling the truth, or the greater part of it. Both sides are tainted. Kerry wants to be president. His critics are Bush partisans and still sore about Kerry's anti-war activities. It's possible that both sides are not being entirely truthful. For example, Kerry's claim that he spent time in Cambodia helping to conduct an illegal war has been contradicted — by Kerry himself. Some of the critical vets once praised him.

My point is not to argue for one side or the other. It's to examine statements by Kerry and President Bush to show how cynical they both are.

When Kerry left the navy and protested the war, he told a congressional committee that U.S. forces, routinely and with the connivance of higher-ups, engaged in horrible acts against Vietnamese civilians. Kerry used the word "atrocities," in which he implicated himself.

When asked about his testimony during the present campaign, he is less than forthcoming. On Meet the Press in April, Kerry said, "[The] words were honest, but on the other hand, they were a little bit over the top."

That's how virtually all politicians talk, and for that they deserve the contempt of every thinking American. Look at Kerry's words, which seem calculated to fulfill the flip-flop stereotype the Republicans are working to establish. "The words were honest": His statement begins with what looks like a clear point of fact. But he quickly retreats with "on the other hand." That can mean: there's another valid way of looking at things. What's the other way? The words "were a little bit over the top." What does that mean? The American Heritage Dictionary defines the phrase as "exceeding the normal bounds; immoderate; extravagant" — but just "a little bit" so.

Kerry wants it both ways: he spoke honestly and dishonestly 30 years ago. He can't say he lied back then, but he can't stand behind his words either. Each path is perilous to his quest for the presidency.

Bush, as we should know, is not above such wordplay. He has been pressed to repudiate television spots paid for by the Swift Boat Veterans for Truth, who claim Kerry didn't earn his war medals. Financing for the spots comes under section 527 of the IRS code, permitting "soft money" to be spent independently of official political campaigns.

Bush has apparently calculated that he would look bad casting aspersions on Kerry's war record. (Guess why.) So he can't openly countenance the Swift Boat Vets, whom John McCain has denounced as liars. In fact, Bush says Kerry "served admirably." But he also can't be upset with the disruption the criticism is causing to Kerry's campaign. So he won't clearly denounce the vets' anti-Kerry crusade as dishonest.

He tries to have it both ways. Asked if the vets' ads should be pulled, he replies that all "527" ads should be stopped: "This kind of unregulated soft money is wrong for the process.... I thought we were gonna once and for all

get rid of a system where people could pour tons of money in and not be held to account for the advertising."

That's not what he was asked. He was asked about a particular ad that many people feel is shamefully dishonest. Instead of answering, he attacked freedom of speech by private organizations and endorsed censorship. What else would you call abolishing "unregulated soft money" and the advertising it supports?

Bush would rather offend civil libertarians than Kerry's enemies. Thus is freedom sacrificed for political expediency.

Sheldon Richman is senior fellow at The Future of Freedom Foundation (www.fff.org) in Fairfax, Va., author of *Tethered Citizens: Time to Repeal the Welfare State*, and editor of *The Freeman* magazine.

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Red lights again

Never thought I'd see the day I would appreciate a traffic control signal light. After fighting traffic for what seems like forever without traffic control lights, the new lights on Broadway are absolutely wonderful.

I suppose the first day they were in operation, being used to no red lights in town, I pulled off a major malfunction in my chain of thought. I was westbound on Main Street at the intersection of Broadway and Main. I didn't even look up. I just pulled out in the middle of the intersection, waiting on all the Lubbock maniacs to let me across. I happened to look left and there was a whole fleet of vehicles northbound with the hammer down. I looked around and low and behold, there is a red light right above.

I thought, "Self, we gotta make a move — and now."

Weather permitting, I'm guessing the new road through town will be in full operation in the next few years. During rainy weather, TxDOT should reserve the north and south outside lanes for boats without trailers. Seems to me like the TxDOT design on flood control may be falling a little short of being the greatest. Broadway has always flooded in case it rained; now it is navigatable for big ships when it rains.

Our neighbors over in Levelland has the same problem with flooding on the main thoroughway through town. I once seen some kids pulling another kid on water skis on College Avenue in Levelland. Wonder how long before someone tries it here in Post. Jeeps and water skis go good together.

Back to the traffic control lights... they sure look pretty up there changing colors ever few minutes. And the new cameras on top, shouldn't we stop and get out and get up on our hoods and moon 'em?

As I see it and my opinion only,
O.L. (Ferg) Ferguson

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Is there no end to higher taxes?

by Wes Burnett

Although the budgets are not finalized, it appears that all Garza County taxing authorities are going to impose tax increases on property owners ... one more time. They will say (with a straight face) that tax rates are the same or a bit lower, but in fact, property owners will pay more taxes ... because property values have increased.

County-wide the increase is about eight percent over last year. Of course, voters will have no opportunity to challenge these increases, because taxers have set tax rates just ever so slightly below the so-called "roll back" rate.

We're also hearing that a major reason for increased budgets are (1) unfunded mandates by the feds and state and (2) necessity to build fund reserves. I'll venture to say that the vast majority of those who have to pay these increased taxes would certainly be interested in building a little reserve of their own ... but that is highly unlikely. Most of us responsible for paying property taxes are stretched too thin for "reserves," especially with an overall eight percent increase in what we pay local governments.

Never mind the increases in all the other taxes paid just to keep the doors open ... communications, travel, sales and fees spread out at almost every facet of life. It's a wonder they don't come up with a "breathing" tax. "Oh, you want clean air do you? Well, that'll cost you another \$1 per day."

And who is responsible for these year-after-year increases in taxes? We are, that's who, all of us who vote and put people into public office. Until we demand that elected officials quit stealing money from us ... we will never have any security of our property. We are burdened with a majority of elected officials in this county who find it more expedient to pander to those living off the theft of other's property. From the evidence I've seen, of those elected officials who control tax rates, there are only two in this county who speak in defense of property owners and taxpayers.

And those two are minority members of the Garza County Hospital District board of directors: Fred Howell and Kenda Bartlett. Their attempts to hold down the cost of operating the district (which, by the way, continues to operate as a hospital district even though there is no hospital), have been rejected by the other three board members.

The record speaks for itself ... increased spending continues at a pace, which if not controlled, will eventually destroy the American tradition of privately owned property. The total tax burden is approaching 50 percent for many working Americans. That's not just property tax mind you, but all of the state, federal and local taxes. At some point, the entire system will collapse as the pool of productive payers of taxes dwindles. When the cost of government exceeds the ability of productive people to pay ... what happens?

I feel certain that when our ancestors looked around for ways to fund government, they never envisioned taxes beyond one or two percent. In fact, some of our ancestors went to war over a simple three percent tax on tea. Unfortunately for us, they could not (or did not) recognize this age-old truth: "Government with the power to tax at one percent, also has the power to tax at 100 percent."

Defenders of this theft program proudly point out the importance of their pet projects. And they sell these projects to the majority of voters. Sadly, the minority (and property owners are fast becoming the minority) are forced to accept the decision of the non-productive majority ... "Pay up and shut up" they demand.

Everyone suffers with this "tax and spend" philosophy... rental rates will go up, prices of products will go up ... it's all a big spiral of upward costs. We are on the verge of taxing ourselves into poverty.

It is downright immoral to continue stealing from one another. God has commanded us ... "Thou Shalt Not Steal." Whether it be as individuals or as a collective (democracy, majority rule), theft is still theft. And taxation is theft... it is the taking of property, by the use of force if necessary, against the will of the owner. It is no different that a common thief walking into your house and demanding you pay a tribute to protect you from having your house burned down.

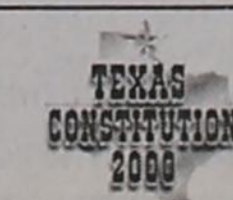
Only in our case, we can't call the sheriff for protection, because he and the courts will uphold the thieves operating as "public servants" taking your property away from you because you didn't pay the tribute owed to the king (government).

But, we get what we deserve, by continuing to support immoral behavior, all in the name "of the common good." That socialist (communist) philosophy has proven to be a disaster, and worse, destructive to our freedom and liberty.

It's time for property owners to organize a political association to protect the right of property ownership by promoting the election of local officials dedicated to a return to those great American principles upon which this nation was founded.

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Indians edge 'Lopes 6-0 in season opener here

by Wes Burnett

The Post Antelopes came up short on the scoreboard last Friday night as the Seminole Indians took advantage of a late fourth quarter 'Lope fumble inside the Antelope 40 yard line to win 6-0 in the opening game for both teams.

Both offenses had trouble sustaining drives during most of the game. The Antelope defense bottled up the Indians 11 out of 12 possessions. The Antelope offense hurt itself time after time, with penalties, one pass interception and fumbles standing in the way of a successful touchdown drive.

In the final four minutes of the game, the Indians covered a fumble inside the 'Lope 40 yard line, then mounted a five play scoring drive. The extra point failed. Taking the kickoff with 2:46 left on the game clock, the 'Lope offense ran seven plays, but couldn't drive the needed 95 yards. The kickoff return was muffed and then a penalty moved the 'Lopes to the five yard line.

Of the 12 Antelope possessions, the first one was stopped short on a pass interception, the second with a punt. On their third possession of the game, the 'Lopes mounted an impressive 14 play drive with four first downs, but

failed to convert on fourth down from the Seminole 19 yard line. Punter Jerrad Grisham got off several excellent punts during the contest.

Possession four resulted in a fumble after the 'Lopes picked up a first down, followed by the fifth possession with three plays and another fumble. Those turnovers were matched, however, by impressive defensive action by the Antelopes. The 'Lope defense was credited with three pass interceptions, one each by Grisham, Trent McDonald and Randon Blacklock; one fumble recovery and five forced fourth downs.

Blake Nichols, Jace Pollard, Jonathan McGregor and Chris

Reed were credited with inside containment, holding the Indians to slim yardage through all but the final scoring drive.

"We found out that we can throw the football," coach Tim James commented, "and we know that once we take care of the football better, we can win. Our defense was great... we stopped them through most of the game."

Jett Lott led the team in rushing, with quarterback Wilson Cash and Blacklock sharing running chores.

The team takes a break this Friday, returning to action September 10 in a trip north to Lockney. (See next week's Post Dispatch for pre-game details).

JV drops 23-6 contest to Seminole

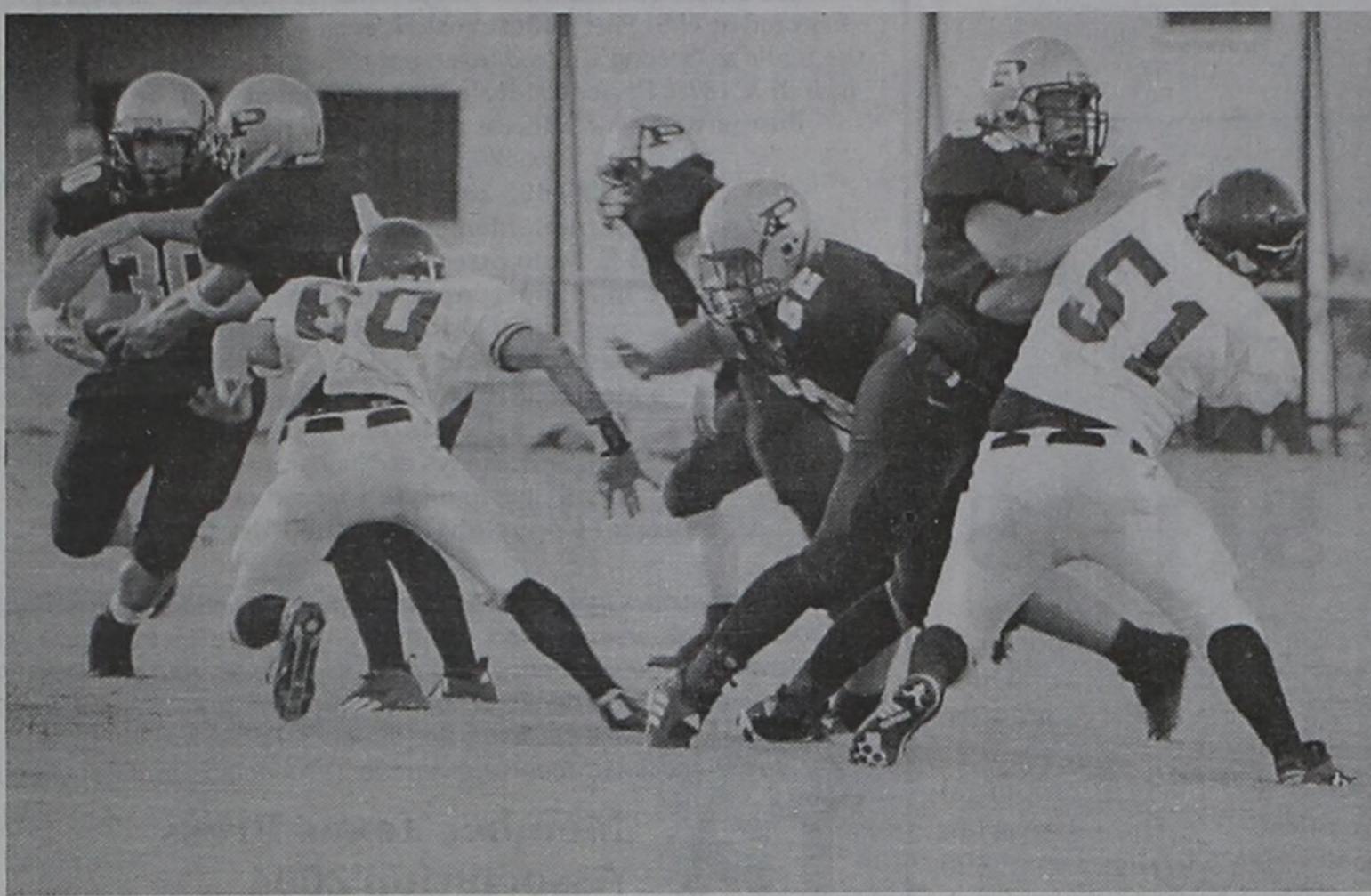
The Post JV 'Lopes put together a strong game last week but were unable to outpace the Seminole Indians. Post lost the game 23-6 in Seminole.

Coach Nick Dickson said the team played well overall, allowing no points in the second half.

"All the kids played very well and will improve week to week," he said.

Post's offense kicked in strong in the fourth quarter when D.J. Rivera capped off a 50-yard drive with a three-yard touchdown run. The two-point attempt failed.

Rushing for the 'Lopes were Steve Hair, 50 yards, 10 carries; Rivera, 45 yards, 12 carries; Bradley Reed, 15 yards on five carries; and Edgar Garay, one catch for 11 yards.



Post Antelope running back Jett Lott (30) took the hand-off from quarterback Wilson Cash (4) as the Bold Gold offensive line held back the Seminole Indian defense during last Friday's game at Antelope Stadium. (Staff photo by Gena Lott).



Post Antelope quarterback Wilson Cash (4) slipped away for more yardage during last Friday's game against the Seminole Indians at Antelope Stadium. (Staff photo by Gena Lott).



Post Antelope flanker Ferrad Grisham (8) and running back Jett Lott prepare the way as Zack Sanchez (20) shot through the line for more yards during last Friday's game against the Seminole Indians at Antelope Stadium. (Staff photo by Gena Lott).



4-H Council members for 2004-05 were inducted into their official positions during last Tuesday's 4-H Banquet at the Post Community Center. They are shown (left to right), Kevin Strube (Secretary), Ashley Young (Reporter), Kadie Vernon (Vice President), Diann Heckaman (President), Ane Bhakta (District Delegate) and Tony Apolinar (Alternate District Delegate). Staff photo by Tim Burnett.

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The Garza County Texas Cooperative Extension office will be closed September 6 for Labor Day.

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PHS elects 2004-05 class officers

Class officers at Post High School were announced recently, and Donae Dalby will serve as president of the senior class.

Assisting Dalby with leadership duties for the senior class will be CoCo Valdez, vice-president; Courtney Short, secretary/treasurer; and Randon Blacklock and Xane Mason, student council representatives.

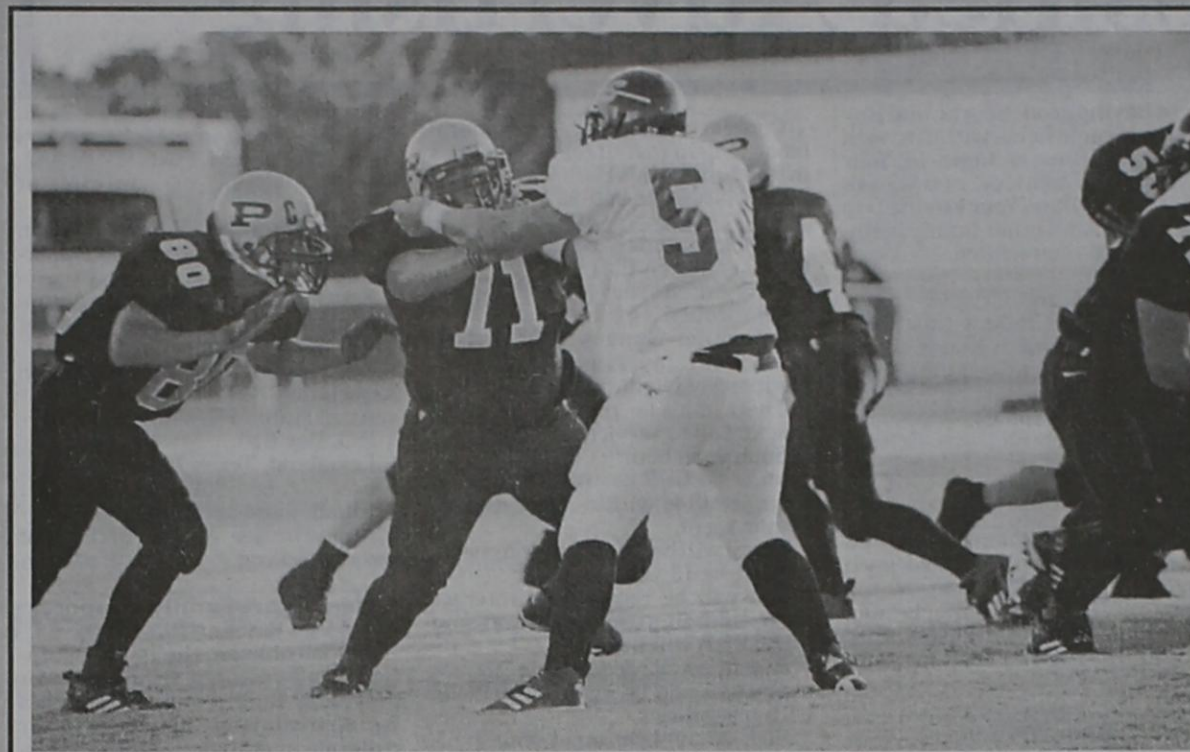
Junior class officers include Jonathan McGregor, president; Vince Robles, vice-president; Sterling Smith, secretary/treasurer; and Courtney Copeland and Jenee Lott, student council representatives.

Officers for the sophomore class include Colter Creech, president; Steffi Norman, vice-president; K'Nell Dalby, secretary/treasurer; and Zach Witche and Wilson Cash, representatives of the student council.

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	JV	Lockney	7:00
Sept. 10	Varsity	@ Lockney	7:30
Sept. 16	7-8th	New Deal	5 & 6:30
	JV	TBA	7:00
Sept. 17	Varsity	• Homecoming Roscoe	7:30
Sept. 23	7-8th	@ Denver City	5 & 6:30
	JV	Denver City	7:00
Sept 24*	Varsity	@ Denver City	7:30
Sept 30	7-8th	Abernathy	5:00
	JV	@ Abernathy	7:00
Oct. 1*	Varsity	Abernathy	7:30
Oct. 7	7-8th	@ Shallowater	5 & 6:30
	JV	Shallowater	7:00
Oct. 8*	Varsity	@ Shallowater	7:30
Oct. 14	7-8th	@ Idalou	5 & 6:30
	JV	Idalou	7:00
Oct. 15*	Varsity	@ Idalou	7:30
Oct. 21	7-8th	Tahoka	5 & 6:30
	JV	@ Tahoka	7:00
Oct. 22*	Varsity	Tahoka	7:30
Oct. 28	7-8th	@ Slaton	5 & 6:30
	JV	Slaton	7:00
Oct. 29*	Varsity	@ Slaton	7:30
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Those of you who have visited and called have done so much to lift our spirits. It is so easy to feel alone, especially during a life-threatening illness and long hospital stay. Thank you all who shared Ray's birthday by coming, calling or sending cards. It was a fantastic day for him. We appreciate your letters and prayers. After his fourth surgery Monday,

we are having good reports, and Ray may get to come home within a week if things continue to improve. Your prayers mean so much, and we ask that they continue. Your kindness to our children and other family members are also appreciated.

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Barbara Ann Crenshaw

ORDINANCE NO. 0-08-04
An ordinance amending Title 15, Chapter 152, Zoning, Section 152.46; yard limitations (B) rear yards, paragraph 7; to provide for a rear yard setback of five feet from the rear lot; providing for severability, providing for publication, and providing an

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PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF POST TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The City of Post will hold a public hearing at 6:30 p.m. on September 7, 2004, at Post City Hall in regard to the submission of applications to the Office of Rural Community Affairs for a Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TCDP funding available, all eligible TCDP activities, and the use of past TCDP funds. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of these TCDP applications and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to Wynonne Kennedy, City Secretary, at City Hall. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Notice of opportunity to make comments at a public meeting is hereby given by South Plains Community Action Association, Inc. 411 Austin Street, Levelland, Texas 79336 on the proposed application for federal funds to provide services to the elderly and persons with disabilities within Bailey, Cochran, Garza, Hockley, Lynn, Lamb, Terry, Yoakum counties and the rural areas of Lubbock county. Financial assistance is being sought from the Texas Department of Transportation under the Section 5310 grant program.

Existing public transportation providers may have subcontracting opportunities. Funds for additional vehicles to provide the service are not being requested in this grant application. The public hearing will be at 2:00 pm on September 15, 2004 at The Texas Dept. of Transportation, 135 Slaton Road, Lubbock, Texas. Written comments can be forwarded to SPCAA, Attn: SPARTAN, P.O. Box 610, Levelland, Texas 79336.

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Yesteryears

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10 Years Ago August 30, 1994

Hats off to Post EMS volunteers for 15 years of outstanding service to our community. Beginning in 1978, through the leadership and determination of a group of dedicated folks, guided by former Mayor Giles McCrary, the Post EMS Association was founded. Between January 1, 1994 and August 29, 1994 EMS volunteers have made 343 emergency runs. Volunteers are: Jane Redman, EMT; Karen Jones, EMT; Ron Jenkins, EMT-D; Debbie Jenkins, EMT-Paramedic; Wayne Thomas, EMT-Paramedic; John Redman, EMT-Paramedic; Jim Schooler, EMT; Becky Warren, EMT; Betty Posey, EMT and Ivan Line, EMT.

Bessie Howard, resident of Slaton Care Center, celebrated her 95th birthday Tuesday, August 23, 1994. She married Elmer L. Howard in Henrietta and moved to Post in 1917. Mr. Howard died in 1963. Mrs. Howard moved to Slaton Care Center in 1993.

Tim Burnett, senior music therapy major at West Texas A&M University, was recently awarded a Levi W. and Margaret T. Cole scholarship. Burnett is the son of Wes and Patsy Burnett of Post.

Garza County Sheriff's Department arrested two suspects Tuesday on possession of a controlled substance. Thirteen marijuana plants and over two and one half ounces of processed marijuana were seized in the drug bust.

Mary Ann Cooper, bride-elect of Derek Permenter, was honored with a bridal shower at the First United Methodist Church. The wedding will be September 24.

20 Years Ago September 7, 1984

Mrs. Ruby Williams was awarded a Certificate of Appreciation for 10 years of service as a volunteer in the American Cancer Society. She also received a plaque citing exemplary service for the year 1983 as memorial chairman for the Garza County chapter.

The 1984 Muscular Dystrophy pledge center in Post received pledges for \$1,853 which exceeded last year by \$200. Jake McDougle rounded up \$74 to lead the individual collections for last week-end's fund raising in Post.

Jaye Anne McVay of Post was among the Western Texas College vocational nursing students receiving caps in ceremonies held August 31.

A budget of \$3,987,135.57 for the 1984-85 school year was approved by the Post Independent School District board of trustees. The new budget included a tax rate increase from 50 cents per \$100 evaluation to 56 cents. Attending the meeting were board president Jack Kirkpatrick, and members Tom Middleton, Don Payne, Pru Basquez and John Boren.

30 Years Ago September 5, 1974

Miss Connie Flores, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Agapito Flores, and a sophomore education major at West Texas State University was presented a \$100 recruitment grant last week from Theta Eta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma, an international honor society for women teachers. Mrs. Florene King presented the check.

This nation's bicentennial celebration isn't until 1976, but a fire hy-

drant has already taken on a patriotic look at the Walter Didway home, 219 S. Ave. F. Mrs. Didway and her husband, who is personnel manager at Postex Plant, have painted the fire hydrant in the likeness of a soldier.

Miss Shirlee Manuel and Carl Joiner pledged wedding vows Friday, August 30 in the Great New Hope Baptist Church in Brownfield. Mrs. Joiner is a graduate of Post High School and attended South Plains College. She is the daughter of Mrs. Mable Manuel of Post.

The Post High School Antelopes Varsity team consists of Ray Martinez, Randy Josey, George Hester, Duke Bell, Mark Terry, Sammy Gutierrez, Randy Babb, Dennis McDonald, Mike Shepherd, Johnny McCowen, Jimmy Stanaford, Ken Curtis, Roger Taylor, Edward Price, Joe Moore, Chris Wyatt, Andy Williams, Danny Saldivar, Garland Dudley, Jimmy Dorland, Dale Odom, Jay Kennedy, Oscar Sanchez, Jim Graves, Bryan Davis, Mike Waldrip, Bob Craig, Tim Owen, Benny Greene, Jackie Blacklock, Grayling Johnson, and Tony Conner.

40 Years Ago September 3, 1964

Arnold Parrish, who moved his Parrish Grocery & Market downtown a little over a month ago, launches his three day Grand Opening today in one of the biggest - if not the biggest homeowned super market's in West Texas at 129 West Main.

Seven were recipients in Postex Mills' new service pin awards program. Lyda Odom, Della Ticer, Oman Ticer, Dessie Duren, all 20-year pins, and Thelma Clark, James C. Caylor and Tom Johnson will receive 30-year pins.

There will be four majorettes stepping along with Director Bruce Evans' Post Antelope band at the Floydada football game Friday night at Wester Field in Floydada. Majorettes to be the first game attraction are Pam Stewart, Marilyn Jones, Arleta Robinson and Pat Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Ammons are announcing the birth of a daughter, Rhonda Deann, born August 29 at Slaton Mercy Hospital.

Sp5 Donald E. Riley, Pfc. Howard K. Bullard and Pfc. Kenneth D. Martin, all of Post, were among the 90 officers and enlisted men of Company B, 980th Engineer Battalion, who attended summer camp at Fort Polk, La.

60 Years Ago August 31, 1944

Nosing out Lon Cross by 31 votes, Percy Printy won the sheriff-tax assessor, collectors race for Garza county when the second primary election was held last Saturday.

This week's soldier of the week is Sgt. Marvin Bennie Porter, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Porter. Bennie is a ground mechanic with a B-6 Marauder group in England. He has been overseas for six months and has been in the army for two years. After graduating from Post High school he attended New Mexico Military Institute in Roswell for two years.

Cleo Ferguson who was employed here for many years with the Collier Drug Co. left this week for Arizona where he has accepted a position with the Lowell Drug Co.

Student and town people alike will be interested in the announcement made this week by Supt. Bearden that Post High school will have a football team this year. He asks that

the boys interested meet him in the gymnasium Monday.

Labor Day train intercity bus travelers had better cancel plans unless their trips are directly connected with the war. "Only actual service with the armed forces or business directly connected with the prosecution of the war justifies taking up train or bus space at this time," announced Col. J. Monroe Johnson, director of the Office of Defense Transportation.

50 Years Ago September 2, 1954

Coaches Bing Bingham and Vernon Ray are preparing for their opening football game against the Roscoe Plowboys. Team members are Jack Morris, Ray Gary, James Gibson, Jackie Carpenter, Moody Graham, Dickey Beggs, Ted Tatum, Andy Schmidt, Darrel Norman, Bill Stephens, Leon Davis, Damon Ethridge, Billy Meeks, Homer Cato, Novis Pennell, V. A. Lobban, Jerry Key, Lee Sullenger, Don Gates, Don

Dale, Mack Terry, Noel White, Tommy Murray, Jerry McCampbell, Charles Kilpatrick, Ronnie Kennedy, Bowen Stephens and Junior Smith.

The famous Maddox Brothers and Rose, "America's Most Colorful Hill-billy Band," will appear as an added attraction with the big Grand Ole Opry show at the Panhandle South Plains Fair.

David Lee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chant Lee, has won the \$5 prize offered for naming Tom Williams' place, across the street from the Post High School. The place will be known as Tom's Lunch box, which was the name submitted by David. More than 100 names were suggested, Williams said.

Miss Patricia Lott and Miss Linda Lott will attend the opening exercises of the Hockaday School in Dallas. Patricia will begin her third year in the Dallas school as a member of the Third Form, the 11th grade. This will be Linda's first year. She will be a member of the First Form.

Prairie Winds Chorus annual show October 16 in Lubbock

The award-winning Prairie Winds Chorus, a chapter of Sweet Adelines International, will present its annual show Oct. 16 at 7:30 p.m. "Rockin' the Luv Boat" will take place in the Lubbock Civic Center auditorium and will feature the chorus and its quartets - Crystal Collections, Rendition, Astound Sound, Vocality and SoundTrax.

Special guests will include the Singing Plainsmen from Lubbock, the Sun Country Gentlemen from Midland and the Golden Spread from Amarillo, all members of the Barbershop Harmony Society.

The evening will provide family entertainment and a cappella harmony.

The Prairie Winds Chorus received first place in Division AA and second place overall in a regional competition in April. The event included choruses and quartets from a five-state area.

Prairie Winds is celebrating its 35th anniversary this year, and all former chorus members have been invited to attend the show and sing in the finale.

Tickets will cost \$12, \$8 for seniors and children and \$6 for groups of 10 or more. Tickets will be available at the door.

For more information, call 799-SING.

Family Grief Groups offer help at "end times"

Family Grief Groups, sponsored by Hospice of Lubbock, are being offered.

Three groups are being formed at different locations, including the Green Lawn Church of Christ, HealthPoint and the Mae Simmons Community Center.

The groups are designed to serve as educational support groups for individuals, families and friends in need of spiritual and emotional support due to the death of a significant person in their lives.

One of Hospice's largest outreaches to families is with children, according to the press release about the groups. Family groups are offered in hopes of bringing family members together in an effort to generate discussion and educate families on how they can support each other.

Some groups will be 12-week sessions and other six weeks in length.

The Mae Simmons African-

American Group will begin Sept. 20 and will run from 1-2:30 p.m. at the community center, located at 19th and MLK.

The Greenlawn child, teen and adult groups will begin meeting on Sept. 20. They will meet on Mondays from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Greenlawn Church of Christ.

HealthPoint/Seniors are Special will meet Thursday afternoons beginning Oct. 7. Meeting time will be from 1-2:30 p.m. at HealthPoint, 4004 82nd St. A limit of 12 has been set for this group.

For more information or to register, call Robert Fortney or Kristi Crader at Hospice of Lubbock at 795-2751; the Greenlawn Church of Christ office at 795-4466; or HealthPoint's Julie Domingas at 722-3180.

All groups offered through Hospice of Lubbock and its co-sponsors are open to the community and free of charge.



Kadie Vernon (center) was voted as the Garza County 4-H Sweetheart for 2004-05 during last Tuesday's 4-H Banquet at the Post Community Center. With Ms. Vernon are candidates Ashley Young (left) and Avnee Bhakta (right). (Staff photo by Tim Burnett).



Ruby Basinger Ellis recognized as earliest graduate at Southland Reunion

Ronnie Dunn, Master of Ceremonies (left), enjoyed the recent Southland Reunion with Ruby Basinger Ellis (right) who was recognized as the earliest graduate attending from the Class of 1931. This year's Southland Reunion showed an attendance of nearly 200 former students, residents and friends of Southland.

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ACROSS

- 1 in Menard Co., it's the longest in TX.
- 5 TXism: "active as a fox in ___ house"
- 6 TXism: "___ of"
- 7 TXism: "busier than ___-armed paper hanger"
- 8 TX Ginger film about KKK (51)
- 17 TX "Eagle" Henley
- 18 TXism: "___ early to rise"
- 21 TXism: "let '___ rip!"
- 22 it's touched to bid at a cattle auction
- 23 Hedy of film "Boom Town" about TX
- 24 non-TX climate
- 29 TX "Jinglebob John" Chisum would ___ the ears of his cattle
- 30 TXism: "___ cat" (skunk)
- 31 dir. to Houston from Dallas
- 32 TX Cyd Charisse debut film: "Something to ___"
- 34 bootmaker Lama who started in TX
- 35 alias abbr. in WWII
- 36 TXism: "plain as the ears ___"
- 37 gets brown at So. Padre Island
- 38 TXism: "pickin' are powerful ___"
- 39 '90s TX-based TV western

DOWN

- 1 currency exchange houses south of the border (3 wds.)
- 2 TXism: "don't give ___ a holler"
- 3 Wilbarger Co. seat
- 4 go in
- 9 Gov. Connally won "Legion of ___"
- 10 TX Tierney '43 film: "Heaven Can ___"
- 11 TXism: "costs an ___ and a leg"
- 12 in Dallas, ___ Thornton Freeway
- 13 stockings
- 14 Genoa, TX was named after a city in this country
- 15 town in AK or TX
- 16 this Adams discovered Glen Rose dinosaur tracks (init.)
- 19 this Dodger great Carl was signee of TX Nokona gloves
- 20 handsome
- 22 San Antonio gallery: "The ___ Art Space"
- 24 TXism: "guilty ___ sin"
- 25 Rock of "Giant" (init.)
- 26 Davy's ___ skin cap
- 27 TX Willie products
- 28 TXism: "call ___ (quit)"
- 29 boot underside
- 30 ping's pardner
- 33 TXism: "useless as a milk bucket under a ___"
- 34 TXism for "pond"
- 35 TXism: "exciting as ___ match in a firecracker stand"
- 37 TXism: "that ___ fancy"
- 38 steeple
- 40 neighborhood storm warning
- 41 luxury space at Texas Stadium
- 44 this TX Dennis plays Houston in '04 "The Alamo"
- 47 in Gray Co. on I-40 this TX halfback Matson is in pro hall of fame

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Menus

- Post ISD**
- September 6 - School holiday
 - September 7 - Breakfast-Bagle, sausage link, pears, milk
Lunch-Chicken strips, gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, jello, milk
 - September 8 - Breakfast - Bacon, eggs, toast, fruit, milk.
Lunch - Antelope wrap, salad, fruit cocktail, cookie, milk.
 - September 9 - Breakfast - Cinnamon toast, sausage, fruit, milk.
Lunch - Pizza, salad, corn, peaches, milk.
 - September 10 - Breakfast - Cereal, toast fruit, milk.
Lunch - Sandwich, chips, salad, pickles, orange, milk.
- Southland ISD**
- September 6 - School holiday
 - September 7 - Breakfast - Cheese toast, sausage, fruit, juice, milk.
Lunch - Lasagna, garlic bread, tossed salad, corn fruit cocktail, milk.
 - September 8 - Breakfast - Scrambled eggs, toast, sausage, fruit, juice, milk.
Lunch - Carne Guisada w/flour tortilla, refried beans, green salad, orange quarters, milk.
 - September 9 - Breakfast - Cereal, Graham Crackers, fruit, juice, milk.
Lunch - hot dog w/chili and cheese, oven fries, carrots, and celery sticks, fruit, milk.
 - September 10 - Breakfast - Biscuit w/ gravy, sausage, juice, milk.
Lunch - BBQ on a bun, no bake chips, pickle spears, corn coblette, pears, milk.
- TRAILBLAZERS**
- September 6 - Labor Day-Closed
 - September 7 - Tuna & Pasta casserole, black eyed peas, brussell sprouts, cornbread, apple cobbler
 - September 8 - Roast beef, mashed potatoes, mixed geggies, salad, biscuit, brownie
 - September 9 - Vegetable beef stew, pea salad, cornbread, peach cobbler
 - September 10 - Turkey & dressing w/ gravy, green beans, mac & cheese, wheat rolls, orange jello

4-H Achievement Banquet honors volunteers, 4-H members

"Summer Days" was the theme of the 2004 Achievement Banquet held August 24th, honoring members, supporters and leaders of Garza County 4-H. Individuals and organizations who participated in and supported various activities throughout the 2003-04 year were recognized.

County Council and 4-H members conducting the program were Council President-Dionn Heckaman, Secretary-Allison Blevins, Reporter-Kevin Strube, District Delegates-Kadie Vernon, Tony Apolinar and Wes Mason. Other 4-H'ers on the program included Jarrett Blevins, Skylar Jones, Allen Heckaman, John Bocko, Lisa Soto, Cheree Conner, Avnee Bhakta, Ashley Young, J. D. Young and Ben Mason.

Dionn Heckaman, daughter of Bobby and Nita Jo Heckaman, was presented the top county award, the "Gold Star." It is presented to a 4-H member who shows integrity, leadership and citizenship skills, and records her project work and activities in a Record Book. Dionn has been active in Citizenship, Leadership, Shooting Sports-Archery, Photography, Food and Nutrition, Clothing, Swine and Goat projects for the last eight years. She also has served as 4-H Sweetheart.

Breann Heckaman was awarded the Seed Sower award for showing a continued desire to promote and achieve in 4-H. She completed a Record Book in the Personal Development and Leadership category. Breann's book covered her activities in Leadership, Shooting Sports-Archery and Shotgun, Photography, Food and Nutrition, Clothing, Swine and Goat projects. Breann, a nine year 4-H member and graduating Senior, is the daughter of Bobby and Nita Jo Heckaman.

The "Best Junior Two Record Book" plaque was presented to Jarrett Blevins who completed his book in the Beef category recording his activities in Beef, Shooting Sports-Archery, Swine and Food and Nutrition projects. Jarrett, a four year 4-H member, is the son of Gary and Jaquita Blevins of Post.

"Best First Year Record Book" awards went to Garrett McCarty in the Junior I

division, and Danielle McCarty in the Junior II division. Garrett and Danielle, children of Dean and Debbie McCarty, completed their books in the Beef Category recording their work in Beef, Horse, Goat and Swine projects. Both have been in 4-H two years.

The "Friend of 4-H" award was presented to the Post Stampede Rodeo Association for their outstanding support of the 4-H program fund raiser and stock show sale. Ken Young accepted the award on behalf of the rodeo directors.

Randy Conner and Kim Reiter were chosen by the 4-H Council as "Outstanding Leaders for 2003-04". Conner, a 3rd. Year leader, spent endless hours organizing the Shooting Sports-Archery Club and helping with other county activities and fund-raisers. Conner has also previously served as the Southland Club Manager.

Reiter, a 1st. Year leader, organized the Horse and Hound Club, conducted several Showmanship Clinics, assisted in conducting the county Horse Show, and assisted with the Senior Food and Nutrition Project. She also organized and conducted a 5-week Dog Obedience Workshop for 4-Hers and county residents.

Kadie Vernon was selected by 4-H members to serve as 2004-05 4-H Sweetheart. Kadie is the daughter of Danny and Tanya Vernon, and has been in 4-H eight years. Other sweetheart candidates included Ashley Young and Avnee Bhakta.

Agents Julie Neitsch Dirks and Greg Jones presented appreciation gifts to 4-H Club and Project Managers for their hard work and dedication. Those receiving recognition were Nita Jo Heckaman of the Golden Clover 4-H Club; Jaquita Blevins of the Archery Club; Ray Mason and Mark Kirkpatrick of the Shotgun Club; Glenna Reiter of the Horse Project, and Kim Reiter of the Horse and Hound Club.

Also recognized were Teen Leaders Breann Heckaman-Shooting Sports and Leadership, Dionn Heckaman-Citizenship and Shooting Sports, Coby Jones-Beef, Kyle Kirkpatrick-Shooting Sports, Wes Mason-Shooting Sports, Colt Vernon-Horse, and

Kadie Vernon-Sheep.

4-H members who completed Project Forms or Record Books were awarded member year pins, Project Achievement Pins, and District Record Book Ribbons by Commissioner Lee Norman. Recipients were: Junior I - Garrett McCarty; 2nd. Year pin, Beef Achievement Pin, District Recognition Ribbon, Junior II - Danielle McCarty; 2nd. Year pin and Beef Achievement Pin.; Kevin Strube-4th. Year Pin, Shooting Sports Achievement Pin, District 3rd. Place Ribbon; Jarrett Blevins; 4th. Year Pin, Shooting Sports Achievement Pin, District Recognition Ribbon. Seniors - Dionn Heckaman; 8th. Year Pin, Shooting Sports Achievement Pin, District 2nd. Place Ribbon; Breann Heckaman, 9th. Year Completion Pin, Swine Achievement Pin, District 1st. Place Ribbon. Breann's book advanced to state competition where it placed third.

Incoming officers of the 2004-05 County 4-H Council were installed including: Dionn Heckaman-President; Kadie Vernon-Vice-President; Kevin Strube-Secretary; Ashley Young-Reporter; Dionn Heckaman and Avnee Bhakta as District Delegates, and Tony Apolinar-Alternate District Delegate.

Garza County 4-H members, leaders and Extension staff wish to thank everyone for their support during the year. Thanks goes to Lyntegar Electric Cooperative, Inc., The Post Dispatch, Garza County Commissioners' Court, Garza County 4-H Booster Club, Post-1SD and Southland ISD, United Supermarket, Inc., Jerry's Barbeque and Rocker A Well Service for providing support or items for the banquet.

A very special thanks goes to Jeff and Karen Greene for providing and working so hard on the beautiful decorations. We want to thank everyone who brought food, helped set up and decorate and to those of you who stayed to help clean up. It was very much appreciated.

Below is a list of those recognized at the banquet. If your name is listed and you were not able to attend, please come by the Extension office to pick up your awards.

Clover Kid Recognition:

Goat Show: Gabriella Abraham, Mallory Arguello, Rhaden Bland, Brea Daniell, Brielee Daniell, Hayden Farquhar, Aaron Garza, Landon Greer, Sara Greer, Pake Jones, Haley Krauser, Shawn Ledbetter, Lauren Lynch, Morgan Lynch, Russ Morris, Calli Odom, Taylor Osborn, Coby Pennell, Blace Stevens. Caleb Willis Horse Show: Landon Greer, Sara Greer, Pake Jones, Taylor Osborn and Coby Pennell. Food & Nutrition: Katie Dunn, Mattie Smith

4-H Member Recognition:

Henry Apolinar - Swine & Goat Projects, County & San Antonio Stock Shows; Tony Apolinar - Food/Nutrition, Swine & Photography projects, county & San Antonio stock shows; Raegan Belongia - Food/Nutrition & Sheep projects, County Food Show & Stock Shows, District Leadership Lab; Reece Belongia - Sheep Project, County Stock Show; Ryan Belongia - Sheep Project, County Stock Show; Bradley Benham - Goat Project, County Stock Show; Quentin Benham - Goat Project, County Stock Show; Travis Bergin - Swine Project, County Stock Show; Avnee Bhakta - Food/Nutrition, Photography Projects, Senior county photography show, Blue Ribbon state photography contest; Allison Blevins - Swine, Beef, Photography projects, County, South Plains Fair, West Texas Fair, Ft Worth, San Antonio, & Houston stock shows, Senior county photography show; Jarrett Blevins - Swine, Beef, Shooting

Sports-Archery Projects, District Archery Contest, County, South Plains Fair, West Texas Fair, Ft Worth, San Antonio & Houston stock shows; John Bocko - Food/Nutrition, Goat Projects, County & District Food Shows, county stock show; Julie Boren - Swine & Horse Projects, County Stock Show; Justin Boren - Swine & Horse Projects, County Stock Show; Flynn Chapman - Shooting Sports-Archery Project, District Archery Contest; Garrett Chapman - Shooting Sports-Archery Project, District Archery Contest; Clint Chapman - Shooting Sports-Archery Project, District Archery Contest; Teraka Cowley - Swine & Beef Projects, County, South Plains Fair, West Texas Fair, Ft Worth & San Antonio stock shows; Kaleb Crutcher - Shooting Sports-Shotgun Project, District Trap & Skeeet Shoot, State Trap & Skeeet Shoot; Kerry Dunn - Food & Nutrition Project; Austin Fields - Shooting Sports-Archery Project, District Contest; Tyler Furlow - Shooting Sports-Shotgun Project, District Trap Shoot; Brent Furlow - Shooting Sports-Shotgun Project, District Trap Shoot; Corlee Greene - Swine Project, County, South Plains Fair, & Houston stock shows; Chelci Hair - Swine Project, County, South Plains Fair, & San Antonio stock shows; Miranda Hair - Swine Project, County, South Plains Fair & San Antonio stock shows; Steven Hair - Swine & Beef Projects, County, South Plains Fair, West Texas Fair, San Antonio & Houston stock shows; Allen Heckaman - Shooting Sports-Shotgun Project, State Trap Shoot; Dionn Heckaman - Food & Nutrition, Citizenship, Shooting Sports-Archery, District Archery Contest; Goat & Swine projects, county stock show, Photography Project, Senior county photography show, Blue ribbon state photography contest, District Leadership Lab Counselor; Charlsi Henrich - Horse Project, County Horse Show; D'Nae Johnson - Goat & Sheep projects, county, South Plains Fair, & Houston stock shows; Skylar Jones - Clothing, Food & Nutrition Project, District Leadership Lab, Beef & Swine projects, county, South Plains Fair, West Texas Fair, Ft Worth, San Antonio, San Angelo, & Houston stock shows; Sydnee Jones - Swine project, county & San Antonio stock shows; Kyle Kirkpatrick - Shooting Sports-Shotgun Project; Christopher Loyd - Shooting Sports-Archery Project, District Archery Contest, District Leadership Lab & state Prime Time Camp; Kelli Martin - Food & Nutrition & Clothing Project, District Fashion Follies; Ben Mason - Swine & Goat projects, county & San Antonio stock shows, Shooting Sports- Shotgun Project, District Trap Shoot; Chloe Mason - Goat Project, county & San Angelo stock shows; McKenzie Mason - Goat Project, county stock show; Wes Mason - Shooting Sports-Shotgun Project, District Trap Shoot, San Antonio Stock Show; Danielle McCarty - Beef, Goat & Horse Projects, County Horse Show, county stock show, state Longhorn shows; Garrett McCarty - Beef, Goat & Horse Projects, County Horse Show, county stock show, state Longhorn shows; Clint McDaniel - Sheep & Horse Projects, County Horse & stock shows; Haylee McDaniel - Sheep & Horse Projects, County Horse & stock shows; Trent McDonald - Shooting Sports-Shotgun Project, District Trap Shoot; Dakota McDonald - Shooting Sports-Shotgun Project, District Trap Shoot; Jaymee Melius - Food & Nutrition Project, County & District Food Shows, Goat & Horse Projects, County Horse & stock show, Dog Project & Obedience Clinic; Alex Miller - Goat & Beef

project, county, South Plains Fair, Ft. Worth, San Antonio, & Houston stock shows; Chad Miller - Shooting Sports-Archery Project, District Archery Contest, Beef project, county, South Plains Fair, Ft Worth, San Antonio, & Houston stock shows; Jesse Moehringer - Goat project, county stock show, Dog Project & Obedience Clinic, Shooting Sports-Archery Project; Traci Nelson - Beef Project, county stock show; Taylor Osborn - Dog Project & Obedience Clinic; Kelsey Overton - Swine Project, county stock show; Heath Palmer - Swine Project, county stock show; Shooting Sports-Shotgun Project; Michael Porter - Swine Project, county stock show; Brenna Postell - Beef Project, county, South Plains Fair & Ft. Worth stock shows; Crystal Price - Photography Project; Pat Reiter - Horse Project, County Horse Show, Goat Project, county, South Plains Fair & San Angelo stock shows; Kevin Strube - Swine & Horse Projects, County Horse & stock shows, San Angelo & Houston stock shows, Photography Project, District Junior Photography Contest, Archery Project, District Archery Contest, District Leadership Lab & state Prime Time Camp; Cass Tatum - Shooting Sports-Shotgun Project, District Trap Shoot; Shyan Todd - Swine Project, county stock show, Photography Project, Kadie Vernon - Food & Nutrition & Photography Projects, Sheep & Horse Projects, County Horse & livestock shows; Tim Wilson - Shooting Sports-Shotgun Project; Ashley Young - Food & Nutrition Project, Photography Project, County Senior Photography Show, Swine & Beef projects, county, South Plains Fair, West Texas Fair, Ft Worth, & Houston stock shows; Ja D. Young - Swine & Beef projects, county, South Plains Fair, West Texas Fair, Ft Worth, Houston, & San Angelo stock shows, District Leadership Lab & state Prime Time Camp.

Senior Graduates:

Breann Heckaman - Food & Nutrition, Leadership, Goat & Swine Projects, county stock show, Shooting Sports-Shotgun Project, State Trap Shoot; Shooting Sports-Archery Project, District Archery Contest, Photography Project, Senior county photography show, 3 blue and 2 red ribbons at state photography contest, District Leadership Lab Counselor; Coby Jones - Beef Project, county, South Plains Fair, West Texas Fair, Ft. Worth, San Antonio, San Angelo & Houston stock shows; Colt Vernon - Horse Project, County Horse Show,

Food & Nutrition Project, Photography Project

Booster Club Officers:
President - Bobby Heckaman, Vice-President - Randy Conner, Secretary-Treasurer - Jaquita Blevins, District Delegates - Lana Conner and Rachel Dunn, Alternate Delegate - Nita Jo Heckaman.

Adult Leaders:

1st. Year: Debbie McCarty-Record Books; Renee Melius-Food & Nutrition; Kim Reiter-Senior Food & Nutrition, Horse, Dog, 2nd. Year: Kurt Chapman-Shooting Sports-Archery, Fred Postell-Beef; Ken Young-Beef, 3rd. Year: Benny Arguello-Swine; Lana Conner-Shooting Sports-Archery; Randy Conner-Shooting Sports-Archery; Karen Greene-Horse, Swine; Brian Strube-Swine, Horse, Shooting Sports-Archery; 4th. Year: Lisa Kirkpatrick-Shooting Sports; Chris Reiter-Goats, 5th. Year: Syd Conner-Beef; Daryl Crutcher-Shooting Sports-Shotgun; Lance Dunn-Swine; David Farquhar-Swine; Jeff Greene-Swine; Tim Gaydos-Swine; Celia Mason-Shooting Sports-Shotgun; Guinn Miller-Beef; Danny Vernon-Horse, 6th. Year: Gary Blevins-Swine, Beef; Jaquita Blevins-Club Manager, Senior Food & Nutrition, Photography, Record Books; Nita Jo Heckaman-Club Manager, Food & Nutrition, Shooting Sports; Perry Smith-Sheep & Goats, 7th. Year: Bobby Heckaman-Shooting Sports, Swine, & Goats; Ray Mason-Shooting Sports-Shotgun, Swine, Goats; Danny Nelson-Beef, 8th. Year: Mark Kirkpatrick-Shooting Sports-Shotgun; Brent Mason-Goats; 9th. Year: Larry McDougal-Beef; Monk Palmer-Shooting Sports-Shotgun, 10th. Year: Junior Stelzer-Beef, Sheep & Goats, 11th. Year: Brad Mason-Sheep & Goats; Milton Williams-Beef, Sheep & Goats, 16th. Year: Glenna Reiter-Horse & Goats, 27th. Year: Diane Graves-Photography & Record Books.

2003-04 EPC 4-H & Youth Committee Members:

4-H Parents: Bobby Heckaman, Michelle Wischkaemper. 4-H Members: Dionn Heckaman, Tony Apolinar, Chastity Soto, Kadie Vernon. Community Leaders: Charlotte Saldivar, Rodney Tidwell, Brian Brownlow, Joe Gregory.

Again, if your name has been mentioned in this article, and you were not able to attend the banquet, please come by the Extension office at 215 West Main to pick up your awards. Thanks!

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Registration \$30 (ends September 10)
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Registration fee includes T-Shirt, Pasta Supper, and Awards (Pasta Supper 5-7pm Friday, Sept. 24, WTC cafeteria)
Contact: WTC Visitor's Center 325-573-8511 ext 245 www.wtc.edu



Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The GARZA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 6.812 percent. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The public hearing will be held on SEPTEMBER 13, 2004 at CONFERENCE ROOM, 228 E MAIN, FOR the proposal: ALL POST TEXAS
AGAINST the proposal: NONE
PRESENT and not voting: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	Last Year	This Year
Average residence homestead value	\$ 21,532.00	\$ 25,273.00
General exemptions available (amount available on the average homestead, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	\$ 0	\$ 0
Average taxable value	\$ 21,532.00	\$ 25,273.00
Tax rate	.50000	.49500
Tax	\$ 107.66	\$ 125.10

Under this proposal, taxes on the average homestead would INCREASE by \$ 17.44 or 16.199 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would DECREASE by \$.005 per \$100 of taxable value or 1.00 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

Criminal Justice Mandate (for counties):
The GARZA County Auditor certifies that GARZA County has spent \$ 0 in the previous 12 months beginning OCTOBER 1, 2003 for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. GARZA County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

Enhanced Indigent Health Care Expenditures (use if applicable):
The _____ spent \$ _____ from _____ to _____ on enhanced indigent health care at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures is _____.



Gold Star winner Dionn Heckaman shared her excitement with Garza County Commissioner Lee Norma during last Tuesday's annual 4-H Banquet in the Post Community Center. (Staff photo by Tim Burnett).



Randy Conner (left) and Kim Reiter (center) were named Outstanding Leaders and Ken Young (right) represented the Post Stampede Rodeo Association as Friend of 4-H, during last Tuesday's 4-H Banquet in the Post Community Center. (Staff photo by Tim Burnett).



Aaron Cooper at the National Junior Hereford Association Expo
Aaron Cooper of Post (third from left), made Reserve Senior Showman at the 2004 Junior national Hereford Expo. The Expo was held July 24-31 at Tunica, Mississippi. According to the official NJHA website, next years Expo will be held July 9-16 at the Wisconsin State Fair Park, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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