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Former Post Resident Among Fort Hood Fatalities



CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER
MICHAEL CAHILL (RET.)

By ROSA LATIMER
News Editor

Chief Warrant Officer Michael Cahill (Ret.) of Cameron, TX and formerly of Post, was the only civilian killed in the mass shooting at Fort Hood on November 5, 2009. According to national news reports, Cahill, 62, was assisting with physicals for soldiers preparing for deployment at the time of the shooting.

Cahill, his wife, Joleen and their children, Keely, Kerry and James were residents of Post from 1992 to 1998. Affectionately called "Dr. Mike" by many of his Post patients, he was a Physician's Assistant at the health clinic here working with Dr. Shen Chen. The family attended Holy Cross Catholic Church.

"He was a very intelligent man. He read and researched a lot," said Vicki Gray, who worked with Cahill at the clinic in Post. "He genuinely cared for his patients and met very few people he did not like." Gray said that she and Cahill talked on the phone "every couple of years" to catch up on family and local news; however, she remembers that it has been 3 or 4 years since they last talked.

Tanya Vernon of Post, who also worked with Cahill, remembers him as "a very caring person." Vernon said that he always joked with her, telling her that intelligent people have messy desks and less intelligent people have very neat desks. "His desk and office were always a mess. And, of course, my desk was neat."

The bodies of the 13 who died in the shooting have been flown to Dover, Delaware for forensic autopsies. Final services for Michael Cahill have not been set; however, condolences may be sent to Joleen Cahill, P. O. Box 1192, Cameron, TX 76520. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations in Michael's memory to one of the following charities: www.soldiersandsandels.org; www.taps.org (tragedy assistance program for survivors); or www.doctorswithoutborders.org.



BRINGING THE HARVEST IN

Friends from the Close City and Hackberry communities gathered last week to pull Ronnie Dunn's cotton while he is home recovering from back surgery. Those helping with the harvest were: Ferrell Wheeler; Hector Esparza; Fermin, Bonita and Chessua Garcia; Randy Lewis; Javier Valdez; Rene' and Stephanie Ramirez; Daniel Yarbro; Tony Bishop; Monty Williams; Gelasio Perez; Robbie Wilke; Barry Morris; Chuck Morris; Tino Alaniz; Jim Ellis; Travis Lancaster; G.B. Wilke; Billie Weaver; Charles Morris; Felipe Nava; Mike Aten; Mack Terry; Cecil Stolte; Todd Taylor. On the day of harvest the crew at Close City Co-op Gin provided lunch. Helping serve were; Jerry and Jerry Bush; Traci Freeman; Dee Basquez and Sharron Morris. Photo by Traci Freeman

Post ISD Receives Recognition for High Performance

The Texas Education Agency Gold Performance Acknowledgement System (GPA) acknowledges districts and campuses for high performance on indicators other than those used to determine accountability ratings. These indicators are in statute or created by the Commissioner of Education. These GPAs indicate the highest performance in the areas listed.

Post ISD has earned 13 GPA recognitions for high performance on:

Post ISD - 4 GPA in English Language Arts, Advanced Placement/International Baccalaureate Courses, Commended Writing, and College Readiness

Post High School - 3 GPAs in AP/IB, College Readiness and Texas Success Initiative, ELA

Post Middle School - 4 GPAs in Comparable Improvement in Reading/English Language Arts and Math, Commended in Writing and Social Studies

Post Elementary School had no GPAs.

The Elementery Center - 2 GPAs - one for classroom attendance, and another for TSI Math.

Thirteen GPAs overall exceed the previous high of eleven earned by Post ISD.

Commissioners Delay Setting Permit Fees for LAH Pipeline Project

By ROSA LATIMER
News Editor

Garza County Commissioners Court met in a regular meeting Monday, November 9 in the Commissioners' Courtroom. Minutes from the October 26 meeting were approved as amended. The following items of information were brought before the Court: Reports from District/County Clerk; Treasurer; Budget Analysis; Senior Transportation; Justice of the Peace - 2; Garza County Certificates of Obligation Bond Fund, 2008; Garza County Public Facilities Board Bond Funds, 2005. County Judge Lee Norman and Clerk Jim Plummer informed the court that the election equipment will be moved to the county barn from the old clinic building within the next 30 days.

Judge Norman also updated the court on his discussions with engineers concerning the possible courthouse restoration project. Cost to revise the master plan from the late 1990s for restoration would be approximately \$6500. The Texas Historic Commission will only consider a complete restoration, not partial. In addition, the block energy grant offered by the state would not be enough to install central heat and air, but could possibly be used to replace the old boiler.

Among the agenda items for this meeting was the consideration of the permit fee for crossing a Garza County right-of-way

for the City of Lubbock/Lake Alan Henry water pipeline project. During discussion, Commissioners indicated that it would be better to wait to set the fees after an agreement between the City of Lubbock and all Garza County private land owners potentially involved in the project has been reached. The Commissioners voted not to set a fee at this time.

The agenda once again included a presentation of grant money for video equipment for the Garza County Sheriff's Department and consideration of the 25% grant matching funds. Sheriff Cliff Laws was not present and the agenda item was tabled.

The Court considered a bid on county property located at 204 N. Ave. H: Lot 7 Block 64 in the original town site of Post. The taxes and arrearages owed are approximately \$4000. A bid of \$500 was accepted pending the approval of the other taxing entities.

A proclamation/resolution designating November as Official Home Care & Hospice Month was approved.

The court voted to submit a request for TxDot state surplus road materials valued at \$12,021.00 for fiscal year 2010.

An advisory board for the Criminal Justice Information Center Data Improvement Plan was approved. Those appointed to the board are: Sheriff Cliff Laws or his designee; District Attorney (continued on Page 4)



Proud of the Lopes

Our Bold Gold has had a great season. Let's support them during the playoffs! Come to the pep rally, come to the game. These coaches and let them work hard so let's let them know we appreciate them.

Stray Cat Problem

This is in regard to the person who thanked the city for picking up stray animals. I wish they would tell them to come to my part of town and pick up the 10 - 15 stray cats. The first thing I see when I open my door every morning is about 4 or 5 cats that don't belong to me. People with dogs on leashes should be made to stop their pets from going to the bathroom in the neighbor's flowerbeds. It isn't appreciated.

Secret Meetings

What's with all the "executive session" meetings by our School Board and I emphasize "our." We elected these people yet they hold

their secret meetings and decide on things that affect our kids and the future of our school. The meeting may be posted, but no one knows what's going on. This fuels rumors. Even if they can't talk publicly about "sensitive" issues, surely there is a way to let the public know what's going on before decisions are made. Some School Boards hold a couple of town hall meetings each year. This keeps the community informed and involved.

Social Networks

When did it become acceptable for the teachers to have access to social networks such during school hours? I don't have a problem with what you post after hours but doesn't the time between 7:50 and 3:30 belong to our kids? I don't like to think that kids are working hard on their papers while their teacher is talking about Teachers who aren't doing this shouldn't take any offense but the ones who are maybe need to check (continued on Page 4)

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Community/Government Meetings
All of these meetings are open to the public.

Post City Council
November 19
5:30 p.m.
City Hall
105 E. Main

Garza County Commissioners Court
November 23
9:00 a.m.
Garza Co. Courthouse
300 W. Main

OTHER COMMUNITY EVENTS

"Christmas Belles"
Garza Theatre
November 13 & 14
7:30 p.m.
November 15
2:30 p.m.
Call 495-4005 for reservations

Community Pep Rally
November 13
Field House Parking Lot
3:15 p.m.

Antelopes vs Sonora Bi-District Playoff
Mustang Bowl, Sweetwater
November 13
7:30 p.m.

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Early Deadline for Thanksgiving edition

News and ads for the November 27 edition (Thanksgiving week) of The Post Dispatch must be received by 5:00 p.m. Thursday, November 19. Information can be emailed to postcitydispatch@yahoo.com or dropped off at the office. After hours, please drop information in the mail slot.

Office hours for The Post Dispatch are normally 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday; however, the office will be open until 5 p.m. Thursday November 19 to accommodate the early deadline.

School Board Accepts Positive Audit Report

By ROSA LATIMER
News Editor

During a regular scheduled meeting Tuesday, November 10, the Post ISD School Board heard a positive and optimistic audit report from Terry and King, CPA, an accounting firm from Lubbock. The audit represents the financial position of the school district as of 8/31/2009. Randall Terry commended Shelley Odom, Post ISD Business Manager, Supt. Marlin Marcum and the school business office for their good job throughout the year. "You have done well. The fiscal standing of the district is excellent. Everything is as it should be. When we receive the fiscal information from Post we can get right to work on the audit." Terry said. The audit was unanimously received and approved by the Board.

The trustees considered the sale agenda items including the offer of property and accepting bids for the sale of two used buses. (continued on Page 4)

Opinions



The Paperboy

By Christopher Blackburn

No Place Like Rural America

Here in rural America, we are often forgot about when it comes to our city friends. And while some of us may wish to live in a large city, there are many benefits to living "in the middle of nowhere."

- I like almost everything about living in a small town.
- I like being able to drive three miles and be in the country.
- I like sitting at a stop sign for seconds.
- I like being able to get across town in minutes.
- I like the fact the fire department, made up of brave neighbors who volunteer their time, can be at my house in minutes.
- I enjoy seeing stars. You can see all the stars you want in the country.
- I'm a sunset freak. I like looking to the west and seeing an unobstructed view of the beautiful colors as the sun begins to fall below the horizon.
- I like going to a restaurant and being seated within minutes.
- I like going outside and smelling fresh air.
- I like driving three miles and not hearing anything but the blowing of wind.
- If I want to hunt or fish, it's a piece of cake to do so.
- I think it's wonderful when you walk into a place and the people asking, "how are you today?" mean it.

If you get a flat in a small town and are unable to fix it yourself, you can get it taken care of with a quick phone call or knock on the door.

Don't let our friends in the big cities make you feel like a small-timer just because you choose live in wide-open spaces. While we may be limited in our ability to purchase material items, living in rural America has distinct advantages.

When was the last time any of our city friends could walk out into their backyard and see the sun set while flipping burgers on the grill? Presto, an hour later, you've got stars as bright as any big city lights.

When I was a young man, I felt a little trapped by the small town. Today, I think it's quite the opposite. I'm free. Our big-city friends, they're the ones who seem confined to me.

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Obama's War and Remembrance Day

By Dave Lindorff

With word being leaked out over the weekend that our Nobel Peace Prize President is close to announcing plans to escalate the US troop level in the Afghanistan War by 50%, we are about to have perhaps the ultimate of ironies—a president announcing a big step-up in American war-making on November 11, the day known around much of the Western world as Armistice Day.

While modern Americans might not know it, with all the boom and bombast and mindless flag-waving featured in the military parades popular in today's warrior culture, November 11 was originally established by Congress back in 1919, a year after the day the guns of World War I finally went silent over the blood-drenched fields of Europe in what was once, in a naive spasm of optimism, referred to as the War to End All Wars. In declaring the national holiday Armistice Day, Congress said it was to be "a day dedicated to the cause of world peace."

It's hard to see how President Obama, who has yet to actually receive his Nobel Prize as a peace-maker from Norway's King Harald, is contributing to peace with the addition of another 34,000 US soldiers and Marines to the 68,000 already fighting, killing and dying on Afghan soil. Maybe he thinks holding this escalation to 34,000 instead of accommodating Afghanistan Theater Commander Gen. Stanley McCrystal's request for 80,000 more troops is an act of pacificistic moderation.

I doubt it. (Incidentally, some Pentagon and White House flaks are referring to this escalation as another "surge," but you can't call a 50% increase in troop commitments a "surge." It is what it is—a massive expansion of the current war effort.)

No, sadly, Obama, who has declared the bloody assault on one of the world's most remote and impoverished lands to be a "necessary war," seems stubbornly and ignorantly and foolishly to be trying to emulate the mistakes of an earlier Democratic president, Lyndon Baines Johnson, who turned a minor conflict in Vietnam into the biggest war, and biggest disaster, that the US has engaged in since World War II.

Of course, the difference between the two men, Johnson and Obama, is still enormous. While Obama may be just as bone-headed as was Johnson in caving to the will of his generals instead of leading them, he doesn't hold a candle to Johnson when it comes to leading the charge for progressive domestic legislation. While Johnson was gunning up the war in Vietnam, he was simultaneously dragging the racist Democrats of the southern states kicking and screaming into the post-slavery world with passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1965, which for the first time enabled African Americans to actually participate in voting. He also rammed through Congress a truly innovative single-payer health program—Medicare—to provide health care for all Americans once they reached 65, or became disabled, as well as a second program—Medicaid—to care for the poor.

Against these great accomplishments, Obama hasn't even shown the resolve to end discrimination against gays and lesbians in the military—something he could do with a phone call to the Joint Chiefs! That is to say, while he's willing to pointlessly, on the basis of some bizarre political calculus, put another 34,000 young Americans in harm's way in Afghanistan, he's not willing to ban discrimination against those of them who may not be suitably heterosexual.

The signs are grimly clear that this silver-tongued but politically gutless president is steering the country into yet another military disaster—one that has killed 200 young men and women under his command, but which could easily become as costly in blood and fortune as was Johnson's Vietnam War four decades ago. Making matters worse is the fact that while the Vietnam War was fought at a time when America was at its height as an economic power, today this country is an economic basket case.

I predict that it will not be long before protesters will be packing the Washington Mall and jamming the streets surrounding the White House shouting chants of "Hey, Obama, What Do You Say? How Many Kids Have You Killed Today?" (How's he going to explain those shouts to his daughters, Sasha and Malia?)

The sheen has already worn off this latest huckster for American militarism and imperial adventure, and, with his increasingly blood-stained hands tied by the Pentagon and military quagmire, he has

Obama's War...
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Mike Gonzalez

Mike Gonzalez, City (Ragtown), died November 5, 2009 at a Medical Center. He was born September 19, 1940 in San Francisco and moved to Post, Texas in 1960. He was raised at Justiceburg. He was married to Eva Collazo on July 19, 1964. They made their home at Close City (Ragtown). He went to work for DeWitt farming. After Doug Collazo died, Mike began farming himself. In 1994 he and his son, Danny, started farming. He was a member of Close City Gin Coffee. He had his own chairlift. He preceded in death by his wife, Eva Collazo, March 16, 2009, also by a grandbaby, Jose, July 5, 1984.

Services were 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 7, 2009, at Holy Cross Church, 1000 Chacko Thadathil of O. Guadalupe Church, in Post, Texas. Rev. Paul K. Sieve Collazo, Dr. Ben and Santiago Gonzalez. Burial followed at the Cemetery. Arrangements under the personal care of Janet Justice, Justice Funeral Home.

Mike is survived by Eva Gonzalez of Post, Texas; one daughter, Linda; one son, Tino Alaniz, also one brother, Rosendo. Lupe Gonzalez of New



SOUTHLAND SEPT

Back row from left: B. Valencia, Second Grade; Arguello, Seventh Grade. Front row: Gloria Davis, First Grade. Courtesy photo.

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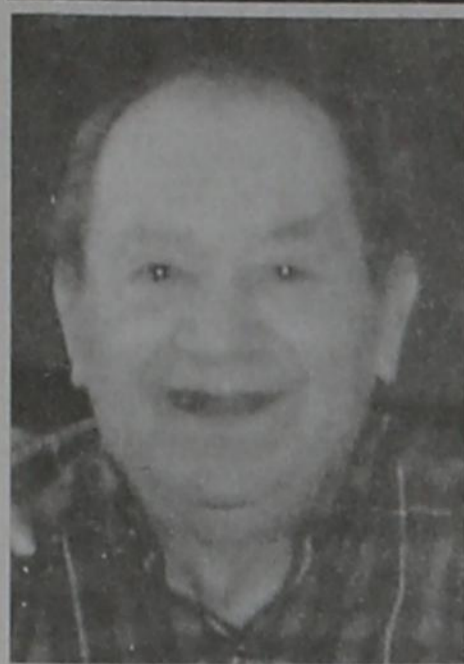
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Obituaries



Mike Gonzales

Mike Gonzales, 74, of Close City (Ragtown), died on Thursday November 5, 2009 at the Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. He was born September 13, 1935 to Francisco and Severa (Pantoja) Gonzales at Nixon, TX. He was raised at Justiceburg and married Eva Collazo on July 29, 1956 in Post. They made their first home at Close City (Ragtown) and Mike went to work for Doug Tipton, farming. After Doug retired from farming, Mike began farming for himself. In 1994 he retired and Danny, his son, took over the farming. He was a member of the Close City Gin Coffee Club where he had his own chair. Mike is preceded in death by a son Michael Gonzales, March 16, 1993 and also by a grandbaby Joey Gonzales, July 5, 1984.

Services were 11:00 a.m. Saturday November 7, 2009 at the Holy Cross Church with Rev. Chacko Thadathil of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, in Slaton officiating. Rev. Paul Kariekatt, Steve Collazo, Dr. Ben Edwards and Santiago Gonzalez assisted. Burial followed at the Terrace Cemetery. Arrangements were under the personal care of Dee and Janet Justice, Justice-Mason Funeral Home.

Mike is survived by his wife Eva-Gonzales of Post; one son, Danny and his wife Susan Gonzales; one daughter, Linda and her husband Tino Alaniz, all of Post; one brother, Rosendo and his wife Lupe Gonzales of New Braunfels;

six grandchildren: Amanda Alaniz, Melinda and her husband David Quintana, Eric and his wife Dee Dee Alaniz, Steve and his wife Flora Gonzales, Mikey Gonzales and Patrick Gonzales all of Post; six great-grandchildren: Quincey Quintana, Andrew Quintana, Hailey Alaniz, Jace Alaniz, Stevie Gonzales and Ramiele Gonzales all of Post and another great-grandchild "on the way."

Palbearers were grandchildren: Amanda Alaniz, Melinda Quintana, Eric Alaniz, Steve Gonzales, Mikey Gonzales and Patrick Gonzales.

Jesse Ray Partlow

Jesse Ray Partlow of Lovington, NM and formerly of Post died November 5, 2009 at home in Lovington. He was born March 7, 1945 in Artesia, NM to U. B. and Mattie Partlow. Services were Wednesday, November 11, 2009, 2:00 p.m. at the Jackson Avenue Baptist Church in Lovington with Chris Stevens officiating. Burial followed at the Lovington Cemetery. Arrangements were by Stevens Funeral Home, Lovington, NM

Jesse is survived by his wife, Caty Partlow of Lovington; 7 sons: Michael Partlow of Moberly, MO; Greg White of Lovington, NM; Rick Partlow of Briscoe, TX; Brandon Partlow of Greely, CO; George Abare of Lubbock, TX; Terry Vick of Lubbock, TX and George Harmon of Hobbs, NM; 5 daughters: Leah Alexander of Hobbs, NM; Cindy Hawkins of Grand Junction, CO; Lynn Lawrence of Ruidoso, NM; Stacy Reed of Lovington, NM; and Jennifer Harkins of Hobbs, NM; 26 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Lee Partlow; four sisters: Frances Woods, Doris Shedd, Nell Malone, and Nita Powell; and his first wife, Debbie Partlow.

Memorials to Vista Care Hospice, 1515 W. Calle Sur, Hobbs, NM 88240 are suggested.

EXTENSION EXTRAS

Fashion Design

The next fashion design, meeting will be on November 18, 2009 at 4:00 at the Extension Office.

Consumer Decision

Meetings for Consumer Decision Making will be on Saturday November 14 & 21, 2009 at the Extension Office from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

Swine Validation

If you are not keeping your hogs in pens at the show barn, you need to contact Greg Jones, Lance Dunn, Perry Smith or Nick McCallister to get them validated. This needs to be done before November 25, 2009.

San Angelo & San Antonio Stock Shows

The deadline for entries due to the Extension office is Wednesday, November 25, 2009.

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Southland News

By Brad Ellison, Principal

Congratulations to our Girls basketball team for defeating Cotton Center in their last scrimmage before non-district play starts. They won the scrimmage 40-39. Good job ladies.

Congratulations to M'Keison Guerrero who earned an 11th place finish this past week at the National Rabbit Show in San Diego, CA. Great job M'Keison!!!!

Congratulations to our JV football team who had another fine showing this past Thursday night at Dawson.

EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK:

Boys varsity basketball will be scrimmaging Anton here on Friday evening beginning at 5:00 pm.

FFA will be participating in the District level LDE competition this Saturday in Lamesa.

Girls Varsity Basketball will

play at Amherst beginning at 4:00 pm on Saturday.

EVENTS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Junior High Basketball at Wilson on Monday beginning at 6:00 pm

ASVAB test for Juniors and Seniors on Tuesday morning.

Basketball here vs. Guthrie beginning at 5:00 pm with JV Boys.

Elementary/Junior High UIL at O'Donnell on Wednesday and Thursday

Boys and Girls at the Wilson Basketball Tournament Thursday through Saturday.

Area round of LDE's at Big Spring on Saturday.

JUST TO PLAN AHEAD:

We will have an early release on Tuesday November 24th and then be out the rest of the week for Thanksgiving Holidays.



Two nights and one day in Havana, August 23, 1955. I've got that day's English-language newspaper *The Havana Post* to confirm the date. I was 8.

It doesn't take much to trigger my memories of Cuba – just low water pressure. That's what I remember about our hotel – the very puny water flow to the bathroom sink. I also remember the bidet. My parents and I analyzed the prominent piece of porcelain and decided it was most likely for washing feet. We didn't.

Here on the farm I know to blame the lack of water pressure on a switch at the well. It's fixable. As for Havana, I sometimes wonder if Fidel Castro got things running better when he took over. Was water pressure at the top of his honey-do list? Was it a guerrilla campaign promise?

If I ever go back to see how things have changed, I'll want to stay at the same hotel. It's just down the street from the alligator factory, for lack of a better name for the place that tried to sell us shoes and purses and suitcases made from alligator hide.

Indeed, everybody in Havana tried to sell us stuff, even a pitiful old woman hawking one lime. Daddy just gave her money.

"The government should do something," our guide said, when a band of blind beggars walked by downtown.

But it was a gay place too, in the 1959 sense of the word. Street musicians in short-sleeved white tropical shirts played guitars and maracas and maybe drums, concertinas and castanets. I don't exactly remember. I just know they enlivened the street scene.

So did the cars, prone to

much horn blowing, including oogah-oogahs. Our driver said the rule at intersections was "first to blow, first to go." It sounded true.

Back to castanets, peddlers sold pairs to tourists. Already carved on one castanet was "Habana," Spanish for Havana. They'd take their pocketknives and carve any person's name on the blank castanet – anyone's name but mine. They simply thought we Anglos couldn't spell "Habana." My monolingual parents were persistent enough, after getting stuck with one "Habana-Habana" pair of the clickers, to get another seller to carve "Habana" on a blank one.

Years later I loaned my castanets to college friends who were doing a skit, probably with a flamenco plot. I like to think they're somewhere – not the friends but my castanets.

Back to Havana. We'd just settled in for our first night's rest when a cannon sounded across the bay.

"Is it a revolution?" my mother asked, alarmed.

"What's a revolution?" I asked.

They tried to explain.

The next morning we learned the cannon shot signified the 9 p.m. curfew.

Do they still shoot that cannon?

The Internet probably has that information.

But I'd rather spend another night in that hotel and another day on the streets of Havana. It's the only way I'll know for sure about the water pressure and whether I can find anyone who'll inscribe "Habana" on a blank castanet.

Fishing Tournaments Set at LAH

Following is a list of fishing tournaments scheduled for November at Lake Alan Henry:

November 14: Benefit Big Fish Tournament – benefit tournament for Brother Bill Wright, pastor in Plains, TX. Bass, crappie and catfish; Saturday at boat ramp 7 a.m.; start time 8 a.m.; weigh-in 2 p.m. at the crappie dock. Contact Jerry Howard (806-592-1470 or 456-4015) or Tim Willis (806-456-7195 or 592-1122). There

will also be a BBQ after the tournament at the LAH fire department, \$8/plate. The public is invited to the BBA.

November 21: Jackpot Bass Club

Saturday at boat ramp between 5 and 7 a.m.; start time 6 a.m.; weigh-in 3 p.m. at the crappie dock. Contact Prissy Ary (806-638-8230) or John Price (806-549-2881).



SOUTHLAND SEPTEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Back row from left: Brenden Clanton, 7th grade; Kelcee Lewis, Sophomore; Junior Garza, Senior. Front row from left: Isaiah Valencia, Second Grade; Elizabeth Payton, First Grade; Mallory Arguello, Seventh Grade. Not pictured are staff members for the month: Gloria Davis, Fifth Grade and Sarah Dunklin, Kindergarten. Courtesy photo.



SOUTHLAND STUDENTS OF THE MONTH FOR OCTOBER

Back row from left: Robbie Haney, Eighth Grade; Michael Estrada, Junior; Daegan Moore, Junior; Taylor Graves- Eighth Grade. Front row from left: Shadia Hernandez, Third Grade and Christopher Cardona, First Grade. Not pictured are staff members of the month: Nick Reeder, Secondary Science/Assistant Coach and Kari Lewis, Paraprofessional, Cheerleading Sponsor, Interventionist and Yearbook Advisor. Courtesy photo.

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No Gifts Please

Speak Up... (continued from Page 1)

their priorities. If there isn't a policy in force or internet monitoring maybe there should be.

Dave Ramsey Column

I was really glad to see an article in the American Profile by Dave Ramsey. We have been Dave Ramsey followers for about 3 years and his no nonsense approach to handling money has changed our lives. Dave was preaching the evils of debt long before the breakdown in our economy proved it. Check him out next week in American Profile.

"Speak Up" is a way for readers to send their opinions to the Post Dispatch and have them published each week. No signature is required by the writer; writer identities will be kept anonymous and you can address any topic you want. Published "Speak Up" comments can not exceed 100 words and the Dispatch staff has the right to edit for length or refuse to print materials it deems to be inappropriate. Drop your Speak Up comments in the box in the front office of the newspaper or in the mail slot in the front door after hours. You can also email your comments to postcitydispatch@yahoo.com.

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at the Graham Community Center, five miles west of Post on US 380 and two miles south on FM 399. There is no admission charge; a hat will be passed for donations to help with upkeep on the center. Concession stand with drinks and snacks will be available. For more information contact Noel White, 495-3261.

Lord's Acre Donations

The Lord's Acre last week was a great success; however, if you missed the event you can make a donation until November 17 at which time the donations will be distributed to local organizations. Anyone wishing to donate should contact Mary Edwards, 629-4226 or Kelli Egan, 495-0255.

Caprock Cultural Association Raffle

The Caprock Cultural Association is sponsoring a fundraiser raffle. The winner will receive a free rental at The Heritage House with dishes (\$450 value). Tickets are one for \$5 or five for \$20. The drawing will take place November 18, 2009. For more information contact Shawnette at 806-495-4148 or Paige at 806-495-2750.

Christmas Exhibit at the OS Museum

The OS Museum wishes to "Share the Season" as you view the traditional and unique Nativities, Creches, ornaments and Santas gathered from around the world now on exhibit. Viewing hours: 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Monday – Saturday. 201 E. Main St. & Avenue I in Post. Admission is free. The museum is upstairs and there is an elevator for your convenience. Call 495-3570 for more information.

Stitchin' Club

The Stitchin' Club meets every Tuesday night, 6 p.m. at The Heritage House, 109 N. Avenue N. Anyone interested in any kind of needlework, knitting, crochet, etc. is invited to attend. Call 495-4148 for more information.

Shotgun Raffle

Garza County Trailblazers is sponsoring a shotgun raffle. Tickets for the Turkish Silver Eagle Siyah 12 Gauge shotgun are \$1 per ticket or 6 tickets for \$5 and can be purchased at the Trailblazers Senior Citizen Center. Drawing for the shotgun will take place Wednesday, November 25 at noon.

Blanket Drive for Animal Shelter

Bring your old blankets and towels to the Chamber office, 131 E. Main, or drop them off in the collection barrel at United. The Post Area Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a blanket drive for the local animal shelter. For more information, call 495-3461.

Benefit Big Fish Tournament

This fishing tournament is a benefit for Bro. Bill Wright and his wife, Linda to assist in their ongoing battle with cancer. Wright is the longtime pastor of the First Baptist in Plains. The tournament is November 14 at Lake Alan Henry, 8 a.m. – 2 p.m. Entry fee is \$40. Weigh-in starts on the crappie dock at 2 p.m. Following is a benefit BBQ dinner at the LAH Fire Station, \$8/plate. Tournament prizes and door prizes will be awarded at the meal. The tournament will be held regardless of weather.

Lighted Christmas Parade

The Lighted Christmas Parade will be Saturday, December 5. Now is the time to start planning a float for this city wide traditional event. Cash prizes will be awarded in several categories. All entries have lights.

GED Classes

GED Classes meet Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. in room 18 at Post High School. Please enter through the southwest doors. There is open enrollment and classes are free. For further information, call the high school at (806) 495-2770, leave your name and phone number and the instructor will contact you soon.

Clothes and food available from church

The Graham Chapel Church of Christ has a food pantry and clothes closet for local needy families. If you need this service, please contact Annette Riggs @ 990-0983; Mary Short @ 495-4104, or Leslie Tatum @ 495-3066.

Fund Set up for Jesse Basquez and family

A fund has been established at Citizens Bank of Post for Jesse Basquez and his family to help cover medical expenses. They have had to make several trips to Houston for tests and he has been in the hospital for treatment. Anyone wishing to help may make a deposit to the fund at the bank.

Upcoming.. (continued from Page 1)

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Commissioners.. (continued from Page 1)

Brian Kingston, County Attorney Michael Munk; District Clerk Jim Plummer; County Clerk designee Terri Laurence and representatives from case management software providers, if necessary.

A Resolution for the Justice Assistant Grant for indigent defense was approved by the Commissioners. A revised/updated Garza County General Assistance Agency Manual of Services was presented and also approved. This document provides the general guidelines for granting financial assistance from Garza County.

The court considered establishing guidelines and criteria for a reinvestment zone. Randy Sowell, Manager of Field Operations for Freemantle Energy explained that Garza County resident Ronnie Dunn has been instrumental in organizing county landowners in forming a wind cooperative and helping Sowell with planning. The reinvestment zone is named Red Hollow and is located in the northwest corner of Garza County in the Southland area. Sowell is asking the Commissioners Court to declare the area a reinvestment zone. If this is accomplished, he would also ask for consideration of tax abatements that would help make the wind energy project a reality. The Commissioners voted to continue a dialog with Freemantle Energy on establishing guidelines and criteria for the reinvestment zone. Commissioner McDaniel abstained from voting.

Precinct and countywide accounts payable for October 27 through November 9, 2009 were approved. There were no line item transfers or budget amendment requests.

The next Commissioners Court meeting is Monday, November 23 at 9 a.m.

Audit..

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The board also unanimously agreed to again provide Christmas Performance Incentives to the staff of Post ISD.
Consent agenda items including minutes of previous meetings, monthly bills, financial reports and appraisal district reports were approved. The board also received mid-management campus and program reports from: Principals, Athletic Director, Girl's Coordinator, Director of District Programs, Compliance and Testing, Special Services Director and Technology.

Board members present were: Delton Osborn, Billy Max Gordon, Mike Holly, Alexa Collier and Diann Windham. Supt. Marlin Marcum was also present. Board members not attending were Milton Williams and Randy Conner.

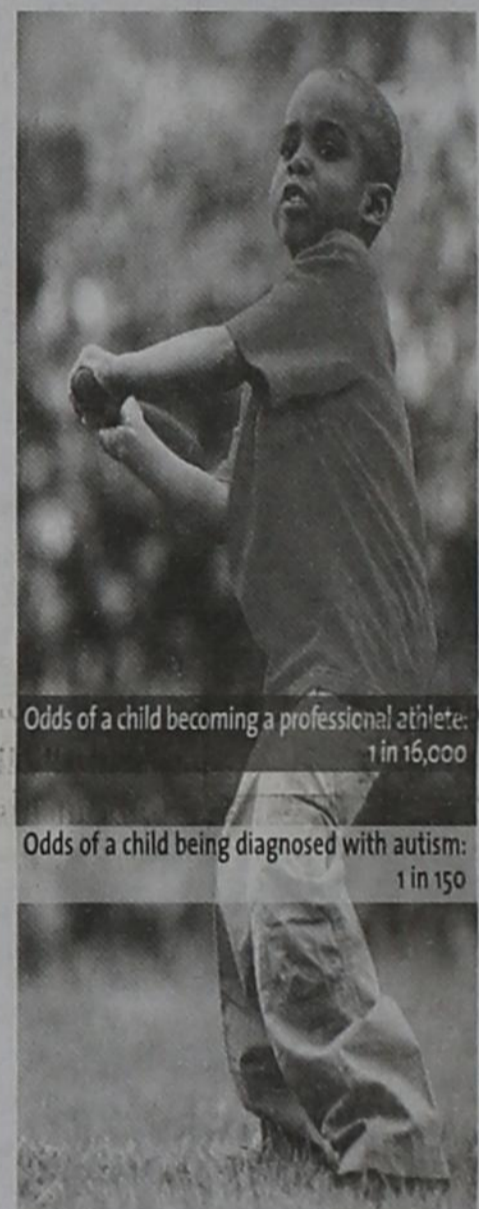
Obama's War... (continued from Page 2)

nothing to show domestically to earn him public support and affection. The man had a chance, nine months ago, to come into office and smash the criminal banking syndicate, to put Americans back to work with a serious jobs program, and to finally expand Medicare to all, bringing America into the modern world on health care. Instead he turned the financial system completely over to the bankers, helping them to grow even bigger, left the unemployed to fend for themselves, and fobbed off the job of health care "reform" on Congress, which predictably did the bidding of the Medical Establishment, and deep-sixed the whole thing.

It is, I would suggest, time for progressives to start searching for a serious, gutsy, plain-speaking candidate to challenge Obama for the Democratic Party's presidential nomination in 2012. This man needs to have a new Gene McCarthy or George McGovern breathing down his neck for the next three years.

Armistice Day would be a good day to launch that search.

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Child Care Assistance Available for more Families

The Workforce Solutions South Plains Board of Directors recently approved new income eligibility guidelines for Child Care Assistance provided by the agency. The board recently received additional childcare assistance funding through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), which was designed to increase the number of children in care for low income individuals. The ARRA funding enabled the Board to establish higher income guidelines.

The former childcare assistance income requirements for the South Plains region were established in 2003 at 185% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. The new guidelines allow child care assistance to be provided to those individuals whose income is at 75% of the State Median Income Estimates published in the Federal Register. It is estimated that the new eligibility standards will allow childcare funding for eight hundred additional children.

The new criteria became effective October 1, 2009. Workforce Solutions Child Care Services expect to see the increase in both part-time and full-time childcare. For more information on Workforce Solutions Child Care Services, call toll-free 1-800-658-6284.

A SHORT STORY ABOUT GROWING UP WITH AN UNFAIR ADVENTURE.

POLIO.

As one of the last American children to contract polio, Jeffrey Galpin grew up in a world of iron lungs and body casts, along with his imagination. His story would be dramatic enough if it was just about his battle with this dreaded disease.

But Jeffrey Galpin did more than survive polio. He went on to a list of achievements in medical research—including being the principal investigator in applying the first gene therapy for HIV/AIDS.

Dr. Galpin actually credits his own incurable condition for giving him the focus that made him so passionate in his research. His story leaves us with two of the most contagious messages we know. Don't give up, and remember to give back. If Dr. Galpin's story inspires just one more person to make a difference, then its telling here has been well worth while.

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In and Around Close City

by Traci Freeman

Bale count as of Tuesday Evening is 1,067. Keep up with our daily bale count by visiting our blog at <http://closecitycoopin.blogspot.com>

Congratulations to Lee and Marsha Norman on the birth of a new grandson. Elliot Marshall Stach was born on November 3rd, he, along with his parents, Phillip and Janie and big brother Simon live in Trophy Club which is north of Ft. Worth. Simon and Elliot's great-grandparents are Glen and Mary Margaret Norman and Jean and the late Marshall Tipton.

We lost a good one last week.....Mike Gonzales passed away last Thursday after being sick for

some time. Mike, Eva and their family have been a special part of our community for a long time and we will truly miss him. I know his family has many special memories of Mike as all of us here at the gin do as well. Our thoughts and prayers are with Eva, Linda, Danny and their families.

My mom and sister, Trevah traveled to Bowie over the weekend, met up with Salli Bess and set out on a weekend of shopping. Yes, Trevah actually shopped all weekend! I'm so proud of you Trev!!! They do this every year to get an early start on the Christmas season. It is normally during ginning season so I get to stay behind. They said they had a

really good time.

Get wells

Get well goes out to Mack Terry who had surgery on Monday and last report I got (Tuesday night) said he was doing great. Hurry home Mack!

We also want to send out a get well to Syd Conner who is also in the hospital. Syd comes out to visit and to get seed from time to time. Hope you are better real soon, Syd.

Cookbooks

The cookbooks are finished and going fast, if you want one be sure to let us know so that we can put you on the list, we have already ordered another

printing so there will be plenty. You can call me, Nancy or pick yours up at Cocara's downtown.

Visitors

We have had several.....Gene and Velta King; Max and Rebecca Haney; Claudette Gill; J.D. Young, Bill and Tom; Grant Bright; Daymon Ethridge; Kristi and Rylan; Brian Smith; Roy Collozo; Julie Aten. Remember.....we always welcome visitors, we have the coolest break room in the county.....just ask our farmers if you don't believe me, they love it!

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Weekly Inspirations

A Soldier's Lesson

By: Michael F. Taylor

Professor Thompson- A professor of Military History and Strategy at a liberal arts type public university - had been invited to speak at Fort Carson Army Installation to the entire command staff of the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Brigades of the 4th Infantry Division. He knew that it would be quite a challenge to keep the attention of many of the battle-experienced officers to whom he would address. Professor Thompson also was more than a bit nervous about how he would even be received by the soldiers on the base. As fate would have it, it seems that Professor Thompson would later relate that he learned much more from one particular Sergeant than he had ever intended to teach.

It was a briskly cold December afternoon when Professor Thompson's flight arrived at the airport in Colorado Springs. There to pick him up was Staff Sergeant Ralph Owens who was a rather tall and barrel-chested man in his forties. Ralph introduced himself, and then both men began walking to the baggage claim area to pick up the professors luggage. After only a few moments, the professor noticed that Ralph kept disappearing. Once, the Sergeant stopped to help an elder man walking with the help of a cane who dropped his suitcase spilling all of its contents onto the tiled floor. Next, Ralph paused to give someone directions who appeared to be lost. Then, Ralph stopped to lift up two little boys who were trying as hard as they could to see the Santa Clause in the center of the Airport. Every time Ralph would walk back up to the professor with a large friendly smile upon his face. And, the professor couldn't help himself and asked, "Wherever did you learn to do that?" "Do What?" Ralph responded back pleasantly.

"Where did you learn to treat people the way that you do?", the professor curiously inquired further. "Oh," Ralph said, "Well, I guess it was during the War," Ralph then proceeded to tell the inquisitive professor about his two tours of duty in Vietnam. How it had been his job to clear out mine fields. How he had tragically seen fellow soldiers blown up while performing this vital task to clear the way for troops. And then Ralph taught the teacher an invaluable lesson. "I learned to live between the steps, sir. Because you see, I never knew whether my next one would be the last," he told the professor. "I decided right then and there, to take everything that I could of the moments between when I picked up my foot and when I put it back down. Every step I took was a whole new world. I guess it's been the same ever since then." Ralph concluded.

What a powerful lesson for you and I today! And I truly believe that each of us owes a lot to the Ralphs of this country. The soldiers who risk everything in the heat of the battle and yet teach us how to enjoy the simple moments of time between the steps of our lives. And maybe even more important, the lesson taught of what it means for you and I today being a good soldier for Jesus Christ. A soldier willing to take the challenges of showing someone the love and grace of the servant Savior, Jesus Christ.

As I write this article, it is Veterans Day. I want to say a great big thank you for the service to your country, each and every Soldier, Airman, Sailor, Marine and Guardsman. We keep you in our prayers daily. God bless you for what you do. And for each of us, I encourage you to be a faithful Soldier for the Lord. And maybe even learn A Soldier's Lesson.

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The Wildcats Scratch the Lopes, Barely

Giles Dalby breaks 1,000 yard Rushing Barrier

By Jim Plummer
Sports Writer

The Post Antelopes varsity football team arrived ready to fight for the District 3-2A Championship last Friday at Littlefield's Wildcat Stadium.

Post brought the district's best defense giving up just 224 yards per game against Littlefield's top offense averaging 418 yards and 45 points a game. It was a defensive battle that ended with Littlefield claiming the district crown by a score of 18-13.

The Antelope defense executed Coach Jay Hellums' season long preaching of not giving up the big play and keeping the opponent in front of them. The 'Cats scored 27 points less than they usually do and were 144 yards short of their offensive production.

The top Antelope highlight of the game was seeing senior running back Giles Dalby exceed the 1000-yard rushing threshold. Dalby broke the barrier with 161 yards on 20 carries against the 'Cats. He finished the regular season with 1056 yards rushing on 153 carries in nine games for an average of 7 yards per run, 117 yards a game and eight touchdowns for the regular season. He surpassed his junior year stats of 912 yards on 135 rushes for an average of 6.8 yards per carry and six touchdowns.

The Wildcats fumbled but

recovered the opening kickoff at their own 14-yard line giving momentum immediately to the Lopes. After a Wildcats' three and out first possession, Post responded quickly to attempt to get on the scoreboard. On the fifth play of the series kicker Reed Williams tried a 36 yard field goal. The ball was on target but fell just short of the cross bar.

The Antelopes carried their second possession from the first into the second quarter with neither team scoring in the opening period. The second quarter was loaded with scoring: Post scoring one touchdown and Littlefield two. Neither team could convert an extra point in the first half and as the game played out, the 'Cats failed to score on their third extra point try.

After punting to the 'Cats, Littlefield took the ball from midfield and scored first in the game on the fourth play from scrimmage when back-up running back Will McDowell ran the ball in from the seven making the score 6-0 with 9:13 remaining in the first half. In a glimmer of scoring hope, the extra point kick was blocked and Post's Easton Mathis scooped it up but after a long run was brought down at the Littlefield 35.

The Lopes got the ball back to reply with a 74 yard scoring drive eating up almost six minutes. The series ended with a five yard

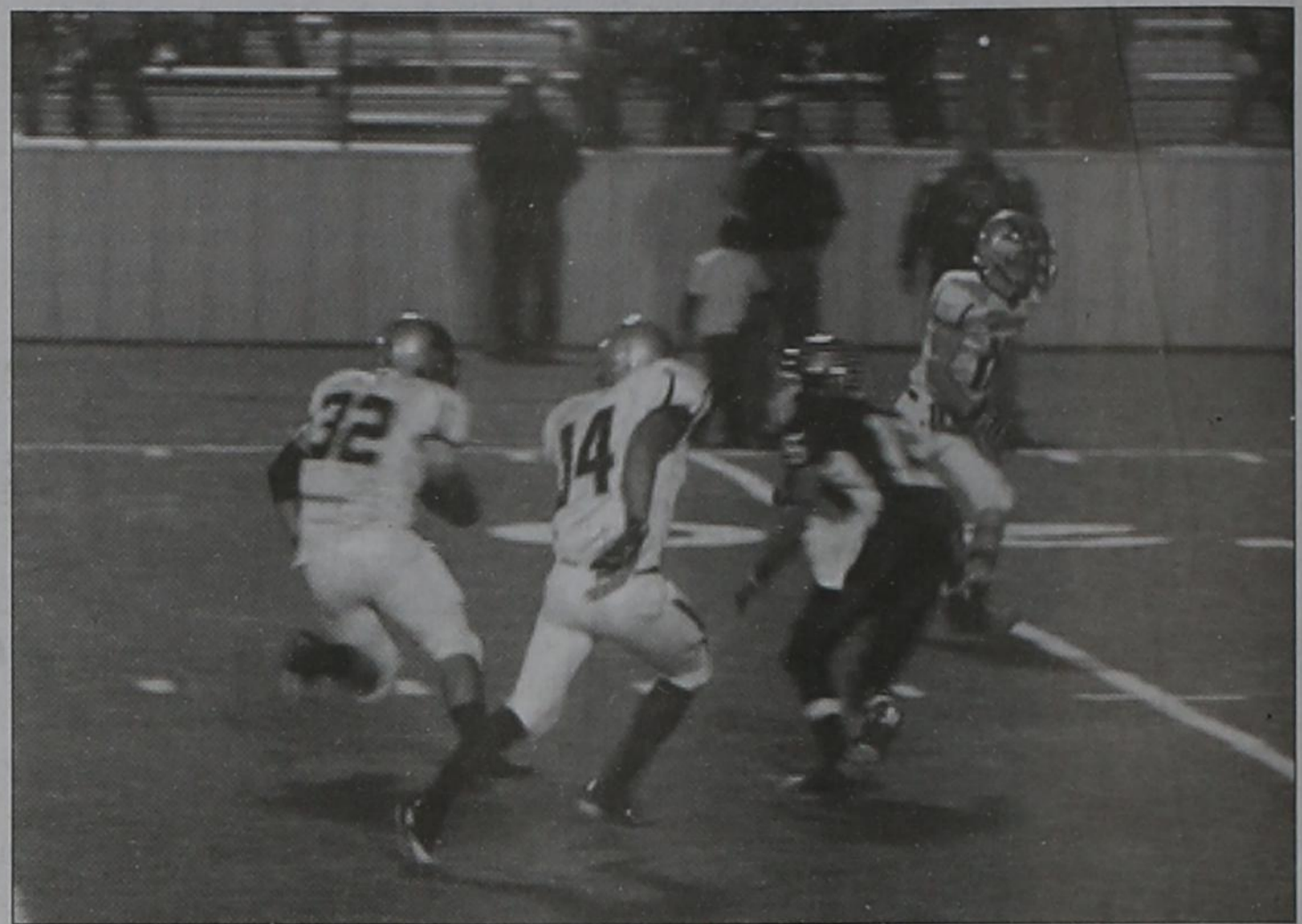
TD run by Giles Dalby who compiled 56 yards on six carries in the second quarter. The extra point kick was blocked.

The Wildcats came right back with the ensuing kickoff with a 38 yard return to the Post 48 yard line. Wing T-back Cheeto Richardson carried the ball three times during the eight play series for a total of 41 yards. McDowell capped the drive with his second TD of the game on fourth down and goal from the one yard line with five seconds on the clock. Littlefield went into the locker room up 12-6.

The Lopes took the first third quarter possession from their own 20 to the Littlefield 32 with the help of a Dalby 44 yard run. A few plays later, from the 24 yard line, Clint Windham targeted the end zone twice. The first a near TD reception to Ernie Saldivar and the second attempt was picked off by the 'Cats Josh Merrifield at the goal line.

Littlefield proceeded down the field covering 82 yards for another McDowell touchdown, his third for the evening. This time a two point attempt failed when Mathis kept Wildcat QB Tracy Huseman from reaching the goal line.

Although McDowell scored all of Littlefield's points, Richardson was the workhorse of their running game in the absence of starting half back Patric Barrio the



Senior running back Giles Dalby (32) with protection from Jacob Perez (14) and Aaron James (18) gains yardage for the Antelopes. Dalby finished the regular season with over 1000 rushing yards.

districts third leading rusher and top scorer going into the game. The shifty and fast Richardson gained 131 yards on 15 carries.

The Antelopes, feeling the urgency to score, did so quickly going eighty yards on three plays in one minute. On the third play in the possession, the Lopes uncharacteristically passed the ball on first and ten. Tight end Jacob Perez pulled in a picture perfect strike from Windham at about the 30 yard line and ran the rest of the way for a 68 yard TD. Reed Williams kicked the PAT which was the final score of the game.

For the rest of the three minutes in the third and the entire final period, both teams showed skill in ball control and preventative defense. The Lopes started the fourth quarter with a 9 play drive to the Littlefield 18 yard line but couldn't score. After the Wildcats

got the ball back, they didn't let go and ran the clock out for the win, 18-13.

And there's more to come tonight (Friday) when the Lopes enter the post season in a Bi-District challenge against Sonora of District 4-2A in Sweetwater. Kick-off is set for 7:30.

LITTLEFIELD 18, POST 13
Post 0 6 7 0 - 13
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Second Quarter
LIT - Will McDowell 7 run (kick blocked); 9:13
POS - Giles Dalby 5 run (kick blocked); 3:46
LIT - McDowell 1 run (kick failed); 0:01
Third Quarter
LIT - McDowell 4 run (run failed); 4:25
POS - Jacob Perez 68 pass from Clint Windham (Reed Williams kick); 3:05

	POS	LIT
First downs	14	16
Rushes-yards	37-202	40-211
Passing yards	68	80
Comp.-att.-int.	1-4-1	6-10-0
Punts-avg.	1-28.0	1-27.5
Fumbles-lost	0-0	3-1
Penalties-yards	4-30	3-25

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: Post, Giles Dalby 20-161, Clint Windham 11-35, Ernie Saldivar 4-13, Trent Babb 2-4; Littlefield, Cheeto Richardson 15-131, Will McDowell 15-50, Tracy Huseman 9-28.

PASSING: Post, Windham 1-4-1 - 68; Littlefield, Huseman 6-10-0 - 80.

RECEIVING: Post, Jacob Perez 1-68; Littlefield, Raymond Sansom 1-47, Barrick Hodge 2-21, Richardson 2-8, Zach White 1-4.

RECORDS: Post 7-3, 5-2; Littlefield 9-1, 7-0.

End of Regular Season

Week 10 (as of 11/06/2009)

TEAM	DISTRICT				OVERALL				Week 8 Outcome
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA	
*Littlefield	7	0	41	20	9	1	40	16	Beat Post, 18-13
**Post	5	2	26	15	7	3	26	14	Lost to Littlefield, 13-18
**Idalou	5	2	22	16	7	3	20	12	Beat Slaton, 32-0
Shallowater	4	3	36	23	7	3	38	19	Beat Abernathy, 36-28
Denver City	3	4	29	32	5	5	28	25	Beat Roosevelt, 64-51
Roosevelt	2	5	30	43	4	6	28	33	Lost to Denver City, 51-64
Abernathy	2	5	32	33	3	7	29	28	Lost to Shallowater, 28-36
Slaton	0	7	10	44	2	8	11	35	Lost to Idalou, 0-32

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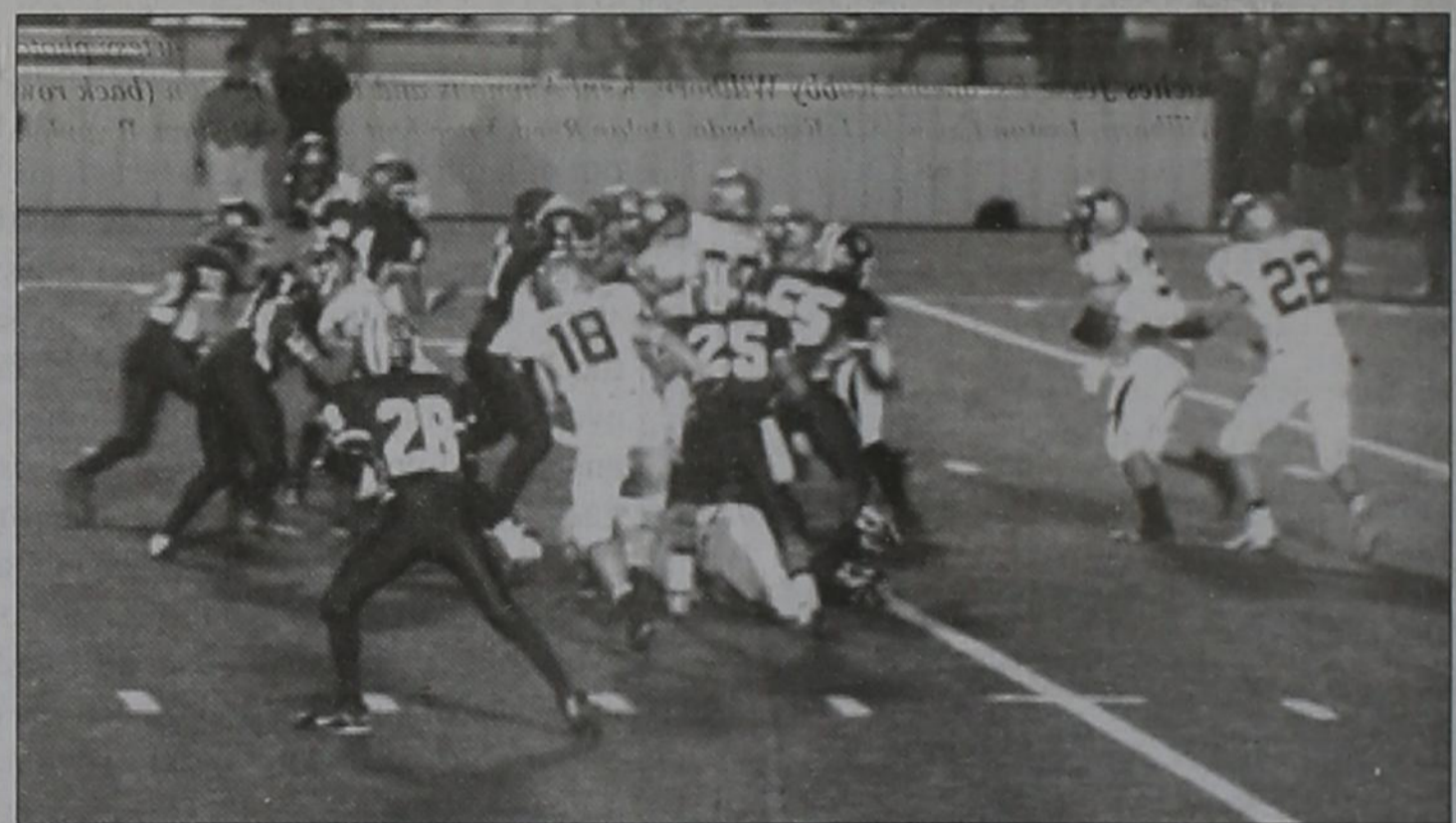
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Antelope Easton Mathis (3) takes the ball from quarterback Clint Windham (22) as Aaron James (18) provides defense in the final regular season game against Littlefield. The 'Lopes advanced to Bi-District play with a game tonight (Friday) against Sonora in Sweetwater.

Thanks For Reading The Post Dispatch

Good Luck Antelopes! Beat Sonora

Lady Rous

By Jim Plummer
Sports Writer
Scheduling Note: The Seminole originally rescheduled for Saturday. Freshmen will play Varsity and then the played at the Antelope. The Post Lady season hosting the Tuesday at Antelope. 60-32, they improved scoring more as the game did the opposite. Post Head Coach that "the girls were not didn't settle down in the Lady Lopes had to second quarters. Smyer hoop easily especially even with tight defense. At the end of the points to Post's ten. The Lady Lopes more focused playing the score matching the scoring ten more points end of the period, the Smyer. Post never gave buckets in the final period to the Lady Cats' 11.

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Pictured are: Coaches from left) Ryan Wilborn, Britton, Adrian Rogers, Ammons, Traven Lav, Nathan Walls, Austin

The Pee Wee football Dalby Correctional Facility market, Garza County nature Store, Two D LaVena Palmer, Post team by purchasing re

Import Assista

Garza-Borden County Farm Service Agency Executive Director Vic reminds eligible ranch livestock producers of deadline for applying under the provisions of stock Forage Disaster (LFP) for losses incurred during the 2008 year, the deadline to benefits is Jan 30, 2011. LFP provides payable eligible livestock pro

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Lady Lopes Start Round Ball Season

By Jim Plummer
Sports Writer

Scheduling Note: The Lady Lope games against Seminole originally set for Friday night, are rescheduled for Saturday at 2:00 p.m. The Freshmen will play first followed by the Junior Varsity and then the Varsity. All games will be played at the Antelope Arena.

The Post Lady Lopes opened their regular season hosting the Smyer Lady Cats this past Tuesday at Antelope Arena. Even though Post lost 60-32, they improved each quarter of the game, scoring more as the game progressed while Smyer did the opposite.

Post Head Coach Chris Edwards expressed that "the girls were nervous for the first game and didn't settle down until the second half." While the Lady Lopes had trouble scoring in the first and second quarters, Smyer put the ball through the hoop easily especially from the three point circle even with tight defensive play by Post.

At the end of the first half Smyer put up 35 points to Post's ten.

The Lady Lopes came out in the second half more focused playing as a unit. They tightened the score matching their total from the first half by scoring ten more points in the third quarter. At the end of the period, the score was 49-20 in favor of Smyer.

Post never gave up and put in even more buckets in the final period tallying 12 team points to the Lady Cats' 11.

The top scorers for the Lady Cats were Haley Fowler with 28, Jordan Locke had 12 and Bailey Robertson 8.

Post was lead by senior Branda Stevens' 15 points for the night. Alex Miller and Caitlin Cravy contributed 4 apiece. Also adding to the score were Lady Lopes Tiny Williams with 3 and Bethany Berry and Cheyenne Miller had 2 each.

TEAM	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th
Smyer	20	15	14	11
Post	4	6	10	12

The Post Junior Varsity Lady Lopes lost a close one to Smyer, 32-29.

Eighth Grade Girls

By Coach Traci Heflin

The 8th grade Lady Lopes played Lubbock Roosevelt on Monday, November 9 at home in the Arena. The final score was Post Lady Lopes 22 - Roosevelt Lady Eagles 18. Post was lead by Taylor Osborn's 11 points followed by Sara Greer with 5. Other contributors were Matti Smith, Katie Dunn, and Bethany Curtis with 2 points each. The next game will be Monday, November 16 at Abernathy.

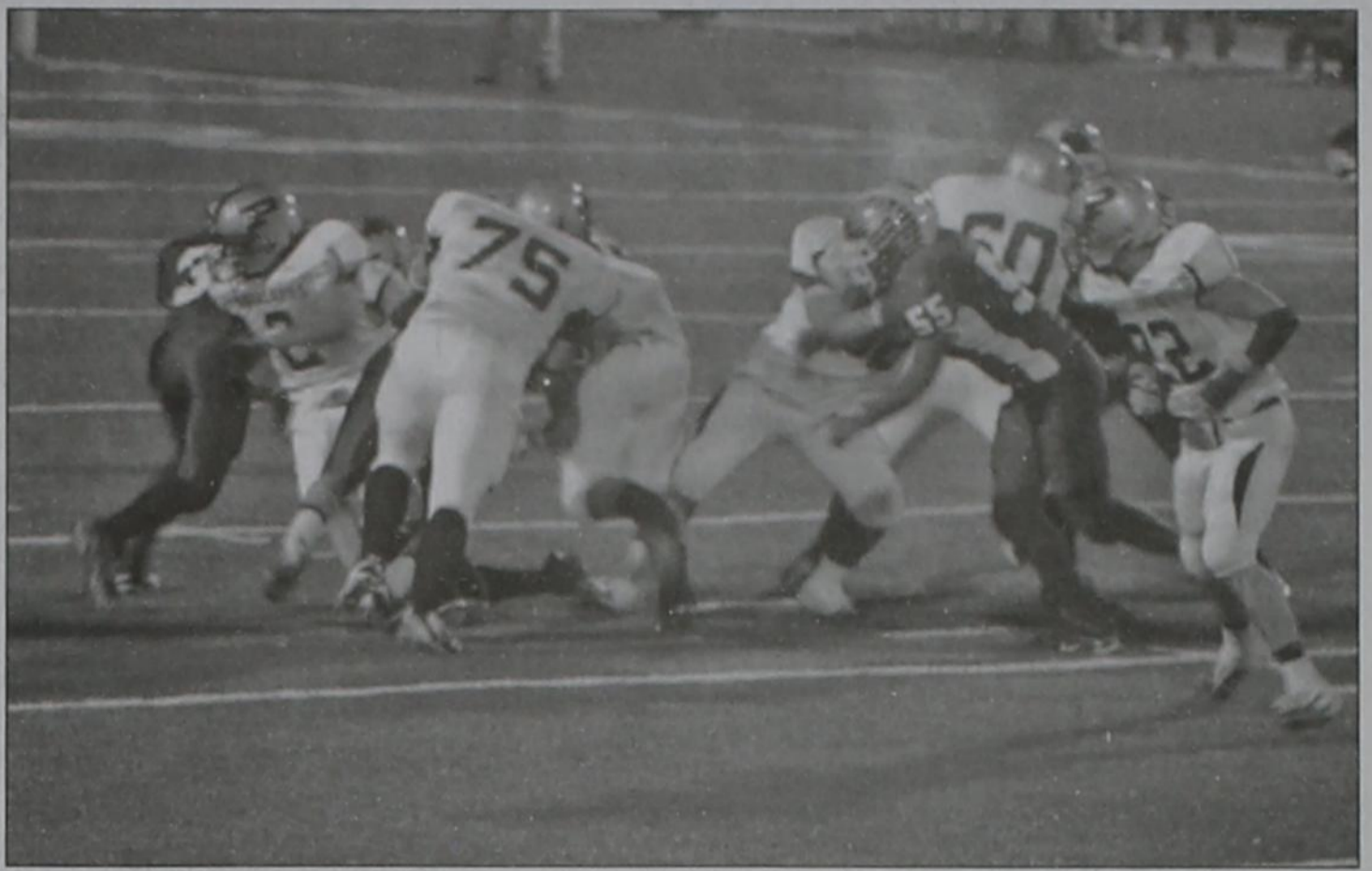


Photo by Jerry Taylor
Giles Dalby runs through a hole created by Tobe Palmer (75), John Bocko (68), Robert Contreras (77), Joe Menjares (60) and Ernie Sladivar (2) in the game against the Littlefield Wildcats last Friday.



Photo by Jerry Taylor
Junior Varsity Post Antelopes Jordan Aguilar (50) and Nathaniel Gill (45) bring down a Littlefield Wildcat while Parker Loftus (4) and Seth Babb (21) provide assistance in last week's game. The Antelopes lost the contest, 30 to 6.

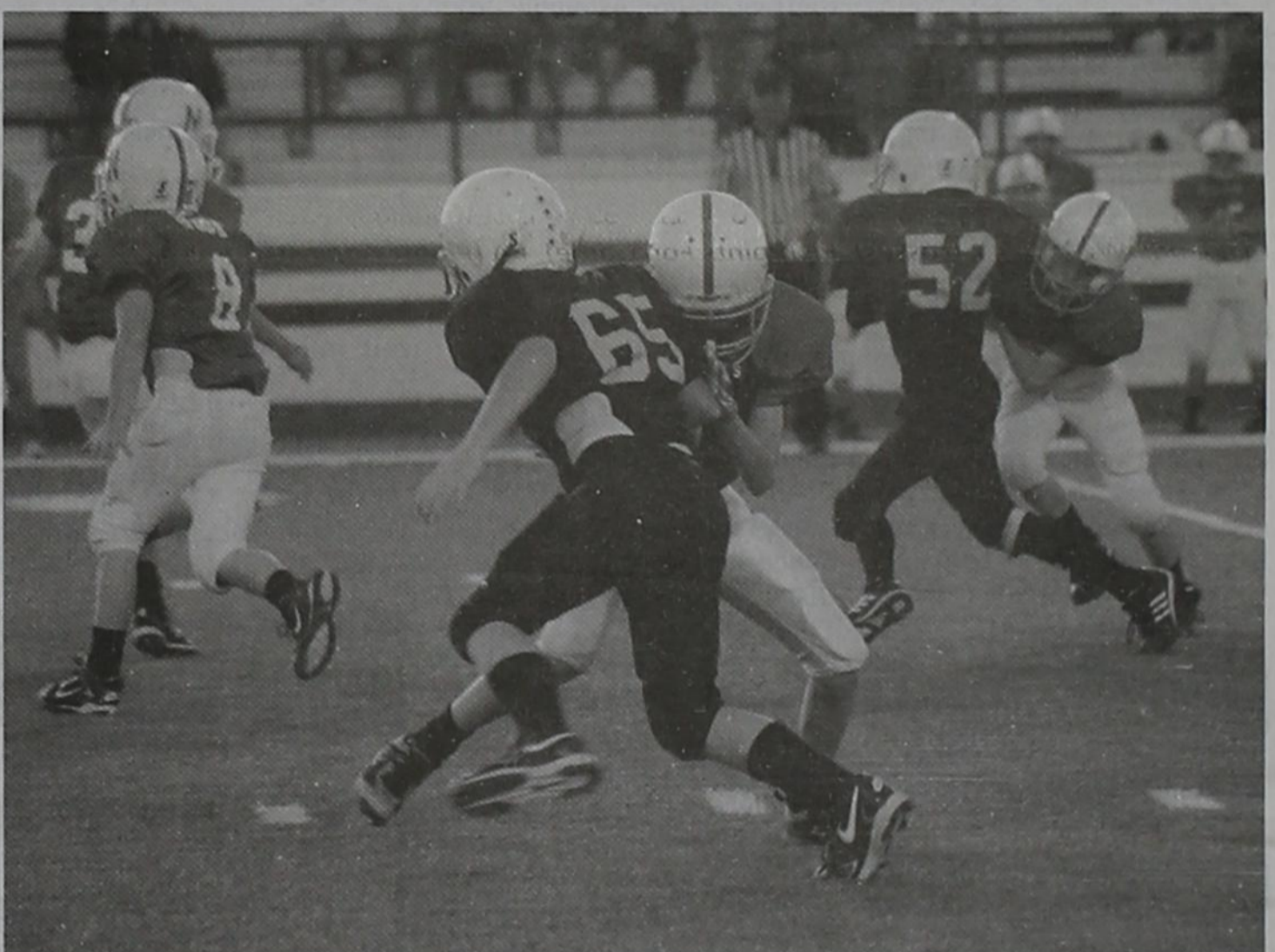


Photo by Christi Lee
Colby Pennell (52) and Tucker Lee (65) blocking for the Post Pee Wee Antelope offense. Post won the game against the Plainview Huskies, 50 to 0.

Post Bold Gold Pee Wee Football Completes Season



Courtesy photo

Pictured are: Coaches Jesse Escobedo, Robby Willborn, Kent Ammons and Randy Britton (back row from left) Ryan Willborn, Jayton Lewis, A.J. Escobedo, Delan Reed, Kace Lott, Austin Britton, Brandon Britton, Adrian Rogers, Dylan Morris, Ediel Sanchez and Ben Ayala (middle row from left) Kobe Ammons, Traven Lawrence, Keyshawn Jefferson, Kevin Finch, Brody Brittnell, Stetson Cimental, Nathan Walls, Austin Walls, Kale Yarbero, and Kaitlyn Walden.

The Pee Wee football team had great support from the community including generous donations from: Dalby Correctional Facility, Willborn's Welding, Post fire Department, Sonic Drive In, United Supermarket, Garza County Probation Department, Holly's Drive In, Brady's Package Store, Hudman Furniture Store, Two Draw Welding, Ira Pump & Supply, The George R. Brown Partnership, Mon & LaVena Palmer, Post ISD and the Justiceburg Fire Department. The community also supported the team by purchasing raffle tickets. Raffle winner was Francis Craig.

Important Livestock Disaster Assistance Deadlines Near

Garza-Borden County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Victor Ashley, reminds eligible ranchers and livestock producers of the Dec. 10 deadline for applying for benefits under the provisions of the Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP) for losses incurred during calendar year 2008. For losses incurred during the 2009 calendar year, the deadline to apply for benefits is Jan. 30, 2010.

LFP provides payments to eligible livestock producers that

have suffered livestock grazing losses due to qualifying drought or fire. Fire losses apply only to federally managed rangeland. Eligible livestock under LFP include beef cattle, alpacas, buffalo, beefalo, dairy cattle, deer, elk, emus, equine, goats, llamas, poultry, reindeer, sheep and swine. For losses due to drought, qualifying drought ratings are determined using the U.S. Drought Monitor located at <http://www.drought.unl.edu/dm/monitor.html>.

"It is imperative that live-

stock producers meet these deadlines for disaster assistance as there are no late file provisions for LFP," said Ashley. "To insure a smooth application process, producers should have all required supporting documentation with them at the time they visit our office to apply for benefits."

In order for an LFP applicant to qualify for program benefits, the applicant must have purchased insurance coverage through FSA's Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) or the Pasture, Rangeland and Forage Insurance (PRF) program offered through the Risk Management Agency (RMA).

Producers who meet the requirements of a socially disadvantaged, limited resource, or beginning farmers or ranchers, as defined in the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990, Section 2501 (e) (7 U.S.C. 2279(e)), do not have to meet this Risk Management Purchase Requirement (RMPR) and, therefore, are not required to have paid the buy-in fee.

LFP program applicants should note that in addition to risk management provisions, certain payment limitation and adjusted gross income eligibility requirements must be met in order to qualify for livestock disaster program benefits.

For more information or to apply for LFP and other USDA Farm Service Agency disaster assistance programs, please contact the Garza-Borden County FSA office at 806-495-2801. Information can also be obtained on line at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov>.

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Friday, 7 p.m. - Community Recovery Center, 405 S. Ave. C
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Post Al-Anon

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Card of Thanks

Thank You
We would like to send out a heartfelt Thank You to everyone that participated, donated and helped out with the benefit for Dillon Duncan. It is so appreciated and has helped so much. The raffle for the gun went very well and the winner was Jeff Rhodes from Coahoma. Thanks to everyone who bid at the auction and came out to eat brisket. The outpouring of love from this community is truly a huge blessing. Again, thanks to everyone.

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Menus

Post ISD
November 16
Breakfast- Biscuits, sausage, gravy, fruit, milk
Lunch- Hot dog, oven fried potatoes, apple and orange smiles, sherbet cup, milk

November 17
Breakfast- Muffins, sausage link, fruit, milk
Lunch- Pizza and enchiladas, refried beans, tossed salad, cinnamon, apples, milk

November 18
Breakfast- Malt-O-Meal, sausage, toast, fruit, milk
Lunch- Turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, gravy, spice cake, milk

November 19
Breakfast- Breakfast pizza, fruit, milk
Lunch- Pizza and taco salad, seasoned corn, fruited gelatin, brownies, milk

November 20
Breakfast- Cereal, graham cracker, fruit, juice, milk
Lunch- Hamburger, lettuce, tomato and pickle, baked beans, baby carrots, crispy treat, milk

Southland ISD

November 16
Breakfast- Biscuits, jelly, juice, milk
Lunch- Chicken fajitas, refried beans, seasoned corn, orange, chocolate pudding, milk

November 17
Breakfast- Breakfast burrito, juice, milk
Lunch- Hot dogs, pinto beans, baked chips, pineapple-orange salad, milk

November 18
Breakfast- French toast sticks, sausage, juice, milk
Lunch- Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, hot roll, strawberry shortcake, milk

November 19
Breakfast- Muffins, fruit, juice, milk
Lunch- Meat & bean chalupa, Spanish rice, lettuce & tomatoes, applesauce, milk

November 20
Breakfast- Biscuits/gravy, juice, milk
Lunch- Submarine sandwich, lettuce & tomatoes, tator tots, baby carrots w/ranch, brownie, milk

Trailblazers

November 16
Stir fry chicken, rice, broccoli salad, toast, fruit

November 17
Liver & onions or chicken strips, mashed potatoes, turnip greens, biscuit, cookie bar

November 18
Hamburger steak, au gratin potatoes, cucumber/onion salad, roll, millionaire pie

November 19
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November 20
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
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Eat This!

By RYAN MILLS

Italian food is one of my favorite things to eat as well as prepare.

I came up with this recipe after I saw a similar one in a cook book that called for bacon in spaghetti instead of the traditional ground meat or meatballs. I'm a big bacon fan, peppered bacon to be exact, and I don't think you can go wrong with bacon in just about anything. Heck, I even put it in my chili.

The recipe that gave me the idea had only a few ingredients. As you will see, I've loaded it down.

Over the years, I've tweaked this recipe into a very hearty meal that tends to please those eating it. I've added this here and that there and the following recipe is the final product of a few trials and errors.

I don't really have a name for it except for "My Spaghetti" but I guess you could call it whatever you like. I'll call it "Loaded Spaghetti" for today's column because it is loaded with goodness.

A few tips before the recipe — I prefer to use Hormel diced pepperoni. Also, I always use Angel Hair for this recipe but any pasta would probably do. As with all Italian dishes, this one is better after it sits overnight. If you make the sauce the day before you plan to eat it and refrigerate it, the next day it is all the better. Any kind of sauce works. I've used plenty. The one I prefer is in the recipe.

Loaded Spaghetti

Ingredients

- 3/4 lb. peppered bacon
- 1 8 oz. bag pepperoni
- 1 large onion, diced
- 3 cloves garlic diced
- 1 container fresh, sliced mushrooms
- 1/2 cup white wine (white cooking wine)

Close City News... Continued from Page 5

Ragtown folks in the nursing homes we need to remember are.....Doug and Claudine Tipton and Carmen Abraham in Post; Odie Kemp and Jean Tipton in Tahoka; Jewel White in Lubbock. Please let me know if there is anyone I need to add to this list.

Birthdays

- November 13 — Jace Alaniz, J.D. Young
 - November 14 — Jim Ellis, Linda Alaniz
 - November 16 — Tino Alaniz
- Everyone have a great weekend and remember..... Keep our troops and good weather in your daily prayers. Don't forget to check out our blog at <http://closecitycoopgin.blogspot.com>

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works fine if you aren't a wine drinker and don't have wine on hand)

1 26 oz. jar spaghetti sauce (I usually use Ragu Roasted Red Pepper and Onion but your favorite should be fine)

2 8 oz. cans of Hunt's Roasted Garlic tomato sauce

1 14.5 oz can Hunt's Basil, Garlic and Oregano Diced Tomatoes
Angel Hair pasta

Directions

Chop the onion as chunky or fine as you like, chop the garlic and chop the pepperoni if you were not able to find them already diced. Dice the bacon into just larger than bite-size pieces.

In a large sauce pan (think chili pot) over medium to medium high heat, start browning the bacon with the garlic. Once it starts rendering a lot of fat, drain the bacon and add the onions in and brown with bacon until the onions begin to soften. You should drain again here.

To the bacon, garlic and onion mixture, add the white wine, pepperoni and mushrooms and cook until mushrooms change to a darker color.

Lower heat to simmer and add the spaghetti sauce, tomato sauce and diced tomatoes and simmer for at least an hour stirring occasionally.

Here you can either serve or let cool and refrigerate for the next day.

Cook the angel hair according to directions and serve sauce over the pasta.

Ryan Mills is a Chief Operating Officer of Blackburn Media Group and the editor of The Childress Index. For comments, suggestions or to submit a recipe contact him at index@chipshot.net.



"CHRISTMAS BELLES" FINAL PERFORMANCES THIS WEEKEND

Post actor, Zoe Kirkpatrick is the "very snooty" Patsy Perkins in "Christmas Belles," directed by Stan Tucker. This is the final weekend of the comedy that celebrates Christmas in Fayro, Texas. Friday and Saturday night performances begin at 7:30 and the Sunday matinee is at 2:30 p.m. Call the Garza Theatre, 495-4005 for reservations. Photo by Rosa Latimer

Thanks for Reading

Yesteryears

Compiled by Kristen Odom From The Post Dispatch

10 years ago November 11, 2009

United Supermarket's Robert Zapata presented a check to Garza County United Way board president Linda Waldrip on behalf of United Supermarkets. The donation of \$918 was Post's portion from the recent charity golf tournament.

Alicia Anne Martin and David Eugene Graves were united in marriage at the Victory Baptist Church in Snyder on Saturday, Aug. 28, 1999. The groom's father, the Rev. David Graves, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church of Post, officiated.

Eydie Capps of Post and Dwayne and Yvonne Capps of Ingram announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their son, Brook Capps, to Christi Waters.

The 1999 Post Bold Gold Antelopes bounced back to win a spot in the district playoffs as bi-district champs.

Seventh grade Antelopes were district champs.

S.T.A.R.S. completed a very successful Red Ribbon Week. Prizes were awarded to the following for participating in the dress-up days: Jerrad Grisham, Charles Huffman, Jett Lott, Mitchell Mills, Kristin Morris, Bethany Haynes, Amanda Morris, Cole Easterling, Brody Conner, Zach Lopez, Ryan Babb, Keatha Palmer, Lacey White, Jerica Tyler, Alex Adams, Lyndee Strawn and Jenee Lott.

20 years ago November 15, 2009

Post Lokes take the district co-championship. The Junior Varsity football team edged Slaton 16-14 for the district championship title, finishing the season with five wins, two losses and one tie.

Emmett A. Stelzer, a member of the local VFW Post 6797, has been appointed to serve as a member of the organization's National Legislative Committee by the Commander-in-Chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Walter G. Hogan, of Greenfield, Wisconsin.

Mrs. Raul Jones and daughter, Lori Deann, were complimented with a layette shower Sunday, November 12, in the Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church.

Deljuan and Sandy Wilson were

honored Sunday, November 12 with a 25th anniversary reception hosted by their children at the Country Carousel. They were married November 7, 1964 by T.C. Clark in the Post Church of Christ.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Whitworth and Bradley of Lubbock are proud to announce the birth of their daughter and sister, Whitney Lea, born Wednesday, Nov. 8, 1989.

Eric and Jayta Cravy of Slaton are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Ericka Lauren, who was born Sunday, Oct. 29, 1989.

30 years ago November 15, 1979

The Post Varsity girl's basketball team begins seasonal play. 1979 coach is Sonja Curry and players include Holly Giddens, Donna Baumann, Patricia Craig, Jerri Baumann, Luann Kennedy, Melisa Tatum, Julie Davis, Sharla Macy, Marinette Hays, De Dee Redman and Amy Thuett.

The Post Junior Varsity girl's basketball team included Sheryl Anderson, Trushell Marts, Lana Dunn, Lisa Holly, Jana Terry, Amy Babb, Karen Davis and Barbara Curtis. The coach is James Easterling.

Post Freshman girls basketball team is made up of D'Linda Tyler, Charlcie Dalby, Tina Greene, Verdy Taylor, Darla Jackson, Crystal Mason, Rhonda Adams, Monique Claborn and Cynthia Poole with Sonja Curry as the coach.

Andrea Thomas, the former Andrea Johnson of Post, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson, a senior generic special education major at West Texas University, has been initiated into Alpha Chi, the national honor society on the campus.

40 years ago November 13, 1969

The acquisition of the carriage, harness and saddle house from the U Lazy S. Ranch in Garza County for the Ranch Headquarters at Texas Tech has been announced by Jerry Rogers, director of the Headquarters. The building is the fifth historic structure to be donated to Ranch Headquarters, a collection of authentic ranching buildings dating from the 1830's into the early twentieth century.

Mrs. Ida Robinson, who

reached her 94th birthday Nov. 6, was honored with a birthday party Nov. 8 at the Twin Cedar Nursing Home where she is a resident. Among those present were Mrs. Robinson's daughter, Mrs. Myrtle Ashley of Post, and her son, E.J. Robinson of Dallas. Mrs. Robinson has lived in Garza County since 1908.

Mr. and Mrs. David Tyler are the parents of a son, David Mark, born Nov. 5 in Garza Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tylant Jr. of Lubbock are the parents of twin daughters, Terri Jan and Sherri Ann, born Nov. 1.

A layette shower was given for Mrs. Odella Bevers Friday afternoon in the Justiceburg School lunchroom.

50 years ago November 12, 1959

Mrs. Mattie Collier, a 1941 graduate of Post high School, was crowned Post Ex-Students Association Homecoming Queen between halves of Friday Night's football game. The crowning privilege went to J.B. Thaxton of Forth Worth, who was captain of Post's undefeated, regional championship team of 1928. Other queen candidates were Mrs. Ohlene Bivens, Mrs. LaNeil Clary, Mrs. Jo Ann Miller and Mrs. Joyce Tatum.

Over 40 relative called Sunday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Lorene Cash to offer Mr. and Mrs. S.M. Puckett best wishes on their 60th wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Pucket, who have been Post residents since 1932, were married Nov. 5, 1899.

A wedding shower honoring Mr. and Mrs. Fred Long, who were married three weeks prior, were given in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hodges.

Ruth Saenz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Saenz, is one of 11 candidates for Homecoming Queen at Wayland Baptist College.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bennett announce the birth of a daughter, Judith Carol, born Nov. 9. Miss Stanna Butler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Butler, was crowned Post Antelope Band Sweetheart preceding Friday Night's homecoming game. Her escort was Roger Camp, son of Mr. and Mrs. S.E. Camp.

Fun-n-Facts for Brain-iacs!

Brain Boost!

THE NOT JUST FOR KIDS PAGE

TEXAS TRIVIA

VOL 13

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.

Laura Craig

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.

SEEK-N-FIND GEOGRAPHY

States that border Texas:

- A_K_S_
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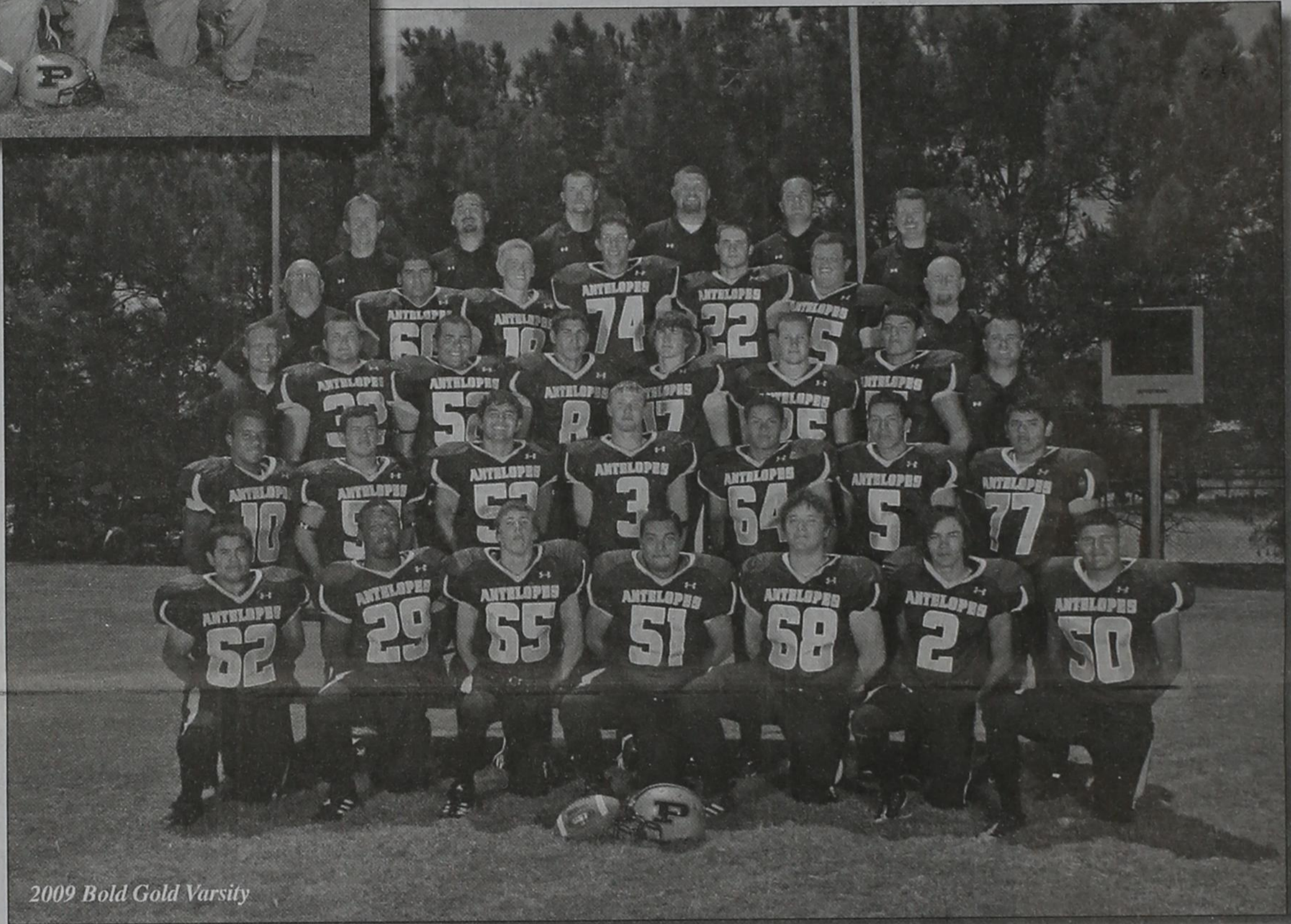
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Home: Post

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Friday, Nov. 13, 7:30

Mustang Bowl, Sweetwater

Adults - \$5 Student - \$3

(No Pre-Sale, No Reserved Seats)

*** The game will be broadcast on the internet:
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Jean Davenport Inducted into Hall of Fame



Long-time Post resident, Jean Davenport, is the latest inductee into the Texas Horseshoe Pitchers Association Hall of Fame. She was presented the plaque shown above as a symbol of the honor. Jean has been a member of the association for 26 years. Jean is currently a member of the Snyder Horseshoe Club and was formerly a member of the Lubbock Horseshoe Club. She has held offices in both clubs.

According to information from THPA, "When at a tournament Jean is always ready to keep score, encourage pitchers, work the concession stand, and help with the stats table. She would do whatever needed to be done and she was always a very tough competitor in the pits."

Davenport is credited with getting more Junior pitchers to participate by initiating a program setting up a scholarship fund for graduating Junior pitchers. "This idea was so successful that the other clubs in the stated joined in the program."

Her husband, Johnny, is also a member of the THPA Hall of Fame.



CHILDREN'S AUTHOR READS AT POST ELEMENTARY

Peg Davis, children's book author reads to the first graders in the library of Post Elementary last week. Davis, who lives in Abernathy, has published two books, *Napoleon and Marigold* and *After the Storm*. Post City Librarian Peggy Ashley arranged for the author to read to first and second grade classes. Photo by Cheryl Gill

New Program Aids DWI/BWI Investigations

County Attorney Mike Munk recently initiated a program to have two qualified technicians from the Garza County Health Clinic on call twenty-four hours a day in the event that a blood draw is required from suspects of Driving While Intoxicated and Boating While Intoxicated offenses.

Currently, most officers making a DWI arrest bring their suspect to the Garza County Law Enforcement Center to obtain a breath sample prior to booking them into the jail. If the suspect refuses a sample, the officer must drive them to the Lynn County Hospital to have their blood drawn. One exception is Texas Parks and Wildlife Game Wardens working on Lake Alan Henry

who must first take their suspects to Cogdell Hospital in Snyder to get a blood sample, then bring the suspect to the Law Enforcement Center in Post to jail them, and finally return to their duties back on the Lake, a trip of over 100 miles for each BWI arrest.

"Now an officer will only have to transport their suspect to the jail where a qualified medical technician will respond when needed to perform a blood draw," said County Attorney Munk. "The new program will result in faster blood draws after a suspect is stopped, ultimately leading to stronger DWI and BWI cases." Munk pointed out that another benefit is that officers will now spend less time transporting sus-

pects and more time patrolling our streets and the Lake. "This program will also save much in the way of fuel costs and wear and tear on county and state vehicles, and is a must for a county without a hospital."

Currently, anyone stopped for suspicion of either a DWI or BWI may have their blood drawn pursuant to a search warrant issued by a county magistrate upon a showing of probable cause. There are other legal justifications that would also allow for a blood sample to be taken from a driver with or without their consent and without the need for a search warrant.



OLD MILL TRADE DAY DOWNTOWN CHAMBER CASH WINNER

Tommye Blewett of Joshua, TX (right) was the big winner of \$250 cash in the Post Area Chamber of Commerce Cash Giveaway last Saturday. Shown with Blewett is her friend, Linda Hampton from Crowley, TX (left) and Chamber Manager Janice Plummer. Approximately 70 shoppers presented receipts representing at least \$25 in purchases from local businesses or Trade Day Downtown vendors during the event. Everyone who drew won either cash or prizes. Photo by Jim Plummer



ROCKER A WELL SERVICE RECEIVES AWARD

David Perez (right), Safety Supervisor for Rocker A Well Service, Ltd. of Post is shown accepting the 2009 Safety Award from Texas Mutual Insurance Company from agent Ron Gleghorn. Courtesy photo.



POST HIGH SCHOOL WELL REPRESENTED AT WEST TEXAS WELD-OFF

Nine PHS Ag students attended the third annual West Texas Weld-Off held in Hereford, Texas on October 27. Students participated in oxy-acetylene cutting, arc welding, mig welding, and tig welding. Schools of all classifications competed together from small class A schools to 5A schools. Student participants pictured are from left: Chess Postell, Ben Mason, Kaleb Tanner, Kamron Strivens, and Kyle Copeland. Those participating but not pictured are Kotelyn Redman, Nick Rodriguez, Robert Contreras, and Travis Emeyabbi. Kaleb Tanner placed third in tig welding and also third overall; Kamron Strivens placed fifth in oxy-acetylene cutting out of 150 students from across the Panhandle and South Plains. Students enrolled in the agricultural programs at Post High School may gain up to 6 hours of credit towards a welding certificate at South Plains College. Photo by Lance Dunn



The local VFW Motorcycle Group Unit 13-6797 cooked up some delicious turkey legs and sausage on a stick for the shoppers at Old Mill Trade Day Downtown last Saturday. Shown are VFW members (from left) Dennis Sines, Brownfield, Barry Tanner, Post and J. W. Jolly also of Post. The group also gave out memorial poppies for donations and the Ladies Auxiliary took donations for breast cancer research. Over 30 vendors lined Post's Main Street in the most successful Trade Day Downtown event since it began in May of this year. It was also the first Trade Day Downtown Saturday in 4 months that it didn't rain. Hundreds of shoppers, local and from out of town, spent a beautiful day in Post. Local businesses experienced a busy day with most reporting a sizeable increase in sales. Sponsored by the Post City Merchants and the Post Area Chamber of Commerce, the next Old Mill Trade Day Downtown event is December 5.

KEEP YOUR GERMS TO YOURSELF

WASH YOUR HANDS

Wash your hands often. Scrub for at least 20 seconds with soap and water or use an alcohol-based hand cleaner.

COVER YOUR COUGH

Use a tissue to cover your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze. No tissue around? Your sleeve will do.

STAY HOME

If you get sick, stay home until you're well so you don't spread more germs. Steer clear of others who are sick.

GET YOUR SHOTS

Protect yourself by getting all your flu shots. You need both the seasonal flu shot as well as the new H1N1 shot.

Stopping the flu is up to you.

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SUDOKU

8	9	5	7	1	2	4		6
7	2	4	6	3	5			9
6	3	1	9	4	8			5
1							6	7
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Level: Beginner

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

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

ANSWER: