Community Christmas Sing

The First United Methodist Church will host the annual Community Christmas Sing on Wednesday, December 8 at 7 p.m. Groups or individuals wishing to perform 1-2 selections, please contact either Patty Kirkpatrick at 495-2668 or Pixie Grisham at 495-2942 no later than Monday, December 6.

Caprock Music Parties Set

The Caprock Cultural Association will host a music party at the Post Community Center. Performance slated for December 4 include the Batten Family, Talk of the Town, Lonnie Joe Howell and his harmonica and Audrey Pounds Hunt. This event will run from 7-10 p.m. Admission will be free of charge; donations will be accepted.

Aguilar Fund Set at Wells Fargo

A fund has been established at Wells Fargo Bank in the name of Christina Aguilar, the 15-year-old daughter of Lupe and Cindy Aguilar who received a new liver November 9 at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston. After struggling many years with a failing liver, Christina now has a chance at a long and healthy life; however, the family must remain in Houston for approximately two months. Although most of Christina's medical expenses are covered, the family needs assistance with lodging, meals, fuel, utilities and other needs since Lupe Aguilar is unable to work at this time. All donations will be appreciated. Anyone interested in sending cards or greetings may send them in care of Texas Children's Hospital, c/o Ana Christina Aguilar, PICU Bed #23, 6621 Fannin St., Houston, TX 77030: E-mails may be sent to greetings@texaschildrenshospital.org.

Post High School Dinner Theatre

Post High School will feature various One Act Plays, on December 6 & 13 at 7 p.m. in the Post Community Center. Tickets for the dinner and show are \$10. You must RSVP and purchase a ticket for a specific night. For more information and to buy tickets call the Post High School office at 495-2770.

Account Set for Cowley Family

A special account has been established at Citizens Bank to help assist the Cowley family. Rani received 2nd and 3rd degree burns last Wednesday and is in ICU at University Medical Center. These funds will help assist the family with medical bills.

Theatre Presents "A Christmas Story"

Garza Theatre proudly presents "A Christmas Story" directed by Laura Bryan. Seven performances only beginning December 3-5, 10-11, & 17-18. Call for reservations at 495-4005. Box office hours are Monday-Friday from 12:30-5:00 p.m.

Girl Scouts plan Brownie Bonanza

All new troops and first-time campers are invited to participate in a weekend of outdoor exploration and adventure at Brownie Bonanza Dec. 10-11 at Camp Rio Blanco. Participants will have a chance to learn outdoor skills such as hiking, how to tie special knots and how to build an edible fire. Cost will be \$15 per girl, \$10 per adult, and registration deadline is Nov. 23. Any adult registered with troops attending is eligible to attend Brownie Age Level training during this event for an additional \$5. For more information, contact Summer Littlejohn at 806-

2005 EQIP Program Development Group Meeting

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service invites the public to participate in the Program Development Group meeting to be held at the Post Community Center in Post, Texas. This meeting will be on Wednesday, December 8 at 8:00 a.m. The purpose of this meeting is to make recommendations for the 2005 EQIP Program, such as eligible practices, cost share rates, and ranking.

Highway traffic collections help to enrich County and State by \$28,282.75 in October

by Tim Burnett

Garza County Justice of the Peace Courts collected \$28,282.75 during the month of October largely from highway travel and traffic fines issued, according to official reports. The fund raising program, operated by Garzy County in coordination with the State of Texas, took advantage of travelers who were accused of violating State dessert. The PHS Jazz Band will provide dinner music. Transportation Codes.

Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 collected \$9024.50 which included 142 misdemeanor cases, while JP Court Precinct 2 reported \$28282.75 involving 120 misdemeanor cases.

State and county code enforcement officers are "just doing their jobs" by enforcing the traffic code, but what was sold to the public in the 1920s for "safe" roads, is now a huge money making scheme for corporate governments.

The State of Texas gradually shifted the public perception of the Code's underlying scope so that all travelers appear required to register their automobiles with the State of Texas. A study into the underlying scope of the Texas Transportation Code has revealed exactly who is required to register their automobiles with the State.

The exact scope of the Texas Transportation Code was discovered by allowing it to narrowly interpret itself according to its strict construction. The scope of the Transportation Code is "Transportation."

The term "Transportation" is not defined in the Texas Code. According to the United States Transportation Code and Black's Law Dictionary, the term "Transportation" is defined as transportation by a carrier for hire.

Use of the roads and highways for the purpose of "transportation for hire by carriers" was what fell under the scope of the Code. Even to this day, the Code protects the traveling public by regulating vehicles using the roads for the purpose of "Transportation."

The registration requirement falls within the limited scope of the Transportation Code. The only automobiles that are required by law to be registered with the State are those that use the roads for the purpose of transporting for hire: for example, busses, cabs, freight

The simple question remains: will the county courts throw out all cases where peace officers attempt to enforce the Transportation Code upon automobiles that do not fall within the limited scope of the Code, and are not voluntarily registered with the State?

Vote recount conducted for District Attorney race

Results from a recount of votes in the 106th Judicial District attorney's Nov. 2 election will be published in next week's Post Dispatch.

The recount, called for by candidate Brian L. Kingston, was scheduled for Tuesday morning, according to county/district clerk Jerry Hays. Results were expected Tuesday afternoon, too late for the Dispatch's pre-Thanksgiving press time.

Kingston, who challenged incumbent Ricky B. Smith in the election, went through the Secretary of State's office to request the recount. According to reports, fewer than 50 votes separated the two candidates when the ballots of all four counties were tabulated. The 106th Judicial District is comprised of Garza, Lynn, Dawson and

Locally, Smith received 932 votes and Kingston had 751 ballots cast in his

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GHD directors look at building new clinic

The Garza County Hospital District board of directors is considering the construction of a new clinic facility as part of a package deal designed to help lure a new physician to the community.

PNS representative Paul Acreman, who indicated that the physician who recently visited is "leaning toward Post," but has visited a couple of other locations.

As part of his monthly report, Acreman said that after talking with be worded the physician, he has several ideas that might help make the Post opportunity more favorable. Those ideas include:

candidate's completion of his residency in about eight months. Acreman said this is not an unusual practice and this offer has been made by at arrangement whereby Furlow would handle the district's legal matters least one of the other two locations the candidate is eyeing.

 Offering a signing bonus. Although PNS has not made this a practice in the past, Acreman said it might be a possibility. He suggested that since the board has already authorized a relocation package - reimbursement of up to \$10,000 - that it might consider offering the difference between the moving expenses and the \$10,000 \$41,500 in the previous month. Patient collections were at \$26,881 as the signing bonus incentive.

• Enabling the new physician to seek forgiveness of at least a portion month), with a deficit of \$8,800 (\$9,500 in September). of his student loans through a program such as the National Health Service Corp. Such a move is a two-step process that first requires site approval. PNS has already filed the application for site approval.

maintained facility" for the clinic. Acreman said the candidate has McDougal's unexpired term. asked that at the end of some specified period of time – perhaps at the • Paid the monthly bills. end of the initial agreement period or when a self-sustaining practice has been achieved - that the board commit to working with an architect to begin planning for a new clinic building.

"You can assure him that Garza County wants the same thing," said board member Fred Howell. "We would love to have a really nice, modern, new facility."

dinner theatre

Post High School will offer a dinner theatre as part of this year's

holiday fare. Performances are set for 7 p.m. Dec. 6 and Dec. 13 at the

The program's first segment will include scenes from "Greater

Tuna, ""Little Women," "Our Crazy, Mixed-Up Language" and "The

Sympathetic Psychiatrist," as well as the songs "Because I'm Blonde'

and "Boogie-Woogie Bugle Boy of Company B." The second segment

The production will be served up in conjunction with a meal

Performers include Courtney Copeland, Ericka Cravy, Colter Creech,

Kenny Garay, Brant Guthrie, Brandon Hernandez, Kyle Kirkpatrick,

Claire Kirkpatrick, Jeneé Lott, Emily Marcum, Bailey Odom, Hayley

Massey, Jonathan McGregor, Kelsey Sanderson, Jared Smith,

Sterling Smith, Laurel Tatum, Jerin Tyler, Josie Whisenhunt and

Jace Pollard. Crew members are Natasha Cotter and Sierra Ortiz.

Tickets for the dinner and show are \$10 each. Contact the students

or the PHS office at 495-2770 to purchase tickets (must RSVP and

comprised of an Italian main course, green beans, salad, rolls and

PHS offers

will focus on the one-act play, "Antic Spring."

Sterline Marcum serves as director.

purchase a ticket for a specific night).

Community Center.

"Yes, we would," said board president Ray Bagby.

The board suggested the initial contractual term should be two years, unless the candidate balks and sees such a short-term offer as During their Nov. 18 meeting, hospital district officials met with too short a commitment. Acreman said he would talk to the physician candidate to determine his thoughts on such an offer.

> Bagby said he would contact the hospital district's attorney about how the offer regarding the construction of a new clinic facility should

In other business, board members:

• Opted against adopting a resolution to accept a retainer agreement • Offering a stipend — \$1,000 to \$2,000 per month - until the with the law offices of Philip Mack Furlow. Instead, the board members agreed they would likely save money by working out an "as they arise."

• Received the PNS clinic report for the month ending Oct. 31. Atotal of 583 visits were recorded, compared to 559 in the previous month. Procedures numbered 931, compared to 849 during the month of September. Charges generated totaled \$47,520, compared to about (\$23,900), expenses were at \$35,686 (up \$2,200 from the previous

· Agreed to leave it up to the board president to determine the board's nomination for representative to the Garza Central Tax Appraisal District board of directors. A nominee is needed to complete • Providing a "more modern, more easily accessible and more easily Southland Independent School District representative Larry

· Agreed to dispose of antiquated surplus property.

· Received the indigent care report. The program ended the month with 13, compared to 15 at the end of the previous month. Eight clients were screened. Expenses totaled \$654.08.

The board's next regular meeting is set for 6:30 p.m. Dec. 16 in the Citizens Bank Community Room.

Child suffers from burns Three-year-old Rani Cowley, who sustained second- and third-degree

burns over 27 percent of her body in an accident earlier this month, remains in Lubbock's University Medical Center Stepdown Burn Unit. The child is undergoing treatments to her back and legs that were burned in an accident involving a wood-burning fireplace, according to her aunt, Camille Blevins.

Rani is the daughter of Tabatha and Joey Cowley.

A pair of funds to assist the Cowley family with medical expenses have been established. CitizensBank is accepting contributions in Rani Cowley's name and the Rani Cowley Medical Account has been set up at the West Texas Federal Credit Union in Lubbock.

'A Christmas Story' opens **December 3 at Garza Theatre**

The Garza Theatre is gearing up for its presentation of "A Christmas Story" Dec. 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 17 and 18.

Directed by Laura Bryan, the play is based on the movie by the same name and "In God We Trust, All Others Pay Cash." Cast members include Stan Tucker, Michael Porter, Laura Bryan, Lori Holt, Ryan Opton, Bill Woodward, Nolan Bryan, Grayson Young, Taylor Garland, Tanner Britton and Bethany

Performances are set at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. The Sunday matinee show is set for 2:30 p.m.

Tickets, available at the Garza Theatre box office, cost \$9 for adults and

\$6 for children ages 6-12. For more information, contact the theatre at 495-4005.



Foggy weather blankets Post

Heavy fog covered Post and the surrounding counties last weekend, slowing down careful travelers to a crawl. Travelers and local citizens may have caught a glimpse of this hazy silhouette of the C.W. Post statue bathed in lighted fog (Photo by Tim Burnett)

Post High School Dinner Theatre

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"Remember When We Cooked?" signing Dec. 4

Kay Davis, one of the authors of "Remember When We Cooked?," will "One goal we had in creating this cookbook was to encourage and assist Dec. 4.

Davis and six friends, all home economists for Southwestern Public families on the go," said Melinda Paxton. Service, have created a cookbook of personal favorite recipes collected Three of the authors reside in Lubbock. Davis is a Lubbock County

find food to be the center of most social and family get-togethers," said Lubbock.

other and has been a creative outlet for our natural interests and resident of Hobbs, N.M. training," said Christie Pare.

autograph cookbooks at the Main Street Mercantile from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. families in spending more time together in meal preparation. We have included some wonderful recipes that are quick and easy to prepare for

from years of presenting cooking schools. These women developed Extension Agent who holds a master's degree in nutrition form Texas professional and personal friendships that have lasted years after the Tech. She also is a licensed dietitian. Pare holds two degrees in home company for whom they once worked eliminated their home economist economics education from Tech and teaches food safety for Lubbockbased United Supermarkets. Paxton earned her degree in home economics "Even with the fast-paced lifestyles many families have today, we still from Tech and she and her husband own and operate Merry Maids in

Other members of the group are Deane Bim and Jan Stevens Davis of "This cookbook project has helped us stay in close contact with each Amarillo, Connie Moyers of Clovis, N.M., and Gail Simmons, a former

Girl Scouts of Caprock offer special December events

the month of December.

from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dec. 4. Girls will have a chance to experience different adult. Registration deadline is Nov. 23. Christmas cultures from throughout the world by singing songs, making Jeweler, an event for Junior Girl Scouts, will be held Dec. 4 from 10 a.m. to drink and patch. Registration deadline is Nov. 18.

holiday celebration Dec. 16 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Participants should museum time. Registration deadline is Nov. 18. bring their mother or favorite adult female and be prepared to "visit" several Junior Girl Scouts are invited to the Science Spectrum Camp-In from 6:30 \$3 per additional Girl Scout. Registration deadline is Dec. 2.

The Girl Scouts of Caprock are offering several events and activities during event will be held from 7 p.m. Dec. 10 until 3 p.m. Dec. 11. Girls will learn how to tie different knots, build edible fires, hike and be creative with bandanas Daisy Girl Scouts are invited to participate in Christmas Around the World Cost is \$15 per girl, including program supplies and two meals, and \$10 per

crafts and playing games. Cost is \$3 per person, which includes supplies, 12 p.m. or from 2-4 p.m. at the Science Spectrum. Participants will have a chance to discover jewelry-making techniques and get creative with beads Brownie Girl Scouts and their mothers can participate in an international Cost is \$10 per girl, including badge, or \$13 per girl for workshop and

different countries to experience their traditions. Cost is \$8 per couple, plus p.m. Dec. 3 until 9 a.m. Dec. 4. During the evening, campers will enjoy hourly rotations of science demonstrations, hands-on workshops, free time in the New troops and first-time campers are invited to Camp Rio Blanco for a museum and an Omni movie. Cost will be \$22 per girl, including patch night of outdoor exploration and adventure during Brownie Bonanza. The Camp-in T-shirts will be available for \$8 if pre-ordered or \$10 at the event Registration deadline is Nov. 19.

Non-Girl Scouts are also eligible to register (except for Brownie Bonanza and Christmas Around the World). There is a one-time registration fee of \$1(in addition to the cost of the event. Financial assistance is available upor request. For more information, contact the Caprock Council office at 806 745-2855 or 806-296-7295 in Plainview.

Kaitlyn Gossett is proud to announce the birth of a brother, Cynthia Thurman helps Hunter Charles Gossett, at 9:54 a.m. The infant weighed 7 pounds, 2 cancer fundraising ounces, and was 20 inches long at

The creative offering of a former Post resident was part of a recent

fundraising effort for the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. Cynthia Thurman, a 1971 graduate of Post High School and daughter of Carter and Sybil White, began quilting about a year ago. Earlier this year. while browsing an issue of American Patchwork & Quilting magazine, she Gentry of Slaton; Charles Kenneth spotted an advertisement for the Quilt for a Cure Challenge. The challenge. Bellamy of New Ulm and the late to create a pink-and-white guilt block to be used in a guilt to be auctioned

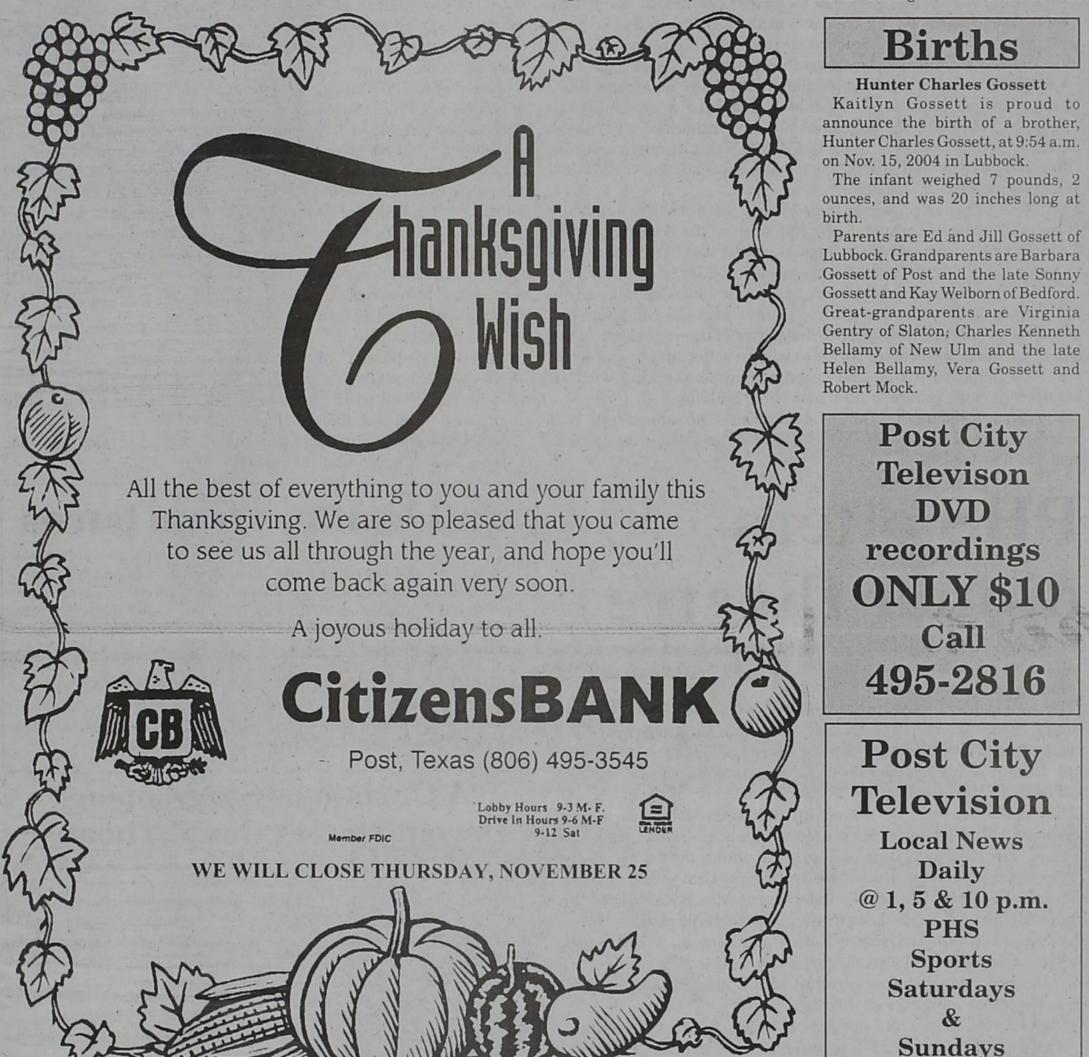
Helen Bellamy, Vera Gossett and off in October to benefit the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation Thurman told the Plainview Daily Herald that the ad made her think about her mother-in-law, Charlotte Thurman, who is a breast cancer

> "I wanted to make a quilt block to honor her," she told the Plainview reporter. "Charlotte does so many nice things for everyone around her. I thought this would be an opportunity to do something nice for her, and I liked the idea of helping raise funds for breast cancer research."

> Thurman fashioned a machine-pieced design that embraced her motherin-law's passion for horses and western items. The block's primary image

> The challenge drew more than 24,000 quilt block entries, but Thurman's was one of the handful to be included in the guilt auctioned off Nov. 4 on

> Thurman created a duplicate of the quilt block that now serves as a wall hanging in her mother-in-law's home.



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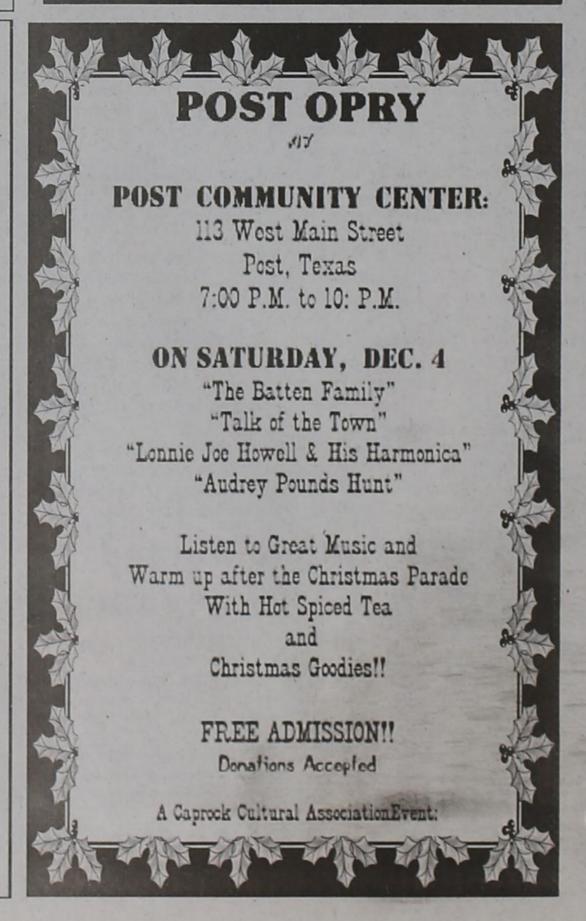
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Recent Post Pee Wee Football in Snyder

The Post Pee Wee Football team took on the Snyder Dolphins during recent football action in Snyder. Austin Fields (24) carried the ball for more yardage with the help of teammates (left to right), Jake Wischkaemper (82), Michael Guerra (55), Earnest Saldivar (33), Chess Postel (10) and Aaron Macy (12). (Photo by Kelly Macy)

2005 EQIP Program **Development Group Meeting**

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service invites the public and any agencies with interest to participate in Program Development Group meeting to be held at the Post Community Center in Post; Texas. This meeting will be on Wednesday, December 8 at 8:00 a.m. The purpose of this meeting is to request participation and invite comments from a broad range of local agencies, organizations, businesses, and individuals that have an interest in natural resource conditions and needs.

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The discussion in the Program Development Group will help the Local Work Group, led by the Garza County Soil and Water Conservation District, to address county based funding for the FY2005 Environmental Quality Incentives Programs (EQIP). The LWG will make recommendations on resource concerns to be addressed, eligible practices, cost share rates, and ranking for county based funding.

One of the guiding principles of the 2002 USDA Farm Bill is that conservation programs are locally lead. Through stake holder meetings the public is given an opportunity to help local conservation leaders set program priorities. These meetings are open to the public.

The Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) was established in the 1996 Farm Bill to provide a single, voluntary conservation program for farmers and ranchers to address significant natural resource awards cost share assistance to concerns. Nationally, it provides technical and financial assistance to address natural resource concerns. Administered by the Natural Resources USDA Service Center office in Post Conservation Service (NRCS), EQIP was reauthorized in the

HYPERLINK www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/ farmbill/2002/" 2002 Farm Bill and

projects which provide significant environmental benefit.

For more information, call the at (806) 495-2056 x 3. Service center locations and program information can be found on the Texas NRCS website at www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov.

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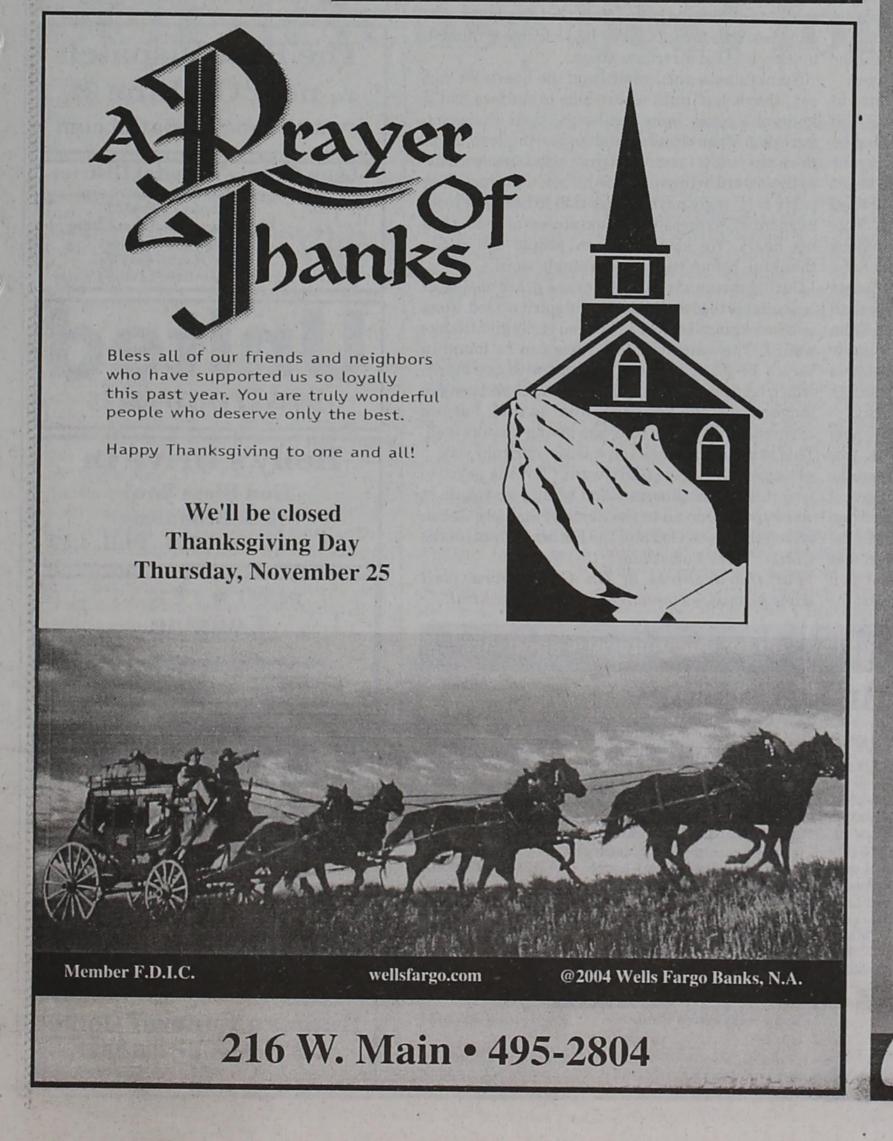
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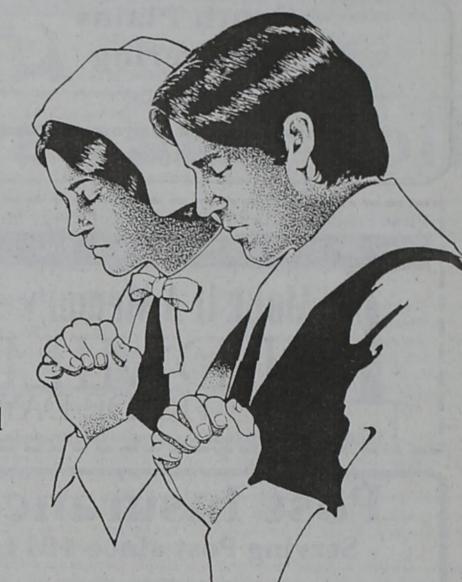
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bituaries

Thelma Mitchell

Services for Thelma Mitchell, 82, of Post were held at 3 p.m. Nov. 18, 2004, at the Calvary Baptist Church with the Rev. Kevin Blackburn officiating. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of the Hudman Funeral Home.

She died Nov. 17 at Covenant Medical Center.

Born Sept. 15, 1922, in Emblem, she married B.A. Mitchell on Dec. 12, 1942, in Unity. He died April 11, 1997. She was retired from the Postex Cotton Mill.

Survivors include two sons, Billy Mitchell of Spring and Herbert Glen Mitchell of Post; two brothers, Wesley Redman of Amarillo and A.E. Redman of Post; six sisters, Claudia Odom of Post, Velma Lou Vaughn of Fort Worth, Martha Treadwell of Fort Worth, Moselle Smith of Tahoka, Melba Roberts of Idalou and Edna McCowan of Austin; 12 grandchildren; and 24 greatgrandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Kenneth Mitchell, on March 9, 1957, and by one daughter, Elaine Sherrill, on Jan. 3, 2003.

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What's a holiday?

I received an e-mail, and I think that it deserves to be printed in the newspaper for all to see. It is so true what the following message says.

- Dea Lightfoot, Post The law is the law

So, if the United States government determines that it is against the law for the words "under God" to be on our money, then so be it.

And if that same government decides that the Ten Commandments are not to be used in or on a government installation, then so be it.

And since they already have prohibited any prayer in school, on which they deem their authority, then so be it.

I say so be it, because I want to be a law abiding U.S. citizen. I say so be it because I would like to think that smarter people than I are in positions to make good decisions. I would like to thank that those people have the American public's best interests at heart.

Since we can't pray to God, can't trust in God and can't post His commandments in government buildings, I don't believe the government and its employees should participate in the Easter and Christmas celebrations which honor the God that our government is eliminating from many facets

I'd like my mail delivered on Christmas, Good Friday, Thanksgiving and Easter. After all, it's just another day.

I'd like the U.S. Supreme Court to be in session on Christmas, Good Friday, Thanksgiving and Easter, as well as on Sundays. After all, it's just another

I'd like the Senate and the House of Representatives to not have to worry about getting home for the Christmas break. After all, it's just another day. I'm thinking that a lot of our taxpayers' dollars could be saved if all government offices and services would work on Christmas, Good Friday and Easter. It shouldn't cost any overtime since those would be just like any other day of the week to a government that is trying to be politically correct. In fact, I think that our government should work on Sunday initially set aside for worshiping God because, after all, it's just another day.

If this idea gets to enough people, maybe our elected officials will stop giving in to the minority opinions and begin, once again, to represent the majority of all American people.

Please, Dear Lord, give us the help needed to keep you in our country. Christmas isn't Christmas without Christ. They now use slang like Happy Holidays instead of Merry Christmas, or sign X-Mas, cutting our Christ. Help us stay in touch with you, Lord. It is left up to us citizens of the world Put Christ back into our lives first.

New school... now?

I wonder if a new school at this point in time is an absolute necessity? With wartime going on and nowhere near coming to end, tax burdens are going to increase tremendously.

Of course, I know school taxes have nothing to do with paying for wars, but federal taxes will eventually have to be increased to fund President Bush's war games and the policing of the world.

Mr. Bush continues to holler tax cuts to improve the economy, but a second grade arithmetic student can see the writing on the wall. As long as W continues to try to police the world, money is gonna have to come from a very likely spot – the taxpayers.

In my opinion, not so necessary tax spending should be put on hold 'til it

is more clear what Mr. Bush has up his sleeve next.

I don't think there is any question that Bush will choose to invade Iran and North Korea in the coming months. Maybe they both need invaded, I don't know the answer to that, but tons of money will be necessary to pull these

What I am wondering is can middle class taxpayers afford a new school and

the expense of wars continuing for many years to come? Of course, there is no question that the new superintendent and/or school board does not take a middle class or poor man taxpayer into consideration. They wanta smell some fresh paint and they are gonna get it regardless or whether the low class taxpayers eat or buy medicine or not.

The school officials say they have the funds to build it without any big tax increase. Well, don't we suppose the money that is saved up will need to be replaced?

And don't we all know soon as the new school is built, they (school officials) will start planning another big tax wasting venture? I wonder if they (school officials) have thought about building a new completely enclosed, Astroturf field dome stadium with box seats yet?

Gosh, another cool \$20 million could be blown on that. Shucks, why not just pass the buck on to the taxpayer? Hell with whether we eat or buy medicine

Seems that all politicians get an orgasm when they get in office and get the opportunity to start wasting tax money.

The next four years of wartime and straightening out the world by the

Bush administration is gonna be overwhelmingly expensive. Can we (taxpayers) afford new schools, roads around Lake Alan Henry, new firehouse at LAH and decades of war ahead? A crash in the economy is imminent. If Bush takes on Iran and North Korea, tax money, by the way, probably won't be the only answer

Looks to me like the politicians could be happy with existing facilities, at least 'til America gets her feet back on the ground.

As I see it & my opinion only. Happy Thanksgiving to all. O.L. (Ferg) Ferguson

Thanks for supporting Toys for Tots

For the past 20 years the Post Lions Club has brought the children of Post a merry Christmas. The Post Lions Club would not have had a successful Toys for Tots project if it not had been for the generosity of Post families. businesses and individuals who have made this project possible.

The Post Lions Club sends a heartfelt thank you and would greatly appreciate the community support and donations. We sincerely hope that the community will continue to donate and support the Toys for Tots project.

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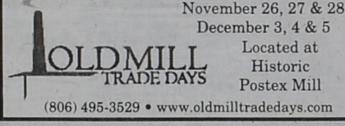
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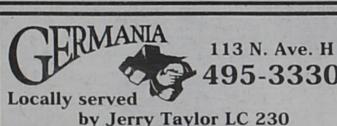
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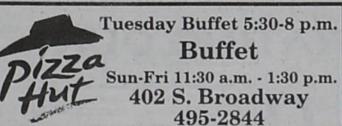
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On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

Thankful living

heaven is walking with a thankful heart toward things He had done for him. Pretty soon his heart God. Psalms 136 teaches us that thankfulness became more peaceful and tenderized. He said that involves remembering what was done for us. Of his love for the woman was still there, with some course the context was about what God did for aching. But he was no longer anxious. Because of Israel. We can be thankful for what God did for us that unexplainable peace from God, his heart was through our Lord Jesus Christ not only in his death guarded. This meant that he had a frame of mind to and resurrection, but we can also be thankful for meekly let God direct his steps. what God does for us during our everyday lives.

true peace of mind. Look at Philippians 4:6-7, "Be it doesn't come from the heart, then it has no careful [anxious] for nothing; but in everything by meaning. Thankfulness and endearing love, from prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your the heart, can be seen even from a distance without requests be made known unto God. And the peace a single word being spoken. And when the receiving of God, which passes all understanding, shall keep party is lovingly paying attention to her, that brief your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." This moment of expressive thankfulness also touches is fantastic wisdom. God's will for us is to be anxious his heart. We can tell when people are really for absolutely nothing. But in every area of our thankful, before they utter a single word. lives, He exhorts us to pray and make our requests
During the administration of the grace of God, it made known to Him. Not only this, but to do so with is available to give thanks by the spirit of God. Turn thankfulness. The result is that the peace from to 1 Corinthians 14:16-17, "For you verily give thanks God, which surpasses all knowledge, absolutely well..." The context of this verse can be found in shall guard our hearts and thoughts. And this is verses 14-17. It is about praying with the spirit, through our Lord Jesus Christ who is alive and in which is speaking in tongues. When people speak in

he was in love. He sadly discovered that the time This is giving of thanks in a truly spiritual way. to protect her and help her to succeed in her Christ]." (See Colossians 3:15-17). He was a very good friend and Daddy. Next he www.geocities.com/christinyou7/love.html.

One of the vital keys to fellowship with God in thanked God from the depths of his heart for different

Thankfulness must come from the heart. We can A thankful heart toward God is directly related to say "thank you" until we are blue in the face, but if

heaven seated at God's right hand of authority. tongues, they do not know what is said, but are A man shared a story about a woman with whom assured by God that they are giving thanks well.

was not right for them to be together. The more he In closing we have God's word, "Let the peace of thought of her, and wondered if she was thinking of God rule in your hearts...And what ever you do in him, the heartfelt aching turned into anxiety. Then word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, he would turn to God and pray for her, and ask him giving thanks to God and the Father by him [Jesus

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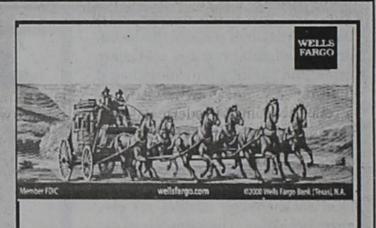
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by Bill O'Reilly

Madonna recently told the BBC that she wants American troops out of Iraq right this minute and she's, like, serious. Although there is no truth to the rumor that the diva is being considered for Colin Powell's position should he leave the Bush administration, Madonna is paying attention to world events and wants everybody to know it.

The problem here is that Madonna's desire is pretty much shared by most Americans. Who the heck actually wants U.S. forces in Iraq? No sane person can be happy Americans are targets there. So the issue becomes a simple question: For the sake of national security do U.S. troops have to be in that chaotic country?

Three reasons say yes. First, if we withdraw from Iraq, the country will likely be run by terrorist sympathizers who will cooperate with Al Qaeda and neighboring Iran. If it were a movie, it might be called "Taliban Two: The Return of the Maniacs."

Two, a civil war could break out inside Iraq, and the bloodbath would be brutal. Any Iraqi who cooperated with the U.S. or Britain would be in grave danger. The Kurds would probably break away, and the chaos would be unbelievable.

And three, no country would ever trust America again when called upon to actively help us fight terror. Also, if the U.S. bails out of Iraq, it would be seen as a major victory for the terrorists and the jihadists would take the offensive even more aggressively against the West.

Now, I don't want to upset Madonna with a whole bunch of cause-and-effect analysis. She has enough on her plate spending enormous sums of money and tending to her image. The woman simply does not need the burden of complicated

But for the rest of us who would like some security in this world, the Iraq war is a frustrating, history-defining experience that requires patience and discipline. We are, indeed, caught between Iraq and a hard place. This situation is crucial for

Unfortunately, most of the world doesn't care. Western Europe, Russia and China simply don't want to get involved, even though a terrorist-friendly Iraq would cause massive problems for everyone. This apathy is maddening, but it's

So what's the Bush administration to do? The American public is not going to sit by for years and watch body bags come home even if the administration continues to bar the press from showing them. Thus, the president must develop a cohesive timetable for the Iraqis to take over their own defense. As long as the Iraqi people think we will fight their battles for them - they'll let us. Some sense of urgency must be imposed on the Iraqi people by their leaders. Perhaps, Iraqis should be shown a TV documentary on how the South Vietnamese are living these days. Maybe we call it "Police State Blues."

So I hate to admit this, but Madonna and I share some common ground. I want to get our soldiers out of Iraq as well. But unlike the Material Girl, I live in the real

world. And, unfortunately, that world is a complicated and terrifying place. Veteran TV news anchor Bill O'Reilly is host of the Fox News show "The O'Reilly Factor" and author of the book "Who's Looking Out For You?" To find out more about Bill O'Reilly, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at www.creators.com. This column originates on the Web site www.billoreilly.com. COPYRIGHT 2004

And thereafter, economic lunacy

by Walter E. Williams

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hurricane disasters: "Storms create lucrative times," St. Petersburg Times suggest the boy wasn't guilty of vandalism; instead, he was a public (Sept. 30, 2004), and "Economic growth from hurricanes could outweigh costs," USA Today (Sept. 27, 2004). The writers, Joni James and Barbara the broken window creates employment for the glazier, who will then buy Hagenbaugh, might have been listening to economists like Steve Cochrane, bread and benefit the baker, who will then buy shoes and benefit the cobbler, director of regional economics at Economy.com, a consulting firm in West and so forth. Chester, Pa., who told USA Today, "It's a perverse thing ... there's real pain, but from an economic point of view, it is a plus."

Why are Florida's hurricanes a "plus"? It's simple. According to St. Petersburg Times reporter Joni James, "Construction creates thousands of jobs, insurance provides for billions in consumer purchases, and new facilities built to higher standards might help offset future storm-related losses."

This kind of reasoning, often put forth by poorly trained economists, doesn't even pass a simple smell test. Think about it this way. Using Cochrane's statement, if "from an economic point of view, it (hurricanes) is a plus," would the country have been even better off if the entire East Coast shared Florida's damage and destruction? If it would have been a plus for the East Coast, what about hurricane destruction for the entire nation east of the Mississippi? Almost anyone with a speck of brains would recognize that economic good." He went on to point out how rebuilding the destruction equating economic growth with destruction is lunacy.

Seen and What Is Not Seen," in which he says, "There is only one difference done us a bigger economic favor if they had destroyed buildings in other between a bad economist and a good one: The bad economist confines himself to the visible effect; the good economist takes into account both the effect that can be seen and those effects that must be foreseen." In the case of Florida's hurricane disaster, what is seen is the employment associated with rebuilding. What is unseen is what Floridians would have spent the money on and the benefits therefrom had there not been hurricane destruction.

Bastiat wrote a parable about this that has become known as the "Broken Window Fallacy." A shopkeeper's window is broken by a vandal. A crowd

Here are a couple of newspaper headlines following Florida's bout with forms, sympathizing with the man, but pretty soon, the people start to benefactor, creating economic benefits for everyone in town. After all, fixing

> Those are the seen effects of the broken window. What's unseen is what the shopkeeper would have done with the money had the vandal not broken his window. He might have employed the tailor by purchasing a suit. The broken window produced at least two unseen effects. First, it shifted unemployment from the glazier, who now has a job, to the tailor, who doesn't. Second, it reduced the shopkeeper's wealth. Explicitly, had it not been for the vandalism, the shopkeeper would have had a window and a suit; now, he has just a

The broken-window fallacy was seen in a column written by Princeton University professor Paul Krugman after the terrorist attack on the World Trade Center, "After the Horror" New York Times (Sept. 14, 2001). He wrote, "Ghastly as it may seem to say this, the terror attack — like the original day of infamy, which brought an end to the Great Depression - could do some would stimulate the economy through business investment and job creation. French economist Frederic Bastiat (1801-1850) wrote a pamphlet "What Is Again, do the smell test. If Krugman is right, wouldn't the terrorists have

Maybe we shouldn't be so harsh on these reporters and economists in light of the fact that they didn't receive training at George Mason University's Economics Department, where there are no bad economists.

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Self defense best for individual rights

A Reply to a Gun Control Critic by Scott McPherson

Editor's Note: The following is a letter addressed to Future of Freedom

I'm curious: nowhere in that article on Gun Control does it mention Canada. We've *always* had gun control, in one form or another.□ Is never been possible for someone to walk in off the street and out with a firearm twenty

So if gun control is so heinous and detrimental, why is our crime so vastly

smaller than yours and why is our population so much less paranoid? I'm sorry, but going through your site, it seems to me to be less about "freedom" of a people as a whole and more about individual freedom - and that leads to anarchy.

Thank you. C.H.

Scott McPherson responds:

Thank you for contacting the Future of Freedom Foundation. The Foundation always welcomes questions and comments from our readers, and I will do my□best to respond to your satisfaction. □

My first response would have to be to your final point. You wrote, "going through your site, it seems to me to be□less about 'freedom' of a people as a whole and more about □individual freedom — and that leads to anarch? Well, you're sort of right.

The mission of FFF is to promote limited government, free markets, private property, and individual rights. To speak of the "freedom of a people as a whole" is completely baseless unless those people are protected by some moral structure which□shields them from the arbitrary use of force by others including their own governments.

It is individuals that require protection. We at FFF are of the opinion that individuals are best protected under a system of individual rights, and that by protecting individual rights you best guaranty the protection of "people as a

If you're interested, I would recommend reading Ayn Rand's Capitalism: The Unknown Ideal and The Virtue of Selfishness as a start to better understanding the concept of individual rights.

Regarding your conclusion, "and that leads to anarchy," I couldn't disagree more. Anarchy is a system where no government exists, there is no moral recognition □of individual rights, no private □ propertand no rule of law. This term is best applied to Somalia or even Communist Russia.

It does not, however, apply to a libertarian society based on individual rights, private property, and the rule of law - all supported, it should be noted, by a government limited and dedicated to preserving just those institutions. Your□conclusion lacks logical foundation.

We strive for moral government. Regardless of your opinion of our philosophy you cannot claim that it calls for □no □government. □

You opened your comments by referring to an article on gun control. I do not know of which article you speak, and so cannot comment on any statements in particular, but I can speak to the general gun control argument. You wrote that Canada has "always' had gun control, in one form or another. It's never been possible for someone to walk in off the street and out with a firearm twenty minutes later."

I'm not sure what conclusion you're hoping we'll reach from that particular

statement.

Even when Canada's gun control laws were (relative to today) lax, the crime rate in that country was low relative to the United States because the United States has historically had a higher crime rate. The important Question is

whether the presence of firearms is the cause of that high crime rate and whether gun control is a proper policy to adopt in combating crime.

To my knowledge, the most comprehensive look at guns and gun control laws in the United States (complete with international comparisons) has been done by Dr. Gary Kleck, in his book Targeting Guns: Firearms and Their Control. (Far from being a "right wing gun nut" Kleck is, by his own admission, a liberal Democrat who supported Al "Gun Control" Gore in the 2000 general election), which reaches the general conclusion that any connection between guns and crime is, at best, tenuous.□

admitted late last year that their □"independent" analysis found no known link for □Commonwealth countries to encourage more individual self-reliance." between any US gun control laws and a reduction in violent crime. (It should also be noted that the CDC is notoriously anti-gun).

"Journal on Firearms and Public Policy," published by the Center for the Study of Firearms & Public Policy, Dwritten by Gary Mausera Canadian and, according to his bio, "a Professor at the Faculty of Business Administration and the Institute for Urban Canadian Research Studies at Simon Fraser University in Burnaby, British Columbia."

Mr. Mauser's article, titled "The Failed Experiment: Gun Control and Public Safety in Canada, Australia, England and Wales," is a thoughtful indictment of the gun contol mentality in those countries (and this one, for that matter) States... but it makes for tragically flawed policy making. that views gun control laws as the great panacea for crime and guns as evil, Finally, you asked who "if gun control is so heinous and detrimental" are despicable objects. I will quote Mr.□Mauser at length. □

crime in general, including violent crime, has actually been rising in those countries following passage of their gun control laws)□Mauser writes, □

"In the 1990s, sweeping changes were made to the [Canadian] firearms laws, first in 1991 and then again in 1995. Licensing and registration are still being phased in." However, "The contrast between the criminal violence rates in the United States and in Canada is dramatic. Over the past decade, the rate of violent crime in Canada has increased while in the United States the violent crime rate has plummeted... [emphasis added]

"[T]he United States provides a valuable point of comparison with Europe and the Commonwealth for assessing crime rates because the criminal justice system in the United States is unique. Not only are criminal penalties typically more severe in the United States, often much more severe, but also conviction and incarceration rates are usually much higher. Perhaps the most striking difference is that the United States is one of the few countries to encourage qualified citizens to carry concealed handguns for self defence. During the past few decades, while Britain and the Commonwealth were making firearm ownership increasingly difficult, more than 25 states in the United States passed laws allowing responsible citizens to carry concealed handguns. There are now 35 states where citizens can get such a handgun permit...As surprising as it may seem to casual observers, these new laws appear to have caused violent crime rates to drop, including homicide rates." [emphasis added]

Mr. Mauser cites the work of John Lott at this point. I strongly recommend his excellent book, More Guns, Less Crime.

I quote again, at length, from Mr. Mauser:

"[T]he homicide rate has been falling as fast or faster in the United States [compared with Canada]... The homicide rate in the United States has fallen

from 10.5 per 100,000 in 1991 to 6.1 per 100,000, while the Canadian rate has

fallen from 2.7 per 100,000 to 1.8.

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"The contrast between the rate of criminal violence in the United States and that in Canada is much more dramatic. Over the past decade, the Canadian rate of violent crime has increased while, in the United States during the same time period, the rate of violent crime has slid from 600 per 100,000 to 500 per 100,000...

"Only the United States [compared with Canada, Australia, England and Wales] has witnessed a dramatic drop in criminal violence over the past Kleck's conclusions□were vindicated□when the□Centers for Disease Controlecade...If the goal is deterring criminal violence, perhaps it is time

You wrote that□Canads crime is "vastly smaller" than the United States This is a trend that pre-dates gun control, not the coup de grace that gun Of particular interest to you may be an article published in the Fall 2004 control supporters have long believed it to be. We can learn a great deal more from watching the crime rates in England, Wales, Australia, and Canada (all Western, industrialized countries with historically low crime rates) dramatically rise, as they have been, following the introduction of gun control and disarmament of the general population, than we can from making □specifi crime-rate comparisons with the United States.

> Such comparisons may serve their (perhaps intended) purpose of making the citizens of these□countries feel morally superior to citizens of the United

Canadians□"so much less paranoid" than Americans. I reject your premise. After evaluating the failure of gun controls in England, Wales, and Michael Moore may have won an Academy Award, and that may make him Australia, to reduce violent crime (in fact he, like many others, bobserved that a good documentary film maker, but it does not make him a social scientist. I own guns, but I would not consider myself paranoid. In fact, it was only while living in the United Kingdom for two years, where I was not allowed to

> own a gun, that I worried a great deal about crime. Now I live in Virginia, where citizens have the right to carry handguns concealed (with a permit) or even openly (no permit needed). I don't carry a gun - mostly because I feel so much safer knowing that so many people

around me□are carrying guns. □ Further, would you say that Canada's estimated 2.3 to 4.5 million (legal gun-owners, who own between 8 and 15 million guns, are automatically simply by virtue of their owning a gun, □paranoid? That is □an unfound

generalization unworthy of 5 million people, let alone 280 million. □ □ I appreciate your taking the time to read my lengthy response, and hope that it has helped you better understand the Future of Freedom Foundation's position on gun control. We contend that guns help people protect themselves from violent criminals, and that when access to guns by the general population

is curtailed, decent and innocent people suffer. This position is not only moral, but practical. Rising crime in Canada, England, and Austrialia, following so closely on the heals of their recen experiments with radical gun control measures, would seem to prove our

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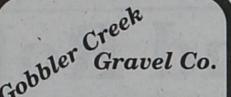
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HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY POST SOLICITATION FOR INDEPENDENT PROFESSIONAL AUDIT SERVICES DECEMBER 13, 2004

The Housing Authority of the City of Post Texas (the Housing Authority) respectfully requests proposals (RFP) from qualified individuals or firms to perform independent professional audit services for its public housing agency for the year end September 30, 2004. The Housing Authority operates 90 Low Income Public Housing.

It is expected that the audit will be performed in accordance with (i) generally accepted auditing standards, (ii) standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, (iii) compliance and other requirements as described by U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Requirements and in accordance with OMB Circular No. A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations, and (iv) other guidelines as typically required.

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Lunch-Spaghetti, meat sauce, salad, broccoli, garlic bread, cantelope, milk. December 1 - Breakfast - Malt-omeal, sausage, toast, fruit, milk.

Lunch - Chicken fried steak, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, gravy, jello, milk.

December 2 - Breakfast - Cinnamon toast, fruit, milk. Lunch-Chalupa, spanish rice, salad,

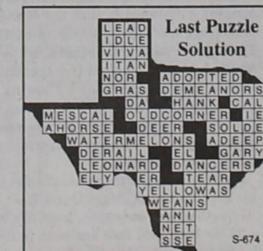
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Questions or other related requests should be directed to the Executive Director at the below address or by phone.

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY POST SOLICITATION FOR ARCHITECTURAL/ **ENGINEERING SERVICES DECEMBER 13,2004**

The Housing Authority of the City of Post, Texas (the Housing Authority), request proposals from qualified individuals or firms to perform professional architectural and engineering (A/E) services for work items related to a US Department of Housing and Urban Development funded program. The proposals should be addressed to Mrs. Rosa Maldonado, Executive Director, and received at the Housing Authority offices, located at 709 Caprock Drive, P.O. Box 356, Post, Texas 79356 no later than 1:00 PM local time on December 13, 2004. The proposals will be evaluated based on the following factors. **Evaluation Factors**

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Lost oil and gas revenues in Garza County last year were over \$80 mil-

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pated at the District 2 4-H Food and High Water," starring Richard Show recently in Levelland. They Widmark. include Barrett Scrivner, Matthew Ramsey, LaRinda Ledbetter and Chest fund campaign will be "kicked Rachel Gray, and Sarah Kirkpatrick Camille Blevins.

20 Years Ago November 28, 1984

Authority project at Ave. S and 15th Robinson, county superintendent of had 5 steals in the game. is beginning to come together as coneducation, and Ted. R. Hibbs, manstruction crews work through good ager of Southwestern Public Service Norman 19, Gray 13, Hester 11, and bad weather. When finished the Co. here, are chairman and vicefigusing will be available to the eld- chairman, respectively, for the fund Rebounding for the Lady Lopes were

The Post Bold Gold Antelopes capped off the third straight Bi-Dis- and Mrs. Herbert Walls in Garza Norman 3. trict Championship football season Memorial Hospital Nov. 19. last Friday night, losing the Area Championship to Littlefield 14-6 at available in food markets over the Kirkpatrick, and Norman 1.

route 3, was the scene of a bridal popping on the kitchen stove. When 3, Norman 2, and Gray and Hoover 1. shower honoring Miss Jackie Lee the foil blows up like a balloon, pop- Lott, Copeland, and Norman each "Adair, bride-elect of Steve White.

Jackson's Cafeteria offers private dining and banquet facilities for all occasions! Our new private meeting room is ideal for small groups or up Windham, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. to as many as 150 and there is no Windham is the Soldier of the Week. extra charge for the use of our rooms. He was one of the Garza country boys Call Don or Michelle to arrange your who was in on the invasion of France Lopes played hard but cold shooting next party.

Gold Star banquet in Lubbock re- school where he was a popular stucently. He and Korren Payton were dent. He is now with the famous 90th included 14 points by Sarah Garza County 4-H Gold Star honor- Infantry Division.

having Nick Vukad speak on the his- the Red Cross, other classes are rebounds and 4 steals. Nikki Norman tory, importance, and proper han- urged to do the same; The 8th grade dling of our U. S. Flag. Cub mem- had a rummage sale, they made bers include Cody Collier, Chris about eight dollars for their treasury. Cornett, Kelly Line, Rynn Eleanor Boyd and Faye Ruth Kirkpartrick 14, Norman 8, Gray 7, Sappington, Mario Tobias, Coty Hamilton worked on the sale. Wheeler, and Brant Windham.

30 Years Ago November 28, 1974

were honored with a Golden Anni- young women of the Baptist church. Making assists were Hester 3, Gray versary November 17 in the Com- Officers elected were president, Jerry munity Room. Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy Osborne; vice-pres., Frances Terry; were married in Sweetwater on No- secy-treas., Agnes Windham; pro-Garza County for 50 years.

has been sold, and the change of own-cently was awarded the Bronze Star ership will effect a lot of local lives. for heroic achievement in action James Pollard, who is in his fifth while serving with Lt. Gen. Mark W. year as Post High School principal, Clark's Fifth Army in Italy. Warren, has formed a corporation with Earl a member of a field artillery battal-Chapman and purchased the hard- ion of the 91st "Wild West" Division ware store from Silas Short, Short demonstrated courage and prompt plans to begin studying for the min- action in evacuating wounded peristry in February. The resignation of sonnel to safety. Ray is the son of Pollard from a 20-year school career Rufus Warren. will call for some promotions in the Post school administration. Supt. Bill Shiver announced he has reassigned Billy Hahn, junior high principal here for the last six years, to take over as high school principal and Bud Davis, a junior high teacher will fill the duties of the junior high principal.

The O. S. Ranch Benefit Steer Roping and Art Exhibit in September raised \$21,500 for West Texas Boys Ranch at San Angelo.

Airman Clifford D. Laws, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Laws of Post has graduated at Keesler AFB, Miss., from the U.S. Air Force aircraft radio repairman course conducted by the Air Training Command.

> 40 Years Ago November 26, 1964

Southland: Seniors Rodney Callaway and Beverly Stolle were elected "Mr. and Mrs. SHS". Also elected by the high school student body were Julia Cisneros and Joe Hall, "Best Personality" and Marian Eckert and Don Altman, "Most Ath-

letic". The Garza County Community Chest will launch its 1965 fund drive Monday with a goal of \$10,200. Mrs. Irby G. Metcalf Jr. and Dave Sanford, are campaign chairman and vice

chairman, repectively. With sophomore Ronnie Pierce hitting for 38 points, the Post Antelopes basketball squad opened their 1964-65 season on a happy note here with a 56 to 48 win over the Spur Bull-

The Post Church of Christ was the scene of the wedding of Miss Sandra

Lee Veach and Deljuan Wilson, November 7. Mrs. Jean Jones was ma-Monday, November 28 the Com- tron of honor and Mrs. Barbara cil met with three men from differ- son of Slaton served his brother as ent corporations to discuss the build- best man. Carl Meeks of Slaton was groomsman.

> 50 Years Ago November 25, 1954

Paulyne (Polly) O'Neal, six-year-Lillie Hart accepts a certificate on old Post girl, prepares to leave by aubehalf of the Caprock Photographers tomobile Friday for El Paso - her first for first place in the invitation and stop en route to Hollywood to make newsletter category for small towns. a movie short with actress Greer The award was presented by JoAnn Garson for the Gonzales Warm Mock who accepted the award at the Springs Foundation's annual theater

Cinemascope, the revolutionary "Starmaker", a television talent new method of photography and proshowcase hosted by Steve Davis and jecting in motion pictures, will make Arena by a score of 57 - 46. The Lady Jane Prince Jones, will kick off it's it's first appearance in Post Dec. 12 Lopes jumped out in the first quarter first show with a live television tap- and 13, on the Tower Theater screen. with 21 points while Cooper scored ing at the Tower Theatre in Post John N. Hopkins, manager an- 12. The Lady Lopes went inside to nounced the first Cinemascope pic- Nikki Norman who scored 9 of her Four Garza County 4-H'ers particiture to be shown here will be "Hell game high 19 points.

Garza County's first Community Nickki Norman, Patricai Hester, off" here Monday, with teams of all scored in double figures for the workers in Post and other county Lady Lopes. Patricia Hester hit the communities seeking to meet the Construction on the Post Housing \$9,739.40 goal by Dec. 4. Dean A. Jenee Lott played good defense and campaign.

A son, Dale Leslie, was born to Mr.

Popper-Packaged Popcorn is now 3 each, Hoover, and Hester 2, Wilson, country. The popcorn comes in its The home of Mrs. Bobby Cowdrey, own disposable foil paper ready for in the game were Lott 5, Kirkpartick corn is ready.

> 60 Years Ago November 23, 1944

Corp. Arlien E. "Hootus" landing there the 8th of June. Derrick Dunn attended the 4-H "Hootus" is a graduate of Post High losing 68 - 50.

The Addax: The Sophomore and goal, 9 out of 12 free throws and 4 Cub Scout Pack 314 Den 2 enjoyed Senior class have both donated \$5 to steals. Rachel Gray pulled down 11

The YWA of the First Baptist and Hester 2. Rebounding for the church reorganized after several months of waiting for a sponsor. Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Kennedy Jr., Inez Hartel was selected by the vember 9, 1924, and have lived in gram chairman, Emma Jo Panter; Lott, gregory, Hoover, and Hester 1. and reporter, Maxine Tucker.

The Short Hardware store here Private Ray Warren of Post re- each.

Wildcats dominate 'Lopes 23-6

by Wes Burnett

Lady Lopes edge

Cooper 57-46

On November 18, the Post Lady

Lopes defeated Cooper at Anteleope

The scoring was close the rest of the

way, 12 - 10, 12 - 8, and 12 - 16.

boards and pulled down 8 rebounds.

Scoring for the Lady Lopes were,

Kirkpatrick 11, and Lott 3.

Hester 8, Lott 5, Gray 5, Hoover 5,

Copeland 5, Kirkpartick 3, and

Assists include Lott and Gray with

On the defensive side making steals

Lockney edges Lady Lopes

November 19, the Lady Lopes made

a trip to Lockney. The first half found

the Lady Lopes in a close game but

were down 28 - 25. In the second half

Lockney had a hot hand. The Lady

could not keep them in the game,

Highlights for the Lady Lopes

Kirkpatrick including one three point

made 8 out of 9 free throws. Meagan

Scoring for the Lady Lopes included

Hoover 7, Tatum 5, Lott 4, Wilson 3,

Lady Lopes were Gray 11, Lott 8,

Tatum 5, Hester 4, Kirkpartick 4,

and Kirkpatrick 2, and Gregory and

Dalby 1. Defensively with steals

were Gray and Kirkpatrick 4, and

Lott and Tatum and a blocked shot

Norman 3, Dalby 3, and Wison 1

Hoover made a three point goal.

had a blocked shot.

Amarillo, scratching and fighting until the final whistle in a 23-6 loss to the line. The eight play drive got into Wildcat territory, but stalled on a penalty, Canadian Wildcats at the Area Championship.

Unable to mount sustained offensive drives, the 'Lopes relied on a strong defense to keep them in the game, trailing by 10 points at halftime. But the on the game clock ... the drive got the 'Lopes to the Wildcat 36 yard line defense was on the field the majority of the game, and in the end could not before being snuffed out with an interception of a Smith pass attempt to stop the Wildcats from scoring in the second half.

The lone Antelope touchdown came midway through the fourth quarter, set up by the recovery of a Wildcat fumble at the Canadian 21 yard line. The to Kenneth Garay at the three yard line. Jett Lott punched into the end zone offense, with negative seven yards rushing and 101 yards passing.

The two point conversion pass attempt failed, leaving the 'Lopes behind 23- District 5AA and Bi-District Championship trophies.

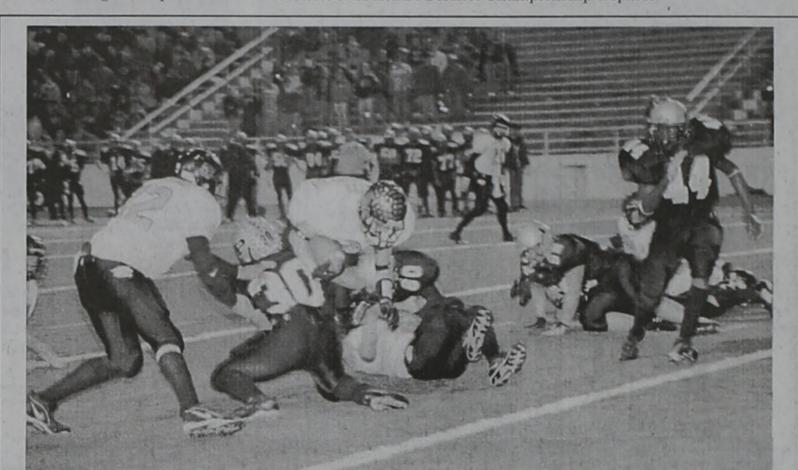
6 with 7:30 left on the game clock. The defense did its job, forcing a fourth The Post Antelopes closed out a great football season Friday night at down punt. The 'Lope offensive drive started with 5:48 at the Post 29 yard an incompleted pass, a quarterback sack and two incompleted passes.

> Another strong defensive effort got the ball back for the offense with 2:10 Garay at the 10 yard line.

The 'Cats ran out the final 34 seconds.

The Antelopes could muster only 35 yards offense and one first down in the four play drive featured a pass completion from quarterback Sterling Smith first half. Canadian defenders limited the Antelopes to 94 total yards total

The Antelopes completed the season with a 9-3 record, capturing the



Antelope Defense in Action

Jett Lott (30) and Jonathan McGregor (80) bring down a Canadian Wildcat runner in action at Amarillo last Friday night. Joining in the dfensive effort are Blake Nichols (55) and Chris Reed (44). Photo by Gena Lott.



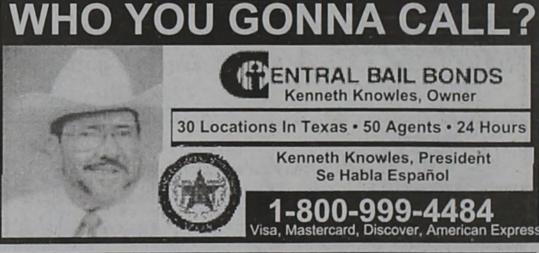
Upending a Wildcat

An unidentified Post Antelope upends a Canadian Wildcat during the Area Championship game at Amarillo's Dick Bivins Stadium last Friday evening. The 'Lopes ended their story-book 2004 football season with a 23-6 loss, recording a 9-3 season record. (Photo by Gena Lott)

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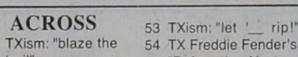


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trail" 5 TXism: "got as much to do as a hibernating bear' 6 filmed in TX:

ACROSS

Zapata! 7 "make even dozen"

8 TXism: "couldn't find hide of him'

9 a Cherokee chief Houston 16 Port Arthur has

"Mardi ___ " gala 18 outward appearances elected county prosecutor (abbr.)

22 TX singer Thompson 23 famous TX square dance caller Golden 24 it precedes tequila

in distillation 30 Dr. Pepper started at Waco's "

Drug Store" 34 "that is" abbr. 35 TXism: "fits like hide on _

36 ____ Park, TX 37- newspaper: "El Texas"

39 popular TX fruits 43 "take _ breath"

44 leave the tracks 45 _ Paso, TX 46 TX actor Busey

47 in Fannin Co. on hwy. 69 49 two-steppers 52 TX Tarzan Ron

54 TX Freddie Fender's "Before the Next drop Falls" 55 TXism:

summer squash" 58 detaches from mom 59 black cuckoo

60 "surf the _ 61 dir. to San Antonio from Abilene (abbr.)

DOWN 1 TXism:

high off the hog' 2 VIP at the Denton Record-Chronicle 3 in Johnson Co.

on hwy. 67 4 TX sausage maker, singer, & actor

9 it could be classified in 2-down 10 TXism: "the meanest bull can

be ____" 11 this Sharif was in "Heavenly Dog" film with TX

canine actor Benji 12 TX Robin Wright's hubby Sean

13 TXism: "it big loop to rope 28 TXism: "got a mind him" (large man)

14 Ranger broadcaster Nadel (init.) 15 this Holliday killed his first man in TX 17 Lake El ("The King's Salt") 19 Tech "Red 20 drowsy

24 LBJ line: "_ fella Murkins"

29 "Doomsday" LB 25 past UH BB star Jordan Elvin (init.) Rio, TX 26 TXism: "useless as

in the pan" (abbr.) a saddle on a 27 Nacogdoches: "The 33 country singer of Texas" Jimmie who had Kerrville home

trap"

38 Jerry Jones jet

40 TXism: "___ like ants out of a burning stump" 41 TX rancher Chuck Norris film (abbr.)

42 person from Lubbock Co. town 48 Travis ____ a line

in the dirt at Alamo 32 TXism: "big biscuit 50 Abilene Reporter-

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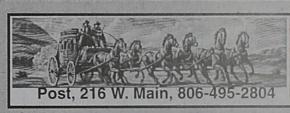
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