

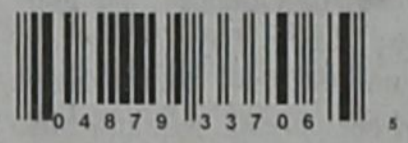


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Grease Is The Word

By Steffi Scott

If you missed out on last Saturday's production of the musical "Grease," then you missed out on a rip-roaring good time! Directed by Tim, Leslie & Laurel Tatum with musical direction by Cathy Sawyer, Grease was a blast straight from the past! I have never seen the Post Elementary auditorium as full as I did that night, and now I understand why. From grease ball Danny Zuko, played by Stephen Rodriguez, to good girl gone bad, Sandra Dee, played by Kari Dunn the room was filled with one laugh after the other. Not only could every single member of the cast act, they could sing as well! It was terrific! I don't have enough good things to say about the cast, crew, and directors of this musical. Perhaps, since there was such a good turnout this past weekend, a fall musical will become the "norm," around here. That would be a great tradition to get started here in Post, Texas. If you want to see more musicals performed every year, stop by to encourage and congratulate the Tatums and Mrs. Sawyer on a job well done! Can't wait to see what they have in store for us next...



Cathy Sawyer, Jaime Marquez, Katie Colvin, Lilly Maldonado, Stephen Rodriguez, Kari Dunn, Laurel Tatum, Zach Quinonez, Kelsey Griffin, Rose Taylor, Israel Gonzales, Kelsey Isbell, Jordan Barboza, Steven Howard, Andie Soliz, Leslie Tatum, Tim Tatum, Zach and Payton Sawyer, Janice Curtis, Josh Curtis, Katie Dunn, Shirley Ariaza, Kambry Mason. Photo by Steffi Scott

Halloween on Main Street



Citizens Bank President Keith Williams stands in line with his daughter and trick or treaters on Halloween night.



(L-R) Lina Rodriguez, Rebecca Quintana and Terri Laurence.

Photo by Jim Plummer

Post Notes

Meet The Antelopes & Lady Lopes will be Thursday November 10 @ 6:30 p.m. at Antelope Arena. Junior High teams will be recognized as well. The boys will also be having a scrimmage. Come out and support the Bold Gold!

Women's Division of the PACC is accepting donations of items to sell in a garage sale that will be a fundraiser for the organization. If you have anything to donate, please call JoAnn Stelzer @ 495-3393 or Betty Posey @ 495-2067. The Garage Sale will be Saturday Nov. 5 @ the Community Center (Youth Room.) Will begin at 9a.m. until ?

Post Lions Club 2011 Christmas Bikes for Tots Seeking Applications

The Post Lions Club is taking applications from families for their '2011 Christmas Bikes for Tots.' Children enrolled at Post Elementary School in grades kindergarten through fifth grade who meet eligibility requirements for free or reduced lunches are encouraged to apply. The Lions Club will select a predetermined number of boys and girls from the application pool to receive a new bicycle for Christmas. Applications may be picked up at the Post Elementary school office beginning November 1. The deadline to submit an application is Thursday, November 17.

If you have any questions, please call Lion David Baker at 990.9888 or Lion Byron Garrison at 990-9898

A Night To Honor Israel: Pastor John Hagee Appearing in person as Guest Speaker. Special Musical Performance by world-renowned violinist, Dr. Maurice Sklar. Sunday Nov. 6th, 2011 @ 7p.m. Lubbock Civic Center Theater 1501 Mac Davis Drive~Lubbock, Tx. FREE ADMISSION.

Free English classes offered now at the Post High School. Call 495-2770.

Holy Cross Catholic Church will be held every Wednesday from 5:30pm to 6:30pm. Snacks will be served at 5:00pm. Parents are encouraged to send children's grades pre k-5th. Youth classes will also be held on Wednesday's following C.C.E at 6:45-7:45pm. All Jr. High-High School Students are encouraged to attend.

GED classes have begun. They are free to the public. Classes will be held 5:00 pm-8:00pm at the high school. For more information call 805-495-2770. Leave name and number.

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Garza County EMS had their ambulance on Main St. handing out candy to the trick or treaters, pictured are at top Kelly Baker, Left, County Attorney Mike Munk, trick or treaters Lane Norman and Soffi Scott, Steffi Scott and in back Norma Garza.



It appears, at least, in this case the first writer doesn't have a chance, but here goes. True, we cannot follow an elected official to see what they do on the job. But if we wait awhile it can become very obvious what they are not doing. At the end of the year court report, revenue from the

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Obituaries

THURMAN MADDOX

Thurman Maddox, 86, of Olton and formerly of Post, died on Friday October 28, 2011 at the Runningwater Draw Care Center in Olton. He was born on January 27, 1925 to Roy C. and Erma Ruel (Bolton) Maddox at Brady, Texas. Thurman was the first born of twins. Herman was the second born and preceded Thurman in death October 28, 1994. Thurman started school in Brown and Coleman counties. In 1935 his family came to Post to farm. Thurman graduated Post High School and married Lucy Faye Clary on June 19, 1947 in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orien Clary. The Rev. Reed performed the wedding ceremony. Thurman worked for Oscar Garner, Stanley Butler and later for Shelley and Frances Camp delivering fuel to homes, ranches and farms.

After retirement he worked at Old Mill Trade Days. Thurman loved wood working and sold his creations at the Old Mill Trade Days. He was a Baptist. In March of this year he and Faye moved to Olton to live. He was also preceded in death by his parents and a son-in-law: Billy Griffin, March 5, 2011.

Funeral Services were held at 3:00 pm Sunday October 30, 2011 at the Calvary Baptist Church in Post. Rev. Darren Weaver, pastor officiated. Burial followed at the Terrace Cemetery. Arrangements were under the personal care of Dee and Janet Justice, Justice-Mason Funeral Home, Post.

He is survived by wife: Faye Maddox of Olton. Three daughters: Teresia and her husband Glen Williams of Post; Donna and her husband Mike Wiley of Olton

and Nancy Griffin of Lubbock. One brother: Pete and his wife Sammie Maddox of Brownwood. One sister: Fleta Caffey of Post. Seven grandchildren: Hilary and her husband Jim Barnes of Lubbock, Heather Smith of Mansfield, Athene and her husband Tucker Stennett of Plainview, Jay and his wife Jessica Williams of Agawam, Mass., Clay and his wife Michele Williams of Wilson, Timothy Griffin and Bryce Griffin, both of Lubbock. Seven great-grandchildren: Mandalyn Barnes, Ashlyn Stennett, Aspen Williams, Brooklyn Williams, Chance Barnes, Sean Smith and Hunter Williams.

Pallbearers were Jay Williams, Clay Williams, Timothy Griffin, Bryce Griffin, Jim Barnes, Tucker Stennett, Sean Smith and Chance Barnes

GILES MCCRARY SR

Services for Giles Connell McCrary Sr., 91, of Post will be at 2 PM Wednesday, Nov. 2, 2011 at the First Presbyterian Church with Dr. Jerry Koch and Rev. Elizabeth Abraham officiating. Burial in Terrace Cemetery will be under the direction of Huddman Funeral Home. Giles died Sunday, October 30, 2011 in Lubbock. He was born November 5, 1919 in Ft. Worth to I. N. and Nell (Connell) McCrary. He married Louise Luton on May 25, 1940

in Ft. Worth. He was a Army veteran of WWII. He graduated from Washington & Lee University in 1942. He was later awarded a Doctorate of Humane Letters from Texas Tech University Health Science Center.

Giles was an Elder of the First Presbyterian Church in Post. He was mayor of Post from 1969 until 1991. The citizens of Post honored him as Citizen of the Year in 1985. He was a life member of Masonic Lodge

#1058, member of the Post Rotary Club and of the VFW. He was currently president of the OS Museum in Post.

Survivors include his wife: Louise McCrary of Post, 1 Daughter: Mary McCrary of Lubbock, 1 Son: Giles McCrary Jr. of Ft. Worth, 4 Grandchildren: Molly McCrary of Austin, Michael Prather of Post, Giles McCrary III of London, England and Isaac McCrary of Germany and 5 Great Grandchildren.

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LEGENDS...

GARZA COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM

BY LINDA PUCKETT

Part three of our story on Monte Bridges continues. You know, after reading documentation of the multiple murders and wild escapades of this individual, the term serial killer comes to mind. I think that one lucky person who escaped death at his hands was Bertie Bridges who married Monte on November 23, 1920. One child was born of this marriage. According to the divorce papers, Monte began mistreating Bertie about three months after they wed, and the abuse continued, described as a course of unkind harsh and tyrannical conduct toward her. Over the next few years, she surely realized that she had literally escaped with her life, for what lay ahead could only be described as murder and mayhem.

The most disturbing part of the murders is that the whole timeline is crazy. Had the authorities done their job and locked this monster up, some of those people would possibly have been spared. The man would be given prison terms, and yet he was out and about committing more murders. Duh! The judicial system was a real mess. You have heard it said, "If you want to kill someone, do it in Post." I think that rang true of other counties as well.

A newspaper article dated March 26, 1924 reads as follows:

Monte Bridges Acquitted in Post City Tragedy

"The jury in the case of Monte Bridges, charged with slaying I. Nathan on a street in this city, March 9 last (sic), returned a verdict Tuesday of not guilty. The case had been on trial for two days and created much interest in the locality. Mr. Bridges is a well-known ranchman. Mr. Nathan was a prominent businessman."

Various documents imply Monte Bridges was many things, bootlegger, murderer, and counterfeiter. Now remember, it was stated that he was also a well-known ranchman.

The double murders of Jay Donaldson and Bertha Gordon occurred on July 1, 1934. That trial resulted in the jury giving him (Monte) 50 years for the Donaldson murder. Much later, on December 3, 1936, he was sentenced only seven years for killing Miss Gordon. He filed several appeals, but the sentences stood until,

guess what? The court of Judge Kreueger found there was an error, that Monte's sentence was really just 20 years. According to the record, the motion is granted and the original opinion has been amended so as to read 20 years instead of 50 years.

Well, how about that? Every newspaper reporter and court reporter in Texas was absolutely wrong in their reporting of the verdict. Isn't that amazing, 30 years difference in sentencing?

Well, that makes three murders so far by this upstanding citizen. Number four occurred on February 1, 1936 when he killed Mr. Fred English in Borger. Looks like he wasn't in prison after all.

Texas Gives Self Up In Slaying In Borger

San Bernardino, Ca. March 16, 1936. Monte Bridges, who said he was from Borger, Texas walked into the Sheriff's office and ask to be arrested.

Borger, Texas March 16, 1936 Monte Bridges, who surrendered to San Bernardino, Ca. officers is charged with murder in the shooting of Fred English, hotel proprietor, here. Sheriff Hardee said that Bridges had waived extradition.

His sentence in this murder case was given in the following article:

Monte Bridges Given 25 Years For Slaying

Stinnett, Hutchinson Co., Texas July 1(1936) Monte Bridges was convicted Wednesday of murder in the Feb. 1 slaying of Fred English, Borger hotel proprietor, and sentenced to twenty-five years in prison. The jury brought in the verdict after deliberating sixteen hours.

So, what does this all mean? The first murder he walked, the second he got 50 years and later got that changed to 20, and then another seven for the third murder, which brings the total to 27 years. Now we have another 25 years which should have kept him in prison for at least 52 years. Not so, he was back in Tulsa, Ok. getting mugged on October 9, 1937.

He claimed he lived in Sapulpa and that he came from Ponca City to Tulsa the night he lost his money. He went to a restaurant at First and Main and ordered a sandwich and a beer where met Fred Smith and Bernice Mosier. He told

them he had to go to Carbondale and would have to catch a taxi. They ask him how much that was going to cost and he said about forty cents. They said they would take him out there and he said, "That'll suit me, let's go" and he got in the car with the couple; the lady sat between them. When they got to Redfork, the man stopped the car, got out and came around to his (Monte) side and opened the door and jerked him out and struck him. They took his billfold from his hip pocket containing about \$42.00 and drove away. He wasn't sure what the man hit him with. He telephoned the police and went back to the restaurant.

Fred Smith and Bernice Mosier were apprehended, tried and convicted upon evidence that they did forcibly, conjointly, and feloniously take, steal, carry away from the immediate presence and person of Monte Bridges. The jury found them guilty of having committed the crime of conjoint robbery and fixed their punishment at ten years in the state penitentiary. Bernice was later given an acquittal for her part in the crime. I wonder if they ever realized they had mugged a convicted murderer.

I'm not sure if or how much time Monte Bridges served for his deeds, but we do have an obituary from the Post paper and a record of his burial in Terrace Cemetery dated April 24, 1949, it reads:

Monte R. Bridges Dies In Hospital In Chicago, Ill.

Funeral services for Monte Ray Bridges of Chicago, Ill. Former Post resident and member of a pioneer Garza County family, was held Sunday afternoon in the First Baptist Church with Rev. Payton Fullingim of Southland officiating. Burial was in Terrace Cemetery with Mason and Company in charge. Bridges, who had lived in Chicago for the past seven years, suffered a stroke a week before his death Friday night in a Chicago hospital. He was born at Roby, Tx. on August 16, 1901 as a son of the late J. Porter Bridges and wife (mother), now Mrs. Mary Goode of Lubbock. He lived here until he was about 21 years old. [Author's note] I think that might be a mistake since he killed two people in Post in the year 1934, which would put him at about 33 years of age.

Well, Monte Bridges' reputation certainly out lived him. A special thanks to Terry Cross who does an outstanding job as a researcher, along with Laverne Aten and Billie Jean Cross both of whom contributed when I needed some more information. See ya next week.

Clay Miller

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The Christmas play at Ragtown "Bethlehem" will begin on November 11. Shows will be Friday evenings at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday at 3:00 p.m. through December 17.

Our Lighted Christmas

Parade will be here before you know it. Get your floats ready for this event on December 3. The Community Christmas Sing is scheduled for Wednesday, December 7, at 7:00 p.m. Also, mark your calendars for our PACC Christmas Open House on Thursday, December 8. This year our sponsor is Xcel Energy.

The PACC Office will be closed on Mondays beginning November 7. The office will continue to be open from 9-5 (closed 12-1 for lunch) Tuesday through Friday.

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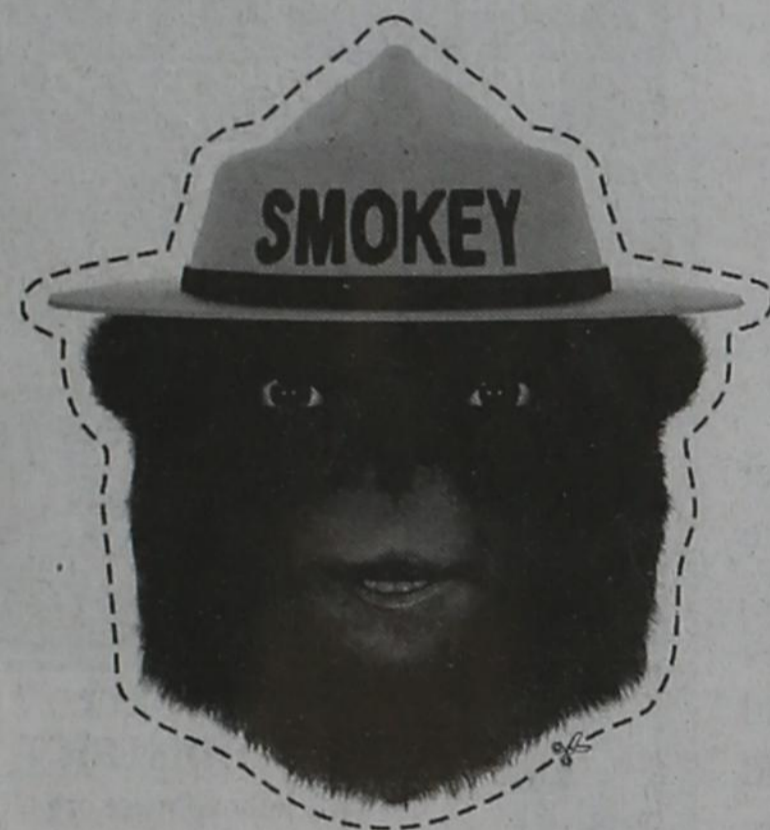
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BBQ Sandwich, Coleslaw, Pork & Beans, Pineapple Cake

Tuesday
Chicken Spaghetti, Fried Squash, Salad, Garlic Bread, Strawberry Bread

Wednesday
Smothered Steak, Broccoli/Augratin Potatoes, Roll, Peach Crisp

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"The Texas Hamburger: History of a Lone Star Icon"

Author Rick Vanderpool will be signing copies of "The Texas Hamburger: History of a Lone Star Icon." November 3, 1-3 p.m. at Ruby Lane Books, 127 E. Main in Post. One of the hamburger "joints" featured: Holly's Drive In right here in Post! Come by, meet Rick and enjoy some refreshments. We'll be serving some of the world's smallest "hamburgers."

Vanderpool traveled 11,000 miles, looking for the best hamburgers in Texas. He photographed roughly 750 joints and tasted several of the best of the best Texas burgers. "The Texas Hamburger" is a fun read and a great gift for folks who like to enjoy offbeat "tours" in Texas as well as anyone who enjoys the pop culture of the Lone Star State.

Extension Extras

October 31, 2011

4-H Quilt Raffle - "Texas Pride" Benefiting the Syd Connor Memorial 4-H Scholarship. Display will be set up Saturday, November 5th in front of Algeria Arts Center and Ruby Lane. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.

4-H Connect - If you have not already done so please go to 4-H Connect and sign up or

Re-activate your child. Web Address: <https://texas.4honline.com>

Quality Counts - This is required for all MAJOR

SHOWS ENTRIES please go to <http://qualitycounts.tamu.edu>. Keep your verification number it has to be on all major entries.

Fort Worth Livestock Show Entries - If you are planning on entering the Fort Worth Livestock Shows please come by the Extension office **As soon as possible. Entries are due November 10th.**

San Angelo Stock Show Entries - Entries for the San Angelo Stock Show are due **by November 30th.** Please come by the Extension office

to take care of the entries.

4-H Meeting - The next 4-H meeting will be Monday, November 28th at 6:30 p.m. at the Extension Office.

Extension Office: 215 W Main (806) 495-4400

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Peanut & Butter

By Doctor Wink

the cost of the rat. However, Peanut was a part of this family and the owner decided to go ahead with the surgery. Now my challenge was how we were going to anesthetize this less than a pound patient? Using some of my highly esteemed 'Aggie engineering', I made a tiny mask to use in anesthetizing Peanut for surgery. I performed an enucleation (removal) of the left eye. Peanut did great through the anesthesia and surgery and recovered good. Two weeks after the surgery we took the sutures out and everything healed well.

Here's where Butter enters as my second pocket pet case. Butter, who like Peanut, was another hairless rat belonging to the same family. And like Peanut, he came in for an eye problem. In fact, this was the exact same injury as Peanut, but Butter's problem was in his right eye. Having learned what I did from Peanut, I removed Butter's right eye without compli-

cations and with good results. Needless to say after the second incident, we recommended to the owner to change the rat's bedding and we no longer had any more problems with their eyes. Both Peanut and Butter are living healthy and happy lives. One's a lefty & one's a righty. I'm sure they trade war stories about their injuries.

I have never been much on 'pocket pets' until I had to deal with these two weird cases. I can now say that I've seen quite a few pocket pets since then. From hairless rats to sugar gliders, I never know what is going to walk thru my doors each day at the clinic. Sure makes an interesting dinner conversation some nights at my house. Regardless of your pet type, if you have any questions or concerns about your pet's health, give us a call up at Garza County Animal Hospital (495-3726). We'd love to make you a member of our clinic family and assist you any way we can.

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In and Around Close City

by Traci Freeman

News

The weather ... my my, where do I start? This West Texas weather really is crazy! Temps are up and down, a few mornings last week it was so damp that the one guy we had pulling couldn't get in the field, so we are getting a slow start to our season this year. As of Wednesday at noon our official bale count is 197, hopefully the rest of them will get started before long.

Jim and Nedra picked up a Close City Cookbook this week that he intends to send to Japan; their son Tad and his family are hosting an exchange student from Japan this year. I thought this was very cool, I knew there were Ragtown caps all over the place now looks like our cookbooks will be too!

Best Wishes out to John, Joyce and Bob who had a little fender bender last week. Hope all is well and good now.

A BIG Happy Belated Birthday to my friend Abby Guerrero. I'm so sorry I forgot ya last week. Abby celebrated on Oct 31st a Halloween baby! Abby lives in Amarillo and is the granddaughter of Lois Childs and Jim and Nedra Ellis, no wonder

why Halloween is her Nene's favorite holiday.

Don't forget about the Close City calendar Nancy and I will be putting together for Christmas this year, if you have any photos or ideas that you would like to see included let us know.

Trade Days Downtown this weekend 9-6.....Go downtown and check out some great hometown shopping and remember... You can now get your cookbooks and T-shirt order forms at Cocara's and Caprock Heirloom downtown Post, stop in and pick one or two up, they make great gifts and keepsakes!

Did you know...

A diamond is the hardest natural substance on earth.

Quote of the week...

Age is whatever you think it is. You are as old as you think you are ... Muhammad Ali

Get Wells

Shirley Bland, Delwin Fluitt, Troy Nelson, and whoever else feeling under the weather that I may not know about ... get well soon!

Close City Birthdays

November 7 - Steve Collozo, Little Nelson, aka Barack Esparza Haven Bacca

November 8 - Blace Stevens, Greg Massey

November 9 - Hailey Massey Mason

Close City Anniversaries

November 7 - Robert and Patsy Craig; Chuck and Kristi Morris

Visitors

Danny Bostick stopped in to visit Monday; Charlie Stice came by for a cup of coffee. Ya'll come out and drink a cup of coffee with us one morning or a cool drink in the afternoon, you are guaranteed to be entertained and a whole lot smarter when you leave!

Ragtown folks in the nursing homes we need to remember are ... Marj Caffey in Marble Falls; Claudine Tipton; Carmen Abraham; Mary Gayle Young in Post; Jean Tipton in Robert Lee; Jewel White in Lubbock. Others are, Mack Ledbetter in Slaton; Doris Wilson in Castorville; John and Mary Gist in Lubbock in Lubbock. **Please let me know if there is anyone I need to add to this list.**

Keep rain, our troops and our country in your dailey prayers ... See ya next week!

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Weekly Inspirations

Sure Footing Read 2 Peter 1:5-11

The psalmist wrote, "When I said, 'My foot is slipping,' your love, O Lord, supported me."
- Psalm 94:18 (NIV)

Our first snow of the year fell yesterday, and today sleet compounds our problems in driving and walking. The snow and ice are formidable obstacles in getting to the birdbaths and feeders in our yard. Reaching them requires caution even for those who are young and agile--and more so for the rest of us. I grew up in snow country, and I never thought I would forget how to maneuver safely in wintry weather. But after moving to where winters are mild, I soon forgot because living here doesn't provide regular practice. Unfortunately, neither does it take long to forget other important things. During my younger years, my roots were sunk deeply into the religious community. Once I became an adult, it didn't take me long to forsake that sure spiritual footing for the shifting sands of secular pleasures. Soon this way of life had me in chains. It took me a long while to return to God. But when I did, I found all that I had forsaken--and more. I am grateful that God's love is sure in every season for each one of us, no matter how much we have forgotten or how far we have strayed.

John Eyberg (Oklahoma, USA)

Prayer: Dear heavenly Father, help us to know that wherever we are and whatever we do, you care more for us than we can care for ourselves. Amen.

Thought for the day: The ground of God's love is sure footing.

"All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."

2 Timothy 3:16-17

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The Paperboy

By CHRIS BLACKBURN

Flag football season has come and gone and the Oakland Raiders fell short in their bid for a title.

The local league names teams after pro teams to keep complaining down. It's a method which works pretty well.

Having played sports from age 5 through my time in the local softball league, I like to think I learned a lot.

I've coached several teams as an adult in baseball (ages 13-15), t-ball, machine pitch (ages 7-8), and flag football (first-third grade). I've only been coaching my own children for three years.

This is what I've learned in my brief coaching career:

- It is very worthwhile.
- I'm glad I don't do it for a living.
- Different children respond to different motivational techniques. One child might re-

quire a pat on the back and a "you can do it" before they'll perform while another needs a timeout and a "what are you thinking?" This may have been the most important lesson and one which has served me very well concerning the results achieved on an individual basis.

I arrived at this conclusion by thinking back on my own athletic career and the type of coaches I had and how I responded to their methods.

As an athlete, I liked discipline and encouragement. Give me a pat on the back and I'll tear down a wall for you. Berate me and I'll shrivel up and be timid.

From day one, I tell my kids how the real world of sports work:

- If you are fast and can throw and catch, you're going to get the ball more.

• If you want the ball and are relegated to a position you don't like, get yourself faster and work on your hand-eye coordination until I'm forced to give you the ball.

• If you want to stay on the field, listen and do your best to follow instruction. Not doing so will land you on the bench or in the doghouse.

• Regardless of skill level, if you have a positive attitude and are attentive, I will use you as an example and tell your teammates what a great day you are having and how proud I am of you.

Sometimes there are issues concerning who needs to sit out. For me, the easy thing to do is to sit my sons out first. That gives me credibility with the parents when it comes time to sit their children out.

I don't know if you fans are aware of this fact, but not ev-

eryone is equal and sometimes, children have to sit the bench. It's just part of it.

Funny thing about sitting the bench: it's usually a problem with the parents and only becomes a problem with the players when the parents interfere.

Most children know the playground pecking order. Young elementary children know who is fast and who is not. They know who the better athletes are and they are comfortable with that. However, when they get home and their parents start asking why they're not getting more playing time, it can have an effect on the child.

What helps to mitigate ill feelings regarding time on the bench is to make sure you convey to the athletes and the children that while they may be awkward right now, there is nothing set in stone and hard-

work and practice can turn them into a better athlete. Will they be a star? Who knows. But they will show progress and gain confidence and at such a young age, they can progress very fast.

Mother Nature works differently for each child. Some children grow quickly and their bodies have not caught up with their growth. Such is the case with my older son Jackson, 8. He understands that if he wants to play something other than the offensive and defensive line, he needs to work on some things.

Honesty is the best policy with little athletes and their parents. It is also important to let them know that participation is valuable. Learning to win and learning to lose will serve them the rest of their life.

The Raiders fell short of our goal of winning the champion-

ship. We finished 6-1, losing in the semifinals. My boys' hearts were heavy and as we took a knee after the game. It was easy to see the hurt in their little hearts. It meant a lot to them, as it should.

I'm very proud of the players and their parents for buying in and sticking with it for six weeks. It was a pleasure coaching them and makes me appreciate the job done by the real coaches in school systems across the country.

Sports are important in our society. Not as important as education, but I can't think of many things which can build or destroy character quicker than playing sports.

Hopefully, the players on my flag football team can take the lessons they learned and build on them going forward. I know I'll use what I learned from them to better myself as it works both ways.

If you have the interest, I encourage you to help out or coach a youth team. In my opinion, the more positive people involved with a program, the better off everyone is. You never know, you may be the one person able to make a huge difference in the heart and mind of a little one.

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HAWLEY HANDLES THE BOLD GOLD

By: Steffi Scott

The Post Lopes were ahead when the Hawley Bearcats marched 67 yards in nine plays to tie the game at 20 with only six seconds left on the clock. Kicker Houston Schoonmaker made the PAT. This was turning into a teeth clencher.

Although the Bold Gold fought hard and played one

heck of a game, Hawley still came up with the W. Post tallied 320 to Hawley's 302 total offensive yards. The difference was in the running game, 278 to 260. Seventy of Hawley's yards were for naught when Dylan Sanchez broke loose from the pack and carried the ball 70 yards to about the Post 10 yard line, when Lope D.J. Brown

stripped the ball from behind and then recovered it on the 5 yard line. "We left a TD on the field in the first half but they also lost one when D.J. stripped the ball," commented Smith. He was referring to earlier in the second quarter when Hawley executed a goal line stand that kept the Bold Gold from scoring on four attempts from inside the

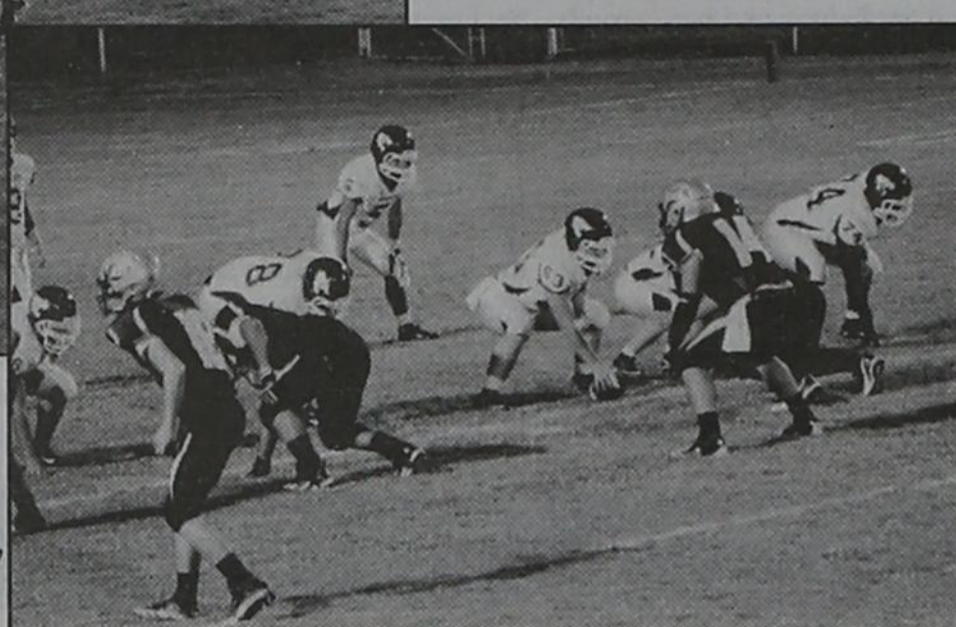
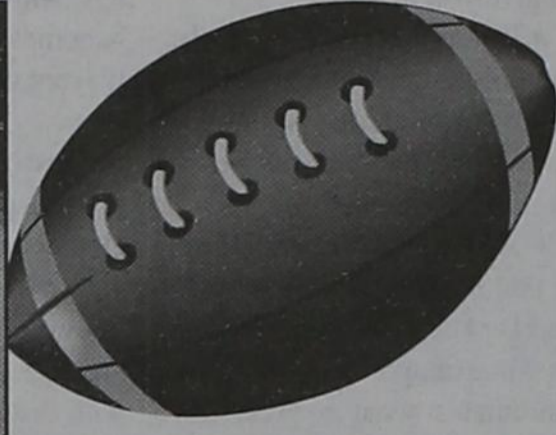
three yard line. Brown, a sophomore, was the game's leading rusher with 109 yards on 15 carries with two touchdowns.

Post scored all twenty points in the second half, thirteen in the fourth quarter. The Antelopes might have had a rough season, but Coach Smith knows this was just a building stage, good

things are bound to follow. Smith commented, "I appreciate the support and backing from parents and fans this year. People who watched practices saw how hard we are working and know we are going to build a strong program. The discipline and the responsibility we demand of the players will start to show and the main goal of develop-

ing young men of character and servant leaders will make the Bold Gold proud again. There are so many community members that contribute time and resources to help support us, I can not possibly express my gratitude worthy of their efforts."

This was the Antelopes last football game, but no fear, basketball is coming your way!



(Right) #18 Dalton Holly and #14 Jake Perez. Photos by Mitch Holly



#24 Aron Lopes, Dakota Isbell, #75 Christian Armendariz # 51 Miguel Gomez, #12 Blain Reece, #20 Christian Saucedo. Photo by Elizabeth Moreno

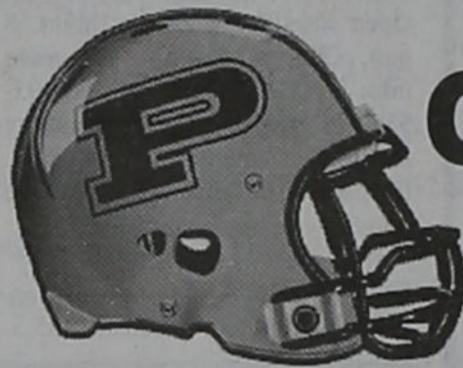


#52 Dakota Isbell, #54 Fabian Marquez, #72 Tristan Fannon, #81 Gilbert Reyna, #10 Alex Ramirez, #62 Jacob Dissinger, #82 Jordan Solorzano, #30 Christian Pearson, #66 Tallen Hodges, #44 A.J. Reed, #25 Cambry Gilbert, #11 Wyatt Gray, #14 Chris Rosas. Photo by Elizabeth Moreno

Post JH Football Games

The Post JH football teams will be playing their final football games of the 2011 season, this Thursday beginning at 4:30 pm at Jimmie Redman Memorial stadium. The games will kick off with the Post JH "Fun Bunch" playing the Hamlin 7th grade beginning at 4:30 pm. This group of young men is a combined 7th and 8th grade group, who have played Idalou and Denver City up to this point of their season. They lost 20-14 to Idalou, and 16-12 to Denver City, and will be looking for their first win of the season when they host the Pied Pipers of Hamlin. The second game of the evening will pit the Post 7th graders against the

undefeated 7th grade from Sundown. Post 7th grade will enter the contest with a season record of 7-1, and a district record of 5-1. Their only loss of the season coming to an undefeated squad from Stanton, two weeks ago. The final game of the evening will be the undefeated Post 8th grade against an undefeated squad from Sundown. In two seasons both of these teams have not lost a JH football game, and this appears to be a great match-up of two very good JH football squads. So if at all possible let's show our support this Thursday evening, and come out and root our JH football programs to 3 final victories. Go Bold Gold!



Coaches Corner by Steve Smith

ALL GIVE SOME, BUT WINNERS GIVE ALL

Athletic and all extracurricular activity is largely a metaphor or a proving ground if you will, for young students. There they learn life lessons and to experiment and make choices and learn about how to handle life's adversities and how to set goals and enjoy life's successes. Class is for gaining of knowledge and athletics is for action for the two can only be useful if learned together. Knowledge has no value unless it is put into action and athletics is drudgery without the information and plan to reach your goals.

I often hear students moaning over a class and questioning its usefulness, and I am quick to point out that each bit of knowledge and each class offers a tool or a skill if you will that we can put into our toolbox. Education offers you something you can take and make your goals come true. One day you will want a job, or a family, or have some other aspiration and it will take some math, science, or language art to help you obtain your objective. All teaching is of value, but that value is only defined by the action the individual chooses to apply the knowledge gained.

Each of us was born with all it takes to get be successful in life. We often handicap ourselves with negativity, lack of confidence, and just plain lack of effort. A wise man once said, "There are two ways to climb an oak tree. You can climb, scramble, scale, clamber, and shinny up to the top - or you can sit on an acorn and wait." Athletics and everyday life is about learning to climb it. You can stare up the limbs are you start up the limbs.

The choice is yours.

You may think that that all depends on ability, but I say we are all born with the ability. Our abilities vary greatly between each other, but we all have our strengths. People of average ability often achieve outstanding success because they do not know when to quit. Most men succeed because they are determined to, not because of any special ability.

It reminds me of a story about a couple driving down a dirt road, in between some cotton fields west of town. They were obviously a little lost and when they saw a farmer climbing down off a module builder so they pulled over, rolled down the window and ask the old farmer, "Sir, could you tell us where this road will take us?" With a moment's hesitation the wise old man said, "Son, this road will take you anywhere in the world you want to go."

Such it is with life, driving to a destination, athletics or climbing trees. All you have to do is keep moving in the right direction. Any road can be the right road, and any road can be the wrong road, and it all depends on what direction you are headed and that depends on the choices you make and the persistence you display on getting to your destination. Realize also however that you can be on the right road and still get run over if you stand in the middle of it.

To paraphrase, the Constitution of the United States of America clearly states, that we all are free to pursue our goals and happiness with all we possess as endowed by the Creator. So using our

own individual strengths and learning about our weaknesses, we can pursue life with all it takes, and while it may take all we have, if we choose to endure and focus on our goals we have a happy (successful) life. Nothing therefore can hold us back... but ourselves.

At the end of the day you must ask yourself, did you not only accomplish something positive, but did you accomplish what you should have with the ability you have. It is not enough to merely get by, but to use all your ability. The fastest man on the team should not run to barely beat the others; he must run to test himself, to do his personal best.

It is like the woman in the temple. As he looked up, Jesus saw the rich putting their gifts into the offering. He also saw a poor widow put in two very small copper coins. "I tell you the truth, he said, this poor widow has put in more than all the others. All these people gave their gifts out of their wealth, but she out of her poverty put in all she had." Luke 21 1-4 That is being All-In! You don't have to have the same ability or resources as other people, just make the choice to give all you have to your pursuit.

Go out and use your God given ability and not just stand on the right track, but go ALL-IN. Climb to the top and achieve your goals. You have been given the ability but you and only you can use that ability. Be Bold in your pursuit. Strive for the Gold in your life and when lost, stuck, or in doubt keep climbing.

Post ISD Menu

Breakfast Menu November 7th - November 11th

Monday
Pancake Sausage on a stick, Syrup, Fruit Milk

Tuesday
Cheese Omelet, Toast, Fruit, Milk

Wednesday
Malt-O-Meal, Sausage, Toast, Fruit, Milk

Thursday
Cowboy Bread, Sausage Link, Fruit, Milk

Friday
Cereal, Graham Cracker, Fruit, Juice, Milk

Lunch Menu November 7th - November 11th

Monday
Crispy Tacos, Lettuce, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Spanish Rice, Pinto Beans, Fancy Gelatin, Milk

Tuesday
Pizza Choice, Salad, Banana, Chocolate Cake, Milk

Wednesday
Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes, Glazed Carrots, Strawberries & Bananas, Hot Roll, Milk

Thursday
Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, Garden Salad, Green Beans, French Bread Sticks, Apple Crisps, Milk

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New church opens its doors in historic church building

By: Jodi Lincoln

On the corner of Ave K and 10th streets sits a picturesque little white church that was established almost at the same time C.W. Post established Post City. Passing by the little church one can envision families of days long gone by with women in long, heavy dresses, men in their string ties and long black tails going into the church with their families to worship. One can see the cowboys from the surrounding ranches wearing their cleanest Levi's, their Sunday go to meeting best shirt, with the dust knocked off their Stetson hats as best they could riding up. All come for one purpose to the quaint little church... it is a house of the Lord and they come to worship.

The Reverend R. J. Hall, known as the "cowboy preacher" was the first full time pastor of the Presbyterian Church. After the Presbyterians, who finished building the little church in 1916 outgrew it and built another building to house their congregation, the little white church has sat unoccupied and is now used mainly for weddings and special events. The church is under the care of the Maxine Durrett Earl Charitable Foundation and still proudly sits on its original site. It only seems fitting for it to be the new home to a Cowboys for Christ Church which was recently formed here in Post by Pastor Rickey Judd and his wife Jennifer.

Rickey was ordained as a minister by Pastor Gary Hughes of the Cowboy Church of the South Plains on July 18,

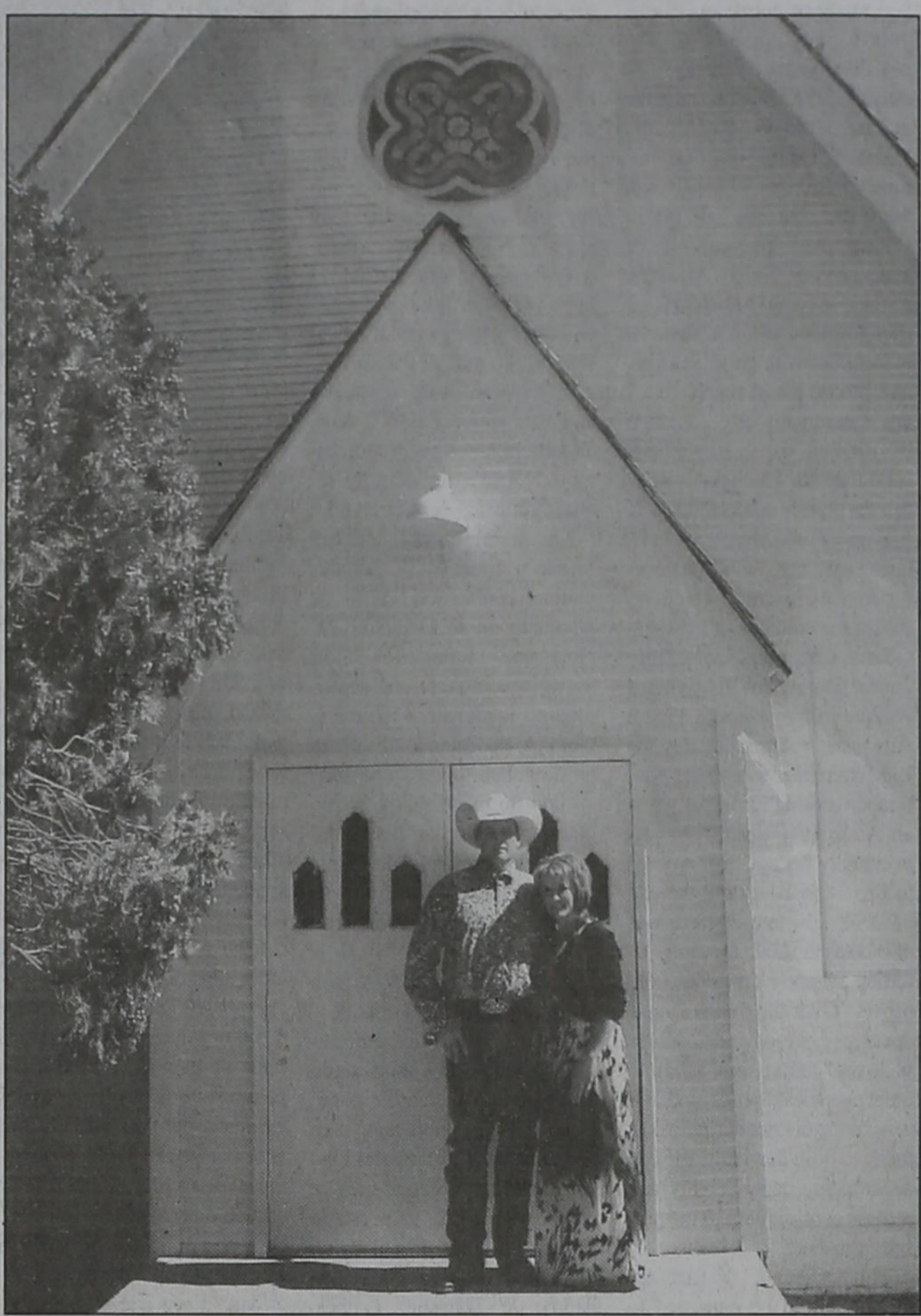
2010. Pastor Hughes, along with three other cowboy pastors, Ray Perryman, and Tracy Spencer and Andy Miller have been instrumental in mentoring the young pastor and giving him opportunities to preach in their pulpits when they had to be gone. Rickey and his wife Jennifer and their two children came to Post when Rickey was offered a job on the James Kinney ranch as ranch foreman in March of 2010. The family loves living in the Post community and Rickey said he is "very humbled and honored to be holding services in one of the oldest churches built in Garza County." He is very excited by the opportunity to hold services in a real church building, though he was happy to have been able to conduct services at the Community Center.

Under the leadership of Pastor Rickey Judd, a church called Word Of God Cowboy Church was formed in May of this year. Rickey had been attending different cowboy churches and preaching for pastors around the West Texas area before coming to Post to work on the ranch. Rickey knew he had been called to preach within the first year of turning his life over to Christ in 2008. He just didn't know when, where or how. It was only after his move to Post when other individuals came to him with the same vision for a Cowboy Church as he had that he knew this was where he was supposed to begin. So it was with a heart full of faith and a hand full of dollars that Rickey, with his wife Jennifer, and those who had come to him with the same vision

opened a bank account to begin working toward establishing a church. They were not prepared for what would soon come to them in the way of a church to hold their services.

As Rickey set about looking for a place to hold services, he found out about the Community Center and learned that they could rent it by the month to hold their services. And so they begin meeting each Sunday morning at 10:00 am for coffee, donuts and fellowship followed by a worship service at 10:30. His first official service as pastor of the new little church was July 11, 2011. Though his congregation is small, it continues to grow and Rickey and his wife have faith that the little church will soon outgrow the little Presbyterian Church where his congregation now regularly meets each Sunday for fellowship and services. Though the congregation are not dressed in apparel of days gone by, the cowboys do still come wearing their best jeans and Sunday go to meeting shirts with their slightly dusty Stetsons atop their heads and the women are not wearing long, heavy dresses. Each still come with the same purpose and intent of those of yesteryear...they come to worship in a quaint little church that God built.

The Word of God Cowboy Church welcomes all new visitors to their new home with open arms and hopes that those who do not have a home church will put on their best jeans and dust off their Stetsons and come out to join Rickey and his congregation for fellowship and worship each Sunday



Pastor Rickey Judd and wife Jennifer stand in front of the new church home of the Word of God Cowboy Church

morning at 10:00 am. You will be glad you did as you find every face to be friendly and welcoming and no matter how fine or casual you choose to dress, your experience will be a rewarding one. We hope to see you there!

Quanah Parker Meeting



Friday evening at the Scurry County Museum in Snyder, Tx, a meeting of the Quanah Parker Trail organizers took place. Our very own Linda Puckett is seated second from right. In the very near future we will have 1 or 2 giant arrows in our community, marking the Quanah Parker Trail through Garza County.

District Attorney Brian Kingston Makes Re-Election Bid Official

(Lamesa) — District Attorney Brian Kingston officially announced Monday his plans to seek re-election as the 106th Judicial District Attorney representing the counties of Garza, Lynn, Dawson and Gaines counties. Republican Kingston was elected District Attorney in November 2008. "My campaign message has not changed: I am a very hardworking, fair and experienced attorney, and I hope to once again earn the vote of the residents of these counties on March 6 and November 6, 2012," stated Kingston.

A resident of Lynn County, Kingston has served as District Attorney since January 2009 and was previously an Assistant District Attorney for more than 14 years in Midland, Lubbock and Travis Counties.

"As a prosecutor of felony cases, I lead my staff to abide strongly by the motto framed in our office lobby (Article 2.01 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedures) which states that our duties are not to convict but to see that justice is done," Kingston said.

"The daily responsibility of the District Attorney is the prosecution of felony crimes such as child abuse, rapes, robberies, murders, weapons violations, drugs, theft, etc, and in training other attorneys

in prosecuting felony cases," Kingston said. "Having been actively engaged as a trial lawyer for over 20 years, I love being a part of the courtroom," Kingston added, "I also greatly enjoy teaching others about the law."

Not only has Kingston been active in educating and assisting area law enforcement with law enforcement education, but he also has been an instructor of the law at police academies in Austin and Lubbock, the Sheriff's Academy in Lubbock, The Texas Department of Public Safety, The University of Texas School of Law and the Texas Tech University School of Law.

"I am passionate about representing victims of crime. I am tough on crime, yet I respect the humanity of all those involved," stated Kingston. "I have always been approachable, hardworking, fair and compassionate and as District Attorney of the 106th Judicial District, I will continue to work with those convictions."

"Individuals are always welcomed to make an appointment to visit with me or my staff regarding the work of the district attorney's office or regarding personal issues in which our office might assist," Kingston stated.

Regarding the recent public-



ity involving an alleged misdemeanor charge, Kingston states, "With great sadness and humility, I apologize to the citizens of the 106th Judicial District for the events which transpired on Sept. 9, 2011. Alcohol is not a part of my lifestyle. With that being said, I encourage all those with misdeeds to ask God for forgiveness, to take care of business regarding their misdeed and claim as I have the Apostle Paul's words in Philippians 3:12-14: "Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize

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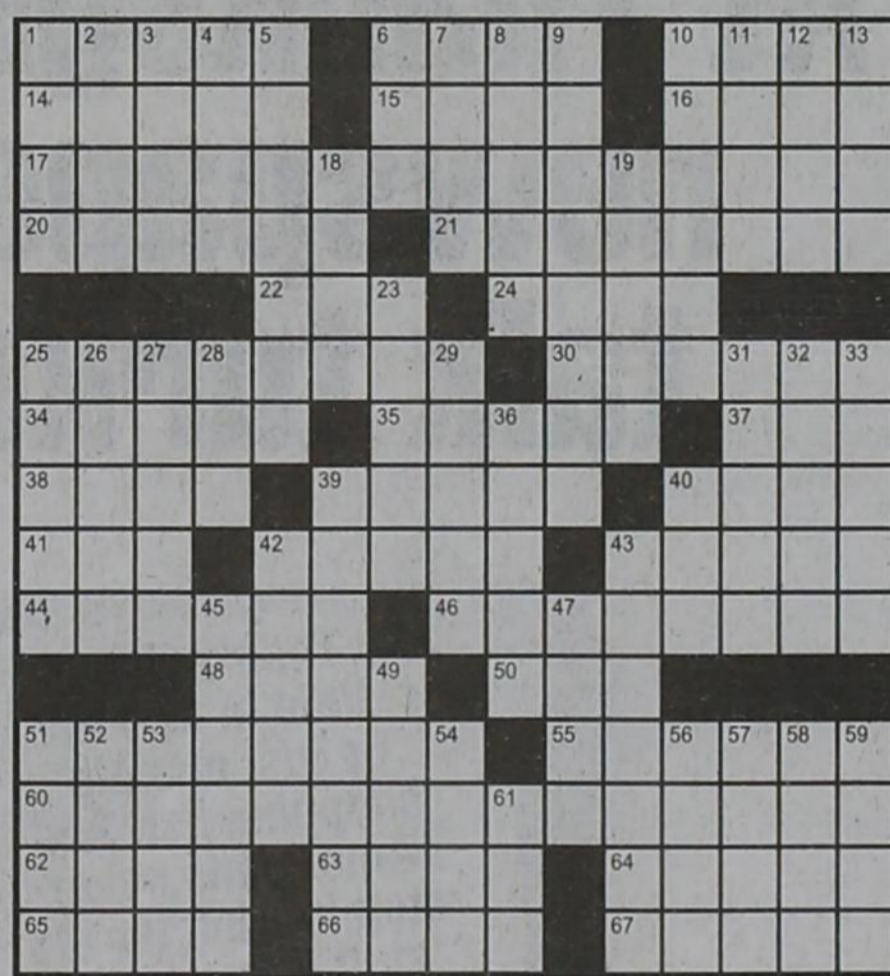
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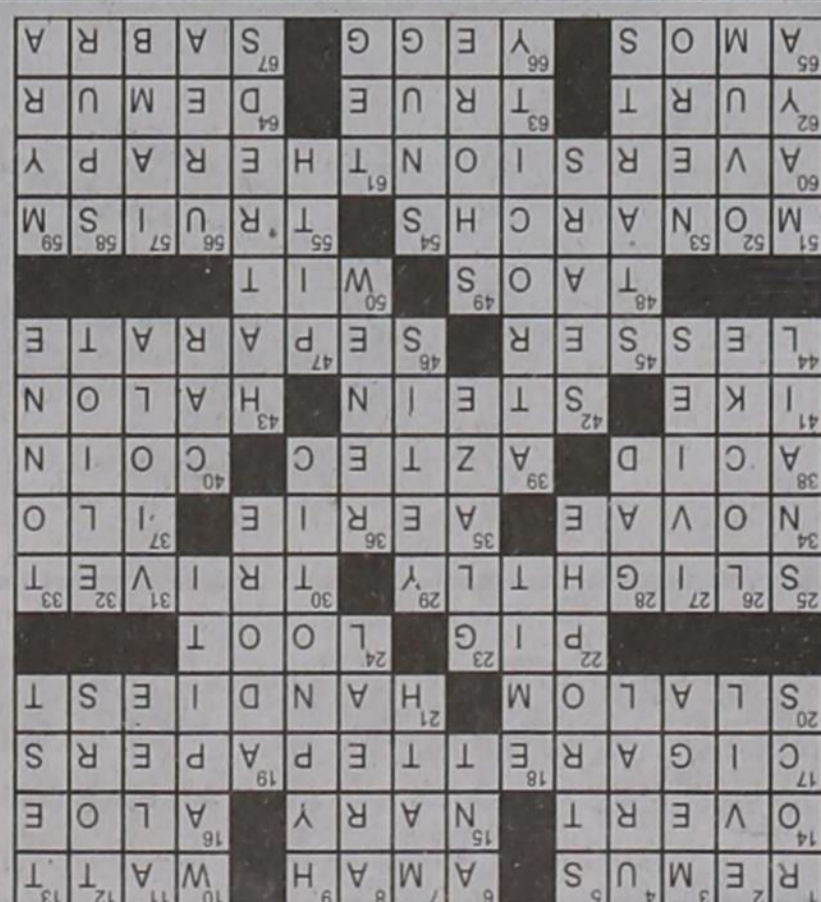


- "Crikey!"
- Abominable snowmen
- Kind of concerto*
- "Four Quartets" poet
- 1,000 kilograms
- Extend, in a way
- Act of extreme cruelty
- "Wheels"
- ___ Tower, now Willis Tower
- Intense dislikes
- Commences
- Core
- Beach
- Poet Angelou
- Egg
- "I, Claudius" role
- Like a bug in a rug
- Carbamide
- Foot
- Cowboy boot attachment
- "___ Breckinridge"
- Two-year-old sheep

CLUES DOWN

- Enormous birds of myth
- "... there is no ___ angel but Love": Shakespeare
- Prefix with phone
- ___-Altaic languages
- Stanza with irregular lines
- Amazon, e.g.
- Algebra or trig
- "He's ___ nowhere man" (Beatles lyric) (2 wd)
- Mesmerizing
- Yellowstone sight
- On the safe side, at sea
- High spots
- Makeup, e.g.
- Give off, as light
- Dig, so to speak
- Pottery finish
- Creeper
- John ___, English philosopher
- Harvard, Yale, Brown, etc.

PUZZLE SOLUTION



Mike Munk running for District Attorney

My name is Michael Munk and many of you know me as your County Attorney for the last three years. Whether frequenting the same restaurants at lunch, enjoying a ball game together, or sitting on one of my juries, I feel that I have grown with the citizens of Garza County over the past several years as your County Attorney, as well as your Assistant District Attorney prior to that. It is therefore with great pleasure, and a little bit of regret, that I am announcing my intention of running as a Republican candidate for District Attorney for the 106th Judicial District this upcoming March. I have been working as a prosecutor in your district, which includes the counties of Dawson, Gaines, Garza and Lynn, since 2006. During my first year, I worked in Lamesa as a Victim Advocate. After passing the Bar Exam later that year, I continued working for the office as an Assistant District Attorney, eventually becoming promoted to First Assistant, until the end of 2008. In late 2008, I was elected as the Garza County Attorney where I currently hold office. Over the years, I have developed strong relationships with the various law enforcement agencies, friends, and citizens of the district that still exist today. Those that know me can attest to my dependability and selfless commitment to the pursuit of justice.

The Office of District Attorney should be entrusted to an individual that exemplifies integrity, possesses a genuine dedication to justice, and has a proven track record in criminal prosecution. They must be able to administrate a staff of attorneys, while still taking cases to trial themselves. They must delegate as well as execute. Most of all, they must put justice and public service ahead of themselves and be willing and able to be there for your communities for not simply one or two terms, but for many years to come. Whether

as a victim advocate, felony prosecutor or elected prosecutor, I have made public service in this district my career and my priority. I believe my years of experience have prepared me for the great responsibilities required by this Office and for the challenges that lay ahead in bringing about a positive change to our district. I hope we can make this change together! Please visit my website at www.MUNKforDA.com to learn more about me and the achievements I have already made in your communities. And I respectfully request your vote on March 6th.

Mi nombre es Michael Munk y muchos de ustedes podrán conocerme como su Abogado de su Condado durante los últimos tres años. Si es que nos frecuentemos durante un almuerzo en un restaurante o disfrutando de un juego de pelota juntos, o sentado en uno de mis jurados, siento que he crecido con los ciudadanos del Condado de Garza en los últimos años como su Abogado de Condado, tanto como Asistente del Fiscal de Distrito. Por lo tanto, es con un gran privilegio y placer, y también con mucho remordimiento, que estoy anunciando mi intención de correr como Candidato Republicano para Fiscal de Distrito, para el Distrito Judicial 106 en el mes de Marzo del 2012. He estado trabajando como Fiscal de su Distrito, que incluye los condados de Dawson, Gaines, Garza y Lynn, desde el año 2006. Durante mi primer año, he trabajado en Lamesa como un defensor de víctimas. Después de pasar el Examen de Barra en Texas, seguí trabajando para la oficina como un Asistente del Fiscal del Distrito, eventualmente me recibí como Primer Asistente, hasta el año 2008. A finales de 2008, me eligieron como el Abogado de Condado Garza donde actualmente estoy en servicio. Con el pasar de los años, he desarrollado fuertes relaciones



con varias agencias de Justicia encargados de hacer cumplir la ley, y amigos que aún existen en la actualidad. Los que me conocen pueden dar fe de mi confiabilidad y de mi dependibilidad desinteresado a la búsqueda de la justicia.

La Oficina de Fiscal del Distrito debería ser confiada a un individuo que amplifica integridad, poseer una dedicación genuina a la justicia, y tiene un registro probado en el procesamiento criminal. Ellos deben ser capaces de administrar un equipo de abogados, mientras siguiendo teniendo casos al proceso ellos mismos. Ellos deben delegar así como ejecutar. Sobre todo, ellos deben poner la justicia y el servicio público delante de ellos y querer ser capaces de estar allí para sus comunidades para no simplemente uno o dos términos, pero durante muchos años por venir. Si como un defensor de víctimas, acusador de crimen o acusador decidido, yo he hecho público el servicio en este distrito mi carrera y mi prioridad. Creo que mis años de experiencia me han preparado para las grandes responsabilidades requeridas por esta Oficina y para los desafíos que están delante en sacar un cambio positivo en nuestro distrito. Espero que podamos hacer este cambio juntos! Por favor visite mi sitio Web www.MUNKforDA.com en Español y Inglés para aprender más sobre mí y los logros que he hecho ya en sus comunidades. Y respetuosamente pido su voto el 6 de Marzo. Gracias!

Pol. Adv. Paid For By Michael Munk

Election Corner Garza County, Texas

November 8, 2011, General Election
State Constitutional Amendments

Election Day: Tuesday, November 8, 2011, 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Consolidated Polling Place: Post Community Center (Main St. door), 113 West Main Street, Post, TX 79356.
Ten (10) Constitutional Amendment propositions are on the ballot.

For Sample Ballots, the full text of the proposed amendments and more election information, go online to GarzaCounty.net and click on **November 2011 Election** link, call 495-4430 or come by the Clerk's office at the courthouse.

March 6, 2012, Primary Elections For Republican and Democratic Parties

Thinking about running for office?

WHAT: Seminar for prospective candidates for Garza County countywide and precinct offices.

WHEN: Thursday, November 17, 2011

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

WHERE: CitizensBANK Community Room, 210 N. Broadway, Post, TX

Candidate filing period:

Saturday, November 12, 2011 through Monday December 12, 2011 by 6:00 p.m.

FILE WITH THE CHAIR OF THE PARTY OF YOUR CHOICE:

Democratic Party County Chair - Bebe Boren, (806) 629-4475, beberjim@yahoo.com

Republican Party County Chair - Trevor Thuett, (806) 777-8388, trevorlthuett@gmail.com

Get more info online at GarzaCounty.net.

Information provided by Jim Plummer, District and County Clerk, Garza County.

Don't blame current higher gasoline prices on corn and ethanol

By Robert Burns

COLLEGE STATION – Feeling pain again at the gasoline pump? Don't blame it on corn and the cost of ethanol.

Well, at least don't blame it entirely on corn, said Dr. Mark Welch, Texas AgriLife Extension Service grains marketing economist in College Station.

True, the cost of producing ethanol has been driven up for a number of reasons, including a higher cost of corn, but there are other factors that have a bigger effect on the price consumers see at the gasoline pump, Welch said.

"Certainly ethanol is a contributing factor, the markets are linked, obviously," Welch said. "But to drive the price of crude oil, there are so many other things going on, such as uncertainty over global economic growth and that impact on oil demand and the value of the dollar. In the case of

ethanol, that we're only blending 10 percent gives you some idea of the magnitude of the change."

There's no argument that corn prices are relatively high and the failure of a large amount of the Texas crop was a factor, he said. On an average year, Texas farmers harvest about 200 million bushels, but current crop projections are about half of that. And though not affected by drought, as the Texas crop was, Corn Belt yields this year were "disappointing."

"We still don't have a firm handle on what the crop size nationwide is going to be. But we do know that the ending stocks are going to remain very, very tight in the corn market," Welch said. "Tight supplies put an upward pressure on corn prices, which is putting a squeeze on the profit margins of ethanol producers."

If ethanol margins are tight, then there is not an incentive to in-

crease ethanol production, which will keep production down and prices relatively high, he said.

Welch noted that it was understandable why some may look to ethanol markets as the culprit for higher gasoline prices. Crude prices have been very stable over the last few weeks, while ethanol markets have been stronger in the last few weeks.

"Ethanol markets and crude oil markets do not necessarily move in tandem," he said. "Though linked, they do have particular supply and demand dynamics."

"I personally would not attribute what is happening to the price of gasoline today to what is happening in the ethanol market. All of these markets, energy and grains, have high degrees of volatility separately, too much so to blame price action in one simply

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At Thanksgiving, newspapers talk turkey.

Thanksgiving time in America is just one big shopping list. And Americans never stop looking for the stuff they need in newspapers.

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My name is Mia. I'm one of the large, black dogs at the shelter. My sister went to a forever home last week and I am ready to have my own family. I'm a little bashful, but would be a great family member with a little love. Please contact the shelter at postarc@yahoo.com or on Facebook at Post Arc for adoption information.

Curtis and I would like to say thank you to all of our family, friends and neighbors, for your calls, cards, flowers, food and prayers during our recent illnesses. We are truly blessed that we live in this community. May God Bless you all!

Love, Curtis & Tommie Williams

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on the other. There are too many other factors going on." More information on the current Texas drought and wildfire alerts can be found on the AgriLife Extension Agricultural Drought Task Force website at <http://agrilife.tamu.edu/drought/>. AgriLife Extension district reporters compiled the following summaries:

Rolling Plains: Recent showers greened things up somewhat,

but cooler nighttime temperatures slowed grass growth. Producers were sowing wheat and oats. Some cotton producers delayed harvest to take advantage of the moisture and plant wheat. Some wheat fields that were earlier sowed into dry fields emerged and were up and appeared to be in good condition. The peanut harvest was up and running, but quality was poor. Pecans began to fall, but nuts were small and of

poor quality. Pastures and rangeland remained in very poor shape going into the winter. Cool-season grasses began to emerge but needed more moisture for growth. Many cattle producers partially liquidated herds due to the high cost of hay and the lack of water. Panhandle: The weather was warm and windy for most of the region with no moisture reported. Some counties reported their first freeze. Soil-moisture

levels ranged from very short to adequate, with most counties reporting very short to short. The corn and cotton harvests were ongoing. Wheat growers continued planting wheat. Most dryland wheat may not make a stand. All irrigated wheat was being watered to get it established. Rangeland and pastures were mostly rated very poor. Livestock producers continued supplemental feeding of cattle.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

The following property will be sold for cash at public sale in order to satisfy a landlord lien authorized by Chapter 59 of the Texas Property Code. Seller reserves the right to not accept any bid or withdraw property from the sale:

Location: Sanders Storage, Inc. Corner of Ave I and East 10th Post, TX
Date: Saturday November 12, 2011
Time: 1:00 p.m.

Units contain misc. household items unless otherwise specified:

- #2- No Name Misc.
- #4- Susan Williams Parks
- #8- Henry Cruse
- #9- No Name- Misc. and beer signs
- #15- Imogene Land- furniture
- #16- No Name
- #19- Jessica Levario
- # 21- Imelda Gonzalez
- #23- Shyla Johnson- elec. stove, entertainment center, furniture
- #26- Brenda Price
- #27- Lance and John Goen- antique radio and misc.
- #31- No name - tools and exercise bike
- #37- Cody Fox- Bedroom furniture
- #41,#108,#109- Deanna Bruton- antique stove and sewing machine
- #44- Chad Overton- Big screen tv
- #45- Desmond Ayala- Furniture
- #46- Bob Cortez- fog machine, beer signs, weight bench
- #48- Grace Paiz
- #53- Jessie Raben
- #54- Carolyn Cruse- TV, dryer
- #55- Robby Blair- 2 washers, 2 dryers
- #61- No Name
- #62 and # 100- Kyran Moore
- #68- Carmen Martinez
- #74-Joe Basquez
- #72- No Name
- #92- Jay Lott- Piano
- #93- Gloria Valdez
- #113- No Name
- #116- No Name
- #119- Susan Abraham
- #120- Kristi O'Bryan
- #124- Jackie Cruse

Contact : Sanders Storage
 Samantha Jones- bookkeeper
 P.O. Box 204
 De Leon, Tx 76444 254-893-7335

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court system was less than half what it has been in the past. Also arrests that made it to the court was less than half than in years past. If this is because crime is less, then we do not need the deputies we are employing. If crime in the county is being ignored or if there is a glitch from the sheriff's department or else where in the system, maybe these people just need to be replaced, and others added who are willing to do their job. Also, I believe, at the present time the county is employing five constables (cost-sharing for one.) It is to the point of ridiculous for a very small county to have this number of law people on the county pay roll. After the tremendous short fall in last years budget, and some promises that after

the tax increase it would be balanced, or we once again slipping back into the same ditch that we were in last year? Elected officials take responsibility for your office and get this in line again-unnecessary salaries plus benefits can result in another last year and even worse.

-Another very concerned tax payer

To the residents of Post, Texas-my hometown,

First I would like to express my thanks to each and every one of you who expressed a kind word of action this past weekend when my precious daddy went to his heavenly home. However, there is something that I think you need to be aware of what is happening in

our community. On Sunday afternoon while the family was at the cemetery for the graveside service, someone went into Calvary Baptist Church through a locked door and took three potted plants that had been sent to the family. When the funeral home returned to the church approximately 20 minutes later the potted plants had been stolen from the church! One very sweet lady that is a member of the church and that I have known my entire life was kind enough to let me back into the church Sunday evening so I could look for myself. Later I spoke to another member that had been at the church for the service to see if they knew anything. Mysteriously on Monday morning when

someone arrived at the church the largest plant had been taken and put on the front steps of the church. There are still two plants that someone has taken that do not belong to them and do not have any meaning whatsoever to them other than the fact that they took something that was someone else's property. I would like for that person to have the courage to return the plants to the church in the same manner and no questions will be asked. I am going to alert the police and sheriff's departments to make them aware of things that occur during funeral services. May God have mercy on the person who stole these plants from His house of worship.

**-Donna Maddox Wiley
Class of 1970**

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Post Community Youth
 We are ready to start another thrilling year with the Post Community Youth. **All youth are invited.** As a community youth group many different churches are involved and you do not have to be active in any particular church to attend. We have been praying that the youth would have a blessed summer and are ready for a great year. We do ask that the adults of our community would be in constant prayer for the Youth group.

The Senior High Youth will

meet this year on Wednesdays at 7:00pm. Dinner is available as usual at about 6:45pm. We are looking forward to a great time.

The Junior High Youth begins at 5:45pm. We will be using "The Story" as our basic curriculum this year and we will be hitting the high points of the Bible throughout our time together. Dinner is being provided. We want to remind the parents that the youth will be ready to be picked up by 7:00pm. A new item this year is that the doors of the church will be locked and there will

be no adult supervision until 5:15pm.

This is going to be a great year!

Post Elementary Notes:

Friday, November 4th- Picture retakes

Tuesday, November 8th- Jump Rope for Heart during your child's PE class period

Wednesday, November 16th- Report Cards go home

Friday, November 18th- 11:30

a.m.- Lunch in the Hall

Friday, November 18th- 12:30 p.m.- Early Release- buses will run

Monday, November 21 - Friday, November 25- Thanksgiving Holiday

We still have 2010-2011 Post Elementary yearbook's for sale. The cost is \$25.00 per book and can be picked up in the Nurse's Office in the Elementary building. For questions you may contact Mandi Criswell at 495-3414.

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for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus." As always, Kingston encourages anyone with questions or comments to contact the District Attorney's Office directly at 806-872-2259. Appointments to discuss cases, victim's issues or to obtain information regarding professional services such as counseling are available.

Kingston was appointed by Gov. Rick Perry in 2001

to serve as Vice Chairman for the Governor's Planning Council for STOP Violence Against Women. He is a member of the Texas State Bar Association and the Texas District and County Attorney's Association.

Prior to his career as a prosecutor, Kingston practiced civil litigation for Hammerman and Gainer in Austin and for the firm of Lynch, Chappell, Allday and Alsop, also in Austin.

Kingston Graduated in

1987 from South Texas College of Law in Houston and earned his undergraduate degree from The University of Texas at Austin in 1984.

An Army Veteran, Brian Kingston proudly served his country as a U.S. Army military policeman from 1976 to 1979. He and his family are active members of O'Donnell's First Baptist Church.

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LEGAL/PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF INTENT TO SELL REAL PROPERTY AND INVITATION TO BID

The City Council of the City of Post [City] hereby serves notice to the general public that it will receive sealed bids from persons interested in purchasing the following real property and improvements located at: **The Garza Theatre, 226 East Main Street, Post, TX 79356-3337.**

Interested parties may contact Arbie Taylor, City Manager, City of Post, 105 E. Main, Post, Texas 79356, phone number (806) 495-2811, to arrange for inspection of the property and for review of the sales contract and Special Warranty Deed.

Interested bidders may obtain a bid packet from Arbie Taylor, City Manager, City of Post, 105 E. Main, Post, Texas 79356. The bid packet contains: a description of the Property, bid instructions and the City's "Contract of Sale." Bidders shall return a completed "Contract of Sale," with the required earnest money, in a sealed envelope marked **"Real Property Bid - Garza Theatre,"** to City of Post, 105 E. Main, Post, Texas 79356, Attention: Arbie Taylor, City Manager. Sealed bids will be received until 4:00 p.m. on **December 13, 2011. All bids received at or prior to such time will be opened and read aloud immediately following the deadline to submit bids.** Bids received after such time will not be opened or considered. The highest acceptable bid or bids will be presented to the City Council for review and possible approval at a meeting on December 13, 2011, at 5:30 p.m.

Bids must be based on a lump sum cash payment (net of all closing costs), payable at closing not more than 30 days following approval of the sale by the City Council. Bidders will be responsible for arranging any desired surveys, title insurance, inspections of the premises, and all other "closing costs" without cost to the City. Bids, which specify other payment terms, will be deemed non-responsive and will not be considered. **THE CITY OF POST RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS AND TO WAIVE ANY FORMALITIES.**

WAIVER OF CLAIMS: BY TENDERING A BID TO THIS INVITATION TO BID, THE BIDDER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT HAS READ AND FULLY UNDERSTANDS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMITTING A BID AND THE PROCESS USED BY THE CITY FOR SELECTING A BEST BIDDER. FURTHER, BY SUBMITTING A BID, THE BIDDER FULLY, VOLUNTARILY AND UNDERSTANDINGLY WAIVES AND RELEASES ANY AND ALL CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY (City of Post, 105 E. Main, Post, Texas 79356) AND ANY OF ITS DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, AGENTS AND/OR EMPLOYEES THAT COULD ARISE OUT OF THE ADMINISTRATION, EVALUATION, OR RECOMMENDATION OF ANY BID SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO THIS INVITATION TO BID.

Legal Notice

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)

Dist/Div: Lubbock
 Contract 6229-10-001 for INSTALL PAVMENT MARKINGS in LUBBOCK County, etc will be opened on December 02, 2011 at 1:00 pm at the State Office for an estimate of \$642,398.45.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractors list, at the applicable and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.txdot.gov and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

NPO: 38322

State Office

Constr./Maint. Division
 200 E. Riverside Dr.
 Austin, Texas 78704
 Phone: 512-416-2540

Dist/Div Office(s)

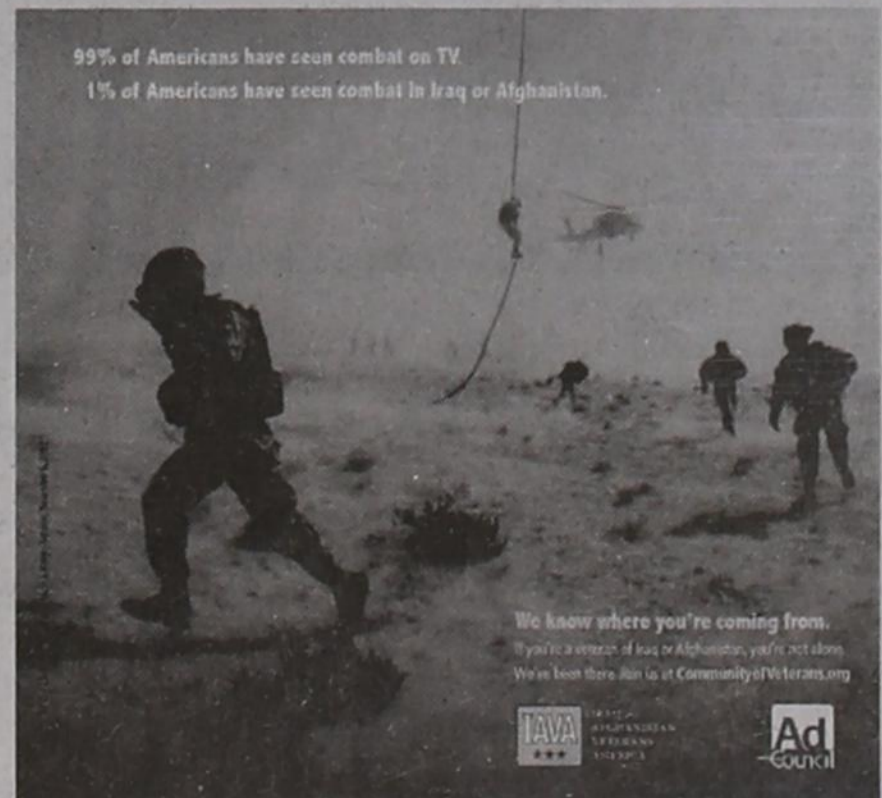
Lubbock District
 District Engineer
 135 Slaton
 Lubbock, Texas 79408-0771
 Phone: 806-745-4411

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

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Legal Notice:

Application has been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a Package Store Permit, and a Beer Retailer's Off Premise License by Jerry D. and Sherita A. Hair dba Post Beverage Barn, to be located at 612 East Main #A, and 612 East Main #B, Post, Garza, Texas. Officers of said Corporation are Jerry D. and Sherita A. Hair, owners.



Cottonseed prices nearly double as its demand for livestock feed soars



With hay scarce and supplemental feeds expensive because of the drought, the demand for cottonseed has pushed prices up to nearly twice what they would be in a normal year, according to Texas AgriLife Extension Service experts. (Texas AgriLife Extension Service photo by Steve Byrns)

By: Robert Burns

COLLEGE STATION — With cotton production down and the need for supplemental feeds high, cottonseed prices are nearly double that of an average year, according to Texas AgriLife Extension Service personnel.

Despite rains, by the last week of October the entire state remained in one stage of drought or another, with more than 70 percent under severe to exceptional drought conditions, ac-

ording the U.S drought monitor.

Though the rains greened up pastures and rangeland, and gave winter wheat producers some hope, forage and hay remained scarce throughout the state, according to AgriLife Extension county agent reports.

As a result, livestock producers are looking more to alternatives such as whole cottonseed, said Mark Brown, AgriLife Extension agent in Lubbock County.

"Cottonseed is selling for an amazing \$340 per ton due to feed shortages and short supply," Brown reported.

A lot of producers today would be glad to pay \$340 per ton — if they could find it at that price, said Dr. Ellen Jordan, AgriLife Extension dairy specialist based in Dallas. It's all about supply and demand, and the drought.

"Demand is going to surpass cottonseed supply this year by far," Jordan said.

"Not only do we have the dairies looking for cottonseed, but people are looking for cottonseed to extend their forage supply to their beef cattle."

Regional feed prices in Comanche were \$398 and \$393 per ton in Friona on Oct. 26 — 27, Jordan noted.

On an average year, when demand isn't so high and there's a better cotton crop, prices usually hover around \$200 per ton, she said.

There is a limit to how much cottonseed can be safely fed to a large ruminant such as a dairy or beef cow, Jordan cautioned.

"If you feed more than about eight pounds per cow per day, there can be some reproductive and other issues," she said. "Those are the levels that we put as the maximum for dairy cattle, but all cattle will have issues with feeding too high a level of cottonseed. We usually feed it at a rate of about five pounds (of whole cottonseed) per head per day."

More information on the current Texas drought and wild-fire alerts can be found on the AgriLife Extension Agricultural Drought Task Force website at <http://agrilife.tamu.edu/drought/>

AgriLife Extension district reporters compiled the following summaries:

Rolling Plains: The region had its first significant cold front of the season. The cold front was accompanied by rain, from 0.5 inch to 2 inches in some areas, and some snow in Motley County. The moisture was a boon to stressed winter wheat, pastures and hay fields. Some cotton producers planted wheat in failed cotton acres in hopes of growing grazing for cattle producers. Other cotton producers were waiting on a freeze. The harvesting of early defoliated cotton was completed. Peanut producers began harvesting but were seeing below-average yields. With market prices up, beef cattle producers who had been holding onto calves were considering selling. Some producers were shipping cattle to leased pastures in states to the north, while others culled their cowherds to sustainable stocking levels.

Panhandle: The region received its first snow — as much as 4 inches — and cold front of the season. Actual moisture received ranged from a trace to about 2 inches. Soil-moisture levels were still very short to adequate with most counties reporting very short to short. The corn harvest was ongoing, and the cotton harvest began. Wheat growers continued planting. Rangeland and pastures were in from very poor to good condition, with most counties reporting very poor to poor. Livestock producers continued supplemental feeding of cattle.



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