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WHERE IRELAND AND POST MEET



Ian and Ruth Torrens are the new owners of Hotel Garza and Torrens at the Garza restaurant in Post. Ruth, a Post native, met Northern Ireland native Ian through the Internet almost a year ago.

Hotel Garza hosting open house tonight starting at 7:30 p.m.

By Rosa Latimer
News Editor

The past five weeks have been extremely eventful for Ian & Ruth Torrens. Ian moved to Post, they married, his Irish family came for a visit, and the couple purchased and began operating Hotel Garza on Main Street.

While recent events have had a whirlwind feeling, Ian, a native of Northern Ireland and Ruth, a long-time resident of Post, first became acquainted via the internet almost a year ago. After many emails, hours of global communication via Skype, and several visits to each other's homeland, the couple began to make plans for a future together. Ian is often asked why he would move to this small Texas town. "For starters, when you fall in love with someone, you go where they are. Ruth and her boys are here. To me this isn't

such a big step - when your heart is here, the move isn't difficult."

Actually Torrens is returning to his roots. "My great-grandparents came to the United States and my grandfather was born in Philadelphia," Torrens explained. "After a time, the family returned to Northern Ireland. I think I might be one-quarter American." Torrens grew up in Londonderry, Northern Ireland, and for a number of years, he and his three brothers owned small hotels in the seaside resort of Port Rush on the northern tip of Ireland.

After leaving the hotel business, Torrens moved to Edinburgh, Scotland, where he

was an Electrical Engineer for the National Art Galleries of Scotland for over 18 years.

"I had been single for about 4 four years and some friends suggested that I try an internet dating service just to see what happened," Torrens explained. "That is how I met Ruth. Then we began talking often and for hours at a time."

"When I visited Post the first time, I came around the corner and saw Main Street and this little hotel and I thought 'Goodness me! This is unbelievable!'" Ian continued, with a twinkle in his eyes. "When I walked into Hotel Garza, I was amazed. I

"When you fall in love with someone you go where they are. To me this isn't such a big step-when your heart is here, the move isn't difficult."

-Ian Torrens

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First bale

Ronnie Dunn was the first one to have cotton ginned at the Close City Co-op Gin this season. The gin is the only one in Garza County. Dunn's farm is located north of Close City. The bale weighed 492 pounds and, and the seed weighed 800 pounds.

Photo by Jeff Blackmon

School trustees receive positive audit report

By Rosa Latimer
News Editor

Randal Terry of Terry & King, CPA presented an audit report to the Post ISD School Board during their regularly scheduled meeting November 11 at the school administrative offices.

Terry commended the board members and PISD staff, "You do a great job with your budget and you watch it during the year. I'd put you at the top of Region 17." A summary of the audit will be published in The Post Dispatch at a later date.

Regarding the audit report, Superintendent Marlin Marcum remarked that this was a "good, clean" audit. "I feel we are maximizing our state revenue & federal revenue. We have set of procedures in place that manage

the budget frugally and effectively," he added. "It puts us in a position of meeting the expectations laid out [by the school board]. The staff is very careful to help us manage the budget very closely."

Board President, Mike Holly commended the superintendent on the positive financial audit. "I appreciate Mr. Marcum's expertise on budget and finances." Board member Alexa Collier added, "The business office and Mr. Marcum all deserve a commendation for the work they do to keep things going like this." The audit was approved unanimously by the board.

In other business, reports on student participation in the UIL programs were presented;

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Latimer named news editor of Post Dispatch

The Post Dispatch is pleased to announce the addition of Rosa Latimer to its staff.

Latimer will serve in the capacity as news editor for the weekly newspaper.

"We're thrilled to have Rosa on our team," associate publisher Jeff Blackmon said. "She has been a freelance writer for us the last few months, and we're glad to have her on board now as a regular staff member."

Latimer will help the Dispatch cover local government as well as continue to write feature stories on the community.

"The last few months she has done a fantastic job covering local news and stories, and I look forward to much of the same," Blackmon said.



Rosa Latimer

Rosa is married to Dr. James Bell and is the owner of Ruby Lane Books and Ruby Lane Press (regional publisher). She also has one daughter, Lara, who is attending the University of Texas in Austin.

Post Notes

Writer's Workshop

Write right now! Writer's Workshop at the Heritage House, 109 No. Ave N in Post. Saturday, November 15 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. This workshop will be productive and fun for writers of all levels. Workshop leader is Rosa Latimer, published writer, playwright and editor. For information about workshop content, email rosa@rubylandbooks.com or call 495-2665. Register & pay before November 10, conference fee is \$50; after November 10, fee is \$60. Space is limited, early registration encouraged. To register, send your contact information & workshop fee to: Writer's Workshop, P.O. Box 946, Post, TX 79356.

Post Stamped stockholder meeting

The Post Stampede Rodeo Association will have its Annual Stock Holders meeting on Monday, November 17th at the Post Stampede Rodeo grounds. The meeting will take place that evening in the Rodeo Office at 7:00 PM.

Lord's Acre planned November 15th

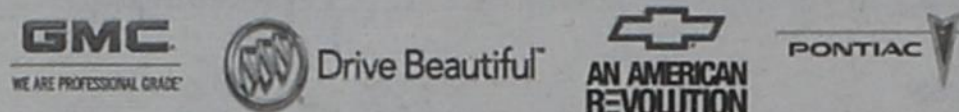
Make plans to attend the 10th Annual Lord's Acre. This year's event, sponsored by area churches, will be held at 6:30 p.m. at the Post ISD cafeteria. The evening will include food, a silent auction and entertainment provided by local talent. Money raised will benefit local charities and needs in the community.

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School ...

the sale of two properties was approved; minutes, monthly bills, financial and appraisal district reports were approved; and mid-management campus and programs reports received. After discussion, the board voted to give Supt.

Marcum the responsibility to identify an appropriate contract signing token for staff. This will be presented to staff at Christmas. The next regularly scheduled PISD school board meeting will be at 7:30 p.m., Dec. 9.

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Torrens ...

sincerely hoped that Ruth and I might one day be the owners." "The people make a place and the people here are lovely," Torrens concluded. "Actually the pace of life and the culture of Northern Ireland aren't all that different from Post so it has been somewhat easy to settle in. And, we have a great staff that has helped us tremendously at the hotel."

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The Torrens invite the community to an open house at Hotel Garza tonight. Everyone is welcome to come by and enjoy refreshments. The event begins at 7:30 p.m. and there is no charge. Local favorites Aaron Rathbun and Jan Olson will provide music.

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Chamber of Commerce Newsletter

Member of the Week - PACC Silver Member: Caprock Cultural Association

The Caprock Cultural Association was organized in 1983 as a non-profit cultural council during a time of a depressed economy in Post.

The CCA continues to work in our area and is currently located at the Heritage House. They can be reached at 495-4148.

"Thank You" Poka Lambro for hosting our Women's Division at the Members Luncheon last Thursday. Our Women's Division has a long list of accomplishments and continues to be a vital part of our community.

Skate Park Fundraiser - Spaghetti Supper - Thursday 6:00 - 8:00 - ISD Cafeteria
Movie Night - Sponsored by PTO - Thursday - 6:30 - Elementary Auditorium
This weekend in Post
Ragtown Gospel Theater - "Joseph the Carpenter". For showtimes and reservations, call 495-0088.

Open House - Hotel Garza Bed & Breakfast - Friday, November 14, 7:30 p.m. Meet the new owners and enjoy refreshments and live music.
Lord's Acre - Saturday, November 15, 6:30 p.m. - Post ISD Cafeteria.

Torrens at the Garza - Serving Sunday Buffet 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. - Located in Hotel Garza, 302 E. Main.
Ruby Lane Books - Writer's Conference on Saturday, November 15.

A new Chamber webpage is being constructed. We need everyone to take a close look at it and double check your information. If you need to make changes or additions, please contact Angeline Collier at angelina_collier@mac.com or angelina_collier@mac.com. The site is temporarily located at the following address: www.halo-creative.com/demos/pacc <<http://www.halo-creative.com/demos/pacc>>
Christmas Lights

If you need help lighting your building for the Parade, call one of the following: Michael Angeley - 806-239-1703 or Tim Hair - 432-290-8540

Ian and Ruth continue to operate Hotel Garza in much the same fashion as the previous owners, Jim and Janice Plummer. Ian and Ruth have added a restaurant in the lobby of the hotel named "Torrens at the Garza." Lunch is served 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. every day except Saturday. Monday through Friday the menu includes food as American as chicken salad and roast beef and as Irish as Ian's homemade Irish stew and Shepherd Pie. An "all you can eat" buffet lunch is served on Sundays.

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To donate an item for the silent auction, decorate a table or contribute to the event in any way, contact Tonya Kirkpatrick at 629-4054, Kelly Egan at 495-0255, Kellie Macy at 495-2861 or Alexia Collier at 543-2937.

Middle School Parent Meeting

"TAKS and the Middle School Student". All parents are urged to attend this meeting on Thursday, November 20, 2008 at 6:00 pm in the Middle School Library. The meeting will last approximately 30 minutes. Afterward, everyone is invited to attend the band concert in the Elementary auditorium.

Elementary and Middle School Band Concert

Everyone is invited to attend the band concert on Thursday night, November 20, 2008 at 7:00 pm in the Elementary School auditorium. Those participating will be 5th through 8th grade band members.

PHS Sponsoring Holiday Food Drive

The PHS National Honor Society will be sponsoring its annual Holiday Canned Food Drive, November 17-21. If anyone would like to contribute to this very worthy cause, the canned foods can be brought to the high school library. Only canned goods, please.

Man Nite out at Church of god of Prophecy

Church of God of Prophecy will host Man's Nite out on Friday, November 21 at 7:00 p.m. at the Church locate at 602 W. 14th. Family is Welcome.

La Iglesia de Dios de la Profecia 602 W. 14th St. Un servicio especial de Varones Vienes November 21 alas 7:00 p.m. Todos Bienvenidos

Coat Drive at Holy Cross Catholic Church

Holy Cross catholic church is having a Coat Drive from now until the end of November. You can bring the coats, scarves or gloves by the church on Wednesday's from 5:15 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. or drop them in the Coat box.

Iglesia Catolica tiene un Camino de Abrigo de ahora hasta el fin de noviembre. Usted puede traer los abrigo, las bufandas o los guantes por la iglesia el miercoles de 5:15 p.m. a 6:45 p.m. o dejar los caer en la caja de Abrigo.

Rotary International Exchange Program

The regional Rotary Club is sponsoring an exchange program with Israel and is looking for young professional non-Rotarians to participate. The exchange takes place May 10 through June 7, 2009. Applicants chosen to go will have all expenses paid and will live with Rotarians in a variety of cities in Israel. They will get to experience life in Israel up close and personal. The deadline for applications is December 12, 2008. For more info and to apply, contact Jim Plummer, Post Rotary President. 806-781-1911.

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Obituaries



Geraldine Ruth Cearley Butler

Services for Geraldine Ruth Cearley Butler, 85, of Post were held 11 a.m. Tuesday November 11, 2008 at the First Baptist Church with Graydon E. Howell, Jr. and Rev. Travis Sweet officiating. Special songs were presented by daughters Ritalynne Suidikas and Peggy Howell as requested by their mother.

She was born November 11, 1922, at her parents' home near Close City (Ragtown) in Garza County to Oran Roberts and Agnes Iola Hill Cearley. She died Saturday, November 8, at Covenant Medical Center following a brief illness.

She married Stanley L. Butler on December 3, 1949, in the home of her parents. In 1959, Stanley and Geraldine began operating Butler LP Gas Co. They retired from the business in 1983, serving many good customers and close friends during those years.

Prior to their retirement, they made many trips, and many new friends, traveling over the western United States on their BMW motorcycles. Later they spent many of their retirement years traveling all across the U.S. in their motor home and in their Mooney airplane.

Geraldine was a life-long member of the Baptist church, teaching Sunday school, singing in the choir, and working with the Girls' Auxiliary. She was also an active member and Commerce, and the Caprock Cultural Association.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her siblings, Alma Irene Cearly Murdock, Dr. Jesse Ellis Cearley, Gladys Beryl Cearley McNeely, John Franklin Cearley, and infant twin granddaughters, Geraldine Margaret and Esther Sue Howell.

She is survived by her husband, Stanley of Post, three daughters, Peggy Kathleen Howell and husband Graydon of Ingram, TX, Stanna Cheryl Welch and husband Gerhard Pigl of Universal City, TX, and Ritalynn Suidikas and husband Dale of Lubbock, TX, two grandchildren, Dr. Duana Welch and Mace Welch, both of Austin, TX, two great-grandchildren, Julia Claire Cameron and Bear Hariton of Austin, and numerous nieces and nephews. The family is especially grateful to the following; hospice of Lubbock and the staff on 8 South of Covenant Medical Center; Rev. Travis Sweet and Graydon Howell for the lovely service; her great-nephew John Glenn Hudson of Las Cruces, NM leading the music; and Mrs. Margie Maestas and Dr. David Weigle of Austin for providing the beautiful piano and organ music.



Harold Wilson Lucas

Harold Lucas was born on July 8, 1917 in San Saba County, Texas to Allen M. and Alma Matsler Lucas. In 1922 the family moved to Garza County. The family also lived in Dickens and Kent counties, finally settling in the Verbena community of Garza County in 1928. Harold attended the school in Verbena through the 9th grade before graduating from Post High School in 1936. He joined the army in 1941, serving in Hawaii the army until 1945. Harold married Doris Faye Kirkendall in July 1946. She preceded him in death in 1998. Harold and Doris brought up their two daughters, Dixie and Barbara in Post. Dixie Lucas Gass preceded her father in death in 1984.

After serving in the army, Harold worked at Connell Chevrolet and late at Lott Chevrolet as salesman for 1 years. Harold bought the business from John Lott and operated the business until his retirement in 2001. Harold also served as City Councilman before being elected mayor of Post for 2 terms.

In October 1998, Harold Married Dorothy Garrett in Lubbock, Texas. They have resided in Lubbock until his passing. He died peacefully at his home with wife and family. Preceding Harold in death is his daughter Dixie, one brother, Wilburn Lucas in 2003, two sisters, Willie Jo Morrison in 2005 and Marquite Claborn in 2005.

Surviving Harold are his wife, Dorothy; one daughter, Barbara Laughlin of Lubbock; two grandchildren, John David Gass of Albuquerque, New Mexico and Andrea Gass Bailey of Austin; three great-grandchildren Chloe Gass, of Albuquerque New Mexico Lucas Bailey and Evan Baily of Austin; one brother James Lucas of Albuquerque, N.M.; one sister, Ruth Reno of Anchorage, Alaska; two step sons, James Lamb of Colorado City, Texas and Donald Garrett of Lubbock, Texas; and several nieces and nephews.

Harold loved golf and his plane, Julliette and 42 with friends and family.

Estelle Moreno

Mass for Estelle Moreno, 75, of Post was held at 3:30 PM Tuesday, Nov. 11 at the Holy Cross Catholic Church with Fr. Paul Karieakatt officiating. Burial in Terrace Cemetery was under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

She died Friday, Nov. 7 at Covenant Medical Center. She was born Dec. 28, 1932 in Bridgeport to Joseph and Rafaela Abraham. She married Lazaro Moreno on Feb. 20, 1956 in Laredo. He preceded her in death on Nov. 21, 2001. She was a member of Holy Cross Catholic Church and was a Gaudalupana.

Survivors include one Brother: Ollie Joe Abraham of Post and a number of nieces and nephews including Sandra & Fernando Moreno with whom she lived the last few years.

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Benny Huff

Benny Huff, 78, of Woodland, Calif., passed away peacefully at Woodland Memorial Hospital on 11-08-08 with family members at his beside. A long time Woodland resident will be missed by many friends and family. A celebration of Bennys life will be conducted at McNarys Chapel on Thursday 11-13-08 at 10:00 am with a Memorial service and burial pending with Hudmans Funeral Home in Post, Texas.

Jerry Sparks

Memorial services for Jerry Sparks, 66, of Post were held at 2PM Saturday, Nov. 8 at the First United Methodist Church in Post with the Rev. Jon Foster officiating. Services were under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home of Post.

He died Thursday at University Medical Center in Lubbock. He was born Feb. 24, 1942 in Stephenville to Leonard and Dolie Sparks. He married Mary Ann Miller on Dec. 29, 1972 in Abilene. He served in the US Army as a Military Policeman and later as a police officer in Stephenville, Dalhart and Kermit. He has been a resident of Post since 2006.

Survivors include his wife Mary Ann Sparks of Post, 6 Children: Dollie Jean Young of St. Louis, Mo., Shelli (Larry) Pinion of Oklahoma City, Ok., James Ray Miller of Kermit, Tx, Guin (Charla) Miller if Post, Tx, Steve (Beverly) Miller of Post, Tx and Bunny (Scooter) Lynch of Post, Tx; 3 Brothers: Jimmy (Penny) Sparks of Strawn, Donald Sparks of Stephenville, and Gary (Gay) Sparks of Dublin; 2 Sisters: LaVada (Bob) Wainscott of Strawn and Joyce (Jerry) Carpenter of Stephenville; 24 Grandchildren and 10 Great Grandchildren.

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Birth



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Extension Extras

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Consumer Decision Making
 Consumer Decision Making practice session - Saturday, Nov. 22 from 9am-12pm, Extension office. For more information contact the Extension office at 495-4400.

Gold Star Banquet
 Garza County honorees this year are Janecee Williams, Distinguished 4-H Leader Award, and Jarrett Blevins, 4-H Gold Star Award. They will be recognized at the Gold Star Banquet on November 24, 2008 at Texas Tech University.

Community Service
 4-H is collecting box tops for PTO and canned foods for Rural Community Services. For your convenience, items can be dropped off at the Extension office.

Mark your Calendars
 Hometown Holidays is scheduled for Thursday, December 4th at the Post Community Center. Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

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Thank you for your vote and support. I appreciate you very much.
-Ted Brannon



Ribbon cutting—A ribbon cutting ceremony was held by the Post Area Chamber of Commerce Tuesday, Nov. 4 at the J. Cruse Christmas Gallery located in Post. Pictured above are (from left) Theresa Harp, Angeline Collier, Emmett Collier, Janice Plummer, Marsha Norman, Jackie Cruse and Judge Lee Norman.



The Post Church of the Nazarene Children's Quiz team went to Abernathy on 10/25/08 for the first invitational Quiz meet. The children are studying the book of Exodus and the Post Church of the Nazarene will be hosting a Quiz invitational on January 10th 09. McKenna Campbell placed 3rd, Kelbie Oden placed 5th, Kylee Dean placed 7th and Rebecca Taylor placed 4th. They will go on to zone and district competition in the spring of 2009.

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Scouts hold flag ceremony

Members of Boy Scout Troop 316 honored our Veterans by performing the US Flag Folding Ceremony as a program for the local Amity Study Club.

The ceremony describes the meaning of each of the folds and why we honor those brave Men and Women who protect our

liberties. The overall ceremony represents and describes the religious principles upon which our nation was founded. Members of Troop 316 who presented the ceremony were (from left) Caelan Thuett, Scoutmaster Trevor Thuett, Michael Taylor and Fermin Rivera.



The Paperboy

By CHRISTOPHER BLACKBURN

I never know what I'm going to come home to.

A fire fighter, an astronaut, a cowboy, a football player, a mummy, Darth Vader and others ... and it continues.

Most call it Halloween. I call it the 31 days-plus of Halloween.

My sons, Jackson, 5, and Sutton Hawk, 3, have become costume experts and Halloween has now become a daily event. I don't want to sound like a jerk, but it's getting pretty old.

Since the boys dressed up this past weekend, a full week AFTER Halloween, there may be no end in sight.

The other night we were putting the boys to bed when my wife told Sutton to put his helmet, or mask, so some such thing in the "costume chest." That's right, you read that correctly. We now have a costume chest in the boys' room. It's not small either.

I guess it should come as no surprise. After all, my wife sells clothes. I'm not trying to place blame, I guess I'm just reaching out.

Perhaps I should just accept the fact that it's fun for them to dress up. Even better ... maybe I should join in the fun. I wonder what the kids would think if a 6'4 250 lb. space alien came in through the back door? I bet it would get their attention.

"Hello Boys! Daddy's Home!" Or, maybe I should dress up like Santa and use it as a weapon to better their behavior.

Maybe they'll arrive soon and the real Darth Vader will be standing there waiting for them.

I guess I'd better rethink this because if I scare them too bad, I'll be causing myself more trouble than it's worth.

Anyhow, as most you and yours are getting ready for Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's, think of me. I'll be at home watching my mummy and my dragon battle each other before their next costume change. And if you happen to see a giant elf waling down U.S. 287, just ignore him. He's probably locked out of the house.

Change has come to America. President-elect Barack Obama eloquently made this statement

Tuesday following his historic victory over Republican John McCain. He was correct in that assumption.

Watching the night unfold and listening to Obama, thoughts of many generations of struggle ran through my head.

I tried to imagine the pride African-Americans were feeling. Of course, it's impossible for me to fully understand because I'm a white man in the United States. I cannot comprehend what it must have been like as an African-American over the past century. No one has ever told me I could not eat where I wanted. No one has ever told me to go to the back of the bus. No one has ever implied that I was not welcomed some place.

According to several stories and personal accounts I've read of African-Americans watching that moment - they were tense. Some felt as though the moment would be taken from them. Some, especially seniors, were finally able to believe that America is truly a place where anything can happen. For the first time, Martin Luther King, Jr.'s ultimate dream had really come true.

I was touched by the

outpouring of emotion, the pure elation felt not only coast-to-coast, but worldwide. It was incredible watching positive significant history happen right before my eyes.

I've heard more than one time people say, "I didn't think I would live to see this day." I kind of thought I would ... years from now. President-elect Obama has risen like few on this planet ever have. He has gone from obscurity to the highest office in the land in four years.

A little more than four years ago, Sen. John Kerry, while campaigning in Illinois, heard Obama addressing a crowd. He was impressed enough to have him give the keynote address at the Democratic National Convention and the country took notice. Obama won a Senate seat that November and the rest is now history.

I've heard the saying, "Only in America" on many occasions in my life, but the saying and Obama's achievement made it true. In this country, you can dream big. Everyone of us. Not only that, those dreams can come true ... for every single one of us!

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White River Weekly Report Nov. 6, 2008

Gauge Reading	Rainfall for 2004
2352.50	43.58"
Feet below spillway	Rainfall for 2005
20'	15.57"
Rise	Rainfall for 2006
0"	28.85"
Rainfall Past Week	Rainfall for 2007
0"	24.19"
Rain to Date	
33.61"	

White River Lake has 3,006,953,028 billion gallons left available at the Intake or 27% capacity or 9,228 acre feet. Subtract 24,330,208 MG for evaporation this week in October that leaves 2,982,622,820 MG available as of today. White River's daily average demand for 2007 was 1.26 million gallons per day for all White River Customers. The Oil Company using water for mining has been stopped until the Lake level rises.

White River Municipal Water District is in Stage 1 of its Drought Contingency Plan. Remember that the Water District is there for you if we can assist you in any way let us know.

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In and Around Close City

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by Traci Freeman

We've had really good weather this week. We are suppose to get a hard freeze Sunday night we'll have to wait and see.

We only have a couple of farmers pulling so far; Mike Aten and Ronnie Dunn. Ronnie Dunn actually had the first bale ginned.

One of our landlords, Ronald and Nancy Thuett had some special company this past weekend. Nancy's sister, Ann of Phoenix and her brother and sister-in-law; Gene and Loraine from Shreveport were here to celebrate their mom's birthday.

Gladys Hendrix turned 95 years young on November 11th, this was the first time the brother and sisters got a chance to be together in three years. Gladys lives at Lynnwood in Tahoka, Ronald and Nancy went over Tuesday night and listened to some good 'ol music from Noel White and Jane Mason. Nancy tells me Odie (Roberts) Kemp got to come over from the hospital and

Doris Jean Tipton who lives at Lynnwood, also got to enjoy the music as well.

Judy Bush took friends, Raegan and Kambry to Bowie over the weekend to attend a youth rally. They stayed with Salli Bess while there.

Danny and Susan Gonzales traveled to Irving to visit with Stevie and Patrick and Laura's new baby Ramielle. Stevie and Ramielle are the great grandchildren of Mike and Eva Gonzales of Close City.

Congratulations to Nelson and Lola Esparza on the birth of a new baby boy. The new bundle of joy is welcomed home by brother, Jose and sisters Cecilia and Andrea.

His grandparents are Javier and Lupe Esparza of Close City.

Visitors.....George and Ina Lou Miller came out on Saturday afternoon and visited. George showed Ina Lou around the coffee room and the visiting room. It was good to see them,

it's been a while since George has been out we still consider him one of our regulars. Trevah Yarbro along with two of her boys, Kale and Will stopped in to have a snack.

Ken Young, who is one of our producers, but hasn't brought us donuts in quite a while! Came in to visit a while Monday morning. Clinton brought his son, Kahl in for us to "coo" over. Mike Johnson stopped in on Wednesday morning and entertained us for a while.

We send a big get well out to Dillard Morris who has spent a few days in the hospital in Lubbock and to Odie Kemp who is in Tahoka.

We send our sympathies out to the family of Estella Moreno who passed away last week. Estella's husband who I always knew as Poncho was a fixture here at the gin when I was younger. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family.

Don't forget our Ragtown Folks in the nursing homes; Doug and Claudine Tipton, Ruby

Carpenter and Fannie Ballentine in Post and Mary Ethridge and Carmen Abraham in Lubbock. Keep our troops in your daily prayers.

Birthdays this week.....

November 14th - Jim Ellis

November 14th - Linda Alaniz

November 16th - Tino Alaniz

November 20th - Julie Aten

Remember to keep up with our bale count on a daily basis by logging on to <http://closecitycoopgin.blogspot.com>

I hope everyone has a great weekend. Come out and drink a cup of coffee with us sometime.

Be sure to call and let me know about any happenings going on, birthdays, anniversaries or any one that may be sick. If you don't tell me, I don't know to write about it.

You can call me at the gin or email me at close.city.coop@pcca.com

Weekly Inspirations

A FORK FOR SISTER SAM

By: Michael F. Taylor

The Pastor was deeply saddened by the news he had just received. Sister Samantha, Sam for short, had just finished reiterating to him that she had been diagnosed with terminal cancer and had only a few more months to live. As he sat there in an easy chair in her living room, Sister Sam began to tell him of her plans for the funeral. She expressed to the pastor the light blue dress she wanted to be buried in and also requested several scriptures for him to read. She then named the hymn, IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL written by Horatio Spafford. The words came flooding into the pastor's mind - When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea billows roll; Whatever my lot, Thou has taught me to say, It is well, it is well, with my soul. And then the account of Spafford and the sorrows that he himself suffered flashed into the pastors remembrance. Horatio Spafford penned the hymn after two major tragedies in his own life. The great Chicago fire of 1871 which took all of his wealth, and then his wife and four daughters, who were crossing the Atlantic on an ocean liner were struck by another ship. Spafford's wife, Anna, was the only one of his family to survive the shipwreck. He received a telegraph shortly after stating, "Saved Alone." Many weeks later, as Spafford was on another ship sailing near the area of his four daughters demise, the Holy Spirit inspired those words. After discussing her final wishes, the pastor stood up to leave when suddenly Sister Sam asked him to sit back down for one more request.

"I would also like to be buried with a fork in my right hand!" Sister Sam announced. With an incredulous look on his face, the pastor didn't know what to say. "Does that surprise you, Pastor?" She asked. "Well, now that you mention it, yes," he responded back. Sister Sam then explained the mystery and meaning behind it. As a young girl in church, with all the potluck dinners that are known to be held, Sam's grandmother had taught her a very wise lesson. As the main dishes were being cleared from the table, Sam's grandmother would always tell her, "Keep your fork, the best is yet to come!" And invariably, someone would always serve young Sam with a velvet cheese cake or a deep dish chery pie. "I want everyone who walks by my casket to look at me and see the fork in my right hand. And when they ask, I want you to tell them for me, 'The best is yet to come for Sister Sam'." As he left Sam's home that day, tears began to run down his cheek.

Just four short months later, Sam passed from this earth to be with her Heavenly Father. And true to his word, the pastor ensured that Sam's wishes of a fork being placed in her right hand were carried out. As family and friends passed by to view the casket, he couldn't help but smile every time someone commented on why there was a fork in her hand. Many times, those commenting didn't know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. He was given several opportunities to tell them about Jesus and how "The best is yet to come." During the funeral service he again told Sister Sam's story and spoke of the fork and what it meant for her. Several were led to a relationship with the Lord through Sister Sam's fork.

1 Peter 1:3-9 teaches us, "3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. According to His great mercy, He has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 and into an inheritance that is imperishable, uncorrupted, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, 5 who are being protected by God's power through faith for a salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. 6 You rejoice in this, though now for a short time you have had to be distressed by various trials 7 so that the genuineness of your faith—more valuable than gold, which perishes though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory, and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. 8 You love Him, though you have not seen Him. And though not seeing Him now, you believe in Him and rejoice with inexpressible and glorious joy, 9 because you are receiving the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls." What a wonderful assurance it is for you and I to know without a doubt, that as verse four tells us, "Into an inheritance that is imperishable, uncorrupted, and unfading, kept in Heaven for you..."

And what a blessing it is to know that even in our last moments on this earth, if we live the example of Christ, others may come to know Him. Even if it is simply with A FORK FOR SISTER SAM.

God bless each of you this week!

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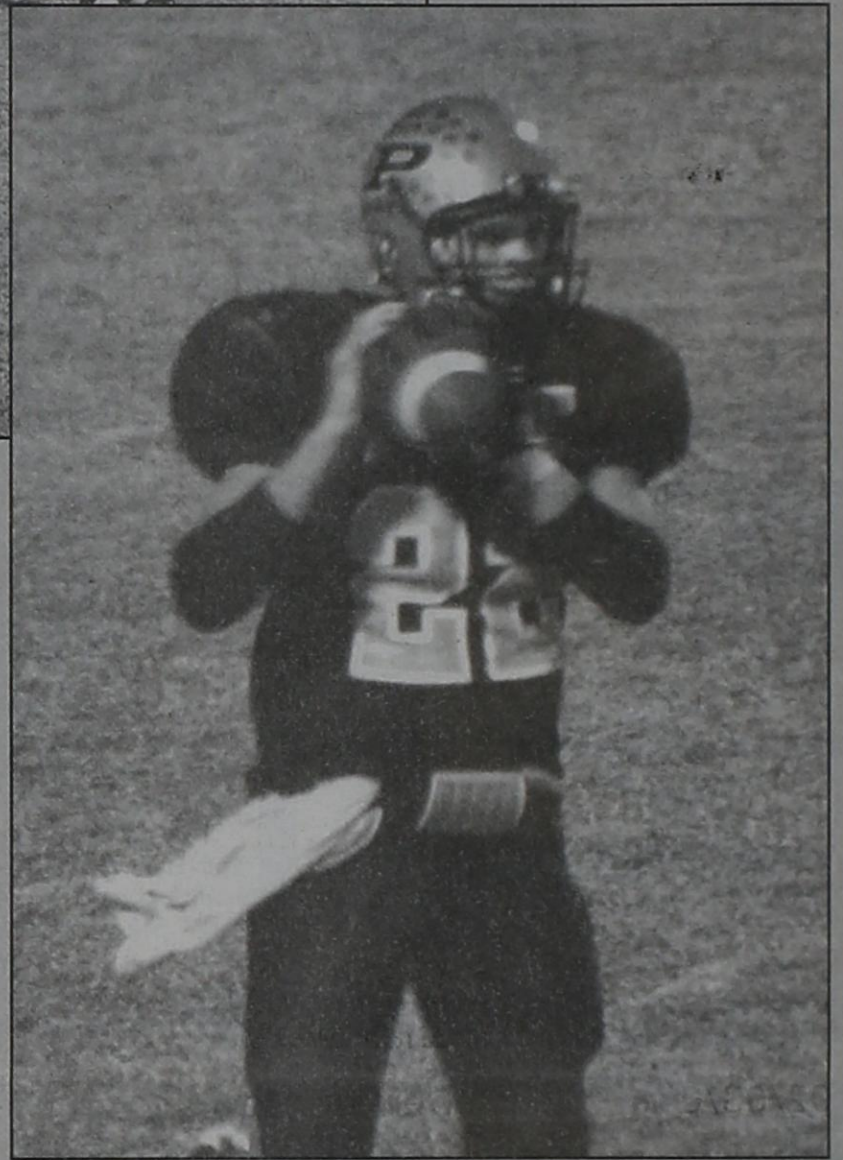


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The Post Antelopes finished their season last week in a loss to Littlefield. The loss ends the season for the Antelopes, who finished with a 5-5 record. Above, Post Antelope football players sing the school song while Clint Windham (right) plays Friday. Below, the 'Lopes take a knee after the contest.

Photos by Mitch Holly



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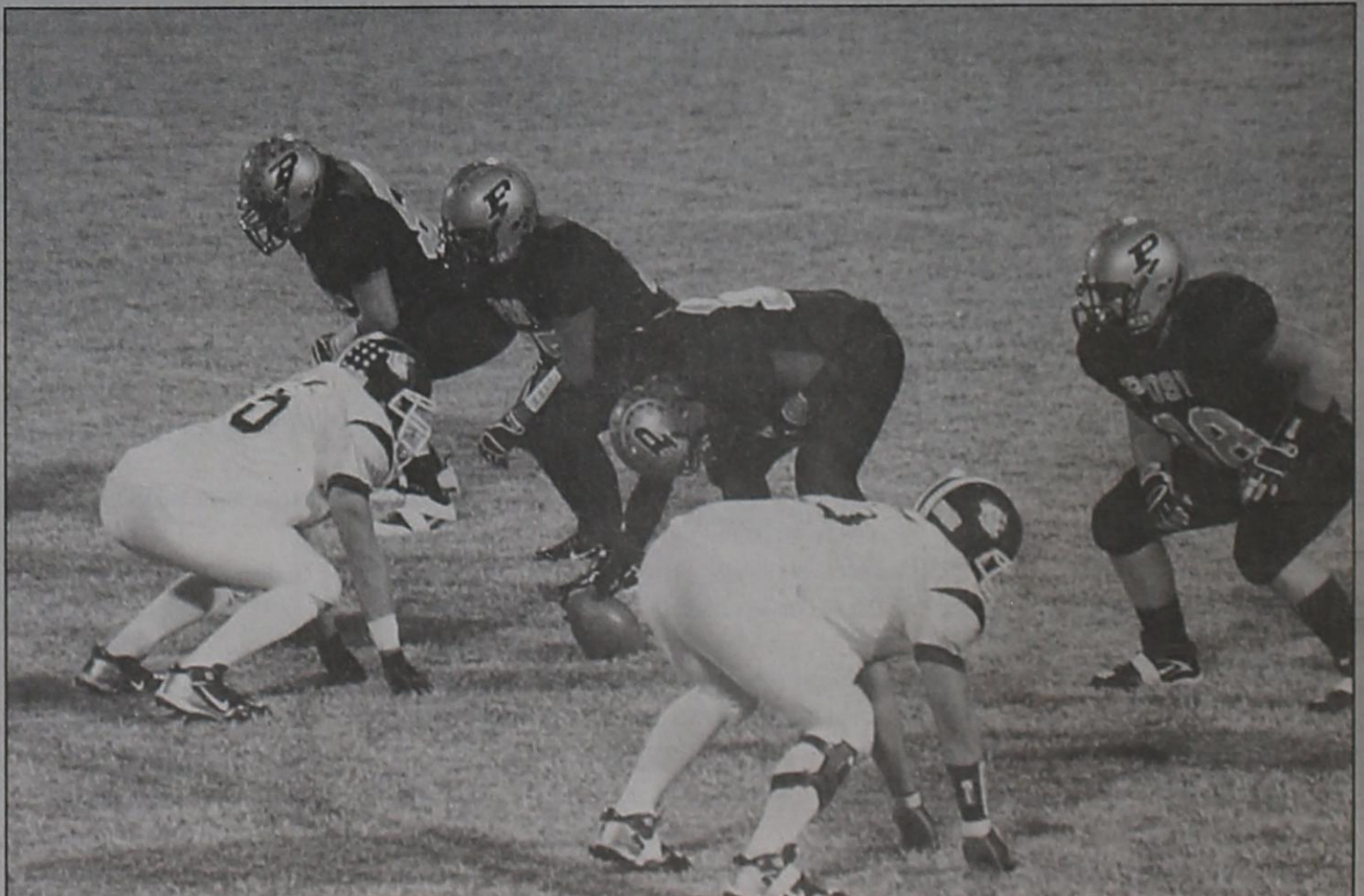
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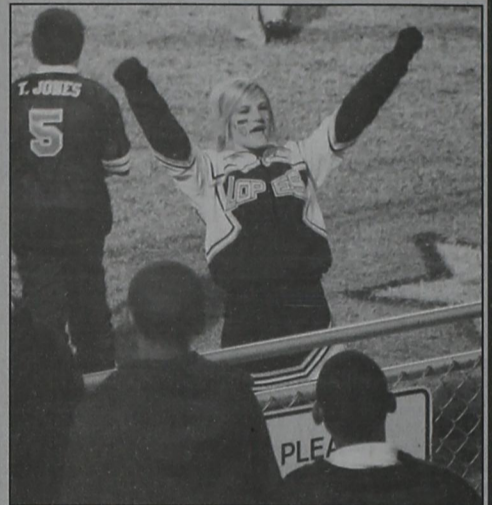
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Date	Team	Place	JV/V
11/04/08	Scrimmage	Coahoma	5:00
11/08/08	Scrimmage	Floydada	2:00
11/11/08	Smyer	There	5:00, 6:30
11/13-15/08	Tip off Classic	Frenship	TBA
11/18/08	Roscoe	There	5:00, 6:30
11/21/08	Anton	There	5:00, 6:30
11/25/08	Snyder	There	5:00, 6:30
12/02/08	Floydada	Home	5:00, 6:30
12/04/06	Anton Tournament	There	TBA
12/09/08	Roosevelt	There	5:00, 6:30
12/12/08	TBA	TBA	TBA
12/16/08	Abernathy	Home	5:00, 6:30
12/19/08	Idalou	There	5:00, 6:30
12/29/31	Caprock Tournament	There	TBA
01/02/09	Open		
01/06/09	Shallowater	Home	5:00, 6:30
01/09/09	Denver City	There	5:00, 6:30
01/13/09	Slaton	There	5:00, 6:30
01/16/09	Littlefield	Home	5:00, 6:30
01/20/09	Roosevelt	Home	5:00, 6:30
01/23/09	Abernathy	There	5:00, 6:30
01/27/09	Idalou	Home	5:00, 6:30
01/30/09	Shallowater	There	5:00, 6:30
02/03/09	Denver City	Home	5:00, 6:30
02/06/09	Slaton	Home	5:00, 6:30
02/10/09	Littlefield	There	5:00, 6:30



Eighth grade team finishes season

By Coach Kelso
 Post middle school wrapped up the football season last Thursday against Littlefield. Caden Dean had two catches for 60 yards. Aaron Macy had runs of 40 yards and 30 yards to lead the ground game. Gilbert Arreguin had 10 tackles two which caused fumbles. Post ended the game on the losing side.
 The 8th grade showed improvement this year. I would like to thank the players for all their hard work we look forward to great things in their high school years.
 First basketball game Monday November 17 at Abernathy 5:00 7th 6:30 8th.

Seventh grade team finishes season

By Coach Parks
 The 7th grade football team finished strong with a tough game against Littlefield. Darron Brown scored 3 times and one two point conversion. 1st touch down was a 60 yard pass from Pake Jones. Second two were runs of 49 yards and 15 yards. Campbell Kirkpatrick played very well on the defensive side of the ball. The final score was a tie 20-20.

Post "Bold Gold" Antelope Basketball Schedule 2008 - 2009

Date	Opponent	Site	Time	Teams
Nov. 18	Roscoe	Away	5:00, 8:00	JVB, VB
Nov. 20 & 22	O'Donnell Tourn.	Away	TBA	JVB
Nov. 21	Merkel	Home	5:00, 6:30	JVB, VB
Nov. 25	Seminole	Home	5:00, 6:30	JVB, VB
Dec. 2	Floydada	Home	5:00, 8:00	JVB, VB
Dec. 4,5,6	Anton Tourn	Away	TBA	VB
Dec. 4,5,6	Sands Tourn.	Away	TBA	JVB
Dec. 9	Roby	Away	5:00, 6:30	JVB, VB
Dec. 11,12,13	Plains Tourn.	Away	TBA	JVB, VB
Dec. 16	Open			
Dec. 19	Idalou *	Away	5:00, 8:00	JVB, VB
Jan. 6	Shallowater *	Home	5:00, 8:00	JVB, VB
Jan. 9	Denver City *	Away	5:00, 8:00	JVB, VB
Jan. 13	Slaton *	Away	5:00, 8:00	JVB, VB
Jan. 16	Littlefield *	Home	5:00, 8:00	JVB, VB
Jan. 20	Roosevelt *	Home	5:00, 8:00	JVB, VB
Jan. 23	Abernathy *	Away	5:00, 8:00	JVB, VB
Jan. 27	Idalou *	Home	5:00, 8:00	JVB, VB
Jan. 30	Shallowater *	Away	5:00, 8:00	JVB, VB
Feb. 3	Denver City *	Home	5:00, 8:00	JVB, VB
Feb. 6	Slaton *	Home	5:00, 8:00	JVB, VB
Feb. 10	Littlefield *	Away	5:00, 8:00	JVB, VB
Feb. 13	Roosevelt *	Away	5:00, 6:30	JVB, VB
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November 18
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Lunch - Enchiladas, refried beans, tossed salad, cinnamon apples, milk

November 19
Breakfast - Malt-o-meal, sausage, toast, fruit, milk
Lunch - Turkey & dressing, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot roll, milk

November 20
Breakfast - Breakfast pizza, fruit, milk
Lunch - Taco salad, seasoned corn, fruited gelatin, brownie,

milk
November 21
Breakfast - Cereal, graham crackers, fruit, juice, milk
Lunch- Hamburger, lettuce, tomato, pickles, baked beans, baby carrots, crispy cereal treats, milk

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Breakfast - Biscuits, jelly, milk, juice, yogurt
Lunch - Chicken fajitas, refried beans, seasoned corn, orange smiles, chocolate pudding cup, milk

November 18
Breakfast - Breakfast burrito, juice, milk
Lunch - Hot dogs, pinto beans, baked chips, pineapple orange salad, milk

November 19
Breakfast - French toast, stix, sausage, milk, juice
Lunch - Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, hot roll, strawberry shortcake, milk

November 20
Breakfast - Muffins, oranges, milk, juice
Lunch - Meat & bean chalupas, Spanish rice, lettuce & tomatoes, rosie applesauce, milk

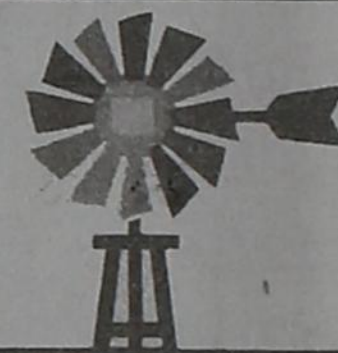
November 21
Breakfast - Biscuits & gravy, milk, juice
Lunch - Submarine sandwiches, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, tater tots, baby carrots w/ranch, brownie, milk

TRAILBLAZERS

November 17 Stir fry chicken, rice, broccoli salad, fruit
November 18 Pork roast, butter beans, cabbage, cornbread, cookie bar

November 19 Salisbury steak, au gratin potatoes, cucumber/onion salad, biscuits, millionaire pie
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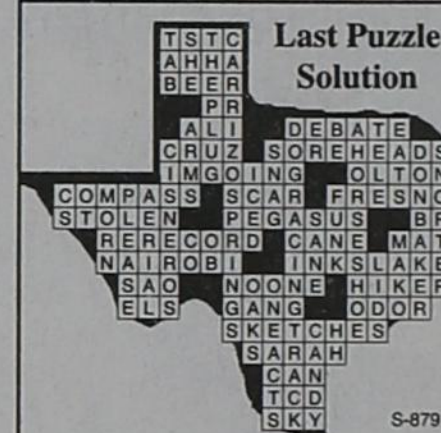
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Yesteryears

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10 Years Ago November 12, 1998

Post youth flag football cheerleaders included Hayley Massey, Kayla Morris, Lori Jones, Laci Williams, Devin Hernandez, Rosanna Orona, Kaycee Gorman, Janee Lott, Claire Kirkpatrick and Jody Rutherford.

Ples and Betty Hill marked the observance of their 50th wedding anniversary with a family dinner at the Oxford Street Steak House in Abilene.

Bunny and Scooter Lynch announced the birth of their daughter Lauren Nadyen, born October 13 in Methodist Hospital. Lauren weighed seven pounds, nine ounces and was 20 inches long.

Enjoying sharing memories at the Hotel Garza were eight members of the Post High School Class of 1938. They were Lorene Tyson, Barbara Cox Jones, Annie Laura Francis, Frances Albright, Robert H. Davis, Mary Adrian (Dickie Robinson), Wilburn Lucas and Morene Short.

20 Years Ago November 10, 1988

AIC Timothy W. Burnett graduated from U. S. Air Force basic training and was assigned to the 3776th Student Training Squadron at Sheppard AFB. Airman Burnett's flight at basic training earned Honor Flight recognition during the final week of basic training at Lackland AFB.

A mock election sponsored by the Post High School student council, spearheaded by Dustin Ammons, which included 3,500 students from 15 South Plains High School showed George Bush and Dan Quayle overall winners.

Taking blue ribbons at the Caprock Photographers fourth annual Fall Photography Show downtown were Ed Neff, Eddie Sebastian, Giles McCrary Jr., John Madden, Joe Miller, Dr. James Bell, Tommy Camden, Lil Conner, Ann McDonald, Bill Mueller, and Linda Ellis.

30 Years Ago November 15, 1978

Kerri Pool, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Pool, was crowned Homecoming Football Queen during the homecoming pep rally in the school gym. Other nominees for the honor were Nita Jo Gunn and Dana Babb. Larisa Shiver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Shiver was named band sweetheart, with Teresa Davis as runner-up.

Postex employee, Harold Britton, competed 25 years of continuous service on October 30. Britton, Postex Plant's production planner, was presented his 25-year service pin and certificate by plant manager, Don Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Byrd were honored with a reception on their 50th wedding anniversary in the bank community room. Sam Byrd and Anna Lucile Stanley were married October 28, 1928 in Clairemont.

40 Years Ago November 14, 1968

Democrat Hubert Humphrey edged out President - elect Richard Nixon in Garza County in the presidential election, 662 to 615 with George Wallace running third with 374 votes.

Fifteen new families moving into Post during October included: Red and Lois Floyd, Charles D. Mason, Bobby Grisson, Abel Abraham, Bill and Brenda Cooper, Sam Gannon, E. E. Brewer, Leroy Medford, Allen Hall, Summers Milam, Isaias Martinez, Darrell R. Gruber and Joe Navarro.

Several members of the Post Art Guild enjoyed a weekend of sketching, painting and picture taking at the Ralph Welch ranch near Sterling City with Helen Welch, as their hostess. Attending were Geraldine Butler, Marie Neff, Boo Olson, Allie Martin and Evelyn Neff.

The Post Antelopes took a 68 to 0 lacing at Denver City with the season closing down.

50 Years Ago November 12, 1958

The White River dam took another long stride toward reality this week in 1958 with the granting of water rights for 7,000 acre feet of water per year from the White River by the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas.

The Post chapter of Future Farmers of America erected a FFA monument just off U. S. Highway 84, southeast of town on Double U Ranch land. Present were Melanie Thompson, FFA chapter sweetheart, Boy Hart, Double U Ranch manager, Royce Hart chapter president and Horace Smith, chapter reporter.

An archway of emerald and lighted tapers, with a cascading bouquet of pink aristocrat roses formed the background for the wedding of Miss Nancy Jane Mosley and Darrel Ray Norman in the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Mosley in Slaton.

60 Years Ago November 11, 1948

The queen contest, always a highlight of the annual Halloween Carnival held in the high school gymnasium, netted more than \$1100 for the school. The contest was won by Senior Jean Startain. She was escorted by Ronnie Bouchier during the coronation ceremony. The grade school contest was won by Marca Dean Holland, first grader, who was escorted by Don Richardson. Having signed a contract for the Garza County dealership of Kaiser and Frazer automobiles, J. N. Power announced the formation of the J. N. Power Motor Company.

Miss Betty Ingram, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. T. Ingram of Aspermont, became the bride of Pleasant Hill, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Hill of the Graham Community.

"Post Folks at Work" featured First National Bank clerks Mrs. Jesse Compton, Miss Vera Jean Branson, Mrs. Elton Mathis and Lester Josey.

SUDOKU

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6	1	9	5	8	4	2	7	3
5	8	4	3	7	2	6	1	9
3	7	2	6	1	9	5	8	4
7	9	1	8	2	6	5	3	4
8	4	5	9	3	7	1	6	2
4	8	1	3	2	6	5	7	9

ANSWER:

ACROSS

- Amarillo TV
- actor Baldwin of "The Aviator" about TX Hughes
- Cowboy QB Tony
- TXism: "shaking like ___ dog"
- State Fair staple "Big ___"
- TXism: "___ the dogs" (stop)
- 4-time Cowboy Pro Bowler Williams
- TXism: "popular as ___ daughter"
- Charley & Guy: ___-creators of TC
- this Bob carried TX in '96, but lost
- TXism: "smart as a bankhouse ___"
- cattle breed
- alma mater of Cowboy LB Carpenter
- school recreation
- '08 film with TX Eve Brent: "The Curious Benjamin Button"
- just one time
- TX-born actor & Uma's ex, Ethan
- TX ___ Fulford flew in '91 Space Shuttle
- TXism: "skinny as ___"
- TXism: "come ___ the seams"
- TXism: "hightail ___"
- TX-based film: "The Thin Blue ___"

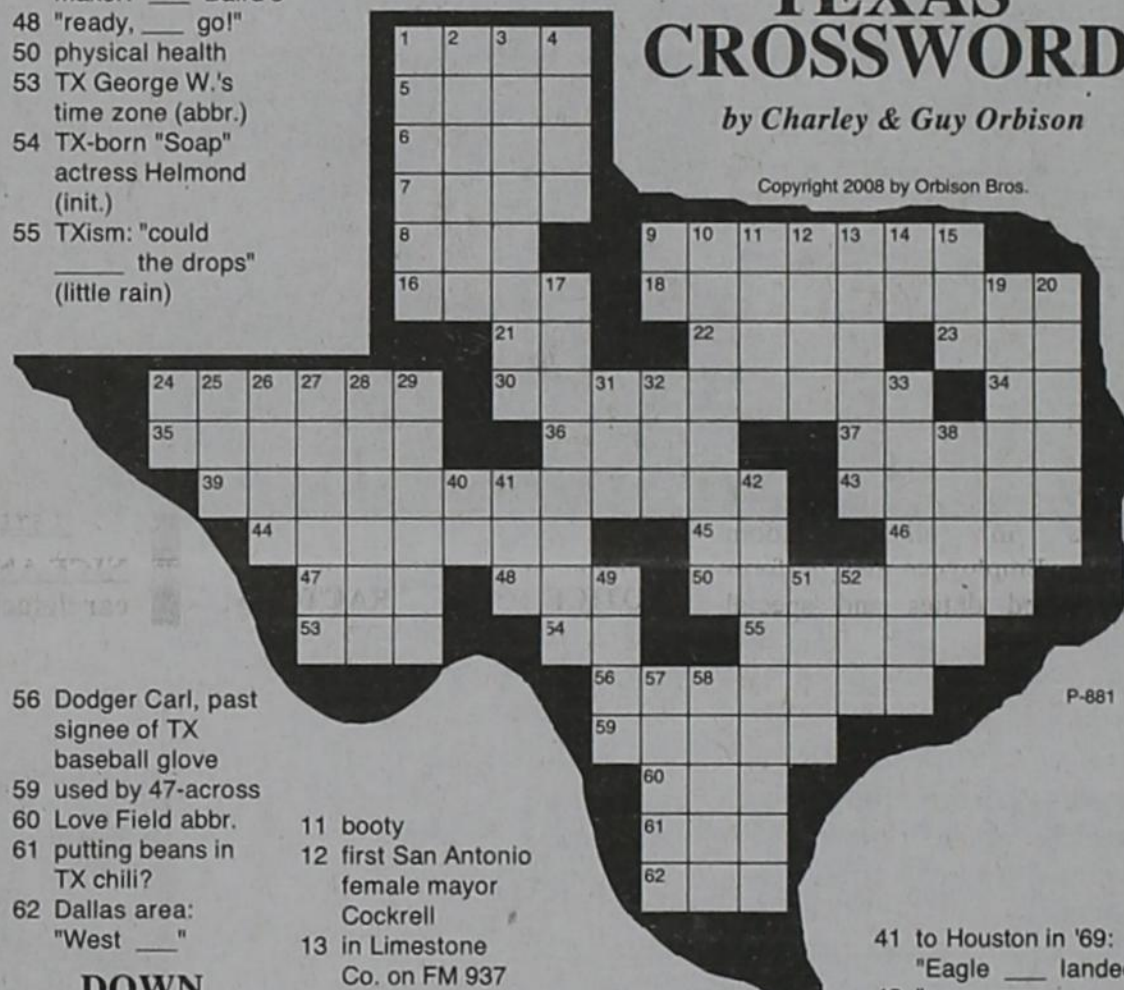
- TX-based bread maker: "___ Baird's"
- "ready, ___ go!"
- 50 physical health
- TX George W.'s time zone (abbr.)
- TX-born "Soap" actress Helmond (init.)
- TXism: "could ___ the drops" (little rain)

The Original

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DOWN

- TX rancher Chuck Norris martial art
- bluebonnet is a TX wild ___
- central bank south of the border: "Banco ___"
- Bowie's Alamo bed (2 wds.)
- Gov. ___ Culberson
- TXism: "sling it on the wall ___ it sticks"
- booty
- first San Antonio female mayor Cockrell
- in Limestone Co. on FM 937
- Dallas' KERA is this type station
- TXism: "right smart piece to there"
- Skylab spotted this comet in '73
- dinner towels
- actor Bob in '4 for Texas"
- ___ powder
- Dodge truck
- largest continent
- TX Kris' ___ Make It Through The Night"
- grinding teeth
- TXism: "brave as ___ grade teacher"
- international banking group noted TX woman Hobby (init.)
- TX female discus thrower Brown above the hips
- "Giant" actress Liz (init.)
- to Houston in '69: "Eagle ___ landed"
- stones can break my bones ___"
- TXism: "the bigger ___ are, the harder they fall"
- TXism: "put a pencil ___ (calculate)"
- TX-born Debbie was "The Singing ___"
- Lubbock AFB that closed in '97
- glossy fabric

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How big is Texas? 801 miles north to south and 773 miles east to west. That is a lot of space to house 18 million Texans and 15 million head of cattle!

The last battle of the Civil War was fought near Brownsville. The Confederates won the battle but lost the war!

In 1901 Beaumont's Spindle Top oil well gushed 200ft in the air. For 9 days it spewed oil. Ushering in the first Texas oil boom.

The first word spoken on the moon was "Houston".

Three of our nations 10 largest cities are found in Texas: Houston, Dallas & San Antonio.

TEXAN TEST

- Texas ranks highest in the US production of:
 - Oil
 - Cotton
 - Watermelons
 - All of the above
- Texas has more tornados a year than
 - Louisiana
 - Kansas
 - Arkansas
 - Any of the above
- Which two presidents are native Texans?
 - Dwight D. Eisenhower
 - Lyndon B. Johnson
 - George H. Bush
 - George W. Bush
- Texas has flown under the flag of:
 - Mexico
 - France
 - Spain
 - All of the above

Texas Was an independent republic for nine years. Sam Houston was the first president and Stephen F. Austin was Secretary of State.

Six Flags Over Texas...

...and we are not talking about an amusement park!

Explorer Hernando de Soto searched Texas for cities of gold, helping to fly the flag of Spain from 1519-1685. France claimed ownership 1685-1690, until the Spanish again reigned from 1690-1821. The Mexican flag flew from 1821-1836 until Sam Houston, leading the Texas army, defeated Santa Anna, forcing the Mexican general to sign the agreement that made Texas a free & independent republic. By 1845 Texans had voted to join the United States. Except for 4 years during the Civil War, when the bars & stars Confederate flag flew over Texas, the stars and stripes have proudly waved.

TEST ANSWERS
1-d
2-d*
3-a & b**
4-d

*Texas has an average of 100 Tornados a year.
**Neither President Bush were born in Texas.

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Jaguars

Back Row- Christian Chapa, Coach Randy Eaton, Ben Ayala, Stone Eaton, Nathan Walls, Coach Tammy Ayala Front- Brody Kelso, Austin Walls, Jonathan Hernandez, Colter Thompsn



Titans

Back-Coach Lonnie Isbell Standing-Russ Morris, Adrian Rodgers, Brody Britnell Front- Carson Mason, Cord Isbell Not Pictured- Pacey Blevins, Daniel Gomez, Ty Jones



Vikings

Back Row-Coach Roger (Scooter) Lynch, Coach Augie Menchaca, Coach Randy Britton Middle- A.J. Escobedo, Kale Yarbro, Austin Britton, Brandon Britton Front- Valente Perez, Damian Rodriguez, Augie Menchaca, Lauren Record

Lord's Acre event Sunday

The 10th Annual Lord's Acre will be held Saturday, November 15 at 6:30 in the School Cafeteria. The annual event is hosted by area churches and 100% of the proceeds are distributed to LOCAL organizations. Last year 9 organizations benefited from the \$8727.00 raised.

Because United Way is not active in Garza County, the Lord's Acre provides residents with an opportunity to make a tax deductible donation knowing that their money will be used to support projects in their own community.

Those attending the event will enjoy a candlelit meal served on tables decorated with various themes. A silent auction will provide friendly competition among the bidders as the crowd enjoys entertainment provided by local talent.

To donate an item for the silent auction, decorate a table or contribute to this event in any way, please contact Kelli Egan, Alexa Collier, Tonya Kirkpatrick or Kim Lott.

Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy an evening of food, fun and fellowship.

Southland ISD News

Congratulations to our Girls basketball teams for the way they competed in their first two scrimmages. We are looking forward to a great year out of you girls and boys basketball teams. Good luck to all of our players and coaches. Congratulations to our entire staff for all the work that they have done in helping us achieve four Gold Star performance standards as awarded by TEA in the following areas: Attendance rate for the 2006-2007 school year (this one is always a year behind) commended in Social Studies, recommended High School Program for class of 2007, Texas Success Initiative for Math-Improvements made.

Events for this Week:
School Board Meeting tonight at 7:00 pm

Girls basketball game Tuesday night at 6:30

Stock Show meeting at 6:00 pm on Wednesday in the Ag. Shop.

Please see Mr. McCollister for further details.

Red Ribbon Contest winners will have a Sundae party on Thursday after lunch. See Coach Krizman for details. Report

Cards should be mailed home by Thursday. Varsity Boys basketball scrimmage on Friday at Amherst at 5:00. Varsity girls game at Amherst at 6:30.

FFA District Leadership Contest Saturday at Lamesa. Good luck to Mr. McCollister and all of our participants. Please make sure that you visit our students FFA website at www.southlandffa.org Our kids and Mr. McCollister are doing a great job with this website.

Events for next Week:
Elementary Awards in Mrs. Davis's Room at 3:00 pm on Monday the 17th.

Varsity Girls and Boys at Guthrie beginning at 6:30 on Tuesday night.

Elementary and Junior High UIL academic meet at O'Donnell on Wednesday and Thursday. More information will be given out throughout the course of this week. Wilson Basketball Tournament begins on Thursday and runs through Saturday. All games will be at Wilson, times are yet to be determined.

Area II FFA Leadership Contest will be on Saturday. Please see Mr. McCollister for further details.

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