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New jail procedures implemented by Sheriff

by Sheri Lewis

The Garza County Sheriff's Department, in response to the escape and suicide of one of its inmates last week, has adopted a number of changes in an effort to make the jail safer and more secure.

"The safety issue is paramount," Sheriff Kenny Ratke said Monday morning. "That is number one. These people (inmates) will be safely and closely managed."

Some of the changes implemented over the past few days include: · Department employees were advised to utilize off-duty staff,

regardless of the expense of overtime, to maintain the proper number of individuals on hand to safely handle the various duties of the sheriff's department.

• Sheriff's department employees were given access to funds in the "seizure account" to purchase belly chains, ankle restraints, gun safes for use in offices, etc.

· No inmate will go anywhere without being in the close custody of a jailer or a deputy.

 All inmates, both incoming and outgoing, will be strip-searched each and every time they leave or enter the jail facility.

visitation" will be implemented when jail population numbers are

The incident triggering the move toward stepped-up security at the jail occurred last Tuesday during a departmental transport of a 37-year-old inmate to an Abilene correctional facility. Kenneth Limbaugh, who had been a trustee, apparently found a .22-caliber Jennings semi-automatic pistol while handling his duties as trustee,

Garza County jail ruled most over crowded in Texas

Garza County commissioners met in emergency session last Thursday in response to a Texas Commission on Jail Standards (TCJS) letter which labeled the local jail as "the most crowded jail in the state."

The two-hour executive session, conducted behind closed doors, included a discussion of security matters at the Garza County jail and ideas as to "how to better control things," County Judge Giles Dalby said. No formal action was taken.

Dalby said the session was called in response to the TCJS letter her presentation to 15 minutes. dated Jan. 30 and addressed to the judge and Sheriff Kenny Ratke.

Signed by TCJS Executive Director Jack E. Crump, the letter read: "I have again reviewed the population at the Garza County Jail and see that you are still exceeding capacity. As a matter of fact, the population has increased appreciably since my last letter (written Dec. 2) and you now have the dubious honor of having the most overcrowded jail in the state. I know that you are continuing with your proposal to create a 1,000 capacity facility that will also accommodate your excess population. Can you continue to operate the facility consistent with standards as the population increases, particularly since there is no definitive date for completion of the pri- ply a "part of the school atmosphere" and only exclusions to this to continue. vately developed facility?"

In response to Crump's correspondence, commissioners reviewed possible methods of relieving the problem of overcrowding at the jail, as well as discussed the apparent need for additional deputies and correctional officers, Dalby said. Possible solutions include the enclosure of the existing "runaround" area at the jail, converting it into a visitation room; converting the existing "drunk tank" into additional cells; and reworking the jail's garage area into space that could be used to house inmates.

missioners also discussed the possibility of working out an agreement which would allow Garza County to house the county's inmate overage in the planned 1,000-bed correctional facility. That proposal, however, is not an immediate answer to the overcrowded conditions cited by the TCJS official in his letter.

ing county jail facilties - was also discussed. "This overcrowding is something we've got to try to address," Dalby

said Friday morning. "How we're going to do it, I don't know for sure. But we've got to do something."

The existing jail facility, built by the county in 1975, is certified to hold seven inmates. As of Friday morning, Dalby said, the jail contained 18 inmates. The jail's average daily population currently stands at about 12 and for the past few weeks has consistently been operating at or above 100 percent above its certified capacity. Most inmates in the jail are awaiting trial on felony charges or scheduled to be transported to state prison units.

Dalby said the overcrowded conditions in the Garza County Jail are due primarily to the "state being so backed up."

according to reports. He used the weapon during the transport to commandeer the vehicle and make his escape near the Tye community off of I-20. Minutes later, when he realized he was surrounded by law enforcement agents, he shot himself in the chest with the service weapon he had taken from the reserve deputy in charge of the transport.

Ratke said the gun Limbaugh used in his escape appears to have been a weapon that had been stored in the evidence locker of the local jail but had been removed from the locker by a deputy working on paperwork to have the gun awarded to the county. Contrary to department regulations, the gun was left unsecured in a desk in the deputy's office where it was found by Limbaugh. The inmate was not "shaken down," or searched, prior to his transport to the Abilene

Post ISD plans each and every time they leave or enter the jail facility. On-duty staff will be doubled during inmate visitation and "split facility. Lope stadium

Antelope Stadium will be getting a facelift in the next few months thanks to action taken by the school board Monday evening.

The board agreed to let for bids on aluminum bleachers to be used to replace the aging wooden seats at the football field. Plans call for new bleachers to be added on both the home and visitors' sides of the field. The district plans to handle the removal of the old bleachers in-house, saving about \$10,000 on the total cost.

District officials said they hope to have the bleachers in place in time for the 1998 football season.

High school principal Joe Giddens reported that the ag classes are working on plans to upgrade the visitors' press box. Work is also being done to add restrooms. Plans are also in the works to rework the ticket booth and the area near the concession stand.

The board also heard from a parent, Rhonda Hosey, who was on hand to voice her concerns over a recent situation involving her daughter at the high school. The board wanted to discuss the matter in executive session, but Hosey asked that the discussion be conducted in open session, pointing out that she was questioning policy and not airing complaints against any individual. The board granted her request but advised her to remain on the "policy" topic and limit

Hosey told the board that despite extensive research she had been Hospital District president Jack Alexander on January 13, 1998. unable to locate a written school district policy allowing a student to be "detained behind closed doors and interrogated without a parent 1, 1996, upon the official closure of the Garza Memorial Hospital, or guardian being notified." The school district's attorney, on hand for the session, responded by saying that an administrator or teacher has the right to "visit" with a student concerning school matters, disciplinary matters and other matters

Hosey asked several times if this policy was a written one and where it could be found. The attorney said that such interactions are simpolicy are written.

vate, after-school time" activities. The attorney said that would dement: pend on the facts of the situation involved.

Hosey then asked the board if there was any action a parent could take to ensure "parental rights" to sit in on such an "interrogation" and, if there was no such policy, could one be adopted. The attorney said that under the Student Code of Conduct, there are allowances for parental notice. Hosey said is familiar with the policy requiring In addition to revamping the jail facility to add inmate space, com- notification of parents within 24 hours but that it is not being enforced. Dr. Bobby Bain, superintendent, answered Hosey, saying that the administration, in an effort to help students in becoming more responsible, often uses discretion in an effort to allow students to try to work things out on their own.

"If it's serious enough there's going to... be something discipline-A more immediate solution - placing some inmates in neighbor- wise, we do contact the parent," he said, adding that a parent is routinely not called if it is something the student can easily work out on his or her own.

> Bain also advised Hosey that if she wanted to be notified of any action taken on her child's or children's behalf, she could put that in writing and provide copies to the school office and her wishes would be followed.

> "I am under the impression that parents are partners in education," Hosey said, asking why there is not more parental involvement in the middle and high schools. "We need something to help us parents stay informed The community wants to get involved and there's a brick wall there."

Bain agreed, saying the district would greatly appreciate more (Continued on Page 6)

Post Notes

Arts A La Carte

Arts A La Carte luncheon will be Thursday, February 12 from 12 noon to 1 p.m. at the Algerita Arts Center featuring Gladys Blair with her stand-up comedy routine.

Girls Softball Sign-ups

Sign-ups for girls softball will be from 6 to 7 p.m. on February 5th and also on February 12 at the Norwest Bank Community Room. Any girls ages 11-16 interested in playing fast or slow pitch or both need to attend one of these sign-ups. A \$15 registration fee and a copy of your birth certificate are required.

Garza Trailblazers bake sale

A Valentine bake sale will be held by the Garza Trailblazers (Senior Citizens) at United, Saturday, February 14, 1998 from 9 a.m. until sold out.

Parenting Classes

Parenting classes presented by Buckner Children Home will be held every Tuesday from 6 to 8 p.m. in the teachers lounge at the Grade School.

Communication skills, stress relief, nurturing and relationship builder and more will are discussed. A very relaxed atmosphere with children welcome and a dinner will be provided.

Post Head Start selling chocolate bars

The Post Head Start will be selling World's Finest Chocolate Bar for \$1 a bar. Monies will go for Educational Fieldtrips and end of the year school party.

Commerce and Tourism Banquet

The annual Commerce and Tourism Bureau Banquet will be held on Saturday, February 21, 1998 at the Post Community Center at 7 p.m. Tickets are on sale from the Commerce and Tourism Office or any director for \$12 each. The theme for this years banquet in Post....2000!

Annual MYF volleyball tournament

First United Methodist Youth are sponsoring a volleyball tournament on Saturday, February 21. Double elimination, \$60 per team. 6-8 players per team (minimum of 3 females). Team captains call Patty Payne at 495-2624 or Voda Beth Gradine at 495-2070 by noon on Thursday, February 19.

Wanted: Old Garza textiles

Anyone who has any old textiles (Garza sheets, pillowcases, etc.) from Burlington Industries in Post who would be interested in displaying them in a museum please call Randy White at 495–3138 and leave a message.

Methodist Church food drive

First United Methodist Church of Post is having a food drive to benefit Post Meals on Wheels. We will be accepting canned and/or boxed food items thru the month of February. Please drop your donations by the church office at 216 W. 10th between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, 123 N. Ave. K. or KPOS from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Southland ISD Open House

The family members of Southland students are invited to attend Southland's Spring Open House on February 26, 1998 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in Southland Gym. Free hamburgers will be served from 6 to 6:45 p.m. and visits with teachers from 6:45 to

MAD DADS presents music spectucular

MAD DADS will present A Bluegrass Spectacular at the Post Elementary School Auditorium on February 28, 1998 at 6 p.m. Featured bands will be Sundown from Odessa; Pecos Vally from Artesia, N.M.; and Rambling Rascals from Lubbock.

Advance tickets are \$5 and \$7 at the door. For tickets and

information contact Mad Dads Inc. at 495-1244

Questions raised about Garza Hosptial contract

by Wesley W. Burnett

Here's an interesting twist in administrative procedures: a contract between the Garza Hospital District and Methodist Hospital, originally dated September 30, 1996, was actually signed by Garza

Apparently the terms of that contract were implemented October although the contract could not have been enforced due to the failure of all parties entering into the agreement.

It is also apparent that there was no competitive bidding procedure followed, as is required by state law, which brings into ques-"The definition of interrogation comes into play," the attorney said. tion the validity of the contract. But since no individual or group of citizens in Garza County has demonstrated any interest in challenging this contract, for all practical purposes it has been allowed

We obtained a copy of the contract, paying the hospital district Hosey asked if the policy includes "interrogation concerning pri- \$25 for duplication fees. The following is a summary of the agree-

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Remodeling at the Post Dairy Queen will take a few more weeks, but when finished will present a new image (see story on Page 2). (Photo by Barbe

Gonzales, Salazar announce engagement

Rosa Graciela Gonzales and Raul Jose Salazar are proud to announce their engagement and approaching marriage.

Rosa is the daughter of Rosa Elva Gonzales of Post and Rudy Gonzales of Dallas. She is a graduate of Post High School and a graduate of Miss Wade's Design College with a degree of Arts in Design. She is currently employed by the City of Lubbock Community Development Department.

Raul is the son of Margie and Martin Salazar of Lubbock. He is a graduate of Coronado High School with a Masters of Public Administration from Texas Tech University. He is currently employed by the City of Lubbock Fire Department.

A March 14, 1998 wedding has been set.

New "American Dairy Queen" image goes up at **Post Dairy Queen**

The Post Dairy Queen is getting a facelift.

About four weeks ago, the restaurant temporarily closed its doors to make way for construction crews handling the major remodeling job. Included in the plans are a retrofit to the exterior of the building with the new "American Dairy Queen" image, a new sign package and new lighting, a Blizzard display bar and separate bars for hot and cold food orders, new seating and decor, and equipment that will enable restaurant employees to give three-minute service on food orders. Also planned are remodeled ADA-conforming restrooms.

"Everything in the store will be new basically," said Parrish Chapman of the Chapman Dairy Queen's Bedford offices. "Post folks will be

proud of it when it's done. "The community of Post has been very supportive of Dairy Queen. We're sorry we couldn't do this sooner. We've been wanting to do it for a couple of years but now that it's almost complete, we hope to have one of the highest quality Dairy Queens in the state."

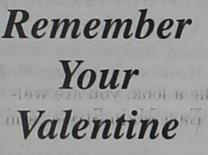
The Post Dairy Queen was built in 1976 and opened its doors Nov. 21 of that year. Since then the store has seen an addition — an expansion was made to the front of the building — and remodeled restrooms, but this is the biggest changes the restaurant has seen in its 20-plus years.

When asked what Chapman Dairy Queen plans to do with the lot Family. just to the north of its building purchased last year, Chapman declined comment.

"It's a secret," he said. "It'll be a little later on."

Plans call for the Dairy Queen restaurant to reopen no later than March 1.

In ancient times many people believed that a forked hazel twig had supernatural powers, hence the idea that divining rods of hazel can be used to find water or minerals underground.



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Rosa Graciela Gonzales and Raul Jose Salazar

Post City Limits

by Leslie C. Acker

"Post-Forward to 2000" is the theme for this year's Post Commerce and Tourism Bureau banquet set for Saturday, February 21st at the Post Community Center. A fun evening is planned for you. For only \$12.50 per person, you can enjoy an LD's Daughters catered dinner, dinner music by Rusty Hudelson, and the personality of Jerry Larned from the sandhills of Monahans, Texas. Jerry, a Top of Texas Hall of Fame Coach, now works for Kent Oil, Midland, and is known for his humorous way of looking at life.

As usual, special people will be recognized for awards highlighted this year by the Garza County Pioneer Award to be presented to the Cecil Smith

Tickets may be purchased at the Bureau's office at 104 S. Broadway (495-3461) or from the Bureau's Directors, including Billy Dorner (Brown Brothers), Gladys Blair and Marie Neff (OS Ranch Museum), Max Haney (Caprock Discount Boots), Brady Sanders (Brady's Package Store), Jim Plummer (Hotel Garza), Charles Baker (Old Mill Trade Days), Cathy Whitten (KPOS), Clay Mercer (Citizens Bank), Treva Yarbro (Fashion Cleaners) or myself.

Finally, you are invited to vote for the Business of the Year and/or Citizen of the Year. Ballots are located at Brady's Package Store, Fashion Cleaners, Higginbotham-Bartlett Co., Caprock Discount Boots, Danish Imports and Citizens Bank. However, the deadline to vote is Sunday, February 15.

(NAPS)-Serving leftovers helps stretch your family's food budget even further. One way to make leftovers more appealing is by making delicious Biscuit Wraps—a fluffy biscuit bursting with meats, cheeses,

Simply keep a can of refrigerated biscuits in your refrigerator and you're ready to make a hatch at any time. Then search the fridge for great ingredients that can be baked right into the biscuits. In minutes you'll have a hot, delicious meal without taking the time to go to the

Here are just two of the endless possibilities for Biscuit Wraps: Taco Biscuit Wraps

1 (12-oz.) can Pillsbury Big Country* Refrigerated Buttermilk

1 cup cooked taco meat

2 cup shredded Cheddar cheese

a cup whole kernel corn

Heat oven to 400 F. Separate dough into 10 biscuits. Press each biscuit into 5-inch round. In small bowl, combine meat, cheese, corn and salsa. Spoon about 2 tablespoons of mixture onto center of each biscuit. Fold dough in half over filling; press edges with fork and seal. Place on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake at 400°F for 10 to 13 minutes or until golden brown. If desired, serve with additional salsa and sour cream.

Variation: To make Roast Beef Biscuit Wraps, follow the above directions, filling the biscuits instead with 1 cup chopped cooked roast beef, 14 cup chopped tomato and 14 cup shredded Cheddar cheese

Birth

Corey Cruse Jr.

Pricilla Torres and Corey Cruse are proud to announce the birth of their son, Corey Deshawn Cruse Jr. He was born January 20, 1998 at 10:03 p.m. in University Medical Center. He weighed 7 lbs. 4 ozs. and was 20 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Toby and Diane Torres of Post. Paternal grandparents are Marion

and Pat Cruse of Post. Maternal great grandparent is

Felipe Gutierrez of Seminole. Paternal great grandparents are

Albert and Delores Harper of Post.

Bluegrass Spectacular set for February 28

"A Bluegrass Spectacular" featuring several area bands will be presented Saturday, Feb. 28, beginning at 6 p.m. at the Post Elementary School auditorium.

Sponsored by the West Texas Bluegrass Association and MAD DADS, Inc., the event will include music by Sundown of Odessa, Pecos Valley from Artesia, N.M., and the Rambling Rascals from Lubbock.

Tickets to the event will be \$5 in advance of \$7 at the door.

Proceeds from the evening's entertainment will benefit the local MAD DADS program.

For more information on the program, contact Rodney Tidwell at 495-1244.

Judy's Jabberin'

By Judy B. Bush

I had a chance to visit for a few minutes the other day with Johny Davenport, and was pleased to hear that he has recieved a patent on the horseshoe that he developed. Johny spent three years developing this horseshoe, and applied for his patent in January of 97 and finally received it in January of 98. The patent is good for twenty years after the date of application. Be looking for a feature story real soon in the Dispatch.



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I hear there is a really good exercise tape available in Post. Seems you can pick it up somewhere on main street. You might ask the guys at Ira Pump?

Ronald and Nancy Thuett have kept the road hot it seems from Post to Parker, Colorado. Their son, Trevor and his family reside in Parker, and Ronald and Nancy spent 10 days with them during Christmas.

Since Christmas, the Thuett's have returned to Parker to stay with their! grandchildren, Caelan and Dalton, while Mom and Dad were on a trip. Sounds like all fun to me.

I had lost touch with Kerry Thuett the last couple of years, and her Mom (Nancy) tells me that Kerri is attending graduate school at Texas Tech, getting her Masters in Biology. Kerry is also a teachers assistant in the Biology Labs at Tech. We wish Kerry the best of luck.

Gladys Hendrix enjoyed a visit from Gene and Loraine Hendrix on Friday the sixth. They all had a nice visit and shared lunch.

All of you that have family in Golden Plains Center might like to know that a bake sale will be held at Golden Plains and United Supermarket parking lot Feb. 21 at 9 a.m. The care center is working to raise money for a big movie popcorn popper for the residents to enjoy.

For an update on our hospital patients, Rusty Dean is still in St. Mary's, but feeling better. I visited with him today and he sounded some better, Cleo Sappington and Roy Josey are still at Methodist so we wish them speedy recovery.

I am happy to report that my Mother-in-law, Lucille Bush, did get to come home Friday, and with a little help is getting better each day. She will be up and out to coffee real soon with that new hip!

Guess I better close out with a reminder to all of you husbands and boyfriends out there. Don't forget that Saturday is Valentines Day. Everyone out there have a happy one and a great weekend.

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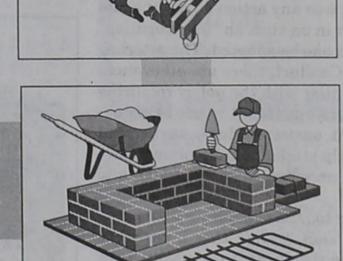
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Garza Theatre presents honors at annual 'Willy Awards'

by Louella Bilberry

On Jan. 24, an elegantly dressed crowd met at an elegantly decorated community center for an elegant evening. The occasion was the 11th Annual Willy Awards presentation sponsored by the Garza Theatre board.

The stage was decorated with festoons of white and silver balloons and white gossamer drapes over white icicle lights. LD's Daughter served a steak dinner with all the trimmings, topped off with delicious cherry cheesecake.

Linda Ellis, president of the theatre board, welcomed all, acknowledged her fellow board members and introduced special guests John Paul Batiste of the Texas Commission on the Arts and Rep. David Counts and his wife.

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Emily Hataway, accompanied Will McCrary.

night was presented by Micaela Eagle for Best Program Cover. The award went to Bill Woodard for the dancing nuns of presented the Willy Award for Blow Your Horn."

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Hosptial contract

"Clinic will be established in the location owned by District and currently occupied by Hospital. District anticipates that the inpa-

tient service currently available at Hospital will be closed on or

before September 30, 1996." Considering the retroactive nature of

the contract, perhaps the wording should be changed to past tense.

The hospital district's liability for indigent care to Methodist Hos-

pital is limited to \$150,000 per year. Considering that less than \$5,000 was expended on indigent care in 1997, this seems to be a

The hospital district agreed to pay for renovation of the hospital

facility to accommodate the clinic. The estimated cost was set between \$250,000 and \$300,000. That seems to be a bit extravagant

to serve 22 Garza County people who were determined to be indi-

gent in 1997. By law, the only authority the hospital district has is

Although the agreement was not signed until Jan. 13, 1998, the hospital district has paid Methodist Hospital a subsidy of \$25,000

per month since October 1, 1996. The subsidy was intended to off-

set the losses resulting from the operation of the clinic. This seems

to be not only an unlawful expenditure, but downright wasteful...

especially considering that only 22 people in Garza County were qualified as indigents and the cost of that care was less than \$5,000

The rest of the contract details who will do what, and sets a ter-

to serve the "needy" and "indigent" of Garza County.

mination date of July 30, 2001 for the contract.

Best Set Design to Jake Morgan and Morgan Mercer for "To Kill a Mockingbird."

Anna Wilson sang "Stormy Weather" and was rewarded with a standing ovation.

award went to Shawn Havranek for his role as the timid suitor in "I Remember Mama." The presentation was made by Ruth Longun Bryant. Mike Morgan awarded Twila Polk a Willy for her role in "The Nerd."

"The Polka Dots," a trio made up of Lori Britton, Donetta Lippe and Jeanie Soria, provided some wonderful harmony. They were accompanied by Darryl Lippe and his guitar.

Mrs. Ellis thanked the individuals and business owners who donated items for the silent auction.

The awards for Best Supporting by Boo Olson, set the tone for the Actor and Actress were given next. evening with a rousing rendition Rick Fay received a Willy for his of "Cabaret," the theme song of role in "The Nerd." Christy Morris made the presentation. Jim The first Willy Award of the Plummer and Bill Woodard for a unique presentation of the Willy for Best Supporting Actress directed by Mitchell Britton. to Jane Prince Jones for her role

Patti Honacki sang "Come Rain or Come Shine." She has been involved in many productions in Post and in Lubbock.

Last year's Best Actress, Micaela Eagle, presented the The Best Actor in a Cameo Role Willy for Best Actor in a Leading Role. The winner was Steve Sever who played the nerd in "The Nerd." Mike Morgan, last year's Best Actor, presented the Willy for Best Actress in a Lead Role to Christy Morris. She played mama in "I Remember Mama."

Micaela and Jenny were presented with special Youth Achievement Awards for their work on and behind the stage. Both girls graduate this year and will be sorely missed.

Bill Woodard, part-time actor and owner of Woody-Graf-X who designs the theatre's programs and flyers, presented an entertaining montage of video highlights of this year's

The award for Best Play of the Year, as selected by the patrons of the theatre, was presented by combined their comedic talents Rep. David Counts. The winner was "I Remember Mama,"

Emily Hataway led the crowd "Nunsense." Jenny Conoly of the befuddled mother in "Come in "Auld Lang Syne" to close the



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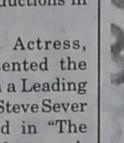
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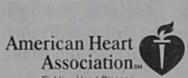
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Tax 'n Facts

by Terri Cash, CPA

"Going Fishing"

Just because an IRS auditor asks you questions about your finances doesn't mean you have to answer them. Though auditors are supposedly asking only for information relevant to the tax year or tax issue on which you were called, it's not unknown that an IRS auditor will "go fishing" looking

Under such circumstances, it's not unreasonable to ask how this request relates to the matter being examined-why the auditor wants to know. You can say no, you can meet with the auditor's supervisor, you can even go the IRS Office of Appeals.

There's no need to supply returns from other years. It's hard for an auditor to get them from the IRS data bank, why make it easier? No need to answer questions about your assets or lifestyle, if the IRS alleges unreported income, the burden of proof is theirs. Bank records and such, though, are so easy for the auditor to get, you might as well

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Willy Award recipients pictured above are, from the left, Christy Morris, Steve Sever, Jane Prince Jones, Mitchell Britton, Twila Polk, Rick Fay, Jenny Conoly and Micaela Eagle. (Photo courtesy of Garza Theatre/Joe Miller)

Local FFA, 4-H members to exhibit animals at Houston Livestock show

FFA members from Post will be joining other FFA and 4-H members from throughout Texas for intense show ring competition at the upcoming Houston Livestock Show, February 20 through March 8, in the

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 from throughout the country exhibiting their breeding

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

Representing approximately 930 Texas 4-H clubs and FFA chapters, the junior show will have close to 15,000 entries this year. A variety of animals is shown in the junior and open divisions 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) represent animals raised by the exhibitors as food sources. Top animals in each of these categories are eligible for their individual

entries to make the Houston market auctions. Last year, junior market auction sales totaled \$4,636,124.

Local Post FFA members competing in this years show are Clay Ashely, Jarrett Bland, Scotty Gaydos, T. J. Gaydos, Tye Haney, Chris Metsgar, Justin Norman, Nikki Norman, Emily Smith, Sterling Smith, J C Stelzer and Jill Watson.

Local Garza County 4-H members competing this year are Kelli Collier, Braden Conner, Brooks Conner, Aaron Cooper, Luke Cooper, Donae Dalby, K'Nell Dalby, April Line, Chad McDougal, Chase Miller, Jared Roberson, Jeremy Robertson, Miles Underwood and Laci Williams.



E-mail ccarts@door.net

Once again we are here to update you on the New Internet pages for Post, Texas. Take a Look for yourself at www.posttexas.com

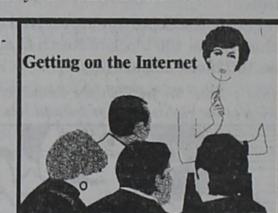
Internet Up-Date

As of February 5th we have a binder with all of the Post, Texas website pages in it. If you do not have a computer or would just like to take a look, you are welcome to stop by the Caprock Cultural Association, at 127 East Main Street, and have a peek.



Point and click is the easiest way to find anything that you may need on the Internet. The whole world is opened up to you, for information, for research on a project, or just to plan that long awaited trip that you want to take

Classes are going to be held at the CCA Office, begining in February 26th in the PM. Those who are interested should contact Toni King at the CCA Office at 495-4148, to arrange the time for your class. These will be kept to 3 or 4 people at a time so that each will have a hands on experience of the basics of getting into the Internet. If you wish a more extensive class, they can be arrange.



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Letters to the Editor

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Safe at last...

Whew, I sure feel safe now at night when I carry out my trash to the dumpster. All this time I've been carrying my trash can with one hand and a stick in the other to fight off boogers and teenagers as they came running by. You know, being almost 53 years old, I just don't know how I have got this far without a booger or a teenager getting me as many times as I have been to the alley after dark.

When I heard the story the other day about one of our city employees patrolling some of the alleys after dark, allegedly wielding real hog legs, I felt "safe at last." Now I can carry two trash cans out at night, instead of a can

Actually, I thought that little event appeared to me to be about the most stupid thing I've heard of in a while, next to Clinton using the White House instead of a shady motel.

I think of terrible things that could have come from this. If it is true, these pistol waving nuts should thank their lucky stars that nothing serious happened or someone was not actually shot in this "ordeal."

Plus, I shudder to think this kind of confrontation never happened to me and my buddy back in the days of us being teenagers. Back in those days, we were like the federal government... we had our ways and means committee. Mind you, we never actually took the law into our own hands, but we did

have our own ways and means of taking care of these sort of alley bullies. In those days, me and my buddy were well into being crazy alcoholics. There was no limit to what we might or might not do. Things like what is said to have happened in an alley here a couple of weeks ago, could lead to life

I would hope these busy-bodies will think twice before pulling that kind of stunt again. No wonder kids have problems these days... having to watch adults must be the pits.

O.L. (Ferg) Ferguson Editor's Note: The letter writer apparently refers to an incident involving two local men who were allegedly chasing some youngsters in an alley, thinking the young people were up to no good (see page one for details).

Seven arrests lead Sheriff's action

Seven arrests were made by local law enforcement officers during the past week, according to records at the Garza County Sheriff's Department.

On Feb. 6, a 19-year-old male was arrested on a warrant. He was released the next day on a \$1,500 PR bond.

On Feb. 8, four arrests involving charges of public intoxication were made. They included a 66-year-old male, a 21-year-old male, a 33-year-old male and a 42-year-old male who was also charged with possession of marijuana. The first three men were released the same day after paying fines. The 42-year-old man has not been released.

Two arrests were made Feb. 9, including that of a 46-year-old man on a warrant and an 18-year-old man on a warrant. The younger man was released the same day on a \$1,500 PR bond.

Dispatchers received about 45 calls for service during the past week, including, on Feb. 4, a report of an assault at a location on 8th Street; an automobile accident at 380 and Avenue K (no details recorded); a request for an ambulance in the 900 block of West 12th Street (transport made to St. Mary in Lubbock); and a fight (no details given la work who had all a more amen nothern

Incoming calls on Feb. 5 included a report of harassment in the 600 block of North Avenue L; a domestic dispute in the 100 block of East 11th; and a request for an ambulance in the 800 block of West 6th Street (transport made to St. Mary).

A report of an accident, an 18-wheeler jack-knifed on U.S. 84 south, was received on Feb. 6. No other details of the accident were recorded.

On Feb. 8, the department received a report of a possible criminal mischief in the 100 block of North G and a report of a dumpster fire in the 100 block of East Main.

Editor's Note: We publish the names of those people charged with the



Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Southwestern Bell) filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) to charge an additional 26 cents per month per line to recover costs for providing Expanded Local Calling service (ELC) to certain Texas Customers.

The 26 cents per month surcharge would not be billed to customers who receive ELC. However, customers who receive ELC and pay less than the maximum \$3.50 a month residential ELC charge or less than the maximum \$7 business ELC charge will have to pay the additional 26 cents per month charge

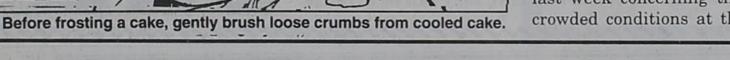
Expanded Local Calling was created in 1993 by Texas legislation that requires telephone companies to provide toll-free calling between small towns that share a community of interest such as a school or hospital district. The legislation allows telephone companies to recover costs not paid through customer charges by applying a surcharge to all other customers in the state who do not receive the ELC service or who do not pay the maximum ELC rate. The maximum monthly ELC rate allowed under state law is \$3.50 per line for residential customers and \$7 per line for business customers.

Southwestern Bell estimates that the 26 cents per month per line charge will recover the \$27 million annual cost of providing ELC service that is not recovered from ELC rates.

If approved by the PUC, the monthly statewide surcharge of 26 cents per line per month will begin with the April, 1998 billing cycles, with an agreement to refund all or part of the charge if the PUC does not approve it.

For questions about the reasons for the charge, please call the Southwestern Bell Business Office listed in your directory.

The PUC assigned Docket Number 18513 to this proceeding. The deadline for intervention in this matter is March 31, 1998. Persons who wish to intervene or comment in these proceedings should notify the PUC by March 31, 1998. All requests to intervene should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX, 78711-3326. For information intervening, please call the PUC at 1-888-782-8477 or at 512-936-7120.



Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Southwestern Bell) presentó una solicitud ante la Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas (PUC) para cobrar 26 centavos más al mes por línea para recuperar los costos por el servicio de Llamadas Locales Ampliadas (ELC) a ciertos clientes en Texas.

El cargo de 26 centavos al mes no se cobrará a los clientes que reciben ELC. Sin embargo, los clientes que reciben ELC y pagan menos del máximo de \$3.50 al mes por el servicio ELC residencial o menos del máximo de \$7 por el servicio ELC comercial, tendrán que pagar 26 centavos adicionales a su pago mensual

El servicio de Llamadas Locales Ampliadas (ELC) fue establecido en 1993 por la legislación del estado de Texas y requiere que las compañías prestadoras de servicios telefónicos ofrezcan llamadas de larga distancia gratuitas entre pequeñas poblaciones que comparten un interés común tales como distritos escolares y de hospitales. Esta ley permite que las compañías telefónicas recuperen los costos no pagados mediante cargos a clientes, a través de un cargo a todos los demás clientes en el estado que no reciben el servicio ELC o que no pagan la tarifa máxima del servicio ELC. La tarifa máxima mensual permitida por la ley estatal es \$3.50 por línea para clientes con servicio residencial y \$7 por línea para clientes con servicio comercial.

Southwestern Bell calcula que los 26 centavos al mes por línea cubrirán los \$27 millones del costo anual del servicio ELC que no está cubierto por las

Si la PUC autoriza el cargo mensual estatal de 26 centavos al mes por línea éste comenzará a partir de los ciclos de facturación de abril 1998, con el acuerdo de reembolsar todo o parte del cargo si la PUC no lo autoriza.

Para preguntas relacionadas con este cargo, por favor llame a la Oficina Local de Southwestern Bell listada en su directorio telefónico.

La PUC asignó el número de registro de 18513 a este procedimiento. El plazo de intervención sobre este asunto terminará el 31 de marzo de 1998. Las personas que deseen intervenir o hacer comentarios sobre este procedimiento deberán notificar a la PUC antes del 31 de marzo de 1998. Todas las solicitudes de intervención deberán enviarse por correo a Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. Para mayor información sobre la intervención, por favor comuniquese con la PUC al 1-888-782-8477 o al 512-936-7120.





All-Region Band honors have been awarded to Post High School band members (back row, left to right) Jamie Dawson, Channa Cruse, Joey Cimental, Josh Fumagalli, (front row) Derek Guthrie, Emilio Moreno, Jeremy Abraham and Ricky Quinonez.

Middle School, High School band members earn All-Region Honors

Several representatives of the Post High School and Middle School bands participated in the ATSSB Honor Band concerts conducted Jan. 24 at Lubbock Christian University, Lubbock.

Post High School band members Derek Guthrie (snare drum), Jeremy Abraham (trumpet) and Josh Fumagalli (alto sax) earned spots in the ATSSB High School Honors Band.

Abraham and Fumagalli also qualified to attend the area audition Amarillo to El Paso.

Post Middle School band members included in the Middle School Honors Band were Heather Bullard and Amber Hernandez (flute), Regina Collazo and Tammy Sparks (clarinet), Solomon Solis (trumpet), Meranda Hernandez and Jessica Ordonez (French horn), socioeconomic level, race, sex, color, religion or national origin. Tracy Cole (trombone), Lazaro Moreno (baritone) and Blake Lewis (tuba).

More than 600 bandsmen representing more than 30 schools competed in the tryouts for the two honors bands.

Members of the High School bands participated in the 1997-98 Region Band Clinic and Concert on Friday and Saturday, January 30 & 31 at Monterrey High School in Lubbock.

The High School Band performed at 4:30 p.m. We are very proud of these young men and women. They represented our schools and town very well Band members from the High School were: Jamie Dawson, clarinet; Channa Cruse, bass clarinet; Josh Fumagalli, alto sax; Jeremy Abraham, trumpet; Ricky Quinonez, trombone; Emilio Moreno and Joey Cimental, baritone; and Derek Guthrie, percussion.

Alternates were Laura Tobias, trumpet; Jeremy Payne, timpani, and Jennifer Morgan, mallets.

The High School All-Region band was conducted by Mr. Barry Hurt of Plainview High School. Their program included "The World Turned Upside" Down", and "The Pyramids", and "A Dixieland Jazz Funeral".

Neighbor to Neighbor

by Kelly Ahrens, CEA-FCS

Child passenger safety week

Child Passenger Safety Week is an annual campaign designed to remind the public of the need for children to ride buckled up. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, (NHTSA) child safety seats, when correctly used, can reduce fatalities among children less than five years of age. Because

of a combination of non-use and misuse, child safety seats are not currently saving as many lives as they should be saving.

The ABCs on Child Safety Seats A- air bag safety, B- buckle everyone, C- children in back. Nationwide, more young children die each year as passengers in vehicle crashes than from any disease or other kinds of unintentional injuries combined. In Texas, 57% of the children under 12 years old who were killed in motor vehicle crashes were

reported as unrestrained. Children in rear-facing safety seats should not be placed in the front seat of cars equipped with passenger-side air bags. The impact of a deploying air bag striking a rear-facing child seat could result in serious or fatal injury to the child. NHTSA also recommends that children 12 and under sit in the rear seat away from the force of a deploying air bag. Because of their high center of gravity and delicate bone structures, infants and toddlers are extremely susceptible to injury in vehicle crashes when not restrained. Child safety seats are extremely effective when correctly installed and used (71%). Check compatibility of a vehicle and child safety seat before making a purchase.

The Texas child restraint law states: a) Child passenger safety seat system means an infant or child passenger restraint system that meets the federal standards for crash-tested restraint systems as set by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. b) a person commits an offense if the person: 1) transports a child younger than 2 years of age by operating a passenger car or light truck on a road, street, or highway of this state. 2) does not keep the child secured during the operation of the vehicle in a child passenger safety seat system according to the instructions of the manufacturer of the safety seat system. c) A person commits an offense if the person: 1) for the Texas All-State Band. The two placed "very high" in their transports a child who is two years or older and under four years of sections, competing with students in A, AA and AAA schools from age by operating a passenger car or light truck on a road, street, or highway of this state 2) does not keep the child secured during the operation of the vehicle in a child passenger safety seat system according to the instructions of the manufacturer of the safety seat.

Kids 12 and under should always ride in the back seat! Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of



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Extension Extras

Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

BLT Nutrition Workshop

A Nutrition Workshop is scheduled for the next two Wednesdays, February 18 and 25, at 10:00 a.m. at Post Community Action building on Highway 84 South. Nutrition, healthy cooking and having a healthier lifestyle for the whole family will be the focus of the program. Everyone is welcome to come and join in the activities, food demonstrations and discussions sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service-Better Living for Texans program. Spartan transportation can be arranged if you call Kelly Ahrens at 495-4400 at least 24 hours in advance.

aid off all those folks in Treasury who used to print up

Commissioners hear report on county jail, discuss changes

local jail facility could prove costly lem, according to County Judge and jail, excluding the sheriff's to city and county taxpayers, ac- Giles Dalby. Some of the inmates salary which is paid solely by the at Monday's regular county com- to empty cells in the Tahoka and expansion of the jail would be missioners meeting.

Compliance with the Texas jail, Garza County officials turned Commission on Jail Standards to Tahoka and Lamesa for help in Post equally fund the operation (TCJS) regulations governing the solving its jail overcrowding prob- of the local sheriff's department cording to information discussed housed locally were transported county. Any modifications to or Lamesa jails late last week. That funded by county taxpayers. Both In response to a letter received dropped the local jail's popula- city and county taxpayers are lilast week concerning the over- tion to six on Friday, putting the able for the cost of "farming out" crowded conditions at the local facility back in compliance with inmates to outlying county jails state certification standards, but and the proposed addition of five by Saturday morning the num- new employees. ber had climbed back up to 10.

certified to hold seven inmates.

"Farming out" inmates to nearby jails will help the local facility comply with TCJS regulations but it's a move that could prove costly. Tahoka and Lamesa offer the least-expensive jail space — \$30 and \$35 per day per inmate respectively. According to Sheriff Kenny Ratke, a 30-day stint for eight prisoners at the least expensive rate will run \$7,200, excluding costs associated with inmate medical care, manhours required for transportation, actual transportation costs, etc.

In addition, Ratke said a personnel shortage also presents a "critical" problem. To meet state standards, an additional 4.6 employees — that is, four full-time employees and one part-time are needed to safely and securely operate the existing facility. Adding these personnel to the county's employee roster would cost \$90,000 per year or more.

County officials have talked extensively of making changes within the existing jail facility to add additional cells. They agreed Monday to bring in a couple of individuals well-versed in prison and jail construction to help determine the best possible solutions to restructuring the existing jail facility to house additional inmates.

Garza County and the City of

Representatives of Garza The Garza County facility is County and the City of Post have scheduled a joint meeting for Monday, 6:30 p.m., at city hall to discuss the various needs and proposals. In other business, commissioners:

> · Discussed a letter from State Attorney General Dan Morales which focused on ways to education senior citizens and consumers on fraud.

 Discussed the State of Texas v the American Tobacco Co. lawsuit and a letter received from a Texas County Judges & Commissioners Association official asking if Garza County is interested in joining the organization's effort to seek funds from the lawsuit's settlement. Some counties are seeking reimbursement for monies paid out for tobaccorelated indigent care. The judge noted that Garza County is not responsible for indigent care services but the local hospital district is. No action was taken on the matter.

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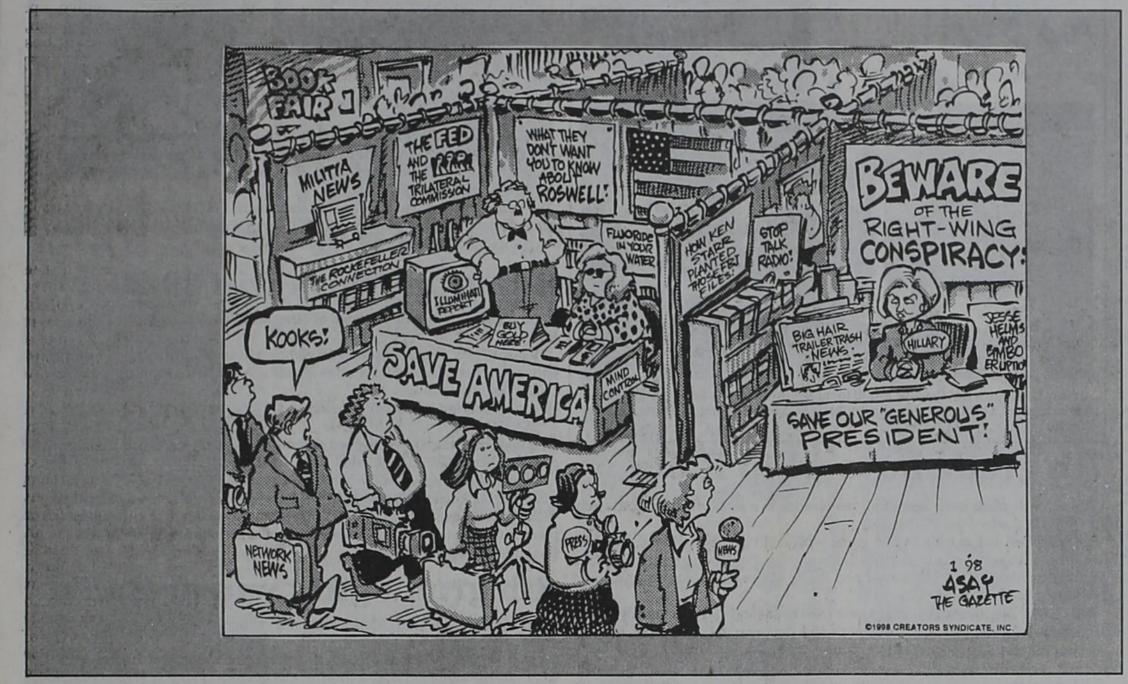
 Drew additional names to help round out the county's grievance committee.

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Grandmas

Remember Pick up your grandchildren's photos at The Post Dispatch we don't want any of these precious photos to get lost, but after 30 days, we can not be responsible.

Opinions



GOP has joined the pork parade

by Vin Suprynowicz

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Partly in a cynical attempt to deflect attention from President Clinton's personal troubles, we hear a lot these days about what the Clinton administration has achieved on the "pocketbook" issues, the "reining in" of federal spending to such an extent that we now have a "balanced budget,"

In a field of discourse where evasion and euphemism are the rule, pardon some blunt talk: It's a lie.

enough lower than income that the difference could be used to start paying off the national debt, at a rate which would retire it entirely in \$680 million. — let's not be too aggressive — 80 years?

surely we've laid off all those folks in Treasury who used to print up the Savings Bonds, the Treasury Bills, all those debt instrument that Panthers. say "The United States government promises to pay, with interest ..."

Right? IOUs as fast as we can, but new people are being hired in that

retire in 30 years. How can that be? Would you be able to say your "household budget was in balance," if you still needed to borrow \$400 from your relatives, a set of smaller-government principles they could enunciate, and

each and every week ... with no plan to ever pay it back?

Institute, explains in a Jan. 15 white paper, "There are 14 states with combined personal incomes of less than \$70 billion. And that's just the increase in spending in 1998. The total federal budget now exceeds the combined family budgets of every household in America living West of Colorado."

through the pulsing, slashed artery of the federal budget?

Republican House Speaker Newt Gingrich "says Bill Clinton made us do it," Moore reports. And, indeed, Washington is now spending \$300 billion more per year than when Bill Clinton took office. But Republicans "are co-conspirators in this year's budget build-up," Moore found. Somehow, the final budget OKd by Congress managed to exceed the president's budget request by \$4 billion to \$5 billion.

"Can a president politically blackmail Congress into spending more money than he himself asked for?" Mr. Moore asks, rhetorically. As it turns out, this isn't even a matter of Republicans putting money

Meantime, the latest White House press release brags that federal expenditures will rise "only" \$70 billion in 1998. But as Stephen Moore, director of fiscal policy studies for the Cato a fiscal swamp where parochial pork-barrel concerns override the

sticking to them. But after three years of Republican control, Mr. Moore concludes,

"Congress has reverted to what it was for 40 years under the Democrats: national interest and the constitutional constraints on spending are routinely subverted. An R or a D next to an appropriator's name has become essentially irrelevant."

A dire warning ... if anyone is listening.

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"If ye love wealth greater than liberty, the tranquility of servitude greater than the animating contest for freedom, go home from us in peace. We seek not your counsel, nor your arms. Crouch down and lick the hand that feeds you. May your chains set lightly upon you; and may posterity forget that

back into military readiness accounts which they might argue have been drawn down too far. Nope. Although Michael Prowse of the Financial Times recently noted that America would do more to spread prosperity if it simply dumped copies of Adam Smith's "The Wealth of Nations" out of airplanes passing over Third World nations, than has ever been accomplished by the ineffectual Agency for International Development, the Republican Congress ended up allocating \$200 million more for this foreign-aid boondoggle than the White House

Bill Clinton sought \$630 million this year for that welfare program Under a truly "balanced budget," expenditures would have to be for corporate welfare queens, the Export-Import Bank. Not satisfied,

the Republican Congress bumped the sum by a round \$50 million, to The White House sought \$165 million for the Appalachian Regional

OK: Let's pretend for a moment we can forget the debt, never commit Commission, but Congress insisted the Great Society leftover take ARC? Helping fund a practice football field for the NFL's Carolina

But wackiest of all, "The 105th Congress seems intent on proving it's announcement. as green as the Sierra Club by outspending Clinton and Gore on Well, no. Not only are we still printing and selling these government environmental programs," Mr. Moore reports. Even though the federal government already owns more than one-third of the land area of the department, this very month, and handed benefit brochures that United States, "GOP appropriators approved \$206 million for Interior explain how much their retirement funds will be worth when they Department land acquisitions — almost twice what Clinton and Gore

Republicans scored better than they had in ages, in 1994, by finding

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ye were our countrymen." - Samuel Adams

Morally sick Americans

by Walter E. Williams

What President Clinton does and gets away with says little about him, but a lot about Americans. His alleged sex affair with Monica Lewinsky is just more

Opinion polls taken since the most recent sex scandal show that a majority of Americans think that Clinton's sexual peccadilloes are private matters and none of

our business. They'd call for resignation or impeachment sanctions is that it will probably be remembered as the most corrupt only if he perjured himself or suborned perjury by others. After all, so administration since the Warren Harding presidency. During the a job description for Mr Dean, the superintendent responded in this argument goes, adultery isn't breaking the law - which I Clinton terms, we've seen: Whitewater, "Filegate," "Travelgate," understand is illegal in certain jurisdictions.

straight for the moral abyss. Just look at the daytime television trash other scandals, Americans are generally supportive of Clinton's formal job description? shows such as "Jerry Springer," "Sally Jessy Raphael" and "Montel presidency. Williams." They feature mothers who sleep with their daughter's There are some real dangers to the Monica Lewinsky affair. Right boyfriends, children who curse their parents and brothers who have now, we are confronted with a deteriorating Iraq situation. Saddam sex with their sisters. They defend their despicable behavior to Hussein is exploiting Clinton's sex scandal by telling his people that voyeuristic audiences in the crudest and vilest terms. But, for the the U.S. may launch an attack on Iraq, not because it is in violation most part, their behavior is not illegal. However, that fact does not, at of a U.N. mandate but because Clinton seeks to divert attention away least it should not, elevate their behavior to a moral norm that we from his domestic problems. should accept, nor does it make their behavior any less despicable.

While we don't have hard and fast evidence that Clinton had oral sex attention. We can't tell for sure. To avoid this problem in the future, with Monica Lewinsky, a 21-year-old White House intern, the evidence maybe we Americans ought to make it clear that no presidential sex coming in about Clinton's prior sexual misconduct doesn't lend much acts really bother us unless, of course, they are illegal, such as credibility to his recent denials. Arkansas state troopers have testified pedophilia and bestiality. under oath they acted as procurers for Clinton. In 1992, Clinton There's another thought about this recent sex scandal: Where are all denied an affair with Gennifer Flowers only to, reportedly, admit that the feminists and congresswomen who worked themselves into a he did have an affair with her when he gave testimony at his frenzy during the Clarence Thomas hearings? deposition in the Paula Jones case.

Given the allegations about Clinton and Monica Lewinsky, I want to ask America's parents, especially fathers, how you would feel about your young daughters winning the prestigious job of White House intern and then risking having a sex affair with White House personnel, including the president of the United States. Or would you consider that just a private matter between the president and your daughter, and hence none of your business?

Aside from all the sex scandals, the true legacy of the Clinton years officer. indictments of cabinet secretaries, campaign-finance corruption and If we determine what's moral and immoral simply by looking at so many sex scandals such that a few more might easily convert the what's legal and illegal, we are a nation in deep trouble and headed Paula Jones case into a class-action suit. Yet in the wake of these and

If we do attack Iraq, it might or might not be a political move to divert

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Get rid of government bungling, privatize garbage pickup

by Wesley W. Burnett

Post City Council members should change the policy related to who gets charged what for dumpster service. Or, better still, eliminate this service and let the free market provide the service.

This issue was raised at last week's city council meeting when Sheri Riedel complained about the rate she has been charged ... with city administrators labeling her business at the commercial rate, yet other businesses in residential areas are exempt.

The current policy is a bit confusing, and it also allows much too much discretion to city administrators in defining who is and who isn't charged the commercial rate.

As Mrs Riedel pointed out at the city council meeting, her hair cutting business uses very little of the dumpster, whereas a neighbor working with wood shavings uses considerably more.

Actually, in the private world of garbage dumping, the normal method of payment is based on the volume of garbage being dumped. In these kinds of situations, private garbage services, especially when they are in competition with each other, will charge by the number of garbage cans.

This is but another example of why garbage service is not a proper role for government... why have government do something that private enterprise can do better... and cheaper?

When this service is privatized... and I don't mean contracted out by the city, but truly privatized... competing services will knock on doors to get the business. Those business which need larger volume will be charged accordingly... those business which use small garbage cans will pick the service that fits them best.

With privatization, taxpayers get the best of both worlds... less government expense and rules and lower cost for the service.

We call on the city council to begin the process of privatizing garbage pick-up services... let the free market work... after all, that's what America used to be all about... free enterprise.

Confidentiality lost at PHS in drug testing

by Wesley W. Burnett

Last week (2/5/98) I wrote that a pubic address system a nickel to paying it down. Even then, if the "budget is now balanced," \$170 million. Among the recent poverty-fighting achievements of the announcement at Post High School named individual students who had not been subjected to the "voluntary" drug testing program. That information came from a PHS student who was offended by the

Post ISD board of trustees president Mark Kirkpatrick visited me last Friday, and assured me that the announcement did not name students, but called for all students who had not been tested to go to the commons area. I informed Mr Kirkpatrick that I had tried to verify the information by sending a written request by fax to the Post ISD superintendent, asking him to either confirm or deny the student's complaint. I received no response to that request, therefore, I stood by the information I had received.

I also pointed out to Mr Kirkpatrick that even the announcement calling non-drug tested students to the commons was a violation of the confidentiality of those affected students. Each one of them felt compelled to stand up in their individual classes, making themselves known by answering the announcement; marching down the hallways to the commons area.

So, I continue to state the obvious... the so-called voluntary drug testing program has been stripped of any pretense of confidentiality... although that was promised firmly by school administrators when the program was announced last summer, and is clearly stated in the school policy.

Whether called by name or not, each student who refused to participate in the "volunteer" drug testing program has been publicly identified. This is similar to the U.S. government sham of saying that the income tax is strictly voluntary... but treating those who do not volunteer as criminals.

So much for government securing the rights of individuals.

Do we really need a police force at Post ISD?

by Wesley W. Burnett

Last week I listened to a tape recording of a meeting between Post ISD administrators, a parent and a Post High School student. In that recording the parent questioned why Bobby Dean, an employee at Post Middle School, was involved in the interrogation with the high school principle of the parent's daughter.

Post ISD superintendent Dr Bobby Bain answered by saying that Mr Dean is the school's police officer... "certified police officer."

In the past Mr Dean has been identified to us as the school truant

It was somewhat interesting to note that when the parent pressed for writing by saying that "There has never been a written formal job description for Mr Dean."

This raises a few important questions:

(1) Is it customary to hire employees for Post ISD without having a

(2) What specific duties has Mr Dean performed for Post ISD during the three years or more of his employment, and at what compensation

is he being paid? (3) When did the Post ISD board of trustees authorize the employment

of a police officer? (4) What specific problems have developed on the Post ISD campuses.

to warrant the need for a police officer? Hopefully the elected officials will review this matter with some

concern for its policies and the perception of our schools... are the campuses so stressed with crime that we have to keep a police officer on duty?

This is just one more example of why we need to separate state and school... as long as government is involved, there can be no real solution to the problems facing today's education systems. Getting government out of the way is the only real solution.

Sports

Abernathy trips up Lady Lopes 45-35

The varsity Lady 'Lopes fell to Abernathy Feb. 6 by a score of 45-35. Arimy Gradine led scoring with 12 points, followed by Natalie Pollard and Erica Gomez with six points each, Kasey Hardin and Kendly Jefferson with four points each, Becca Stelzer with two points and Jennifer Bratcher, one point. Stelzer led in rebounds and assists while Rachelle Jones had three steals.

"The first quarter hurt us, but we fought back into the contest," said Coach Shana Matthews. "We got a lot of help off the bench from Erica Gomez and Becca Stelzer. Also, Kendly Jefferson sparked us defensively. Natalie Pollard got in early foul trouble but came back starting in the second quarter and gave us solid minutes.

"I was proud of how the girls hung in there and never gave up. This group has a lot of character and class."

The Lady 'Lopes district record drops to 3-5, while their district record stands at 16-10.

Post's varsity girls lost to Idalou Feb. 3 by a score of 38-25.

"It was a great defensive game," Coach Shana Matthews said. "Idalou beat us at the freethrow line. They were 22 of 32 from the freethrow line. That was the difference.

"I was proud of the girls and how they played. Defensively we are sound. Offensively we must make ourselves more threatening. My starters played a great game. Macee Mills, Rachelle Jones, Cassie Short, Natalie Pollard and Arimy Gradine played solid as a team on the court."

Pollard led scoring with seven, followed by Gradine with six, Mills and Short with four each and Becca Stelzer and Kasey Hardin, two points each. Mills led assists, Pollard and Gradine shared the lead in rebounds and Short led steals.

9th grade girls complete 13-3 season with 2 wins

The ninth grade Lady 'Lopes completed a 13-3 season and an undefeated district schedule with wins over Abernathy and Ralls during the last two weeks. The Abernathy game was played Jan. 26 at Abernathy with the Lady 'Lopes winning 39-33. High scorer for the game was Kenda Looney with 15 points, Vondi Gradine had 12 points and Yvonne Lopez with seven points. Other scorers Daryl Dissinger, one point each. included Jenny Jones, three points, and Brailey Feagin, two points.

The final game of the year was played at Ralls on Feb. 9 with the Lady 'Lopes winning 34-13. High scorers for the game were Looney, 12 points, Gradine with seven points, and Jones and Feagin with six points each. Other scorers included Ashley Mason with two points and Yvonne Lopez, one point.



Arimy Gradine sends the basketball to the net for the Lady Lopes in last week's game against Abernathy. Natalie Pollard (31) gets set to help. (Photo by Jerry

7th grade boys whip Ralls

The seventh grade boys basketball team rolled to a 30-25 win over Ralls Feb.

Brandon Bell led scoring in the game with eight points, followed by Noah Gutierrez with seven points. Seth Redman and Brodie Robertson each had four points, Eric Alaniz, Daryl Dissinger and Pooky Moore each had two points and Tye Mason had one point. .

Ralls had a significant advantage over the Post squad early on but the 'Lopes battled back for the win. At the end of the first quarter the score of 12-4, Ralls. Post outscored their opponents in all three remaining quarters.

The seventh grade 'Lopes won easily over Crosbyton Feb. 2 by a score of 35-18. Seth Redman led scoring with 16 points. Others scoring included Jerison Moore with five points, Blake Lewis with four points, Jason Estrada, Manuel Saucedo, Brandon Bell and Tye Mason with two points each, and Brodie Robertson and

Post led scoring in three of the four quarters and managed to shut Crosbyton's offense out completely in the third period.

7th grade girls edge Ralls

The seventh grade Lady 'Lopes defeated Ralls 23-16 in a game played Feb. 9. Scorers for the game were led by Niebes Marin and Jessica Mason, both with eight points each. Other scorers included Paige Lott, one point and Regina

The score at the end of the first half was 10-5, Post.

"Good game, girls," the coach said. "You have played great all year long."



Casey Hardin (55) fights for the basketball during action here last week. Teammate Kendly Jefferson (30) joins in the aciton. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

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J.V. girls whip Idalou

The junior varsity Lady 'Lopes traveled to Idalou Feb. 3 to claim a 35-24 victory over the Lady Wildcats.

"It was a hard fought game and the ladies really held their own," said Coach Daily. "Our offense ran perfectly so we were able to get some good shots right

under the basket." Scoring for Post were Stephanie Looney with 10, Lauren Webb with nine points, Erin Gregory, six points, Kenda Looney with four points, Vondi Gradine with three points, Jenny Jones with two points and Davida Gregory, one point.

The junior varsity Lady 'Lopes earned another win Feb. 6, this one a 35-27 victory over Abernathy.

"Abernathy beat us pretty soundly at their place," the coach said, "so our girls were ready to show them that this was our real team. It was a close game all the way but our defense ended up getting the best of them. Our free throw shooting was also really impressive."

Top scorer for Post was Stephanie Looney with 11. Davida Gregory had eight points, Kenda Looney had eight points, Lauren Webb had five points, Amy Line. two points, and Carrie Payne, one point.

8th grade boys win 39-20

The eighth grade 'Lopes earned another win Feb. 9 with a 39-20 victory over

Michael Huff led scoring with 17 points. Mickey Gonzales put up 12 points. Other scorers included Vic Patel, four points, Allan Bell, four points, and Roland Casteneda, two points.

Post led scoring in all four quarters.

The eighth grade 'Lopes dropped a close one to Crosbyton Feb. 2. Final score for the game was 32-29, Crosbyton.

Roland Casteneda was top scorer with 11 points, followed by Michael Huff with nine. Miguel Torres had seven points and Hector Reyna scored two points. Post fell short early in the game, scoring only one point in the first quarter. The team came on strong in the second and third periods but came up short in the final quarter of play.

8th grade girls win at Ralls

The eighth grade Lady 'Lopes earned a victory Feb. 9 by score of 35-19 over

Leading scorer was Emily Smith with 10 points. Kelly Moore had eight points; Manuela Hernandez and Meagan Mills had four points each, Meranda Hernandez and Angelea Hester had two points each and Stacy Morris had one point. Coach Kelso thanked all the parents for their support and the girls for their hard work this season.



Billy Crawford races to the net for the Post Antelopes with Jamie Hernandez-going in to help. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

Stadium upgrade

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Local Government Meetings Monday, February 9

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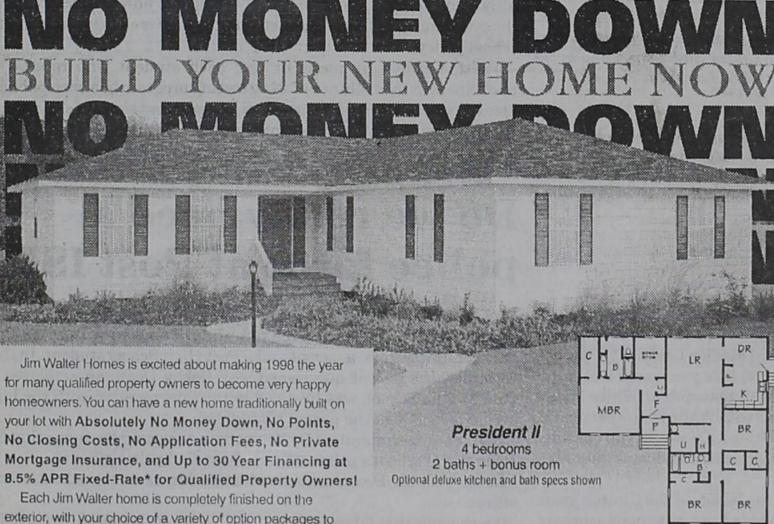
 Post ISD Board of Trustees, 7 p.m., Administration Building. Tuesday, February 10

 Garza Hospital District, 7 a.m., at the clinic. Monday, February 23

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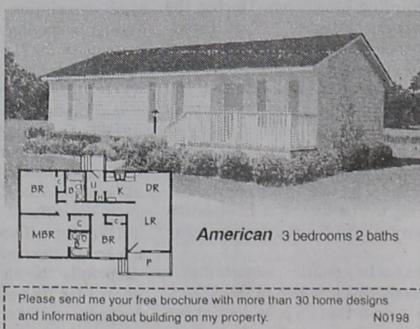
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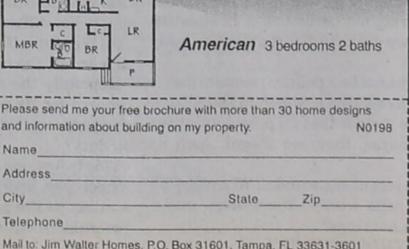
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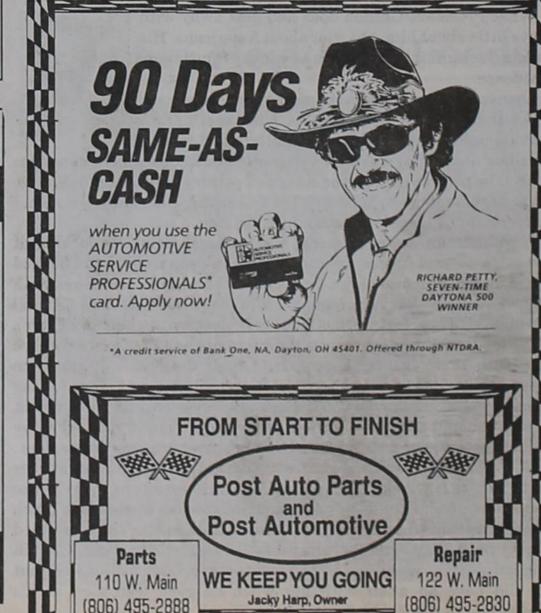
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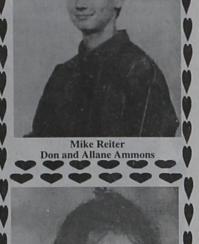


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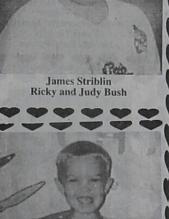
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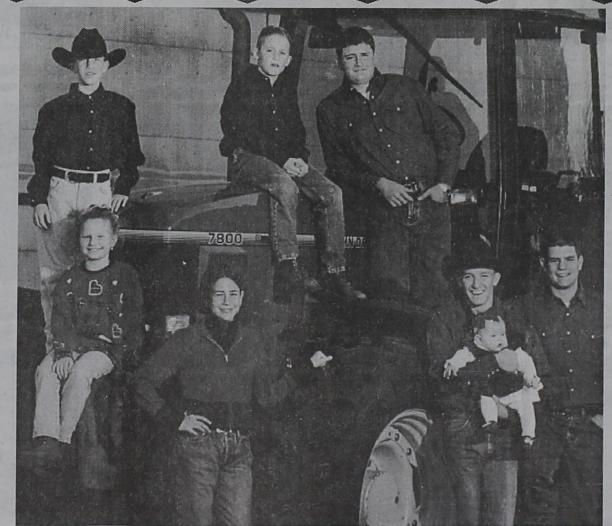


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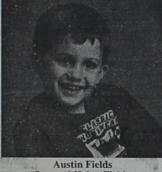
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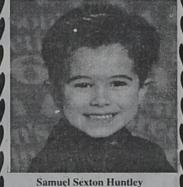
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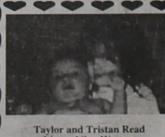
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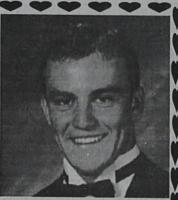
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The family of B.H. Braddock

Late but never too late to say thanks. Post Head Start had a great Christmas party and wonderful Chirstmas gifts for the children. Thanks to all of the people in Post and out of town who supported us. The money was used to increase the children's educational skills. Thank you again? Congratulations to Raquel Collazo for being the winner of the \$100 gift certificate at United.

We wish to take this means of expressing our thanks to everyone who was so kind and helpful following the loss of our dear mother, Mrs. Mabel Welch, on February 4, 1998. Our mother was a resident of Garza County for more than 60 years, and during that time she made and kept many, many good friends. Those friends surely came forward and clearly demonstrated their love and devotion during the time of our loss. Our heartfelt thanks go out to all those who brought food to our house. Thanks also to the members of the Church of Christ, who prepared lunch for our friends and relatives on Friday. We so appreciate the kind and competent manner in which Minister Paul Jones handled the funeral services at both the chapel and the cemetery. Our thanks also go to Curtis Hudman and members of his staff at Hudman Funeral Home, for the efficient and compassionate manner in which they handled all phases of the service. If we tried to thank everyone who assisted us, we would surely omit someone, so we can only say that we love each of you and we most certainly appreciate all that you did to help us get through this difficult time.

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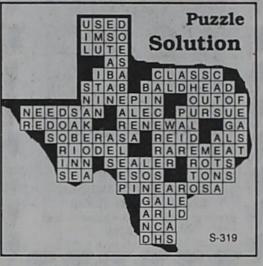
JobSource+, acting as the Administrative Entity for Lubbock and Garza Counties Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) funds, intends to operate JTPA Title IIB Summer Youth programs for program year 1998. The operation period will commence on April 1, 1998, and end on September 30, 1998.

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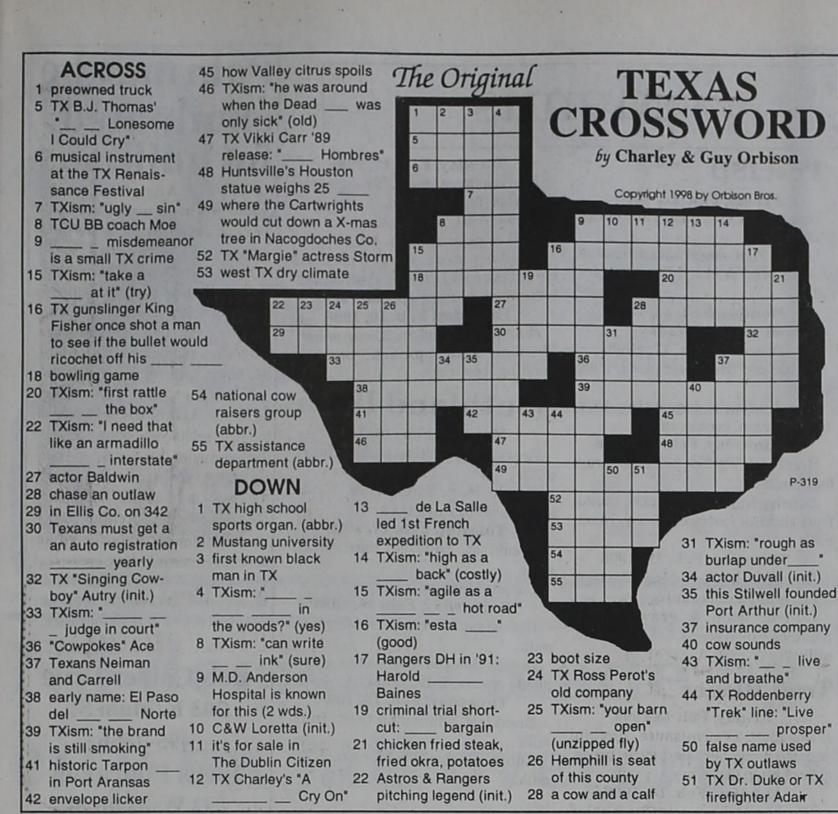
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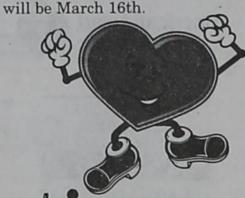
by Celia Mason Xi Delta Rho Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Monday, February 9, at Babb's BBQ.

Members enjoyed a meal of ribs, brisket, potato salad, tossed salad, cinnamon bread and iced tea. The meal was prepared by Angie Babb and Trevah Yarbro.

Susan Tindel gave the program on creative memories, photo albums and scrapbooks. She told of the importance of using acid free pages and products to save your photographs from yellowing with age.

Members present were Jan Acker, Angie Babb, Dana Babb, Cassandra Boren, Susan Boren, Sherry Dorner, Mary Edwards, Celia Mason, Amy Morris, Jody Whisenhunt, Trevah Yarbro, JoAnn Stelzer and Shanda Kelso.

The meeting was adjourned with the closing ritual. The next meeting



Linda Malouf: Love sometimes wears a kitchen apron

by Louise Harper, Plainview

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Daily Herald

(This column was given at a recent P.E.O. meeting in Plainview by Louise Harper. She was asked to prepare and present a short memorial to family, friends, church and civic but the shoe had children." Linda Malouf.)

Linda Malouf, has gone home to be with her Lord nd Savior Jesus Christ. He will have her for eternity - what we have left are memories. But, oh what memories!

Linda Malouf. How can one sum up her personality, her life, the impact she made for good on all who knew her, in a few minutes? I can't, but I'll try!

L. Love. Linda was love walking around in shoes and hose, wearing a dress and often a kitchen apron, while speaking with a charming and sometimes hard to understand Arabic accent! When Linda called you "dahlin" as she often did, in her loving way - you began to believe you were just that - a "dah-lin."

to have one of our own to rub shoulders from another culture?

Linda lived the example that one can begin a new life, as a bride from a foreign country, not knowing the English language - and, yes, pregnant with her first child, to become a successful wife, mother, grandmother, business woman, church and civic leader. Yes, Linda wore many hats beautifully. She was

can get along, if they try!

most of all to her Lord and Savior, evident as she shared her faith and it came into reality with the testimony she gave to me on my last visit in her home before she died: "I do not fear (death). I am not afraid," she quietly told me, knowing full well the end of her life had to be near. Devotion. Linda Malouf.

A. Awesome. The last word I chose to describe Linda is awesome. Now, Linda would audibly protest using the word to describe her. However, some of us know that secretly she would have approved awesome used as an adjective preceding her name. Awesome: to "inspire with awe."

Love. Involved. Nationality. Devoted. Awesome. You've already figured it out - they spell Linda. She will be greatly missed.

Sometimes she was only "a slender-thread,"

Sometimes she was a "short, stout

She called it friendship - We called

it Linda Malouf. (October 11, 1905 -December 27, 1997)

I. Involved. When we speak with

a role model that all nationalities into action, and talents into church, enough to be a guest in her home. civic activities and family, the words Involved could have been Linda's D. Devoted. The word devotion may can become only "tinkling brass." have been flung into being - almost Linda was involved. Yes, she was as if created for the dictionary to active in all the above and belonged word used to describe a loving, describe Linda Malouf. Devotion to to as many clubs as the "old lady in involved lady. She maintained a

Jesus. A lifetime of devotion made "I'm too busy," or "I'm too old," to be a planted as if in cement in America. hostess, furnish food, or prepare Doyou realize how fortunate we were refreshments if you were lucky

middle name.

N. Nationality. What a strange unique balance by keeping one foot She never excused herself with, in her Lebanese roots and the other

No charges filed on complaint against gunyielding harrassment

A local man has been assigned community service hours in connection with an incident which allegedly involved impersonation of a peace officer, a third degree felony.

According to a report from the district attorney's office, the man, who is 19 or 20 years of age, is being allowed to serve community service in lieu of charges being filed against him. Through what was described as a "pretrial diversion basis," the man must successfully complete the prescribed hours of community service, avoid all activities similar to a police patrol and must not carry a weapon or a badge, District Attorney Ricky Smith said.

The district attorney said he opted for such action because the young man had no history of trouble with the law and "appears to be a good kid."

Smith became involved after the Garza County Sheriff's Department fielded a handful of complaints of two individuals impersonating peace officers. The complaints were filed Jan. 26-27. The sheriff's department took statements from two juveniles and three adults in the case and turned the information over to the district attorney's office.

According to Smith, the incident occurred in the downtown area shortly after midnight one night in late January. A couple of youths were in the area and appeared to be "acting suspicious," Smith said. The young man described above and his father allegedly followed the youths in their vehicle and stopped the juveniles to talk with them. At least one of the juveniles reported that the young man in the vehicle yelled something like, "Stop. Freeze. Police." The young man denied any such action.

The father of the young man assigned the community service hours was, on Jan. 28, asked by local lawmen to come to the sheriff's department to answer a few questions about the alleged incident. While he was there, the 47-year-old man was asked for consent to search his vehicle for firearms. He gave his consent. As a result of the search, a semiautomatic high capacity 9mm weapon was found in the front seat of the vehicle, according to reports. It is unlawful to carry such a weapon, according to a sheriff's department official.

The man was charged with unlawfully carrying a weapon, a Class B misdemeanor. He was released on a \$2,500 bond the same day.

Editor's Note: Although formal complaints were filed in this case, no formal charges have been filed. This is another example of the corrupt judicial system under which we suffer... where prosecutors circumvent due process of law by conducting "star chamber" proceedings, by-passing the role of the grand jury, and making deals with the accused. It is light of this injustice that we have withheld the names of the accused in this story.

Yesteryears

by Pat Burnett

February 10, 1988 10 Years Ago

Lance Bagby's snowman is ready for a game of golf as he stands with his clubs and golf bag.

Mr and Mrs Santiago Hernandez. Jr are the parents of the first baby of 1988 born in Garza County. Little Veronica was born February 1 at 1:20 p.m.

Chad Davis was the winner of the prestigious Overall Sportsmanship Belt Buckle for all his hard work throughout the recent Garza County Junior Livestock Association Show.

Rosa Gonzalez is a candidate in the Lubbock Miss Teen Pageant. February 9, 1978

20 Years Ago A new face to Post High School is Millard Grantham, who recently moved here from Lubbock. He is

classified as a sophomore. Jess Knight of Justiceburg won second place in the final go-round of the saddle bronc riding at the

Southwestern Exposition and Stock Show Rodeo in Fort Worth Saturday night.

Happy Birthday today goes to Barney Martin, Joyce Steele, Elvus Davis, Marvin Hudman, Rodney Hoover, Peggy Young, Melvin Byrd, Vicki Thomas, Richard Dudley, Rocky Pace, Sherry White, Jenny Warren, Dustin Ammons and Dusty Hunsaker.

February 8, 1968 30 Years Ago

Rocky Gribble and Tommy Rash suffered injuries recently when they collided on bides after dark. Mrs Nannie Boren visited Mrs George Duckworth and Mrs Bud McLaurin Sunday afternoon.

Bryan J. Williams III is now employed by the First National Bank of Fort Worth.

The Priscilla Club will meet

Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the home of Mrs Ida Mae Wilks. At the Tower theatre this week you can see "Doctor Zhivago" with Geraldine Chaplin, Julie Christie,

75¢ for children. February 13, 1958 40 Years Ago

An epidemic of Scarlet Fever and Strep Throat has hit the Post and Garza County area. Dr. D.C. Williams said it's the worst in over 40 years of practice here.

Thirty two guests were present Saturday night when Mr and Mrs Harley Wallace entertained with a birthday party honoring their daughter, Shirley, on her 15th birthday.

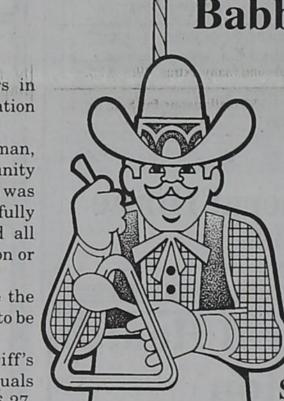
Junior Smith, son of Mr and Mrs M.S. Smith, has written his parents that he will start home February 14. He has been in Germany for little over a year.

February 12, 1948 50 Years Ago

As a Valentine courtesy to the Post Dispatch readers, Jan Paula Herring, daughter of Mr and Mrs Clint Herring, posed with her next door neighbor, Roger Camp, son of Mr and Mrs S. E. Camp. at the request of a staff photographer. They were so cute!!

Little Dee Dee Walker, son of the Rev. and Mrs I.D. Walker, is home from the Lubbock hospital where he was treated for pneumonia.

Mrs Paul Duren, who has been ill at her home the past three weeks, is able to be back at work. Some local grocery prices are: Lard, 3 lb. carton 75¢; cheddar cheese, 69¢ lb.; laundry soap, 10¢ bar; Jello, 8¢ box, and raisin bran cereal, 15¢ box.



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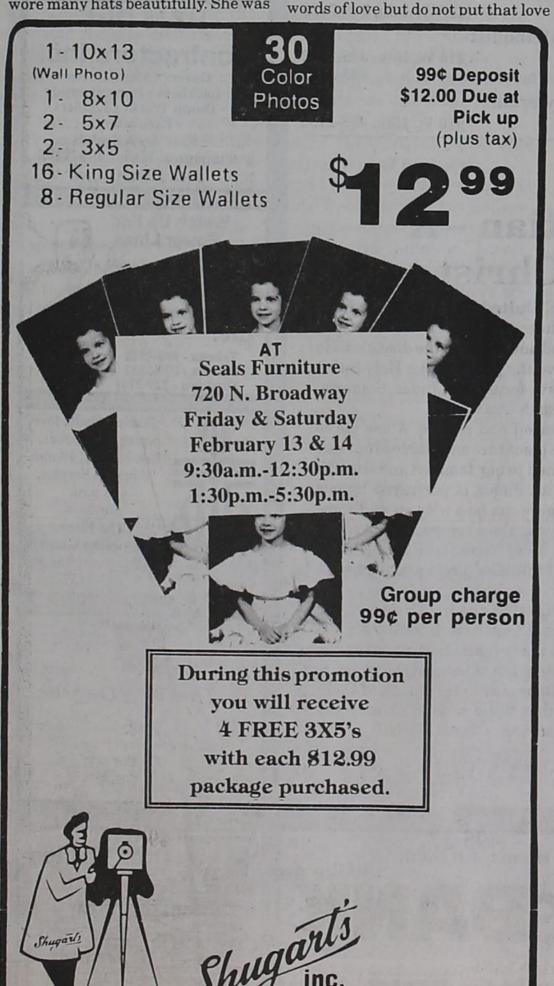
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Obituaries

Auvy Lee McBride

Funeral services for Auvy Lee McBride, 58 of Grand Prarie were held Wednesday, February 11, 1998 at 2 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church in Post with Rev. Charles Addington, Pastor of First United Methodist Church in Roscoe, officiating. He was assisted by Rev. Kenneth Cartwright, Pastor of Graham United Methodist Church. Burial was in the Terrace Cemetery under the personal care of Justice-Mason Funeral Home.



Mr. McBride died Monday, February 9, 1998 in Baylor Medical

Memorial services will be held Friday, February 13, at 2 p.m. in Highpoint Baptist Church in Cedar Hills.

He was born April 14, 1939 in Ralls to Thelbert Arnel and Alma Doris (Reese) McBride, and came to Garza County at the age of two. He attended Graham Chapel School and graduated from Post High School in 1957.

He attended Texas Tech and worked for the Lubbock County Tax Assessor Collector. He lived in Brownfield where he was active in the real estate business. He was Man of the Year in Brownfield and a member of the Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club.

After moving to Grand Prairie he worked for Office of Thrift Supervision as Chief Appraiser. He married Leslie Nichols on December 26, 1959 in Post. He later married Shirley Ann Bartlett on June 6, 1987 in Irving. He was a member of the Baptist Church and was an avid golfer. He was preceded in death by his father, Thelbert McBride on June 1, 1974.

Survivors include: his wife, Shirley Ann of Grand Prairie; mother and step-father, Alma and Joseph Williams of Post; one son, Auvy Lee McBride II of Burnet; two daughters, Andrea Lynn Davidson of Kennewick, Washington and Leah Annetta Brock of Hobbs, N.M.; three step-daughters, Penny Pierce of Seagraves, Donna Wallace of Olton and Ronda Tilley of Meadow; one brother, David Thelbert McBride of Lubbock; one sister, Shirley Cranford of Texarkana; and 11 grandchildren.

Pallbearers were David Pierce, Mack Terry, Ronnie Morris, Ted Tatum, Bruce Benson and Sam Chaffin.

Honorary pallbearers were members of the graduating class of 1957.

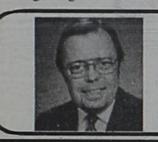
Mabel Caroline Welch

Services for Mabel Caroline Welch were at 2 p.m. on Friday, February 6, 1998 in the Hudman Funeral Home Chapel in Post, with Paul Jones, Minister of the Post Church of Christ officiating. Burial was in Terrace Cemetery under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

She was born June 4, 1909 in Oklahoma. When she was a young girl the family moved to Texas and settled near Trent. She married Rex Welch on September 6, 1937 in Snyder and they lived on the Welch ranch north of town until 1987, when they moved into Post. Mr Welch preceded her in death on August 19, 1991.

Survivors include two daughters, Rexene Pennell of Mineola and Dorothy Smith of New Home; one brother, W.P.Scott of Tahoka; one sister, Tennie Meeks of Tahoka; six grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be grandsons Ronnie, Harlan, and Kent Bruton, and Riley-Pennell, and great grandsons Kiley Bruton and Justin Garner.



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Cold symptoms can often be relieved with simple non prescription medications. As with all over the counter (OTC) medications, if you have a underlying medical problem or condition. Check with your medical provider! If you have questions about the different medications ask your pharmacists. Fever, headache, achy feeling: Ibuprofen (Motrin), Acetaminophen (Tylenol), Naproxen, are good choices. Avoid aspirin unless suggested by your provider. Runny Nose: Antihistamines can help, but may dry mucous membranes, so drink plenty of water or juice. Stuffy nose: Oral or nasal decongestants, but do not use these for more than three days without checking with your provider. Cough: A little coughing is good, a cough clears mucus from the lungs. If your cough is interfering with your daily activities or your sleep and is producing sputum look for a medication with an expectorant (Guaifenesin). If it is a dry hacking cough consider a suppressant (Dextromethorphan). If a cough persists for more than two weeks, see your provider.

Other home remedies are; Get extra rest after work or school. Slow down your daily routine. Use a humidifier or take a hot shower to relieve nasal stuffiness. Gargle with warm salt water if you have a sore throat. Drink plenty of water or juice.

Most colds are bothersome, self-limiting viruses and can be treated at home, but if your symptoms are persistent, you have underlying medical problems or you have any doubts at all, call your provider.

Michael Travis PA-C



Military News

Air Force Staff Sgt. Ken R. Boteler has been named top rookie recruiter for the 347th Recruiting Squadron in Waukegan, Ill.

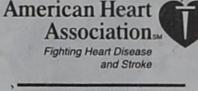
Selection was based on the individual's exemplary duty performance, job knowledge, leadership qualities, significant selfimprovement and accomplishments.

He is the son of Ingrid R. and Carl D. Boteler of Post.

His wife, Christy, is the daughter of Louis and Velma Yender of Lakeville, Minn.

The sergeant is a 1988 graduate of Post High School.

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Friday, Feb 13, 1998 Breakfast: Cereal, toast and honey, fruit, milk.

Lunch: Fish, macaroni and cheese, peas, carrot sticks, biscuit, pears,

Monday, Feb. 16, 1998 School out for holiday Tuesday, Feb. 17, 1998 Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit,

spinach, corn, cookie, milk.

Wednesday, Feb. 18, 1998 Breakfast: Waffles, butter & syrup,

fruit, milk. Lunch: Nachos supreme, salad, fruit cocktail, cornbread, ice cream,

milk. Thursday, Feb. 19, 1998 Breakfast: Malt-O-Meal, sausage,

toast, orange juice, milk. Lunch: Ham & gravy, sweet potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, Jello, milk.

Trail Blazer

Friday, Feb 13 1998 Spaghetti w/meat sauce, zucchini squash, cucumber salad, garlic bread, cherry crisp, beverage.

Monday, Feb. 16, 1998 Chicken and rice soup, ham salad sandwich on whole wheat bread, tator tots, lettuce and tomato salad, carrot cake, beverage.

Tuesday, Feb. 17, 1998 Beefroast, potatoes O'Brien, green and wax beans, coleslaw, hot roll, cinnamon roll, beverage.

Wednesday, Feb. 18, 1998 Salisbury steak w/gravy, noodles, cauliflower and cheese, fruit salad, cornbread, plum crisp, beverage.

Thursday, Feb. 19, 1998 King Ranch chicken, 3 bean salad, Mexican style spinach, banana pudding, beverage.

Lunch: Chili dog, tater tots, Southland ISD

Monday, Feb. 16, 1998 Breakfast: Breakfast pockets, juice, Lunch: Ham Sandwiches, pickle

spears, soup, fruit, milk. Tuesday, Feb. 17, 1998 Breakfast: Sausage, toast, fruit,

Lunch: Manager's Choice Wednesday, Feb. 18, 1998

Breakfast: Cereal, toast, juice, Lunch: Bologna sandwiches, chips,

pickle spears, fruit, milk. Thursday, Feb. 19, 1998 Breakfast: Cinnamon toast, fruit,

Lunch: Nachos, salad, corn, Jello,

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Every Christian - A Witness for Christ

by Pastor Jose A. Payano, United Church of God of Prophecy When Jesus arose from the dead and restored the disciples, He

told them that they would receive the power of the Holy Spirit and they would become witnesses to Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and the uttermost parts of the earth (Acts 1:8).

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