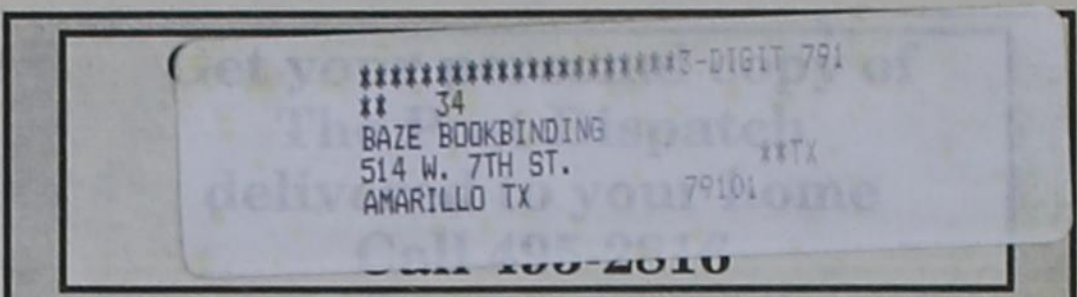


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Gorman begins athletic director duties February 16 at Post ISD



Richard Gorman

Richard Gorman arrives in Post February 16 to assume duties as athletic director at Post ISD, following action by the board of trustees last Saturday morning. The board interviewed the final two applicants, and extended a contract to Gorman, who has been serving as athletic director at Yorktown, a Class AA school southeast of San Antonio.

"He is by far the best qualified applicant of the more than 70 who sought the position," Post ISD superintendent Dr. Bobby Bain emphasized. "We are extremely pleased with the quality of applicants, and we feel very confident in selecting Richard to fill this position."

Dr. Bain explained that Gorman has

experiences in a wide range of athletics and is a certified English and physical education teacher.

The 40 year old athletic director is a 1974 graduate of Snyder High School and completed his undergraduate studies at Angelo State University in 1978. He earned his masters study degree from Sul Ross University in 1983.

Gorman began his coaching career at Lumberton (AAAA) as an assistant coach in football and basketball. He has also coached at Eastland (AAA), where he was head basketball coach. Gorman also headed up basketball programs in Pecos (AAAA), Montgomery (AAA) and Jacksboro (AA).

He served as athletic director and head football coach at Rotan (AA) and football first assistant and offensive coordinator at Cuero (AAA) before moving to Yorktown.

Gorman and his wife, Pam, have three children: Jay, a high school freshman; Justin, eighth grade and Kaycee, third grade. Pam is a teacher at Yorktown Junior High School.

Gorman's father is a retired assistant superintendent at Snyder and his mother is retired Snyder High School librarian.

"Richard demonstrated to us that he is committed to excellence in every sport... and puts particular emphasis on quality programs for all students," Dr. Bain added.

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Garza Memorial Hospital status under review, no plans to close

by Wes Burnett

According to the administration at Garza Memorial Hospital, there is no truth to the current rumors about closing the local facility. "A feasibility study is currently being conducted by Methodist Hospital, which is our affiliate," director of nurses Bill Snider said in an interview this week.

Speaking on behalf of the GMH administration, Snider said that the entire staff at the hospital are committed to maintaining the hospital's acute care status.

Methodist Hospital has proposed to the board of directors a plan to "downgrade" GMH to a trauma emergency clinic, which would stabilize patients in order to be transferred to Lubbock for acute care.

"We feel this is not in the best interests of this community," Snider

emphasized, "and employees here are preparing a proposal for the board to consider at its next regular meeting (February 13)."

GMH board members meet at 7 a.m. in the hospital cafeteria. It is an open meeting.

The hospital functions under a legislatively created taxing district, and any change in its basic mission would require voter approval, according to the hospital's administration understanding of the law.

An opinion has been requested from the Texas Attorney General's office regarding the status of the taxing authority, if major changes were made in the mission of the hospital.

With the recent merger of St. Mary of the Plains and Methodist hospitals in Lubbock, current plans for GMH are undecided.

Cowboy Night' hosted by Blue Prairie at the Tower Theater Saturday night

Well, since you've made a special trip to Post for Old Mill Trade Days, you might as well stay a while longer and enjoy the live musical entertainment at the renovated Tower Theater downtown.

"Cowboy Night" at the Tower is hosted by Blue Prairie and features music by The New Pioneers, entertaining with the famous music of Bob Wills, The Sons of the Pioneers, Roy Rogers and Marty Robbins.

The evening will also include trick roper Brice Chapman and cowboy poet Howlin Harry Wolf.

The country and western show is a really family entertainment event, which starts at 7 p.m. Saturday, February 2. Tickets are \$7.50 and \$6.50.

Special discounts for parties of eight or more are \$6.50 and \$5.50. Tickets may be purchased at the door or by calling 806-495-3461 or 495-3854.

The Tower Theater is a prominent landmark on East Main Street, just near the corner of U.S. Hwy 84 and Main Street.

Vehicle roll-overs keep officers, EMTs busy

By Becky Warren

Two San Antonio people were rescued from an overturned vehicle eight miles south of Post on U.S. Hwy 84 January 24 at approximately 1 a.m., following a one-vehicle roll-over. Garza County Sheriff's office received the call at 1 a.m.

According to DPS Trooper Kyle Edwards the accident was caused by the wind. Edwards said, "the driver of the 1969 Bronco stated that a truck had passed him and the wind current forced him into the guard rail and then the vehicle flipped two times, landing upright."

The driver, 20 year old Seth Greenfield of San Antonio, was extricated from the vehicle by members of the Post EMS with the help of the deputies and DPS troopers. Greenfield and his passenger, Jamie Newman, were taken to GMH for further evaluation.

Greenfield was later flown to UMC by Flight for Life for possible internal injuries. Newman was released from GMH after being examined for injuries.

On January 25 at 6:15 a.m. a semi-tractor truck loaded with carpet rolled over on southbound on Highway 84 just below the caprock, blocking the inside northbound lane of traffic for almost three hours.

James Jones, driver of the vehicle, said that he dozed off. He awoke when he hit the left shoulder of the highway. At that time he over-corrected and rolled. Jones was not injured. DPS trooper Chris Wischkemper investigated

the accident.

The Garza County Sheriff's office received 56 calls during the past week.

On January 27, a 23 year old male was arrested for public intoxication. He was released on a \$300 bond.

A 28 year old male was arrested for driving while intoxicated. He was released on a \$1,500 bond. Also a 41 year old male was arrested for public intoxication and criminal trespassing. He was released on a \$300 bond and a \$1,500 bond.

On January 28, a 29 year old male was arrested for public intoxication. He was released after paying \$230 in fines and court costs.

Local 4-H and FFA members to exhibit Houston Stock Show

Twenty-eight 4-H members and 12 FFA members from Post will be joining other 4-H and FFA members from throughout Texas for show ring competition at the upcoming Houston Livestock Show, February 16 through March 3, at the Astrohall.

These FFA and 4-H exhibitors showcase their animal projects during the second week of livestock competition - the junior show. The first week of competition, the open show, features professional ranchers and breeders throughout the country exhibiting their breeding stock.

Entries in both the open and junior shows combine with horse show entries to make the Houston Livestock Show the world's largest.

Garza County 4-H club members that will be participating are Jarrett Bland, Braden Conner, Brody Conner, Donae Dalby, Kelci Hart, Kevin Hart, Chase Miller, Emily Smith, J.C. Stelzer III and Wacey K. Wilks.

Garza County FFA members include Clay Ashley, Christin Collier, Kelli Collier, Lori Hudman, Clay Johnson, Wayne Line, Randy Moore, Russ Moore, Wacey Moore, Justin Norman, Emily Smith and Chad Williams. Crosby County 4-H member from Post is Brandon Patschke.

Representing 932 Texas 4-H clubs and FFA chapters, the junior show is expected to exceed 15,000 entries this year. A variety of animals is shown in

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OS Museum displays Triassic Period specimens

The OS Museum, located in downtown Post at 201 E. Main Street, opens its "Echoes of the Past" exhibit this weekend, highlighting recent paleontology discoveries in Garza County.

The museum, which is open Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m., is free to visitors. There is an elevator for the convenience of visitors.

The exhibit has been planned and mounted by museum science students from Texas Tech University. In addition to the Neyland Site artifacts, the exhibit also features Asian antique pieces from the collection of Giles McCrary.

For additional information, call 806-495-2051.



Truck driver James Jones was uninjured following the roll-over of his carpet-laden truck coming off the caprock last Thursday.



The cast and crew at the Garza Theatre played to rousing audience approval at the opening last weekend of "The Man Who Came to Dinner." The play continues at the theatre this weekend and next, with performances Friday and Saturday evenings and Sunday matinees. Call 495-4005 for reservations. (Photo by Charles Wallace)

'The Man Who Came to Dinner' continues at Garza Theatre

The Garza Theatre kicked off its 1996 season with "The Man Who Came to Dinner," which opened January 26 and continues this weekend and next.

The Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman comedy is a C.A.T.S. production, directed by Ric Wells.

Tim McIntire, Steve Sever and Laura "Mac" Bryan star in the show.

Other cast members are Post favorites Anne Sims, Anna Wilson, Amber Conoly, Kenneth Shronk and Christy Morris.

Tickets for the shows are \$8 for adults and \$5 for students ages six to 12. Tickets may be purchased at the box office Monday through Friday noon to 5 p.m. or on show nights, noon until curtain time. Reservations may be made by calling the box office at 495-4005.

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**Alyssa Bowden becomes the bride of
Matt McCook December 30, 1995**

Alyssa Denise Bowden and Matt Collin McCook exchanged wedding vows on Saturday, December 30, 1995 at Abilene Christian University's Chapel on the Hill. The service was officiated by Joe Gregory of Post.
The bride is the daughter of Mr and Mrs James Bowden of Tuscola. The groom is the son of Dr and Mrs Charles McCook of Post.
Serena Bowden of Tuscola was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Brittany Oglesby of Sherman, Kristin Fox of Mesquite, Tina De La Garza of Stephenville, Laura Carroll and Jennifer Paty of Sweetwater.

Oden on Dean's List

Christie Oden of Post, a student attending Frank Phillips College in Borger, is listed on the Dean's List for the fall semester.
Christie's major is Coaching and History & Science. She is on the Lady Plainsman's Basketball team.
She is the daughter of Alfred and Linda Oden.
To be on the Dean's List you have to have a 3.0 and be enrolled as a full time student. Christie's GPA was a 3.45.



Christi Oden



Marion and Pat Cruse

**Mr and Mrs Marion
Cruse celebrate 25th
anniversary**

Mr and Mrs Marion Cruse of Post celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Sunday, January 28, 1996 at 5:30 p.m. with a surprise party hosted by their children.
The event was held at the home of Susan Tindel.
The couple was married January 22, 1971.



Tax 'n Facts
by Terri S. Cash, CPA

Do you trust your spouse?

When a couple signs a joint tax return, it means that they are both responsible for what it reports and claims. Even if one partner controls the family finances and the other simply signs the return without examining it, the "innocent spouse" is just as liable for the tax bill. If the return turns out to be fraudulent, innocence is no excuse, the tax court has found in some cases. The co-signer has a duty to make reasonable inquiries about the report; not to do so is characterized as "imprudent" at best.

Is there an option for a spouse who doesn't want to sign a joint return, concerned that the other has been less than accurate in filing? Yes, filing a "married filing separately" return -- even if there is no income to report. The IRS has been known to hold an "innocent spouse" liable for a joint return, even if the signature has been forged. Submitting the "married filing separately" return helps establish that the person did not want to file jointly.

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Mrs Matt McCook

Green receives BBA from Baylor

Sharon Green received a Bachelor of Business Administrations degree from Baylor University at Waco.
Baylor University awarded 739 academic degrees to students at the close of the 1995 fall session, according to figures from the university registrar.
Degrees awarded include 613 bachelor's degrees, 113 master's degrees, and 13 doctorate degrees.

Darby Webb on LCU Dean's List

Darby Webb of Post has been named to the Dean's List at Lubbock Christian University for the fall semester of 1995.
In order to be considered a part of the Dean's List, a student must be taking a minimum of 12 semester hours and achieve a 3.5 grade point average or better for the entire semester and Webb earned a perfect record of 4.0.

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Grandparents' Corner



"Nana" Pat Burnett settles in for a "quiet" visit with her three granddaughters (left to right) Alyssa Joy, Whitney Faith and Callee Morgan. They are the children of Kimberly and Allen Dolberry of Lubbock.

Bring your favorite grandparent photo to The Post Dispatch to be included in this weekly feature. Photos will be published "first come, first served."

Sweetheart Contest to be held February 15

Valentine's Day is fast approaching and with Valentine's Day comes a Post High School tradition, the Sweetheart Contest.

The contestants will be chosen from the different organizations within the high school. Each organization will select their representative and escort.

The girls will be judged on poise, personality, and talent. Each contestant will model formal wear, interview with the judges and perform a talent.

The 1996 Post High School Sweetheart Contest will be February 15, at 7 p.m. in the Elementary Auditorium.

Tickets may be purchased at the high school office. The tickets will cost \$4 for reserved seats, \$3 for general admission and \$3.50 for general admission at the door. All reserved tickets must be picked up and paid for at the high school. There will be no reservations taken by phone.

The Sweetheart Contest is sponsored by the high school chapter of the Future Homemakers of America. This is their major fund raising event of the year. Your support and attendance will be greatly appreciated. The FHA sponsor is Karleen McDougal, home economics teacher.

Local students earn honors at Texas Tech

More than 3,394 Texas Tech University students qualified for the academic honors lists at the end of the 1995 fall semester.

Students on the President's List earned a perfect 4.0 (A) grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours of classwork. Students finishing 12 or more hours with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9 qualified for the Dean's List.

Students making the honor rolls included the following:

Dean's List:
Raeline Michelle Bagby, senior, multidisciplinary studies;
Joel Malachi Basinger, junior, Agronomy;
Jennifer Marie Lewis, freshman, pre-pharmacy;
Wendy Miguelina Payano, senior, communication studies.
President's List
Breane Rene Bessire McCleskey, senior, multidisciplinary studies.

Up and Down Main Street

by Wanda Mitchell, Post Chamber of Commerce

Since this is the time of year the Chamber of Commerce is trying to renew and add to memberships, I thought it might be of interest to some in the community who are not involved with the Chamber to know about some of the things we accomplished in the past year. Some of our highlights are:



A well attended Chamber banquet where we added Teacher of the Year Awards.

Sponsored Tabana Yuane and received good media coverage for Post, for the event.

Sponsored fireworks and entertainment for the 4th of July.

Sponsored the Rodeo Parade and assisted with ticket sales.

Co-sponsored Teacher Appreciation Luncheon with Main Street.

Co-sponsored Founders Day supplying Gunfighters, the Nifty Fifties Car Club, the Childrens Magic Show and manned the information booth.

Supplied trophy for the playoff game between Jayton and Guthrie held in Post.

Participated in 11 ribbon cuttings for new businesses in Post.

Worked closely with Sheriffs Dept. to reduce crime against businesses.

Involved in committee to propose 1/2¢ sales tax for economic development.

Sponsored the Lighted Christmas Parade.

In addition to organization activities, the Chamber Manager also:

Attended a Grant Writing

Workshop in Lubbock on a scholarship from RC&D.

Appeared on radio show promoting Founders' Day.

Participated in Career Day at Post High School.

Served on Committee for Champions at Texas Tech.

Presented a program in Paducah on Post and its successes.

Served as President for Big Country RC&D for twelve county area.

It is also of interest that the Post Chamber of Commerce operates Bingo every Tuesday night and have from 130 to 190 people on the average who play weekly. Bingo has afforded the opportunity for the Chamber of Commerce to donate around \$5000 to groups, organizations and individuals in Post.

We are looking for a really big year for 1996. Two new businesses are in the process of building now and more are expected. We are constantly working to help our existing businesses who are members of the Chamber. There was a letter to the editor last week suggesting that the Chamber mention decorated windows. That is a good idea as long as they are a member. We are here to serve our members because they are what keeps things going for EVERYONE.

The Chamber of Commerce Banquet has been set for Saturday, February 24th at the Community Center. Make your plans now to attend because we have some really great surprises this year and we promise you will not be disappointed.

I know this has been a tough January for most of our retailers but hang in there. We know there are good things coming if we continue to.....TAKE PRIDE AND TAKE PART IN POST!!!

Marci Hill chosen for youth gospel choir

Marci Hill, daughter of Cathy Hill of Post, was recently chosen to be a member of the Youth Gospel Choir, Spirit Wind.

Spirit Wind is a select group of young people from the surrounding towns of Post, Lubbock, Midland, Amarillo, Merkel, Morton, and others. They travel around the state and the world performing gospel music.

Marci is a member of the Post High School choir directed by Jan Buchanan.

Congratulations are extended to Marci by Mrs Buchanan and the members of the PHS choir who are very proud of her musical accomplishments throughout her career at Post High School.



Marci Hill

Births



Tyler Clayton Josey

Tyler Clayton Josey

Randy and Patricia Josey of Midland are proud to announce the birth of their son, Tyler Clayton born January 16, 1996 at Midland Memorial Hospital in Midland.

Tyler weighed 5 lbs. 1 oz. and was 17 1/2 inches long.

Tyler has a sister, Torre Josey. Maternal grandparents are Loyd and Peggy Messick of Rotan.

Paternal grandparents are Bobby Josey of Post, and R.E. Josey of Karnack.

Hayden Blythe and Hunter Blake Belongia

Chris and Bridgett Belongia are proud to announce the birth of their twin boys, Hayden Blythe and Hunter Blake.

Hayden weighed 4 lbs. 9 1/2 ozs. and was 17 1/2 inches long.

Hunter weighed 4 lbs. 3 ozs. and was 17 1/2 inches long.

The boys were born December 26, 1995 at St. Marys Hospital in Lubbock.

Maternal grandparents are Paul Rivera of Post and Margie Martinez of Las Vegas, Nevada. Maternal great grandmothers are Janie Perez of Post and Florencia Rivera of Tahoka.

Paternal grandmother is Geneva Belongia of Post. Paternal great grandparents are Pete and Fleta Walls of Post and Truman and Dorothy Goss of Seminole.

Warren wins Super Bowl Contest

Chet Warren won the Super Bowl Contest in the Post Dispatch missing by only one point. He had picked Dallas over Pittsburgh 28-17. The final score of the game was Dallas 27 - Pittsburgh 17. Warren wins \$50 in Post City Bucks to be spent at any of the participating merchants.

Second place was won by Robert Welch who missed the final score by three points. He wins \$30 in Post City Bucks.

Jerry Taylor captured third place missing the score by four points. He won \$20 in Post City Bucks.

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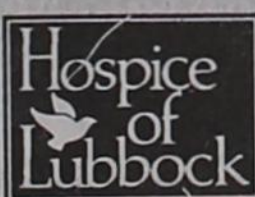
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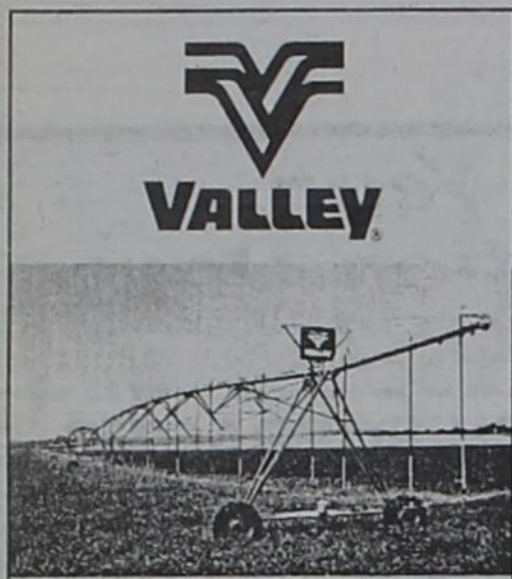
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Garza Healthtalk

by Danny Guthrie, R.N.
Garza Memorial Hospital

This is the first of a weekly article that will be presented to the Garza County community by your own healthcare facility GMH. Your hospital was built and operated by the Garza County community for the people of the Garza County community. We at GMH have recently discovered that over the past few years community involvement has not been as good as it could be, mainly because of the low output of information to the public from the healthcare institutions.

Therefore, GMH has initiated a new goal, to supply the community we serve with information regarding healthcare, and receive input from the community with actions based on what the community desires in regard to their own healthcare issues.

The purpose for the weekly articles is to offer community-oriented healthcare information for the people of this community, and allow the people to become involved on a personal level. With your help, the people of Garza County can have a healthcare system they can trust for quality healthcare, and a healthcare system they can be proud of.

It has been estimated that over 600 rural hospitals may close this year alone. This presents problems for the people of rural areas because of the lack of emergency and extended healthcare they will receive. It may be over 40 miles to the nearest healthcare facility to be treated. In certain circumstances, some people might not be so lucky in making the trip to the nearest facility. And too, having a community-based facility offers convenience to families who may have an ill member in the GMH facility. Many recent studies are finding that healthcare may again be heading back to the community instead of depending on the larger facilities in the major urban areas. The larger facilities have expanded into high-tech specialty centers.

This would explain why minor healthcare will needs have to be taken care of in the community, saving the more specialized major needs to the large urban facilities. With this in mind, it has become the goal of GMH to be the facility to accommodate the healthcare needs

for the people of our community with minor healthcare problems that we are equipped to provide.

GMH operates with a staff in which we are extremely proud of. Our employees are extremely competent in their fields, and are here to provide healthcare services to our community with care and compassion.

Our staff has the reputation of "spoiling our patients." We take pride in having this reputation. We offer services which include laboratory, radiology, respiratory, dietary, emergency room, and 24 hour acute nursing services. We are a Medicare approved facility with acute care beds available and the option of skilled nursing services. Our administration staff are courteous and will assist you with any of your questions regarding your billing and insurance issues.

Another community supported healthcare provider that works hand-in-hand with GMH is the Post City Garza County EMS. The EMS provides emergency ambulance services for our community. They operate with 2 fully equipped ambulances and a staff of paramedics and emergency medical technicians who are very competent and conscientious in their field. Working together, the EMS and GMH provide a greater continuity of care for the patient in need of prompt emergency services.

GMH is proud to introduce to the community four healthcare providers that make possible the existence of our total community healthcare system. These providers include Dr. L. Leininger with physician assistant A. Applewhite, Dr. S. Chen with assistant M. Cahill. These 2 physicians, along with their assistants, are responsible for the medical care of our entire community which consists of rather long, stressful hours.

However, these physicians and assistants take their medical care to heart as part of a community-based effort. We are very proud to have them as part of our healthcare system as well as having them as citizens in our community. As part of the goal of GMH, we will work hand-in-hand with our community physicians and assistants to bring quality healthcare services to the people of Garza County.

If you have comments concerning healthcare in our community, feel free to write to: Garza Memorial Hospital C/O Garza Healthtalk, 608 W. 6th St., Post, Texas 79356.

Future articles will provide information based on major problems that concern citizens of the community such as hypertension, heart attack, diabetes, and other health problems.

The articles will provide information aimed at understanding and prevention of the disease process. Each article will be followed by a public seminar to be held inside GMH facilities with one of our professional staff members to answer personal questions you may have following the article. The date and time will be noted at the end of the article.

Cancelled hand gun permits delayed

By Becky Warren
If you have applied for a cancelled hand gun permit don't fret.

According to DPS Trooper Kyle Edwards the delay in the background investigations are because of the over abundance of permits requested.

"We were surprised by the number of applications that we have received," stated Edwards. "After the background investigations are completed by the DPS then the applications are sent back to Austin. The permits are then sent to you. So if you have filed for a permit please be patient. We will try to complete the process as quickly as possible."



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Woman's Culture Club hear from foreign exchange student

by Katharine Trammell
The Woman's Culture Club met Wednesday, January 24, in the Women's Clubhouse. Hostesses were Dorace Wilson and Katharine Cathcart.

Maxine Earl, vice-president, presided over the business meeting. Plans were made for those planning to attend the Caprock District Convention in Lubbock on March 23.

Linda Malouf has received a district Life Member affiliation. Mrs. Malouf is a former, very active and beloved member of the Woman's Culture Club.

Barbara Hardin introduced Florence Boinay, of Bern, Switzerland, as our speaker. Miss Boinay is a foreign exchange student who attends Cooper High School. She is the guest of Larry and Nan Martin of Lubbock. She gave a very interesting and colorful talk on the life-style, culture and beauty of her country.

Delicious refreshments were served to Miss Boinay and to members: Bebe Boren, Nona Lusk, Joyce Strubhart, Earl, Hardin, Wilson and Trammell.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, February 14, with Donna Craig and Peggy Smith as hostesses.

Amity Study Club enjoy supper

The Amity Study Club met January 23rd at the Methodist Church Fellowship Hall for an International Testing Bee supper. Each member brought an ethnic dish. Luella Bilberry, Joyce Strubhart, Iva Hudman and Boo Olson served as hostesses.

Boo Olson gave the program on the influence of other cultures on the food we eat. Each member named the country from which the recipe for their dish came from.

Other members present were Edna Owen, Marion Wheatley, Ida Mae Wilks, Jane Davis, Ruth Ann Young, Margaret Bull, Joy Pool, Carolyn Sawyers, Kathy Rankin, Suzanne Hudman, Martha McLendon, Sandra Alexander and Barbara Reese.

The next meeting will be at the home of Carolyn Sawyers on February 13th. Members are asked to wear red.

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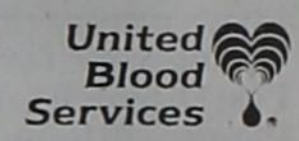
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By Ace Reid



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Equal protection?

Traitors at the Gate
 by George Knoblauch

This illegal grab of power by all branches of government is called usurpation. It is: "to seize and hold (a position, power, etc.) by force or without legal right" As you can see, this is exactly what has been happening in our great country.

A law professor, Raoul Berger of Harvard University, made the statement: "On the contrary, it is never too late to challenge the usurpation of power.—Usurpation—the exercise of power not granted is not legitimated by repetition."

A great many people realize this but those in government wouldn't be overjoyed for you and I to know it. And they would be even less happy when we take the action that the professor recommends. As he says, just because a practice has been going on for a long time does not make it legal.

If it was against the law when it started, no amount of talking or usage will make it within the law now. Ignoring of our Constitution and the assuming of powers we did not grant has to be stopped.

Carved in the stone face on the Supreme Court building is the statement: "Equal Protection Under the Laws."

Compare that statement with the state of our protection today. It's apparent that it was carved a long time ago.

Their decisions today just serve to justify some government action, not to protect a citizen's rights.

Let's see, what did their oath say? That they will "administer justice without respect to persons, and do equal right to the poor and the rich..."

Perhaps they are administering justice without respect to persons and that's how they now use their power only to justify some governmental action?

This is equal protection under the laws?

Can you think of any rich and/or powerful person who gets the same justice as the average citizen? How about members of Congress who ignore (break) the law and nothing is done to satisfy justice? How about Nixon? There was no right for Ford to issue that pardon. How about Spiro Agnew? (Spiro who?) Our ex-vice president pleaded guilty to tax evasion. Anything happen to him? No! How about a Kennedy who swam away from his car and didn't report the incident for over eight hours? What if that were you or I? Does that oath mean they can disrespect any person they choose and then administer justice as they define it?

Equal protection indeed... their duty is still to protect the American citizen from illegal and unlawful practices by the government. We have the absolute right to demand and expect protection from the judicial branch, not persecution.

The issue of the independence of federal judges is of importance to us. If they are not independent of the other two branches of government, we can't expect protection from them if their opinion will go against some other part of government.

If they are not independent, we get into what is called 'collusion' which is "acting together through a secret understanding." The law dictionary is more specific in its definition: "A secret combination, conspiracy, or concert of action between two or more persons for fraudulent or deceitful purpose."

Look at what's been going on lately... with the beginning of the so called tax rebellion, the Internal Revenue Service, way back in 1973, has been conferring with federal judges on the necessity of handing out prison sentences in tax cases.

This has been revealed in IRS memos which were received through the Freedom of Information Act. The minutes of a meeting of IRS officials show that they have been conferring with US attorneys and judges to point out the problems they are having with 'tax protestors.'

One recommendation of the memo was to "Wage a campaign to educate U.S. attorneys and federal judges with the importance of prison sentences on cases." This is just one area where the "secret combinations" are going on that we know of... In how many other areas is our central government conducting the same type educational campaigns for U.S. attorneys and federal judges?

I guess the recommended prison sentences does not apply to an ex-vice president.

Is there any way a citizen could feel they are being afforded the protection of a judicial branch in a situation as we have it today? Hardly. There would be only one in a hundred judges that could make an honest decision after all the brainwashing by the other branches of government.

This could easily be defined as "action of two or more persons for a fraudulent or deceitful purpose." The very definition of collusion! And judges are to make impartial decisions?

Alexander Hamilton, in The Federalist Papers, had some strong words on the function of the judicial branch of our new government that judges are to be interpreters of the law and "It is impossible to keep the judges too distinct from every other avocation than that of expounding the laws. It is peculiarly dangerous to place them in a situation to be either corrupted or influenced by the executive."

With that statement in mind, to what branch of government does the Internal Revenue Service belong? Why, to the executive of course!

As was pointed out, an adverse decision can be appealed to the next higher level of the judicial system. If the answer of the higher court is the same, in face of significant constitutional challenges, better check the definition of the word collusion again.

It is a bit suspicious to note decisions in these so-called case law books that are on similar issues around the country all with the same decisions, even to many words being similar.

These generally seem to occur after the judicial system has had its annual conference. Strange? Is this where our socially redeeming issues are discussed? The nature of the decisions certainly suggest at least that.

It was reported in a book on American Jurisprudence that the Supreme Court now wants to become involved in the area of foreign affairs. Can you imagine the nerve of these people? They must figure they have been able thus far to invade any area they desire and their next target is to be foreign affairs. Where do they find the authority for this trespass on powers reserved to another branch of the central government? Did the people authorize it?

Now the new chief justice, in a speech before a national meeting of the Bar Association, (his fraternity buddies) asks members to help stop this trend to 'federalize' crimes. He insists the courts are now overworked and by making more crime a federal issue, the courts will be overwhelmed. Aw... makes you want to cry! Why doesn't he request the Congress eliminate all federalized crimes for which they have no authority to try?

One area we can point to that shows clearly the judicial branch is amending the Constitution by decree to violate Article V (Amendment process), is concerning the writ of habeas corpus. The Constitution is plain and definite...

"The Writ of Habeas Corpus shall not be suspended, unless when in cases of Rebellion or Invasion the public Safety may require it." Congress is the only branch of government given power in the Constitution to suspend the Writ.

The judicial department does it all the time by refusing to consider the petition, refusing to grant the writ, refusing to act on the petition or requiring specific forms to apply for a writ, etc. Of course, their argument is that they are overworked and underpaid so they have to concentrate on important issues which is a load of hogwash.

The Writ cannot be suspended and if it is, it is only the Congress who has the authority to do so! There are basic requirements spelled out in our Constitution which must be followed and not changed by edict by a branch of our government which has no right to make a law.

Editor's Note: Mr Knoblauch's book may be ordered by writing P.O. Box 818, Castroville, Texas 78009.

Is an ignorant consumer a safe consumer?

by Stephen Chapman

A Budweiser a day keeps the cardiac surgeon away. That's the official word from the United States government. Its latest dietary guidelines, published by the Agriculture Department on Jan. 1, say, "Current evidence suggests that moderate drinking is associated with a lower risk of coronary heart disease in certain individuals."



This admission merely recognized a happy consensus that has emerged among medical researchers in recent years. Students in assorted prestigious medical journals have concluded that modest imbibing appreciably curtails overall mortality, mainly by lowering the risk of heart disease.

Considering that cardiovascular afflictions are the biggest killer in America, accounting for fully 42 percent of all the departures from this world, you would think our government would want the news shouted from the rooftops. But the bureaucrats can't agree on whether Americans should be enlightened.

The most useful place to publicize this revelation is where it would have an interested audience of people ready to act on their newfound knowledge: in liquor advertisements and labels. But liquor advertisements and labels happen to be just about the only places you may not publicize it. The USDA can tell you, the New England Journal of Medicine can tell you, a teetotaling scientific ignoramus writing a newspaper column can tell you. But the people who have the money and motive to communicate the message far and wide — those who make beer, wine and spirits may not tell you.

The federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, you see, stands in the way. In a policy statement issued in 1993, it rejected the idea of allowing such information, arguing that "any claim which sets forth only a partial picture, representation or truth is as likely to mislead the consumer as those that are actually false. A statement which attributes positive health benefits to the moderate consumption of alcoholic beverages, even if backed up by medical evidence, may have an overall misleading effect if such statement is not properly qualified, does not give all sides of the issue and does not outline the categories of individuals for whom any such positive effect would be outweighed by numerous negative health effects."

More evidence has come out since then, but the BATF has not

budged from its position that an ignorant consumer is a safe consumer. Last May, the Washington-based Competitive Enterprise Institute petitioned the agency to permit beer, wine and liquor producers to tell buyers only what medical science has found to be true. It proposed to allow labels and ads to include the following line: "There is significant evidence that moderate consumption of alcoholic beverages may reduce the risk of heart disease."

What could be more reasonable? The proposed notice is accurate, carefully qualified and not the least bit misleading. But so far, the request has failed to elicit any action. In the time since the petition was filed, about 200,000 Americans have died of heart disease, but BATF evidently sees no need for haste.

The agency worries that such a statement would deceive the consumer because it doesn't give all sides of the story. But alcoholic beverage labels already give ample time to the other side. They carry a mandatory warning that says pregnant women shouldn't drink and that drinking impairs the ability to drive and "may cause health problems." So, there is not much danger that a gullible liquor store patron would take a notice about potential health benefits to mean she should start knocking back a pint of vodka at breakfast, lunch and dinner.

It's one thing for the BATF to forbid false or deceptive statements on alcohol labels. But what on earth is the point of banning truthful information that will not mislead? The immediate effect is to deprive concerned consumers of important information that they can use to make prudent decisions about what they put into their bodies. The eventual effect is to kill people.

The problem is that despite the clear scientific agreement, most people don't know that modest tipping may actually improve their physical well-being. A poll commissioned by CEI found that only 41 percent of American adults are aware of the evidence on the health benefits of alcohol and most of them think the findings apply only to wine, which is not true. Apparently, most Americans are too busy to pore over the latest issue of the British Medical Journal.

Given that, they would certainly be better off if the companies that sell alcoholic beverages could tell them the truth, and just the truth, about the demonstrated value of moderate drinking. Contrary to what BATF regulators believe, what we don't know can hurt us. COPYRIGHT 1996 CREATORS SYNDICATE, INC.

Callous conservatives vs. caring liberals...

by Walter E. Williams

The Republicans want to re-examine health and safety regulations and require the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and other regulatory agencies to make a cost/benefit analysis prior to making regulations. President Clinton and other liberals have accused Republicans of callously disregarding the health and safety of America's children. That's nonsense. It's liberal regulatory excesses that beg for relief, and here's just one example why.



Mrs. Cleaster Mims is founder and director of Marva Collins Preparatory School of Cincinnati. It's a private school with a student body of 185 mostly low and middle-income black students enrolled in grades K through eight. Virtually all of her students score at, and in some cases, two, three and four years above, grade level. The school radiates with discipline, love and high expectations. Scores of students are on her enrollment waiting list.

To meet the demand for Marva Collins' superior, not to mention safer, education, Mrs. Mims has started a campaign to raise money to purchase a \$450,000 former nursing home that will allow her a 500-student capacity and provide facilities for a few boarding students. While quite a bargain, the building is in need of repairs and alternations that include mechanical-electrical modifications, teaching-space renovations, painting, roofing and exterior work that could easily run the price tag to close to \$1 million. To raise that kind of money in and of itself is a daunting challenge, but regulations created by "caring" liberals could easily put her mission entirely out of the question.

Because of the building's age, asbestos and lead paint are present. But according to Cincinnati architect William Miller, who made an inspection of the building, "The materials are sound and non-hazardous by prudent reasonable standards of safety." He concludes that only relatively minor repairs need to be made to address existing asbestos and lead paint hazards.

But when have you heard of OSHA and EPA being reasonable? Miller estimates the combined cost of regulatory mandates for asbestos and lead paint removal could add as much as \$200,000 to the renovation. Then, there are close to 200 doors in the building. To bring them up to Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) mandates and construct ramps and meet other mandates might add another \$150,000 to costs.

Mrs. Mims' plight is a result of the liberal vision of the world. Liberals see only benefits from regulations and ignore costs. Sure, it would be wonderful if the 500 students at the new school had zero risk of asbestos and lead paint hazard. It would be wonderful if a wheelchair-bound student, who might enroll, would find no physical impediments. That's the wonderfulness of OSHA, EPA and ADA regulations. On the other hand, the cost of those regulations, and hence their invisible victims, is the 500 black students who might have had a better and saver education. You can bet the rent money that the hazards of government education are far greater than those posed by asbestos and lead paint in the building Mrs. Mims wants to purchase.

All's not lost. Mrs. Mims is a woman who knows no false pride and has boundless energy. She is willing to beg, plea and cajole these federal and state agencies that have been allowed to proliferate arbitrary, punitive and heartless mandates. She should get our political and financial support. While we're at it, we might just ask

who is more callous: politicians who support regulations that make Mrs. Mims' dream of a better education impossible or those who want to make those regulations more sensible? COPYRIGHT 1996 CREATORS SYNDICATE, INC.

Wisdom

"Since natural law was thought to be accessible to the ordinary man, the theory invited each juror to inquire for himself whether a particular rule of law was consonant with principles of higher law. This view is reflected in John Adams' statement that it would be an 'absurdity' for jurors to be required to accept the judge's view of the law, 'against their own opinion, judgment, and conscience.'" Note (anon.)

The Changing Role of the Jury in the Nineteenth Century,
 Yale Law Journal, 74, 172 (1964).

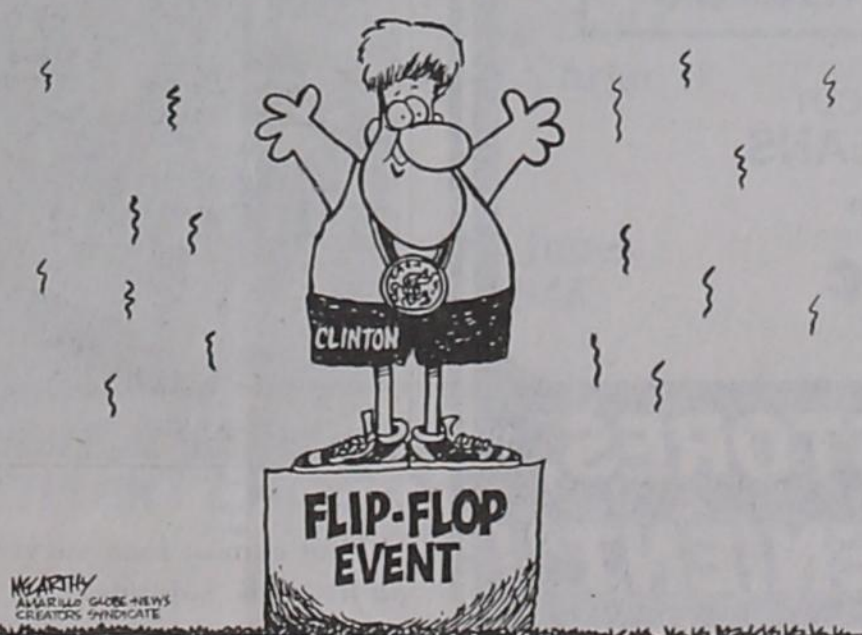
Preamble to Amendments

The conventions of a number of the States having at the time of their adopting the Constitution, expressed a desire, in order to prevent misconstruction or abuse of its powers, that further declaratory and restrictive clauses should be added: And as extending the ground of public confidence in the Government, will best insure the beneficent ends of its institution.

ARTICLE XXV

Section 4. Whenever the Vice President and a majority of either the principal officers of the executive departments or of such other body as Congress may by law provide, transmit to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives their written declaration that the President is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office, the Vice President shall immediately assume the powers and duties of the office as Acting President.

Thereafter, when the President transmits to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives his written declaration that no inability exists, he shall resume the powers and duties of his office unless the Vice President and a majority of either the principal officers of the executive department or of such other body as Congress may by law provide, transmit within four days to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives their written declaration that the President is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office. Thereupon Congress shall decide the issue, assembling within 48 hours for that purpose if not in session. If the Congress, within 21 days after receipt of the latter written declaration, or, if Congress is not in session, within 21 days after Congress is required to assemble, determines by two-thirds vote of both houses that the President is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office, the Vice President shall continue to discharge the same as Acting President otherwise, the President shall resume the powers and duties of his office.



Sports

Lopes defeat Anton 65-46

by Brent Ross
The Post Antelope varsity basketball team defeated Anton 65-46 Friday in a game that looked more like a horse race. The Lopes used an up-tempo style of play to take the bark out of the Bulldogs.

The first quarter was the Alvin Reed show as he scored the first seven Bold Gold points. However, the quarter ended with Post on the wrong end of a 14-12 score. After Reed cooled off, the Lopes were confined to primarily a perimeter game.

The second quarter saw the Bulldogs take their biggest lead of the game before the Lopes took over. With the score 16-12, Post went on a 14-0 run over a three-minute span.

The spurt was keyed by tremendous pressure defensive that led to two straight backcourt turnovers. The turnovers were themselves keys to the Lopes transition offense.

Post started the third quarter with a 30-22 lead. The Bold Gold picked up where they had left off, outscoring Anton 22-6 in the third.

The two teams traded baskets to start the period before Post went on a 15-0 run to end the quarter. The Lopes did not shoot particularly well from the field, but Anton could not score at all, as the Bulldogs were unable to cope with Post's up-tempo style.

Post was outscored 18-13 in the fourth, but the game was never in doubt. The Lopes still pushed the ball, but began to get sloppy as the reserves saw extended minutes in the victory.

Lead scorer for the game was David Perez with 12 points. He was followed by Alvin Reed with 11, Jeremy Josey with nine, Josh Grisham and Jake Lored with seven each, Travis Hair with six, Todd Terry with five and B.J. Hart and Seth Pennell with four each.



David Perez heads for a two-pointer during last Friday's Antelope varsity contest here. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

8th grade boys win over Crosbyton 43-27

by Becky Warren
The 8th grade boys won over Crosbyton by a score of 43-27.

Lead scorer for the game was Luis Leos with 18 points. He was followed by Billy Crawford with eight, Michael Saldivar with five, Raymond Jefferson with four, Johnny Jefferson with three, Braden Conner and R.T. Todd with two each and Chris Saldivar with one. Others seeing action was Rocky Gomez, Al Morales and Scotty Gaydos.

Lopes lose to Tahoka 59-69

by Becky Warren
The Post varsity boys lost to Tahoka on Tuesday, January 23, by a score of 59-69.

Lead scorer for the game was Josh Grisham with 17 points. He was followed by David Perez and Jeremy Josey with 11, Travis Hair and Alvin Reed with seven each, Todd Terry, B.J. Hart and Seth Pennell with two each.

Anton wins over Lady Lopes 46-32

by Brent Ross
The Lady Lopes battled Anton Friday night, but could not overcome a tough third quarter as they lost 46-32.

Post scored only three points in the third quarter on free throws by junior Jody Hawkins and freshman Rachele Jones.

The Lady Lopes jumped out to a 6-3 lead at the 3:51 mark of the first quarter as they used full-court pressure to get two early turnovers. Anton responded with an 11-4 run to close out the quarter as it looked as though the Lady Bulldogs were beginning to figure out the press.

The second quarter was Post's, as the Lady Lopes outscored Anton 9-5 to draw to within one, 20-19, before halftime. Five different players tallied for Post as it became a true team effort.

Post came out of the locker room and could not find the basket. The Lady Lopes went 6-27 before adding to their 19 points. In that span, Anton scored 10 points enroute to building a 32-22 lead.

Post's inability to score not only hurt its offense, it hurt the defense. The Lady Lopes were unable to run their pressure defense because of no made baskets. This, in turn, permitted the Lady Bulldogs to slow the game down and run their half-court offense.

The fourth started with a mini-run from Post. The Bold Gold took the first four points of the final stanza to draw to 32-26. But, Anton once again responded with a 14-6 run to close out the game.

Lead scorer for the game was Jody Hawkins with 10 points. She was followed by Rachele Jones with six, Macee Mills, Cassie Short and Kristen Webb with four each, Nikki Pollard and Natalie Pollard with two each.

Others playing were DeeDee Estep, Erica Gomez and Arimy Gradine.

7th grade boys win over Crosbyton 36-22

by Becky Warren
The Post 7th grade boys won over Crosbyton 36-22 on Monday, January 29.

"It wasn't pretty, but it was a win. Everyone got to play quite a bit, and performed pretty well. This group gets a little better each week! Our last game is next week against Sundown at Sundown. We hope to finish out with a win," said Coach Lane Tannehill.

Lead scorer for the game was Raul Ortiz with 10 points. He was followed by Clinton Curtis with seven, Tyrone Jefferson with six, Ryan Wulfjen with five, Aaron Cooper, Jamie Collazo, Eugene Bell and Brooks Conner with two each. Others playing were Ricky Halford, Brant Whisenhunt, Justin Norman, Stephen Montoya and Gabriel Silva.

Tahoka wins over JV boys 40-28

by Becky Warren
The Post JV boys lost to Tahoka last Tuesday, January 23, by a score of 28-40.

Lead scorer for the game was Russ Moore with nine points, Freddy Pena with seven, Sam Woods and Tye Haney with four each and Roy Perez and Jerry Graham with two each.

JV boys win over Anton 62-43

The Post JV boys won over Anton on Friday, January 26, by a score of 62-43.

Lead scorer for the game was Jamie Hernandez with 16 points. He was followed by Sam Woods with 15, Freddy Pena with 10, Russ Moore with seven, Anthony Gomez with six and Jerry Graham and Tye Haney with four each.

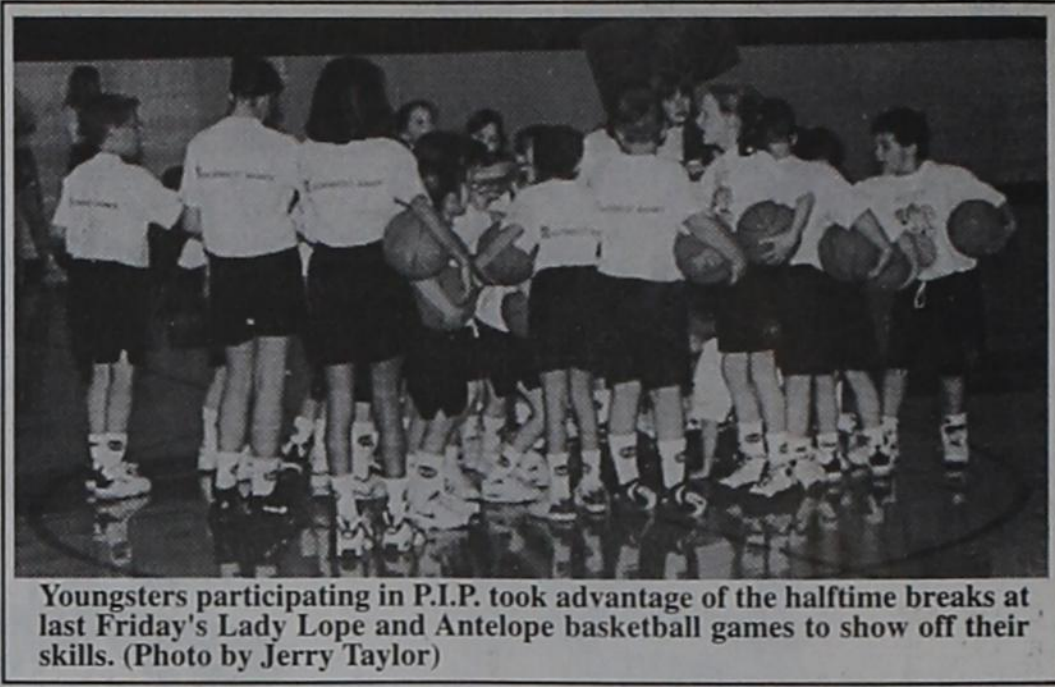
JV Lady Lopes in win over Tahoka 34-30.

by Becky Warren
The JV Lady Lopes played the Tahoka Lady Bulldogs on Tuesday, January 23, and came away with a win by a score of 34-30.

"Coming off of the tournament win, the girls seemed a little tired but they still found a way to win," said Coach Shana Matthews.

Lead scorer for the game was Kasey Hardin with 11 points. She was followed by Kendly Jefferson with 10, Becca Stelzer and Torrie Foster with four each, Pam Chapman with three and Jennifer Strawn with two.

Others playing were Shanna Pennell, Rachel Reiter, Shelley Shifflett, Tammy Matthies and Jodi Gregory.



Youngsters participating in P.I.P. took advantage of the halftime breaks at last Friday's Lady Lope and Antelope basketball games to show off their skills. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

Christ the King outscores freshman boys 38-36

by Becky Warren
On January 25, the freshman boys from Christ the King outscored the Post freshman boys 38-36.

"The kids played well after the first quarter. Terry Foster and Daniel Fluit hit some three pointers," said Coach Fred Postell.

Lead scorer for the game was shared by Terry Foster and Joey Ward with eight points each. They were followed by Daniel Fluit with six, T.J. Gaydos with five, Michael Ulm and Charlie Bell with four each and Monty Humble with one. Others playing were Josh Bustoz.

Crosbyton over Post 46-42

The Crosbyton freshman boys team beat the Post freshman boys 46-42 on January 26.

"The second and fourth quarters really killed us," said Coach Postell. "Josh Bustoz hit a big three pointer in the game."

Lead scorer for the game was Joey Ward with 10 points. He was followed by Michael Ulm with eight, Terry Foster with seven, Daniel Fluit and Charlie Bell with five each, T.J. Gaydos with four and Josh Bustoz with three. Others playing were Monty Humble.

Post freshman team wins over Crosbyton 57-49 in district game

The Post freshman boys won over Crosbyton in district play on Monday, January 29 by a score of 57-49.

"A great job was done in the game by everyone. The boys scored in double figures in all four quarters. Charlie Bell, Terry Foster and Daniel Fluit scored double figures in the game. Monty Humble came in off the bench and scored three points twice and got a big rebound late in the game. Charlie Bell scored 10 points in the second half," said Coach Postell.

Lead scorer for the game was Daniel Fluit with 18 points. He was followed by Terry Foster with 11, Charlie Bell with 10, Monty Humble with six, Michael Ulm and Joey Ward with five each and T.J. Gaydos with two. Others playing were Josh Bustoz.



Kristen Webb reaches for the basketball for the Lady Lopes during action here last Friday night. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

Lady Lopes win over Tahoka 58-31

by Becky Warren
The Post Lady Lopes won over Tahoka on Tuesday, January 23, by a score of 58-31.

"The ladies played an excellent game. The third quarter was a big turning point in the game because we outscored them 21-2. Cassie Short did a great job shooting the ball," stated Coach James Easterling.

Lead scorer for the game was Cassie Short with 14 points. She was followed by Jody Hawkins with 10, Natalie Pollard with eight, Arimy Gradine with seven, DeeDee Estep with six, Kristen Webb with five, Rachele Jones with four and Erica Gomez and Nikki Pollard with two each. Others playing were Macee Mills and Tracy Shumard.

7th grade girls lose to Crosbyton 29-34

by Becky Warren
The 7th grade girls lost to Crosbyton on January 29 by a score of 29-34.

"It was a great effort by these girls. We just made too many mistakes to give us a chance to win," said Coach Billy Gordon.

Lead scorer for the game was Kenda Looney with 10 points. She was followed by Jenny Jones with eight, Vondi Gradine and Brailey Feagin with four each and Davida Gregory with three. Others playing were Yvonne Lopez, Kelsi Wimmer, Mandy Terry, Lindsey Rudd, Ashley Mason and Jamie Dawson.

Lone Star FIJA organizes

The board and leadership of the Lone Star Fully Informed Jury Association met in Austin last week to plan its outreach and legislative plans for 1996 and 1997.

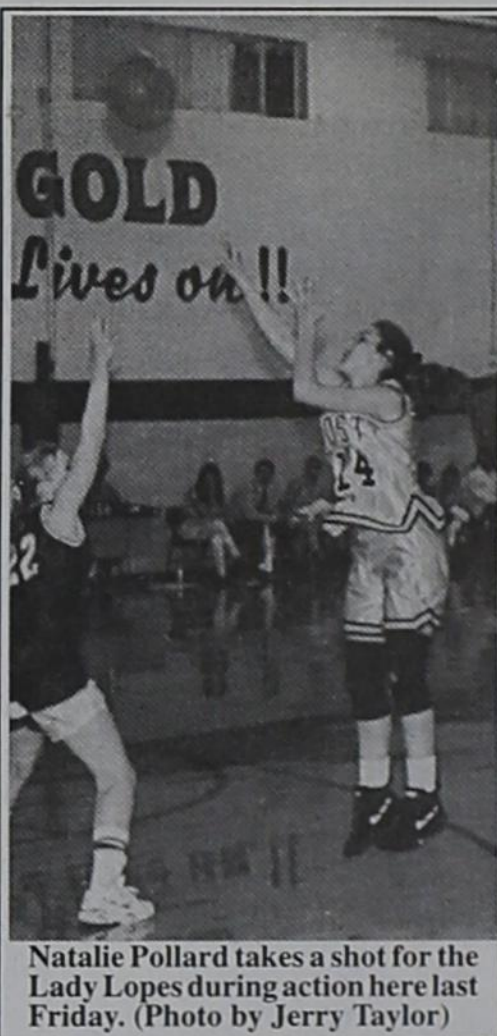
The purpose of Lone Star FIJA is to educate the public about the rights, powers, and responsibilities of trial jurors, and to work for legislation that will restore and protect the rights, powers, and responsibilities of juries.

The primary legislative change on which Lone Star FIJA will focus for the 1997 legislative session is passage of a bill that will allow those accused of a crime to inform juries of their power to vote their conscience, and that will stop prospective jurors from being removed because they express disagreement with the law being prosecuted in the case.

Lone Star FIJA's primary education objective is to educate the public about the power that juries have to judge the law as well as the facts. In other words, a jury can acquit a person accused of a crime even if the facts show the law was broken, if they believe the law to be unjust or unjustly applied. The Texas Constitution, in Article I, Section 8, states that "...in all indictments for libels, the jury shall have the right to determine the law and the facts, under the direction of the court, as in other cases."

The Lone Star FIJA board elected Tom Glass, a systems analyst from Houston, as its President; Larry Dodge, a small businessman and founder of the national FIJA from Dallas, as vice president, and Tom Zavist, a Houston attorney, as Secretary and Treasurer. Glass and Dodge are joined on the board of Lone Star FIJA by Brenda Anderson, a Dallas public relations consultant and legal reform advocate, and Clay Conrad, a recent University of Texas law school graduate pending admission to the Bar from Austin.

More information can be obtained about Lone Star FIJA by calling 1-800-TELL-JURY (800-835-5587).



Natalie Pollard takes a shot for the Lady Lopes during action here last Friday. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

8th grade girls win over Crosbyton 29-21

by Becky Warren
The 8th grade girls won over Crosbyton on Monday, January 29 by a score of 29-21.

"This was a great win. The game was very physical and our girls hung in there tough. I'm very proud of them," said Coach Billy Gordon.

Lead scorer for the game was Stephanie Looney with 13 points. She was followed by Betsy Ferguson with six, Erin Gregory, Courtney Bratcher, Camie Payne, Callie Johnston and Lauren Webb with two each. Others playing were Candi Reed, Amy Line, Kerry Cahill and Selcia Hernandez.

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This mixed shepherd male puppy was found in the 800 block of 4th St. Other dogs waiting to be found or adopted include a female puppy, picked up at 200 S. Ave. O, yellow mixed collie, black chow mix male, ridgeback female, male mixed breed puppy and white shaggy mixed breed.

If you want to claim one of these animals, or interested in adopting, please contact the City of Post weekdays at 495-2811.

Tip of the Week: Pet ownership takes special personal responsibility for the life of another. Treat them with love and care.

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—Thomas Szasz

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Letters to the Editor

"Take part and take pride in Post?"

It's a puzzle to me why the Chamber of Commerce Secretary writes her column in your paper "Take part and take pride in Post" right after she describes her trip to Dickens to get a cheeseburger! What's wrong with Holly's, Hamburger Hut or Dairy Queen?
Bill Cannon

Flag desecration?....

It is with much interest and some amusement that I follow the continuing remarks in your paper about "absolute" rights.
As I read the debate between your paper and Senator Hutchison, the main contention seems to be over free speech. These are strong issues, but I think another aspect is being overlooked.

There are more parts to the First Amendment than free speech. I suggest the overlooked part is the prohibition on establishment of religion. The terms used in the debate illustrate my point: "desecration" of the flag. The word "desecration" means "to violate the sacredness of..." How can a political symbol (the flag) have become a "sacred" (holy) symbol?

True, both the flag and indisputably sacred symbols (crucifixes, rosaries, Bibles, and others) are objects of strong emotions. But the prohibition on national religion separates the two, and rightly so. Such strong emotional issues can disrupt rational consideration of political differences.

It is also important to note the difference between the "inalienable right" which come from our Creator and the "civil rights" which come from each other by mutual respect. Inalienable rights are life, liberty and pursuit of happiness. These are not blessings of government but gifts from God. They are absolute.

Civil rights are property rights, right to vote, right to jury trial, right to equal protection of the law and others. These are not absolute but may be deprived under certain circumstances. Property may be taken for public use but only if just compensation is paid. Franchise (right to vote) may be denied but only on conviction in a properly conducted criminal trial. Right to civil jury trial can be denied if a fee is not paid.

Civil rights coming by mutual respect from us to our fellow man and from our fellow man to us are not absolute, but items of RATIONAL convenience.

The heart of the matter is the contradiction in making the flag, a symbol of that rationality, into an item of sacred faith. In its own small way, it begins the establishment of religion. But in a far more serious way, it desecrates true religion and the God served by true religion.

Lastly please let me ask what purpose is served by the elevation of the flag to a sacred symbol? To promote blind faith in government? I hope that all can see that this should be avoided. Faith should be only in God who rules us. Vigilance should be used with government which we rule.

Yours truly,
John B. Hawley

High school faculty not behind students?...

I am writing this on behalf of our students in Post High School who made All Region Band. This is quite an honor for these excellent band students as well as for Post High School.

One would think since we have such an outstanding bunch of students representing our school system, that our school system would have someone there supporting our students. However, this was not the case.

No one from our High School faculty was at the All Region concert last Saturday afternoon.

I have always felt that if we expect great things from our youth, that we should be quite willing to give great things of ourselves. Not to mention being there to show them how proud we are of them.

Unfortunately, we have a school system that has a reputation of asking a lot but is not always willing to put out the same effort asked for of their students.

They are so quick to admonish but very slow to praise. And everyone knows that you can catch more flies with honey than you can vinegar. From all my dealing with children over the years, I have found that the more you praise and support them, the more ambitious and high goals they have. And they always put out their best effort to achieve them.

Music is not just an extra-curricular activity for our students. It is a credit towards graduating. We even have students that go for music scholarships to get into college.

I daresay music is as important as any of our sports, and they certainly get plenty of recognition and support.

I wonder what would happen if we put a little more support and praise on our faculty's side and a little less put down. It's just a guess, but we might see that when we build self-esteem, we build character.

Kathie Nelson

Why won't school administration attend concerts?...

On Saturday, January 20, Post High School had five outstanding band students to perform in the Region 16 Honor Band. These students were picked from 20 different towns in this area. The concert was held in Sundown at 5 p.m. in the afternoon.

On Saturday, January 27 Post Middle School had seven outstanding band students to perform in the All Region 1A-2AA concert. Post High School also had six students in the 1A-2AA High School All Region Band with three alternates. Twenty-four towns were in these tryouts.

When Post can compete against this many towns and place this many students in positions such as these is it wrong to think some of the school administration should be there?

I think not, our music department is just as important as any of the sports (football). Our band and choir students will still be performing when the athlete is too old to perform.

It is a shame the only ones there to support these outstanding students were us, the parents. You missed three superb concerts. You don't listen, you don't watch, but yet you want to do away with something the world has had from the beginning, music.

By the way one alternate could not go because of coaches.
Rosemary Cole

Not willing to give up liberty

by Geraldine Butler

Once again the Dispatch has given meanings to a writers statements that were not in evidence. This writer is not willing, and does know anyone willing, to "give up their liberty, or freedom."

This writer also did not "point to television or newspapers as violators of her concept of morality". This writer, however, does see the daily murder and mayhem that is perpetrated against individuals and society at large. This writer also has never attempted to "order others to live by her mentality" and will most likely never attempt such foolishness. This writer is probably as much, or perhaps more, of a liberty minded American as the editor of the Dispatch. The writer also realizes that her liberty ends where voice of the Libertarian Party's nose begins. Many people in our society do not believe that, and they practice "do all you can unto others before they get a chance to do anything about it." They prey on the elderly, the weak, and children. They rob and steal, and they seem to believe that is their right.

Even during the depths of the Great Depression, in the days of Bonnie and Clyde and others, people were not afraid to leave their homes and automobiles unlocked. A woman walking from work, at night, in downtown Lubbock, to her home 25 blocks distant was unafraid of being molested or murdered. This is not true today, in this age of "do your own thing."

It would be a wonderful thing if every soul lived in tranquillity with others. But, alas, that is certainly not the case, and it does appear that it will not be so anytime soon. It has always been thus since the time of Cain and Able, and therefore we have always needed rules of civil conduct to live by. Too bad.

Please, Mr. Editor, don't decide that those about you are all socialists etc., just because they don't view the American process through your eyes. No one should swallow everything that comes down the pike without taking a thorough look at it.

An act of violence, against a person or a person's property, is a violation of Constitutional rights, and those who take violent action should be granted a fair and impartial hearing before a jury of their peers, and if found guilty, made to pay restitution to the injured party and to suffer whatever punishment the jury believes is fitting of the crime.

The Libertarian Party does not and has never accepted the concept of "do your own thing;" if, doing your own thing involves the injury or damage to another person. Neither people, nor their governments, have the right to invade another person's Constitutional guarantees... particularly those which are held to be inalienable. A closer reading of the Declaration of Independence will be helpful to understand the depth of this conviction.

Rules of civil conduct is a good Libertarian philosophy... and living by those rules requires discipline, cooperation and voluntary action. I pray that our elected officials would abide by those "rules of civil conduct," which are guaranteed by our Constitution. Perhaps then, the people might be more inclined to believe in the same "rules."

I am not in the habit of placing generalized labels on people, regarding your comment about "those about you are all socialists..."

But I believe logic alone makes the label plain to see: anyone who believes that it is okay for government to force... through taxation, prison, property seizure or other coercive action, in order to take from one to give to another... then that person must be, by definition, in favor of socialism, which makes that person a socialist.

Those who favor socialism may not like the label... but if the shoe fits, one must wear it.

Editor's Note: I am pleased that we find agreement in our opposition to "giving up" our liberty or freedom. I suppose our disagreement must be in our interpretation of liberty and freedom. If you are in fact a liberty minded American, as I know you must be, then I know you would not deny any other American the right to express themselves in ways that might offend you or others... such as by burning a flag.

Unfortunately, your characterization of the Libertarian Party as somehow approving assaults on people is based on misinformation. The Libertarian Party, and its members, demand that any person or government which tramples on the rights of others shall be held accountable for their actions.

Anyone who robs or steals or preys on any other, according to Libertarian principles, shall suffer the consequences of those actions. Where we part with the current popular political mindset is with those who believe it is okay for government to take coercive action against anyone in order to prevent wrong-doing.

Sonic Drive-In manager completes manager's school

Adam Fox, assistant manager of the Sonic Drive-In on 1200 Gregg Street in Big Spring, and his wife, Heather, attended and received certification at Sonic Industries, Inc Management One Training School in Oklahoma City. He will be managing the new Sonic Drive-In at 211 South Broadway in Post.

The week-long school certifies Sonic managers, assistant managers, supervisors and partners in management and operational procedures such as general accounting, food/paper cost controls, labor/labor scheduling, human resources, marketing, promotions and local publication relations, equipment use and maintenance, customer service and leadership.

The Sonic Management School is an intensive program designed for new and existing franchisees and managers who seek awareness and development in the day-to-day

functions of operating a Sonic Drive-In.

Mike Abusaab is the principal owner of the Sonic Drive-In of Big Spring.

Sonic is known for its cooked-to-order food served 1950s-style by carhops who deliver food directly to customers' cars. Popular menu items include full-sized hamburgers, extra-long Conneys, fresh-made onion rings, fater tots, plus a variety of specialty fountain drinks such as cherry limeades.

With headquarters in Oklahoma City, Sonic is the fifth largest hamburger chain in the United States. Started as a hamburger stand in 1953 in Shawnee, Oklahoma, Sonic has grown to more than 1500 drive-in restaurants located in 27 states in the southern half of the U.S. The company's common stock is traded through the NASDAQ National Market System under the symbol "SONC."

Miscarriage more likely in women with HIV

Mothers infected with HIV are three times more likely to experience a miscarriage than healthy mothers, says AIDS researchers.

"HIV infection predisposes women to spontaneous abortion during the first trimester of pregnancy," said Dr William T. Shearer, an immunologist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "The rate of HIV infection was higher than if they had gone to term."

Shearer and colleagues followed 125 women from the time they first were told they were pregnant. More than 10 percent of them had miscarriages, compared to a rate of less than three percent for non-HIV pregnancies. Results from the National Institutes of Health-funded study were published recently in the Journal of Infectious Diseases. Principal author of the article was Dr Claire Langston, professor of pathology and pediatrics at Baylor.

Shearer, chief of pediatric allergy and immunology at Baylor and a service chief for the section at Texas Children's Hospital, believes that early HIV infection of the developing

fetus within the uterus somehow deregulates the immune system.

"Our research revealed that HIV targeted the thymus gland in these infants," said Shearer. "The normal development of the immune system, that begins in the thymus gland, was somehow disturbed by the presence of this infection."

Shearer and colleagues also believe that levels of inflammation-causing proteins known as inflammatory cytokines, such as interleukin-4, interleukin-6 and tumor necrosis factor, may be extremely elevated, helping to reject the fetus. The human placenta may also play an as-yet-unknown role.

"All of this is significant," said Shearer. "If inflammatory cytokines are involved in the miscarriages, then it may be possible to offer drug treatment."

Other Baylor researchers involved in the five-year study include Drs Dorothy Lewis, Hunter Hammill, Edwina Popek, Claudia Kozinetz, Mark Kline, Celine Hanson and Mary Paul.

Teikyo Post University expands grant offer

Teikyo Post University has announced the extension of its Middle Income Family (MIF) grant program to include one new Post-area student, attending Teikyo Post for the fall, 1996 term. The total of this grant could reach \$20,000.

"Our Middle Income Family grant program has struck a positive chord with the general public," stated Dr Phyllis C. DeLeo, President of Teikyo Post. "Therefore, we have added a zero-interest loan of up to \$5,000 per year for one new Post-area full-time, undergraduate day, middle income student starting their college studies at Teikyo Post in the Fall of 1996."

Students who wish to apply for a MIF grant should contact the University immediately through the Internet at Teikyo Post's World Wide Web home page. The Web address is: www.teikyopost.edu

Students also can contact Teikyo Post through e-mail. The e-mail address is: teikyopost@inforback.com

Teikyo Post enrolls students from 35 foreign countries and across the United States. Priding itself on providing a "global education without prejudice," the university awards more than \$1 million in scholarship and financial aid to deserving students each year.

Celebrating 105 years of excellence, Teikyo Post is a distinctive international business and liberal arts university. Teikyo Post's curriculum offers students the opportunity to experience intercultural and international environments. The 60 acre, suburban, hilltop campus is located in Waterbury, Connecticut, only 30 minutes from Hartford, 90 minutes from New York City, and two hours from Boston.

Love, though proverbially blind, is often very prone to see something which has no existence whatever.

—E.F. Benson

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Yesteryears

by Pat Burnett

10 Years Ago January 29, 1986

Jakie Lea Diggs, daughter of Jake and Sue Diggs, was named the "First Baby" for 1986. She was born at Garza Memorial Hospital January 21, 1986 at 6:51 p.m.

The Post Band members named to the All-Region Band are Matt Pennell, Mike Traw, Bobby Redman, Debbie Ethridge, Kerry Thuet, Marcie Sneed, Shelly Wall and Holly Carpenter.

The engagement of Renae Simecek and David Boren has been announced. The couple will be married March 22, 1986.

20 Years Ago January 29, 1976

Wayne Parrish of Houston visited his parents, Mr and Mrs A.O. Parrish and Ronnie a few days last week.

The Post Does beat Cooper 62 to 46 Tuesday night. Joni Hays scored 40 of the points.

Happy Birthday today goes to Charlie H. Brown, Patty Owen, L.C. White, Willie Scarborough, Mrs Jody Mason, Topper Bilberry, Harold Gordon, Lee Ann Babb, Karla Gribble, Don Dunbar and Vicki Allen.

Joe Hudman is now employed as a chemist for The Champion

Company in Houston. The company deals with petroleum companies.

30 Years Ago February 3, 1966

Mrs Winnie Tuffing was hostess at a home appliance party with Mrs Evelyn Dorman as demonstrator.

Mr and Mrs J.C. Leake of Southland celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday. The former Beatrice Jones and Mr Leake were married Feb. 3, 1916 in Vernon.

Danny McBride was honored with a party on his eighth birthday Sunday Jan 30.

Jo Ellen Miller suffered a severe concussion Friday when she slipped on an icy sidewalk in front of the high school.

40 Years Ago February 2, 1956

Ted Tatum and Francis Craig have been selected "Mr and Miss

Post High School" of the 1955-56 school year.

Robert Cato has been elected the Chief of the Post Volunteer Fire Department.

Mr and Mrs Ben B. Ault have received word that their son, T/ Sgt Jack Ault, is being sent to

Morocco. His is in the U.S. Air Force.

The Post Freshman boys basketball team is undefeated. Their coach is Olin Reddell and the players are John T. Brown, Charles Morris, Clarky Cowdrey, Jimmy Short, Earl Mitchell and Sidney Hart.

Mrs Weldon Dodson and Cherry attended the telethon in Lubbock Saturday night. Cherry was a guest on TV.

50 Years Ago January 31, 1946

Hinton Fluit took over duties at the S Lazy S Ranch this week to replace Lee Byrd who recently moved to Tarzan, Texas.

Post planning expansion of Mill and 81 houses for employees.

Funeral services for Arthur W. Bartlett was last Thursday. He was born August 25, 1888 in Alabama and died in his home January 22, 1946.

Garza County's first baby for 1946 was James Edward Bullard, born January 20. The nine pound boy is the son of Mr and Mrs W. T. Bullard. The prize was a brand new 1946 baby buggy.

This week at the Garza theatre don't miss "Don't Fence Me In" with Roy Rogers and Dale Evans, "Johnny Angel" with George Raft and Ed Gardner's "Duffy's Tavern"

Garza County History

Courtesy of the Garza County Historical Museum



In our continuing series of photos donated to the Garza County Historic Museum by Mrs Lucille Stevens, this photo was marked only with "C.W. Post." This was apparently during a round-up or trip to the site for Post City. Anyone with additional information, especially names of those in the photo, please contact Linda Puckett at the museum.

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What To Do If A Poisoning Occurs

(NAPS)—Every year, it's estimated, four million Americans, most of them pre-school children, take poison of some sort—from pesticides to prescription medications to cosmetics to cleaning supplies.

If a poisoning emergency should occur in your home—the most likely place for poisonings—here are some steps to take:

- First, call the Poison Control Center immediately. The number should be on the inside front cover of the phone book, but you may care to copy it out and post it by your phone before an emergency occurs. If you cannot reach the Center, call your child's doctor.

- Have the label of the poison ready when you call the Poison Control Center. (The label provides information concerning the product's contents.)

- Advise the Poison Control Center of the victim's age, weight,

health conditions, the substance involved and how it was exposed, orally, skin contact, inhaled, eye splash, etc.

- Inform the center if you have Requa's CharcoAid 2000 G emergency poison adsorbent or ipecac syrup. Many Poison Control Centers have recognized the value of activated charcoal such as CharcoAid 2000 and advise parents to keep a bottle of it in the house. Frequently, Poison Control Centers prefer activated charcoal to ipecac since ipecac requires 15 to 30 minutes to work and is relatively inefficient. Always call the Poison Control Center or a physician before administering either.

You may care to cut this article out and post it in your kitchen, bathroom or child's room.

March is officially Poison Prevention Month, but every month is a good time to be prepared for poisoning emergencies.

Lunch Menu

Trail Blazer

Friday, February 2
Smothered steak, macaroni and cheese, green beans, slaw, wheat roll, chocolate cake, choice of beverage.
Monday, February 5
Parmesan chicken, pinto beans, brussel sprouts, cornbread, rice with raisin sauce, choice of beverage.

Tuesday, February 6
Beef enchiladas, spanish rice, green beans, tossed salad, crackers, dry Jello salad, choice of beverage.
Wednesday, February 7
Chicken fried steak, French baked potatoes, broccoli, wheat roll, oranges and bananas, choice of beverage.
Thursday, February 8
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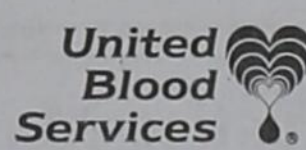


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Houston stock show

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the junior division of livestock competition: market steers, market barrows, market lambs, market poultry, beef and dairy heifers, breeding sheep, goats, commercial steers and breeding rabbits.

The four market animal categories (steers, lambs, barrows and poultry) represents animals raised by the exhibitors as food sources. Top animals in each of these categories are eligible for their individual market auctions. Last year, junior market auction sales totaled \$4,545,349.

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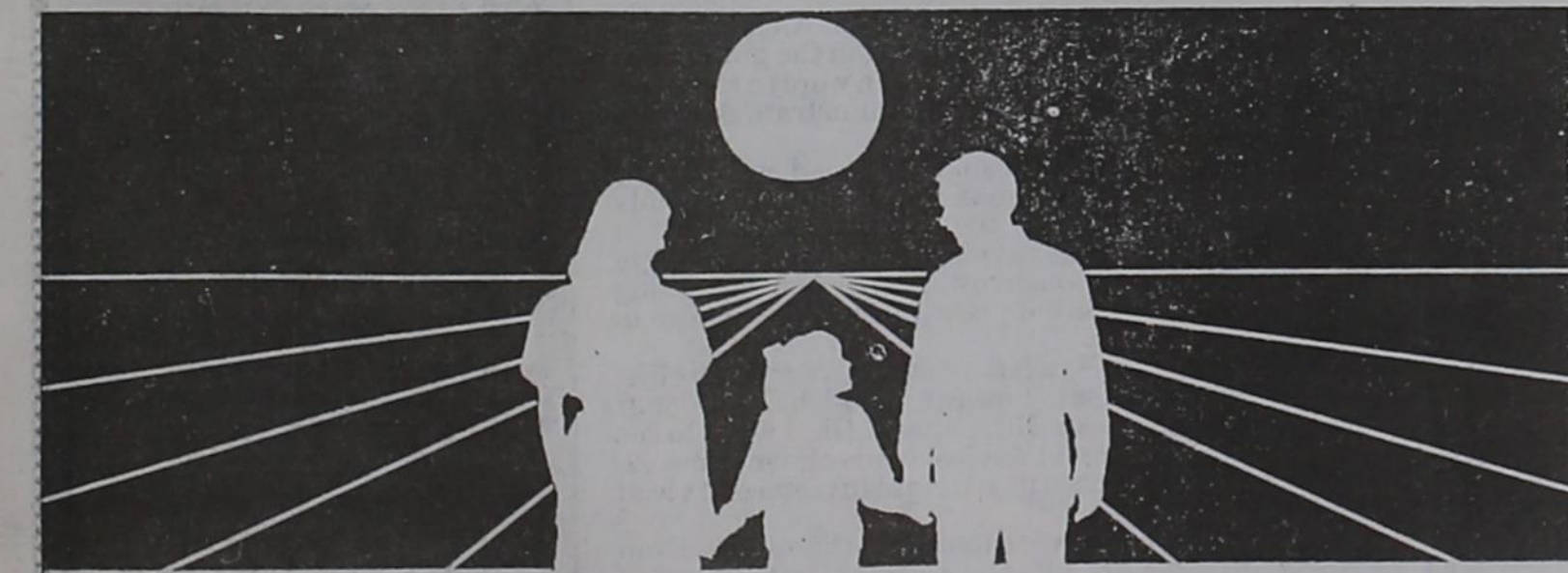
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6 TX Audie film: "To ___ and Back"
7 West TX climate
8 TXism: "bought a pig ___ poke"
9 Switzer coached at this university
17 monthly collection by TX landlords
19 TX actor Tommy
20 Astros' Drabek won Young award in '90
21 TXism: "beats anything I ___ saw"
22 Cowboys league
24 laden with salsa
30 mountain in Culberson Co.
34 Yo ___ Digo Creek
35 TXism: "___ white flag" (give up)
36 LBJ picked up his dog by the ___
37 TX Kristofferson's "Sunday Mornin' ___ Down"
39 "mop lady" actress from San Antonio
43 Texans call it a sword
44 TX pastry product
45 TXism: "___ 2-steps to his own beat"
46 TX McMurry's "The ___ Picture Show"
48 TX Howard Hughes once dated this famous actress Jean

DOWN
1 TXism: "thick ___ on a dog's back"
2 Cascade Caverns are near this town
3 airport between Denton & Ft. Worth
4 TX Orbison had several ___ records
9 good ___ boy
10 TXism: "hard work ___ fences up"
11 blue jeans Strauss
12 what Jerry Jones flies in (2 wds.)
13 1st name of Carswell AFB's namesake
14 TXism: "happy as a kid ___ Santa's lap"
15 film of 53-across: "Dead ___ Don't Wear Plaid"
16 TXism: "thick ___ a garbage dump"
18 nickname of TX Earl Campbell (2 wds.)
23 San Antonio street: ___ Chaney
24 George H. to George W. (abbr.)
25 TX Utilities agency (abbr.)
26 TX Mandrell tune: "Sleeping Single ___ Double Bed"
27 "the ___ is worse than the disease"
28 periods of time
29 most NW county
31 TXism: "you ___ bet your boots on it"
32 TX Prentiss "Where the Boys ___"
33 "no pass, ___"

38 TX singer "Loaf"
40 TXism: "beer shed"
41 TX high school sports assoc. (abbr.)
42 Texas State ___ Institute
47 Ft. Worth defendant Cullen (init.)
49 TX Ranger "Lone ___ McQuade"
51 TXism: "birthday ___ (naked)"
52 state fair's "Big ___ in 1839 & 1881."
58 these destroyed the capital buildings
59 TXism: "to boot"

Obituaries

Jody Lee Hart

Funeral services for Jody Lee Hart, 23, of Canyon were held Monday, January 29, 1996 at 1 p.m. in the First Baptist Church of Post with Rev Darryl Smith officiating.

Burial was in the Terry County Memorial Park under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

Hart died Saturday, January 27, 1996 in Palo Duro Hospital in Canyon after a car accident.

He was born June 5, 1972 in Lubbock and was the son of Sidney H. Hart and Ethel S. Martin. He was a student at West Texas A&M in Canyon where he was a member of the West Texas A&M Rodeo Team. He graduated as valedictorian from Moran High School in 1990. He had also attended Western Texas College in Snyder.

Survivors include his parents, Sonny and Ethel Hart of Grand Saline; two sisters, Serena Alford of San Angelo and Ashley Hart of Grand Saline and grandparents, Mr and Mrs H.H. (Boy) Hart of Post and Mrs Reg Martin of Brownfield.

Pallbearers were Ryan Hart, Casey Hart, Joel Bennett, Dick Murdock, Barry Byrd and Ryan Burns.

State Capital

HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — Although it's not known if expected changes in the federal budget may necessitate changes in the state tax structure, Gov. George W. Bush says he doubts a tax hike will be needed in 1998-99.

After speaking at a meeting of state agency directors last week, Bush pointed to the "strong performance" of the state budget in the last biennium, and said, "I don't believe we need to raise taxes."

Like Bush, Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock and House Speaker Pete Laney have spoken optimistically about the possibility of producing another budget with no new taxes.

Laney said a revised tax structure might include new state taxes on businesses, such as a gross receipts tax and a value-added tax, but quipped, "Nobody ever came to me and asked, 'Please, I want you to raise my taxes.'"

State Rep. Rob Junell, D-San Angelo, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, which writes the state budget, made his concern plain: "Does anybody have a clue what Washington is going to do?"

Texas Teachers' Salaries Lag

Texas teachers' salaries lagged more than \$5,000 behind the national average for 1994-95, the president of the Texas State Teachers Association, said last week.

Richard Kouri, TSTA president, said a recent survey shows the average annual salary of a Texas teacher was \$31,223, while the national average was \$36,874.

But Kouri pointed to a hopeful sign for teachers in a preliminary 1995-96 survey. More than 900 Texas school districts have given state-funded pay raises for the current school year, ranging from \$100 a month to \$600 a month, to 189,000 teachers.

"Our survey of 974 school districts shows that most Texas school districts did pass through the bulk of the additional salary money appropriated by the Legislature for

teachers," Kouri said.

Last spring, the Legislature appropriated \$271 million to increase teachers' base pay. Districts where salaries exceeded the state minimum were not required to offer increases.

Failing Students Promoted?

On another education front, the president of a teachers group said a survey shows that tens of thousands of failing students are being "socially promoted."

John Cole, president of the Texas Federation of Teachers, said that social promotions — designed to keep students with others their own age — are widespread in Texas, based on results of a poll the group conducted in November.

Almost 40 percent of the 2,132 teachers who responded to the survey said failing students were promoted even though teachers recommended they be retained.

"The results of that survey confirm what many of us have suspected: School administrators override teachers' grades and simply promote students from one grade to the next even though those students have failed their classes," Cole said.

Cole estimated about 150,000 of Texas 3.6 million public school students were promoted last year despite failing their courses.

But the survey findings are being questioned by some administrators, who dispute the contention that social promotion is widespread.

"I think we have to keep in mind that the number of respondents is small compared to the number of teachers in the state," said Johnny Veselka, executive director of the Texas Association of School Administrators. Texas school districts employ more than 200,000 teachers.

Veselka also noted that the survey doesn't break out whether students failed one class, such as art, which is not required for graduation, or all classes.

Other Capital Highlights

■ Oklahoma sent 77 more prisoners to private prisons in Texas, bringing the total to 411, officials said. Corrections Department spokesman Jerry Massie said 37 inmates were transferred to the Mansfield Law Enforcement Center and 40 went to the Limestone County Detention Center in Groesbeck. Both are medium-security facilities.

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Music

by Paul D. Jones, Church of Christ

Parents often talk to their children about their music. We mention that what the kids are listening to is not music, just noise. Our parents said the same about our music when we were teenagers. Teens and their music is not the topic for this article. But it does illustrate the point we want to make in this article.

Music influences us. It can make us feel good or it can be very depressing. It can lift us to a higher plane or put us in the gutter. God knew this when he had Paul write that the brethren were to teach one another in psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. To illustrate this, look at lessons we get from beautiful songs.

There is a God and in Him we live and survive. Stand still and see His glory. None is so mighty as He. Great is His faithfulness. My heavenly Father understands. Jesus is the Great Redeemer. Even winds whisper His name. His name is wonderful. Wonderful grace of Jesus. Because He lives, I can face tomorrow. There's just something about that name. Because He is Lord, we bow down. Yes, I believe in Jesus.

When we look at His life, we say, O what a Savior! We read His life, read His suffering and death and say "how can the night be so long? Then came the morning!!! He is risen. He is alive!!! Oh, I want to see Him. He says, Follow Me. Each step I take just leads closer home. As we go along, give the world a smile each day. Help to lift someone's load along the way.

He knows just what I need. No one ever cared for me like Jesus. Even in troublesome times. Burdens are lifted at Calvary. In the hour of trial, Jesus, plead for me. Lord, keep me safe till the storm passes by. The Lord will find a way for me. Lord, I want to love you more.

Do you know my Jesus? He said, "Come unto me and I will give you rest." As we sing these songs we will have peace in the valley. We are bound for the promised land. We know we will be happy over there. Yes, God said for us to sing. He knew we needed it. Sing and be happy.

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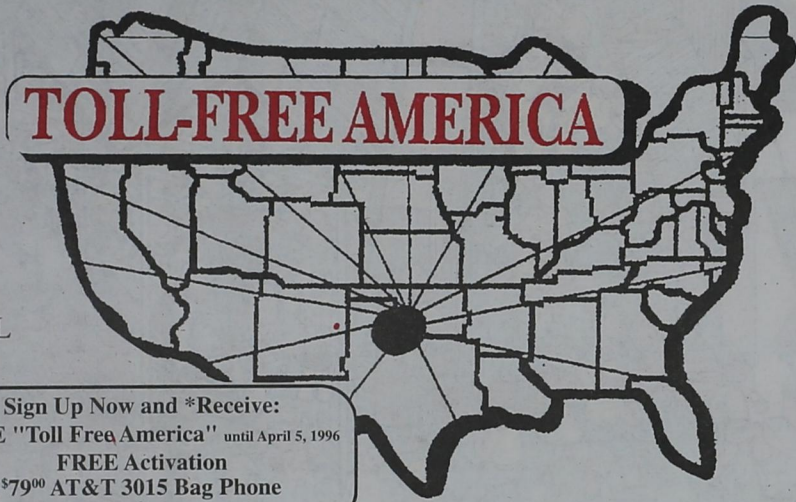
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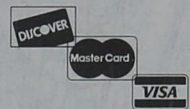


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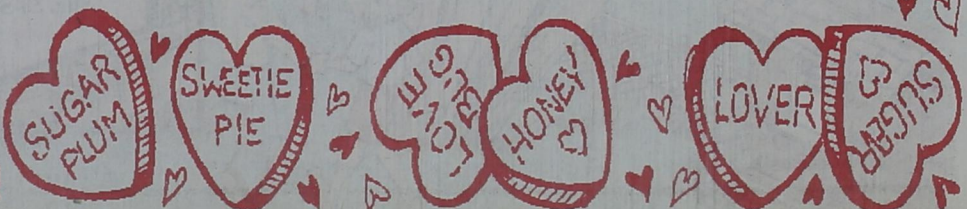
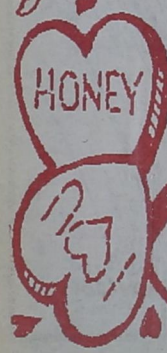
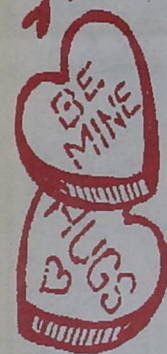
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"Cowboy Night" at the Tower is hosted by Blue Prairie and features music by The New Pioneers, entertaining with the famous music of Bob Wills, The Sons of the Pioneers, Roy Rogers and Marty Robbins.

The evening will also include trick roper Brice Chapman and cowboy poet Howlin' Harry Wolf.

The country and western show is a really family entertainment event, which starts at 7 p.m. Saturday, February 2. Tickets are \$7.50 and \$6.50. Special discounts for parties of eight or more are \$6.50 and \$5.50. Tickets may be purchased at the door or by calling 806-495-3461 or 495-3854.

Unplugging the Christmas machine

by Jo Moore
Los Milagros Herb Farm

This year our family unplugged the Christmas machine. No house eaves edged in colored lights that no one could see for miles around, no painted plasticene Santa, sleigh and reindeer set gallivanting across our front lawn next to the bar ditch, and no tinsel dripping, flock frosted dying evergreen to adorn our living room. One might gather that we were echoing the words of Charles Dickens' Scrooge, "Bah Humbug!" To the contrary, we truly celebrated the spirit of Christmas in all its simplicity and in all its glory.

Our holiday began in early December, in Lubbock, in what has become a Christmas tradition since we moved here from Dallas two years ago. John and Mary Bess Edwards from New Home, Texas provided gaily decorated carriage rides pulled by their gentle draft horses, John and Big N. Four and a half year old Nicholas scrambled up to his privileged spot beside Mary Bess, while I sat snug and cozy beneath the carriage quilt as I chatted with Santa Claus about the spirit of the season.

On the home front, our family prepared for the coming season by celebrating Advent with the lighting of the candles each Sunday. We gathered around the Advent candles and as we lit them, we said "Our lighted candle is glowing, Making our darkness bright, Shining on our family, Gathered here tonight." We focused on light and warmth one Sunday, the miracle of birth another, peace on the third Sunday, and finally, the family. For the twelve days before Christmas, Nicholas displayed a nativity figure and told us the story of Jesus' birth in Bethlehem. It was joyful, focused and serene.

Country dwellers by necessity have managed their resources well. They recycled and reused before the concept became popular. Years ago while still living in the city, I clipped out an article, from a country magazine, on creating a tree for the birds, and this year we decorated several Christmas trees, outdoors. Nicholas and I recycled several plastic gallon milk jugs and 2 liter soft drink bottles, adorning them with stickers, taping them with bits of Christmas wrap and funny paper, and cutting holes large enough for the birds to feed out of. We then filled them with the grain sorghum seed left by the combines from the field surrounding our home, tied a bright red ribbon from the handle and decorated our fir trees.

We didn't stop there. We were inspired, halving oranges and scooping out the insides for us for later, threading wire to hang them from and filling them up with birdseed. And then there were the fallen pine cones we gathered and rolled in peanut butter and birdseed, reattaching them to the trees for a natural bird feeder.

Nicholas and I had so much fun and the birds so enjoyed a winter treat that we're going to design cranberry and popcorn garlands for next year. One distinct advantage I discovered about having an outdoor Christmas tree was no dried pine needles to vacuum. Nature reclaimed her own.

The main attraction that stands out this holiday season was the annual Post, Texas Christmas parade. Nicholas had the opportunity to ride in Jerry Osborn's vintage 1942 fire truck, replete with running boards and a wooden ladder.

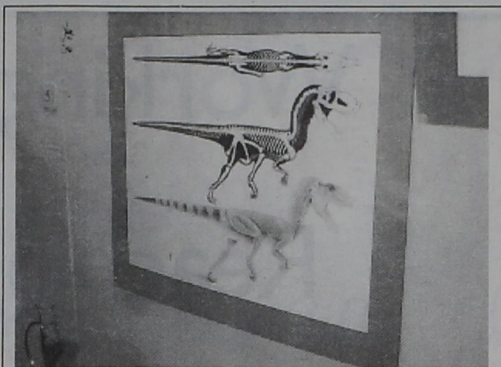
I'm not sure who had the most fun when I lined up on main Street after Old Mill Trade Days and saw my husband, Gid, grinning and waving from the passenger seat holding Nicholas in his lap. Our holidays were like something out of a Norman Rockwell painting... simply wonderful!



Brice Chapman will perform at the Tower Theater, downtown Post, in the "Cowboy Nite" Saturday evening.



Cowboy poet Howlin' Harry Wolfe will entertain guests at the Tower Theater Saturday evening.



The current exhibits at the OS Museum will be a real treat for visitors... specimens from the Neyland Site show how life was lived in Garza County 230 million years ago. Drawings on display at the museum are by Michael Nicholl, a Texas Tech University graduate whose paleontology art has been printed in National Geographic magazine.

OS Museum displays Triassic Period specimens

The OS Museum, located in downtown Post at 201 E. Main Street, opens its "Echoes of the Past" exhibit this weekend, highlighting recent paleontology discoveries in Garza County.

The museum, which is open Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m., is free to visitors. There is an elevator for the convenience of visitors.

The exhibit has been planned and mounted by museum science students from Texas Tech University. In addition to the Neyland Site artifacts, the exhibit also features Asian antique pieces from the collection of Giles McCrary.

For additional information, call 806-495-2051.

'The Man Who Came to Dinner' continues at Garza Theatre

The Garza Theatre kicks off the 1996 season with "The Man Who Came to Dinner," which opened January 26 and continues this weekend and next, with performances Friday and Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon.

The Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman comedy is a C.A.T.S. production, directed by Ric Wells.

Tim McIntire, Steve Sever and Laura "Mac" Bryan star in the show. Other cast members are Post favorites Anne Sims, Anna Wilson, Amber Conoly, Kenneth Shronk and Christy Morris.

Tickets for the shows are \$8 for adults and \$5 for students ages six to 12. Tickets may be purchased at the box office Monday through Friday noon to 5 p.m. or on show nights, noon until curtain time. Reservations may be made by calling the box office at 495-4005.

We're reaching out... way out

by Wesley W. Burnett
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Your friendship is a cherished gift. Barbara Womble, Jo Mathews

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Thanks so much and we hope you prosper.

Sincerely,
Lynn Wells Rumley
Textile Heritage Center
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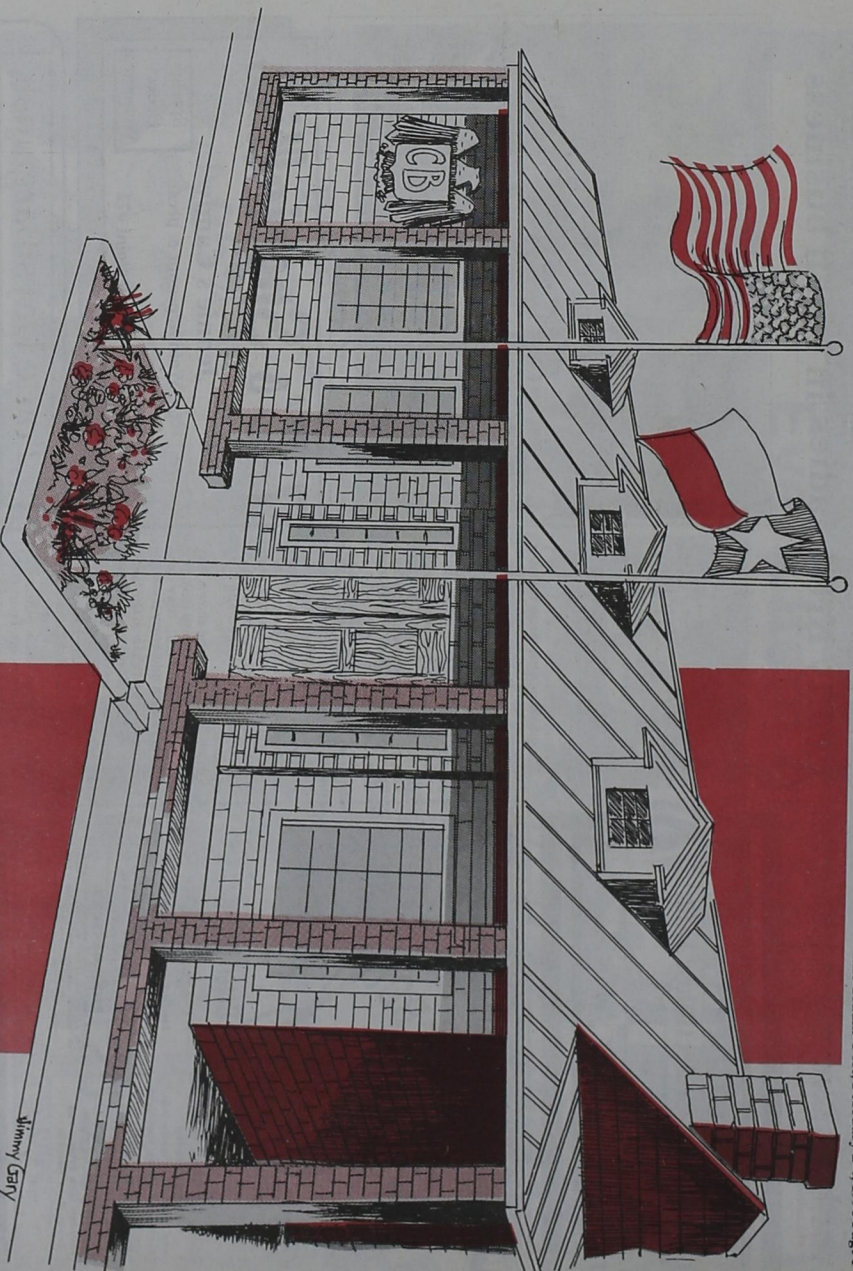
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Crafty Kress ladies in retail business

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What began as a hobby for long time friends Barbara Morphis and Lou Bevell, has turned into a booming business. Using sewing skills that were sharpened as a result of sewing school clothes for their daughters, an array of beautiful garments are now being made that are making their way to craft shows all over the state of Texas.

Barbara and Lou's heritage of sewing was instilled deeply because of their mother's and grandmother's skills and influence.

The husbands of these talented ladies, Carl Bevell and Loyd Morphis, have been an encouragement from the beginning. A great deal of time is required to prepare for the shows and these gentlemen have been supportive of their wives. In addition to the beautiful tapestry vests and jackets that Barbara and Lou create, they also make precious bears and angels. Their quality work is very unique.

The entire crafting experience has brought a great deal of joy to their lives. Barbara and Lou state they have learned so much from veteran vendors at the many shows they have participated in. The vendors are a wonderful group of honest, sincere people who look out for one another and offer encouragement and friendship.

When speaking of the shows, they admit that it is not always easy. It is so enjoyable though, they look forward to each and every show.

From their first show in Quitaque, Texas in June of this year, Barbara and Lou have traveled many miles and made countless friends. The friendship that exists between one another is the basis of the success of their partnership that they've christened "Keep You in Stitches".

Laughter is an integral part of the business. It is an outward expression of the joy they've found in the business they are pursuing. From making their crafts to setting up the displays, there always seems to be plenty of things to smile and laugh about.



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Miracle of Los Milagros Herb Farm by Sheree Butler

You missed out if you did not catch the VISTA page in the Lubbock Avalanche Journal, Wednesday, January 10, 1996, edition. The story written by Marty Reves was very interesting and told me we have taken Jo's talent with herbs for granted. Photographs taken by Joe Don Buckner were beautiful and showed off six flavors of Jo's herb vinegars.

Several recipes to be used along with the herb vinegars were listed in the article. They sounded delicious and stirred-up my taste buds. These recipes are included with every purchase. Health-conscious cooks use these vinegars for flavor and to cut out fat and cholesterol.

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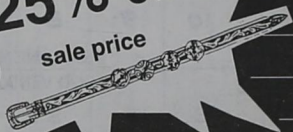
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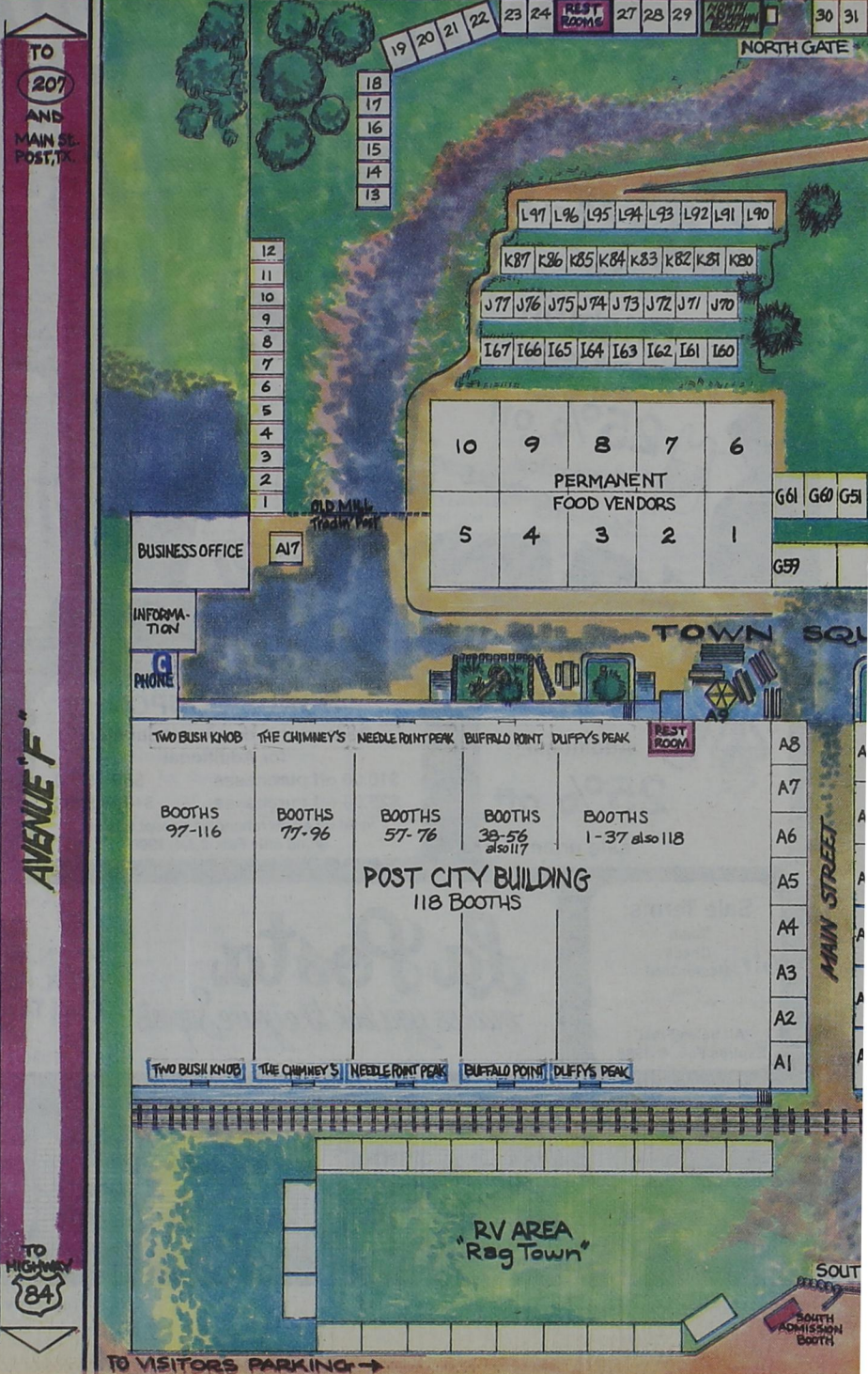
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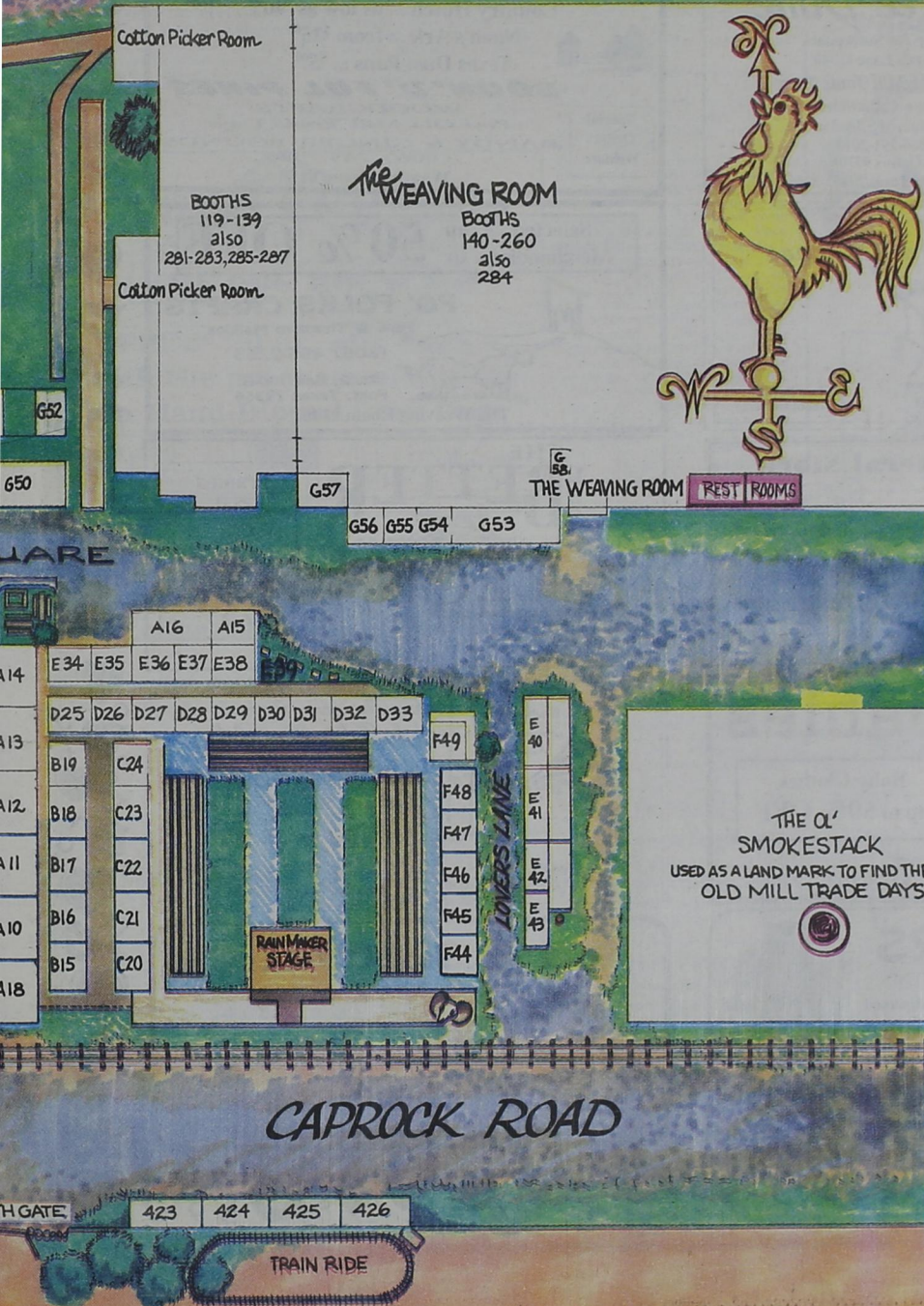
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Vendor Corner

by Sheree Butler

During the last Old Mill Trade Days, I spent time with vendors visiting about The Tradin' Post and checking to see how the event was going for them. I was curious to find out if everyone was up to date on the distribution and realized the value of The Tradin' Post. What started to be truly an informative time, turned out to be the most fun I have had in a while. Sincerely, I enjoyed talking with those that had time, but I appreciate all of you.

The Tradin' Post is extremely important to each business. It is an asset we cannot afford to ignore. Customers and vendors want more information about what is going on at Old Mill Trade Days. First and foremost, I want to express The Tradin' Post is for you! Please use

it. Any intriguing information you can contribute, please do. If Wesley Burnett, editor, does not make it by to see you Friday or Sunday, please see me. Your stories will add interest and we will appreciate the participation. Together we can make The Tradin' Post more alluring and continue printing larger quantities. Interviewing the vendors during the slower times, like Friday and Sunday morning, will become part of each event. Start writing down your ideas and remembering your best stories because I will be coming to visit you!

The Tradin' Post has been inserted in newspapers from Spur, Snyder, Lamesa, Slaton, Tahoka, Rotan, Crosbyton, Levelland, and

Brownfield. The distribution will keep growing only if we contribute to and support the tabloid. Since the first print, six issues and 56,500 tabloids were distributed and we want to continue large quantities to allow more inserting in area towns. This is the best tool we have right now as far as advertising so surely we want to proceed. The visitors get excited when they receive The Tradin' Post the week before Trade Days instead of at the gate when they arrive, especially because of the directory map. The grounds look interesting and appealing so they plan to attend. Don't forget, Wesley is rebating a percentage of the advertising dollars spent in The Tradin' Post back to Old Mill Trade Days. We use this rebate to do more advertising!

Let's talk a little bit about what happened Dec. 29-31 event. First it was cold, but thank the Lord the snow waited until Monday! It was surprising, but Sunday afternoon was beautiful. I was very disappointed with vendor participation. Sales were good and although attendance was down from previous events, we had about the same number of visitors that came last year during this time. When events fall on holiday weekends, it can be fantastic or not. The 1996 calendar shows no event date on News Years Eve or News Years Day. I want to, again, thank those that were open Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. With so many businesses closed visitors were very disappointed, especially those here for the first time. We realize some vendors were unable to attend because of sickness, emergencies, and deaths in their families, and we do understand there are always exceptions. Appreciation goes to those committed enough to persevere, after all it takes all of us

to make Old Mill Trade Days a true success.

A run down on where some of the visitors were from, by the way lots were visiting family for the holidays

and came from far away places. I hope they go home with positive things to say. Patsy Willford, owner of "Taste of Home" located

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Vendor Corner

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States she remembered were Illinois, Kansas, Colorado, California, North Carolina, and Oklahoma. Patsy said most of these visitors were here for their first time and were overwhelmed. Zoe Kirkpatrick, owner of the "Gypsy Wagon" in Duffy's Peak, added that she visited with a couple from England. She was also pleased one of her repeat customers from Spring, Texas, located near Houston, visited and shopped.

There are some new ideas in store that will keep the fervor alive. This month we have already seen many businesses redecorating and making improvements to their displays. The management is enthusiastic about the improvements and new businesses. Sometimes a face-lift is all your display needs to attract new or repeat customers. Visitors like to think they are seeing something new. The management and staff are all excited about the new year as we hope you are. Wishing you the best success possible in 1996 . . . sh.

Post City's first newspaper was published November 4, 1909. Stockton Henry was the publisher. It was a weekly called "Post City Post."



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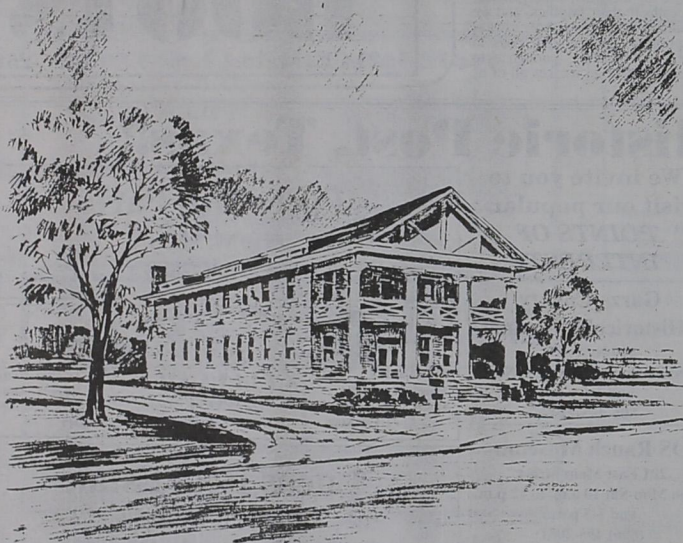
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Interesting interviews with vendors

by Sheree Butler

Patsy Williford *Taste of Home and This N' That Gifts*

I really enjoyed talking to Patsy Williford from *Taste of Home* food concession located on Main Street and owner of *This N' That Gifts* located in Duffy's Peak. When Patsy and I sat down to begin her interview, she was busy with her friends and customers from Ballinger, Texas. Patsy is clearing out Christmas and some wonderful gift items to make room for the new merchandise she will be adding to *This N' That Gifts*. She also added a space in her third booth for a continual bargain corner. I had to hurry this interview along because I wanted to shop before all the goodies were gone!

Patsy and her husband Herb Williford are from Seminole, Texas and one of the first committed to a food concession business. The casseroles and desserts will spoil you intentionally! Turkey legs and sausage-on-a-stick are main menu items too, but they offer so much more. The three inside spaces for her craft and gift booth have been here since the first event in April of 1994. Patsy is very excited about the future of Old Mill Trade Days and The Tradin' Post. It does not take long to see her enthusiasm and she will tell you in a heartbeat that she loves Old Mill Trade Days. Marvin and I appreciate the support and wonderful businesses she has established here at Old Mill Trade Days.

Patsy shared, the tabloid has been very good to her and she considers the response very profitable to her businesses. She takes extra tabloids with her after each event and distributes them to the doctors' offices, beauty shops and other businesses. They pass them on to family and friends when they are finished reading them. The directory map inspires them to come if they have not yet been and she puts her location on her ad so visitors can find her. Patsy wants to try a promotion ad, to tract her advertising more closely.

Patsy and I discussed The Tradin' Post and she thought more stories about fellow vendors would be an improvement. She said she is so busy during events, the stories interest her and she could learn more about the other businesses. More pictures put names with the faces and that helps me remember! She thinks vendors should contribute articles from other papers when they have been recognized and honored or given publicity about their business, so we can print them in The Tradin' Post to share with each other. Patsy continues to encourage bus groups from churches and other civic organizations to attend. We do allow half price admission to bus groups and they are elated about this in Seminole.

I asked Patsy how this event was for her and she said, "Friday was cold, Saturday was not as bad, Sunday was beautiful and in the craft booth sales were fantastic! Another vendor in Duffy's Peak had the best Friday she had ever had. I am making plans now to improve my food concession to give visitors a comfortable place to sit! The sales were down from last year at this time in the food concession. I was not disappointed because in any business there will be down times. We should prepare for this when sales are good.

Patsy said her customers were from everywhere and most of them were visiting relatives for the

holidays in the Lubbock and Abilene area. Travelers saw the highway signs, too. She apologized a lot for the businesses that were closed, but the customers were still impressed and said they would be back. One lady from North Carolina said she would be back to visit in the summer when the outside entertainment and booths would be open.

I asked Patsy how she felt about the advertising Old Mill Trade Days is doing? She said, "Advertising has been good and as we grow, we are reaching farther. Old Mill Trade Days is doing their part as far as promotion. Vendor participation is part of it and will improve as the attitudes are more-positive. Vendors should be open during advertised hours and the customers should not go away disappointed. At 5:00, Friday I made \$100.00 sale, Saturday at 6:00, a gentleman came by to buy food to take home. I think we owe it to the customers and commitment to your business means commitment to Old Mill Trade Days and that equals success. Like I said earlier, there are slow times but during good shows we make up for the slow months."

We also discussed how Patsy felt about the growth and changes since Old Mill Trade Days started. Patsy said, "The growth and improvement comes from the individuality of each booth and the outside buildings, that is what makes us unique. Some need to take a little more pride in the appearance of their booth and

instead of not participating, talk to the visitors, ask them where they are from or if this is their first visit. Ask them if they have ever been to place like this and even ask for their comments. Get them to write our office so we know what they would like to see or expect."

Patsy ended by saying, "The Sunday Service this morning gave me a lift and I heard a testimony that was very rewarding. The Christian attitude and family oriented environment is the thing I love most. The service reminded me when we are trying to do something good, evil works against it but, here, we have come out winners every time. Let's work together and love one and another as the golden rule says: Do unto others as you would have them do unto you. I have not been disappointed and I think the Lord has blessed us. I really do. Old Mill Trade Days will keep growing and the visitors will keep talking and the word will keep spreading. The Lord has blessed me with good help. I employ several people from Post, and it has been worth it to hire help to keep consistent advertised hours. This is how I have built a repeat customer base. I also get calls during the month outside of Trade Days and I owe this business to repeat customers and my commitment to handling their needs. We have new people but many of our visitors come every month."

Patsy is proud to have a new neighbor at *The Catfish Hut*. Dub

and Doris Craig, from Waco, Texas, bought out James Wolke and now owns *The Catfish Hut*. Dub and Doris also own and operate *Chop N' Sop*. Patsy said they are good neighbors and both are excited about 1996.

After my interview with Patsy, I went away with a good, warm feeling. I want to thank Patsy for

her time and her genuine commitment to Old Mill Trade Days. Patsy, you're a jewel. We love you and wish you continued success. . . sb

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Interesting interviews with vendors

by Sheree Butler

Zoe Kirkpatrick from *The Gypsy Wagon* located in Duffy's Peak.

Mrs. Kirkpatrick opened *The Gypsy Wagon*, located in Duffy's Peak, The Post City Building, in April of 1994, the first Old Mill Trade Days event. Zoe has an exceptional business and offers very unique gift items and collectible

merchandise. She has a marvelous flair for the unusual and rare antiques, primitives, rustic southwest items and western americana. Zoe is a native to Post, Texas, and is also known for her writing, a true talent. She has published a book, *Wild Flowers of the Western Plains*, which she also promotes at *The Gypsy Wagon*.

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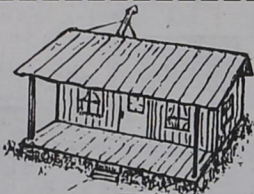
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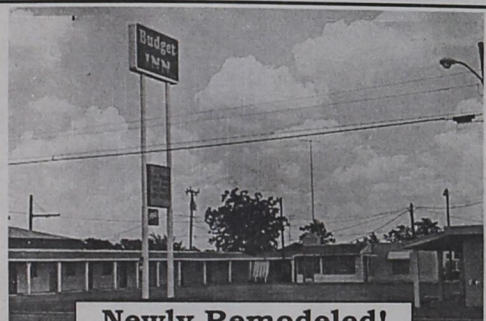


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Zoe and I started off our interview with the question, "How was this event for you?" She said, "I would not have missed it for anything. For me personally, Friday was phenomenal. Attendance was down somewhat, but a lot of the customers had Christmas money and wanted to spend it. I did not get a chance to visit with many other vendors but most of them were having fairly good days. Saturday and Sunday leveled off to be fair, but totaled up it was a wonderful weekend for me. I have noticed sometimes when I've had a weekend not 'tip top' in sales someone else has had a fantastic one. That's the way it works. I was surprised and delighted but even if I had known we were only going to have one hundred people here I still would have opened."

When I asked Zoe about vendor participation, she wondered if the vendors that chose not to open up didn't hurt themselves because it was heard in the voices of the customers. She heard a lot of people say it was their first visit and she hopes it will not turn these first timers away. We always have people here that haven't been before and I love to ask where they are from. Zoe had one customer from North Carolina, a Slaton native, that was very impressed with Old Mill Trade Days. She said she could not find things like she saw here at home and bought a sizeable amount. Zoe commented, "I had company from Colorado at my house and they couldn't believe Old Mill Trade Days. They were boggled and I tried to tell them what they were in for but when they saw it for themselves they were amazed."

Zoe has some repeat customers and knows that if you don't keep consistent hours you disappoint them. She feels that commitment from each individual vendor absolutely contributes to the overall success of Old Mill Trade Days. The vendors are vital, they are the life blood. The way one conducts his business affects not only himself, but his neighbors and the overall health of Old Mill Trade Days.

We talked about how Old Mill Trade Days has grown and changed in the past two years. Zoe said, "I am very pleased with the growth and improvements. I wish every booth and building was full but I realize that does not happen over night. We need to remain positive, spread the good word and we will continue to grow."

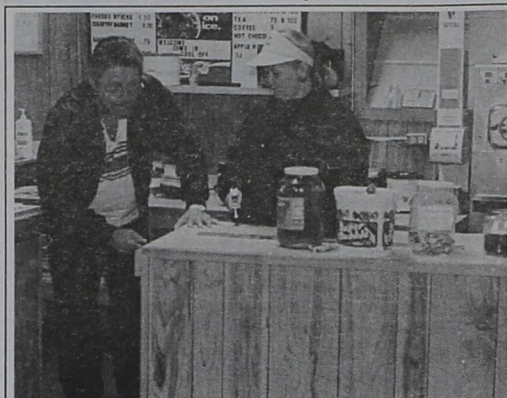
As we talked about the tabloid, Zoe commented, "The tabloid is the best idea we have had recently. A couple from Midland came last month simply because of the tabloid. They said they saw it in their newspaper and thought Old Mill Trade Days looked so interesting, they would just drive on over here. I think the planned interviews with the vendors and customers will be great. It will help us get to know each other better. The customers thoroughly enjoy reading the tabloid and the articles about the vendors. I think they would enjoy reading about other customers too."

She added, "I am excited and enjoy Trade Days so much. I do

not have a shop anywhere else and I look forward to this each month. I wouldn't miss it for anything."

I want to say thank you, Zoe. I always enjoy visiting with you. I have a true respect for you and every time we talk, I learn something new. The information you gave, when we were trying to

name the rooms and buildings, was greatly appreciated but also with your knowledge of Post, very interesting. Thank you for being a part of Old Mill Trade Days and I wish you continued success with *The Gypsy Wagon*. Be sure to go by and visit with Zoe, it will truly be a pleasure... sb



Walter and Savannah Morris have been working almost all month, remodeling and getting things fixed up at their new food booth, "The Dog House," which is located at permanent vendor booth number 8.

'The Dog House' opens its doors...

The Dog House, located in the permanent food isle #8, is owned and operated by Savannah and Walter Morris of Lubbock.

They offer hand-dipped corn dogs, cheese on a stick, frozen yogurt, cotton candy, Frito pies, french fries with gravy or chili and a breakfast consisting of sausage, biscuits and gravy. They also have a choice of soft drinks, coffee, tea and hot chocolate.

They have had a booth at Old Mill Trade Days since the first event. During the other weekends of the month they travel to other events and operate a food concession, so they were really happy to have the opportunity to be able to have this concession here at Trade Days.

"Savannah and I have watched Trade Days come a long way since it's beginning nearly two years ago and we are real proud to be a part of the continuing and future growth of Trade Days," said Walter.

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