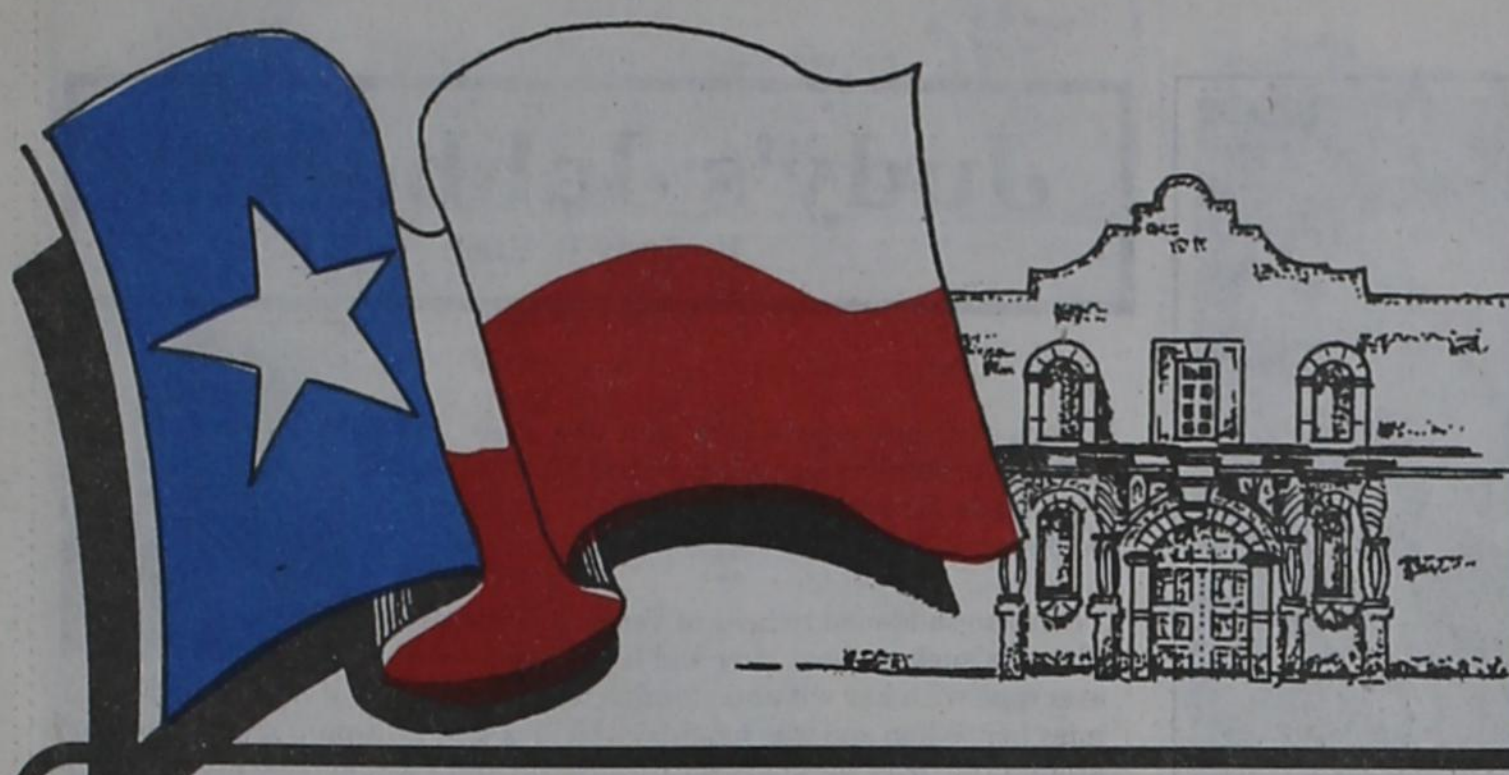


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| 3/11 | 48   | 20  | —       |
| 3/12 | 46   | 18  | —       |
| 3/13 | 51   | 19  | —       |
| 3/14 | 68   | 18  | —       |
| 3/15 | 63   | 18  | —       |
| 3/16 | 57   | 19  | 1.65    |
| 3/17 | 43   | 19  | 0.10    |

March total rainfall — 1.75  
 Rainfall year-to-date — 3.55  
 (Records courtesy Garza County Sheriff's Department)

## Post Notes

### Little League Registration

Registration for the Post Little League baseball and softball leagues for girls and boys ages 5-15 will continue on Saturday March 21 from 1 to 5 p.m. at Mad Dad's Da House. Registration fee is \$10 and a birth certificate will be required.

### Cub Scouts hosts supper

The Post Cub scouts will have a beans-n-cornbread supper and a silent bake sale on Friday March 20, 1998 at 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Admission is \$3 per person. All proceeds go to the Post Cub Scouts, Pack 314. Thanks for your support.

### Booster Club meeting

The Post Antelope Booster Club will meet Thursday, March 19 at 7 p.m. in the High School Commons.

### Calvary Baptist Church Revival

Calvary Baptist Church will be having a revival March 22 through 27. Sunday services will be held at 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. Services Monday through Friday will be held at 7 p.m. Bring your sack lunch and join in the noon bible study daily. Garland Steuart will be the evangelist and Jim Jackson will be the music leader. The theme for the revival is "A Fresh Touch".

### Ladies Auxiliary garage sale

The Ladies Auxiliary of the VFW 6797 will be having a garage sale on Saturday, April 4th at the VFW Hall on the Clairmont Hwy from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Any donations will be greatly appreciated. For pick up call 495-3393, 495-2470, or 495-4185 after 5 p.m.

### Homestead and Ag exemption

The Garza Central Tax Appraisal District is reminding property owners that if they have not signed up for their Homestead or Ag Exemption they can go by the Garza Central Appraisal District office at 124 East Main to do so. Sign-up deadline on these exemptions is April 30, 1998. If you are 65 this year, you may file for the over-65 exemption up to one year after the date you turned 65.

Also, rendition statements for personal business property are required to be filed with the Chief Appraiser before April 14, 1998. Forms have been delivered but if someone has not received one, they can contact the Garza Central Appraisal Office.

### SPCAA public meeting announced

In keeping with the intent of the CSBG ACT, prior to submitting the FY 98 Performance Statement and Planning Budget SPCAA must conduct public meetings to receive public input on the use of CSBG funds and receive input on these types of Services that may be needed in the community. The public meeting will be held March 5, 1998 at 7 p.m. in the Garza County Community Action Building on the Snyder Hwy in Post. For more information contact Billie Williams at 806-495-2329.

# The Post Dispatch

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## Local youth charged in March 1 sexual assault

by Sheri Lewis

A 17-year-old Post High School student was arrested this week in connection with a sexual assault that reportedly occurred March 1 in Post.

Ulrick Guerrero was arrested at about 5 p.m. Monday without incident, according to Lt. J.W. Jolly of the Garza County Sheriff's Department. As of late Tuesday, Guerrero remained in the local jail on charges of sexual assault. Bond is set at \$50,000.

Guerrero was arrested as the result of an investigation which stretched about two weeks. The investigation was initiated after the mother of a 15-year-old local girl contacted the sheriff's department with a report of a sexual assault against her daughter.

According to Jolly, the incident allegedly occurred following a Feb. 28 party at a local residence. Numerous teens, some as young as 14 years of age, were on hand for the party which continued into the early morning hours of March 1. A fruit-flavored malt liquor was made available to those attending the party and the girl, unfamiliar with the alcoholic beverages being served, became extremely intoxicated.

Two male friends of the girl decided to walk her home but were stopped by Guerrero and two other male partygoers who had a vehicle and offered the girl and her friends a ride. The girl and one of her friends accepted the offer. The girl's male friend was dropped

off first, then the group drove to the home of one of the other young men in the vehicle. That young man was beginning to feel sick to his stomach and went into the house, followed by a second male passenger. The 15-year-old girl was left alone in the vehicle with Guerrero. The assault apparently occurred when the two were alone, Jolly said.

Guerrero's friend returned to the vehicle and the young men drove the girl to her home. It was the next day before the young woman

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## 20 year old charged with aggravated sexual assault

A 20-year-old Garza County man remains in the Garza County Jail this week on a charge of aggravated sexual assault.

Antonio David Ayala was picked up on an arrest warrant last week and brought back from Wisconsin to face a single charge of sexual assault, according to Lt. J.W. Jolly of the Garza County Sheriff's Department. Two other charges of aggravated sexual assault against Ayala are pending.

Ayala is accused of sexually assaulting a 7-year-old Slaton boy sometime in late 1996 and early 1997. The assaults reportedly occurred

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## Taba'na Yuan'e checks sunrise wind for prediction

The annual Taba'na Yuan'e, or sunrise wind, observance is scheduled to begin at 6 a.m. Sunday at the city park on the south side of town.

Sponsored by the Commerce & Tourism Bureau, the observance has been practiced in Garza County for many years and is used as a means of projecting the success of agricultural crops for the coming years. The ancient Plains Indians practiced the ceremony for centuries and passed it on to the early Garza County settlers.

According to tradition, the wind's direction at the exact moment of sunrise is believed to determine the success of crops during the coming year. Winds out of the east/northeast predict a very good year while winds from the north/northwest point to an average year. West or southwesterly winds equate to a poor year, according to the beliefs rooted in the ceremony, and winds from the south/southeast forecast a very bad year.

According to "Chief" Frank Runkles, who has been involved with the Garza County Tabana Yuane for many years, it is believed the observance began in 1907 or so when early settlers, having purchased land from C.W. Post, met

to discuss agricultural information pertaining to the area. Since there was no information readily available as to what types of weather to expect, crops to plant, etc., it was suggested that the group rely on a long-used Indian practice that used wind directions to help the natives to find food. The early farmers "turned to nature," Runkles said, and records were kept each year, plotting the success of the wind-driven forecasts. Farmers relied heavily upon the annual observance as did retailers, who stocked their shelves accordingly.

In 1973, local residents decided to create a more formal celebration of the annual ceremony, recapturing the Native American influence. In recent years, a community-wide breakfast has followed the ceremony.

Following this year's event, participants will be given discount coupons to be used for breakfast meals in local restaurants, according to the bureau's Wanda Mitchell.



Garza Theatre "Anastasia" cast members (left to right) Leslie Woodard (Varya), Jeremy Danial (Prince Boumine), Peter Harris (Chernov) and Morgan Mercer (Anastasia) sparkle in the current production, showing again this weekend. Call the theatre at 495-4005 for reservations.

## Taba'na Yuan'e Ceremony



Sunday morning's Taba'na Yuan'e will feature the traditional Plains Indian sunrise ceremony at the South Park in Post, sponsored by the Post Chamber of Commerce. Zoe Kirkpatrick serves as director of the event. At last year's ceremonies were (left to right) Jack Ramey of Dallas, Mike Hanna of Amarillo, Zoe Kirkpatrick, Ken LeBlanc of Odessa, John Cory of Lubbock, Chief Frank Runkles and Linda Puckett. Runkles said that due to health problems, he will not be able to participate this year.

## Candidates announce intentions in local May 2 elections

Candidate filings for the May 2 city, school district and hospital district elections continued this week. An update of candidate filings includes:

### City of Post

Three positions are slated to be filled for the City of Post, including two-year city council terms representing Ward 3, Ward 4 and Ward 5. Those seats are currently filled by Archie Gill (3), Bill Poole (4) and Andy Stelzer (5).

As of late Tuesday, the following had filed applications for places on the municipal ballot:

Ward 3 — Archie Gill (incumbent), Lewis Holly, John Redman  
 Ward 4 — Bill Poole (incumbent) Ward 5 — Andy Stelzer (incumbent), Vicki Gray, Susan Rodriguez and Harold Craig.

Deadline for filing an application for a place on the ballot was 5 p.m. Wednesday.

### Post I.S.D.

A pair of three-year posts on the Post Independent School District board of trustees are scheduled to be filled. Open positions include Place 4, currently held by Alexa Collier, and Place 5, currently held by Jeff Lott.

Both incumbents have filed applications for places on the ballot. No new filings had been received as of Tuesday morning. Deadline for filing was 5 p.m. Wednesday.

### Southland School District

Two full terms on the Southland School District board of trustees are scheduled to be filled. Open positions include those currently held by Joey Basinger and Stanley Wheeler.

As of Tuesday morning, only the incumbents had filed applications for places on the ballot. Deadline for filing for a place on the ballot is Wednesday.

### Garza Hospital District

Two open posts are to be filled on the Garza Hospital District's board. Open positions include the seat currently held by David Tyler and a vacant position held by Becky Warren prior to her resignation a year ago. Both at-large positions to be filled are for full, two-year terms.

As of early Tuesday, Tyler had filed for a place on the ballot, as had Michael Travis. No new filings have been received during the past week.

Filing deadline for individuals interested in serving on the hospital district board of directors is 5 p.m. April 6.

## Petition circulating on hospital district

Signatures from Garza County registered voters are being sought on a petition to order an election to dissolve the Garza Hospital District.

Organizers of the petition signing have collected approximately 100 signatures in just a few days of campaigning.

The official count of registered voters in Garza County is 2,966 and the petition drive to order the hospital board to call an election requires 15 percent of registered voters.

The purpose of the petition is to call an election to decide the future of the hospital district, which continues to collect property taxes without operating a hospital.

Volunteers may call Mozelle Rogers at 495-3250 to assist in the campaign or sign a petition. Registered voters may also sign petitions at The Post Dispatch.



## Gonzales, Salazar united in double ring ceremony

Rosa Graciela Gonzales of Post and Raul Jose Salazar of Lubbock were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony March 14, 1998 in the Watson Building in Lubbock. The Rev. Joe Torres performed the ceremony.

Rosa is the daughter of Rosa Elva Gonzales of Post and Rudy Gonzales of Dallas.

Raul is the son of Margie and Martin Salazar of Lubbock.

The bride wearing a gown designed by Mor'le was given in marriage by her father, Rudy. She carried a fresh flower arrangement of Casa Blanca Lillies from Alanté Floral.

Sandra Pauda, a friend from Brownfield served as Maid of Honor. Bridesmaids were friends, Angie Cabanas, Esmeralda Torres and Robbie Sarabia, all of Lubbock; Regina Adams of Oklahoma City, Ok; and sister-in-law, Analisa Salazar of Midland. Flower girl was Jasmine Torres of Seminole. They all wore gowns by Alfred Angelo and carried candles instead of flowers.

Best man was Nick Ponce, a friend of Dallas. Groomsmen were Hector Armendariz, the brides uncle from Lubbock; Will Rodriguez and Dan Urrea, both from Austin; Carlos DeLa Cruz of Lubbock, all friends and Ruben Trevino, a cousin from

Lubbock. Ring bearer was Steven Polanco from Post. They wore tuxedos from Gingiss Formalwear.

Ushers were Fernando Gonzales and Michael Gonzales, the brides brothers from Dallas.

Wedding music was provided by Gail Barber, Harpist.

A reception followed immediately after the ceremony at the Watson Building in Lubbock. Decoration for the reception were by Corina Gallegos. Music was provided by Mariachi Flores and Music to the Max DJ.

The couple enjoyed a wedding trip on Carnival Cruise to Catalina Island and Ensenada, Mexico.

The groom's parents hosted a rehearsal dinner at the County Line Restaurant before the wedding.

The couple will make their home in Lubbock where Rosa is currently employed by the City of Lubbock in the Community Development department and Raul is also employed by the City of Lubbock Fire Department.

Rosa is a 1989 graduate of Post High School and received a Arts Degree in Design and Merchandising from Miss Wade's Design College.

Raul is a 1988 graduate of Coronado High School and received a Masters of Public Administration from Texas Tech University.



Rosa Salazar

## Judy's Jabberin'

By Judy B. Bush



Hope everyone enjoyed the rain this week. It has been quite awhile since it has rained like that, and it sure made for a lazy Sunday, curled up with a good book!

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I was so saddened to hear of Verna Roberts death. She was such a sweet lady and has always amazed everyone with her wit and stamina and has left lots of friends behind to miss her. When she was neighbors to Rick and I, I would see her coming around the drive we share with Durwood and I would poke my head out to check on her. She would let me know in a hurry that she was o.k. and that she was just out stretching her legs. If I live to be 100, may I still be able to "stretch my legs". We'll miss you Verna.

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I know there are still lots of folks out there suffering with colds, sinus, virus and allergies. I know there must be a cure somewhere for all of this stuff, but where? My ears have been stopped up now for over a week, and my household is tired of yelling, telling me the telephone is ringing and the blaring TV. I hope everyone is feeling much better, really soon, and all can breathe and hear again.

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Will Morrow gave me a call the other day and was really upset that he had mistakenly left Tina Reyna's name out of the story about the Boy Scout Blue and Gold Banquet. He said Tina had worked so hard on rounding up door prizes and had done a terrific job, and he was so sorry that he had left her name out. So Tina, here's to you for helping those Boy Scouts, and thanks for being a great volunteer.

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I want to wish a special Happy Birthday to my brother, Jack Ballentine, in San Antonio. Now I won't print his age, but he is near to seeing retirement instead of dreaming about it! Anyway, he is a pretty neat brother to have, and I hope he had a great day Monday, March 16.

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Kelly Boyd and Danny Valdez, formally of Post, were married in Slaton March 14, at the Church of Christ.

Those in the wedding party from Post were; groomsmen Jimmy Valdez and Chris Belongia; Maid of Honor, Bridget Griffin and flower girl, Alexandria Griffin. Bridesmaids were Courtney Bratcher and Jodie Hawkins. Those attending the wedding from Post were; Julio and Lisa Valdez; Eddie Valdez; Rhonda, Quinton and Colton Valdez; John Valdez; Mark Valdez; Kyron Moore and Damon Dean.

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Birthdays this week are; Thursday 19; Elbert Rudd; Delbert Rudd; Joyce Nelson; Sandy Nelson and Ben Mason; Friday 20; Jacky Harp; Sunday 22; Kim Cole; Kristy Shifflett; Amanda Forrer; Victor Ashley and J.W. Gray; Monday 23; Carol Tobias; Tuesday 24; Janell L. Jones and Jon James; Wednesday 25; T.K. Thompson; Morgan (Tiny) Williams and T.J. Levario. Anniversaries: Steven and Jamie Cooper, Monday 23 and Gary and Heather Daniell, Friday 20.

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Well, Tabana Yuane is Sunday, and what with the weather we have been having, this forecast should be really interesting! Let's cross our fingers for a great crop forecast.

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Guess that is all for this week. Everyone have a great weekend and I'll see you next week!

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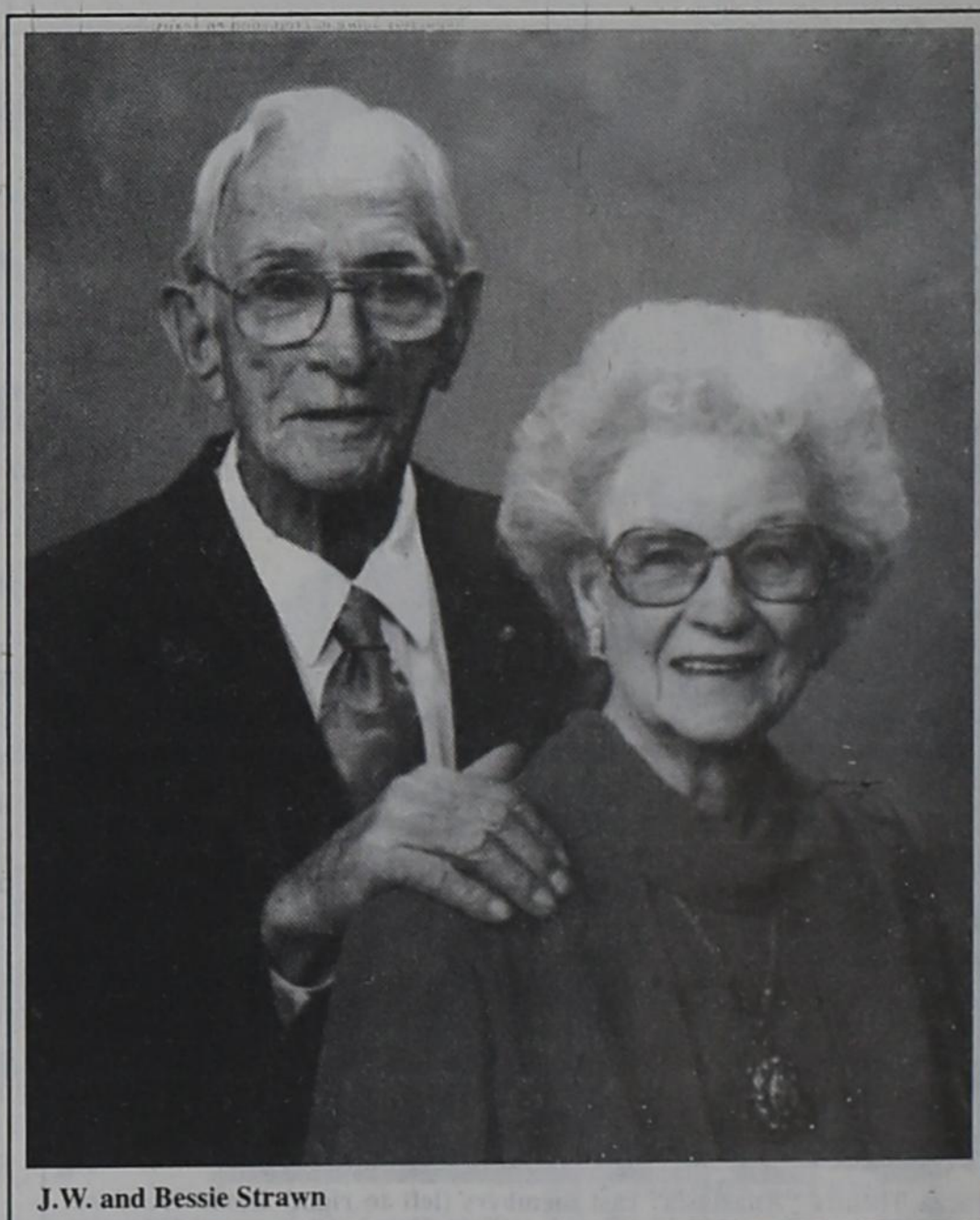
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# Golden Plains Care Center Newsletter

We had so much fun during the Dog Show! We had a lot of contestants, and a lot of spectators. The winners were: Largest, CeCe (Great Dane), owners Linda and Mary Ann Stelzer; Smallest, Lucy (Poodle) owner Jody Whisenhunt shown by Josie Whisenhunt; Cutest, Yorky (York Terrier) owner LaVena Palmer shown by Toby Palmer; Best Trick, Holly (Poodle) owner Madge Webb shown by Jody Palmer; Laziest, Shelby (Blue Heeler) owner Valerie Mize; Sweetest, Fancy (Poodle) owner LaVena Palmer shown by Heath Palmer; So Ugly I'm Cute award, Doby (Chinese Pug) owner Misty Fellhauer shown by Heath Fellhauer; Best Behaved, Precious (Poodle) owner Nell Mathews; Best Dressed, Tippy (Poodle) owner LaVena Palmer shown by Toby Palmer.

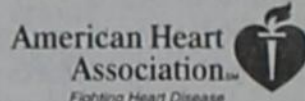
Nell Matthew's poodle, Precious ate a banana and turned circles and played dead. Madge Webb's poodle, Holly begged and Linda and Mary Ann Stelzer's Great Dane, CeCe sat on the couch. The Dog Show had a great turn out and we are already looking forward to the next.

Our judges were Mabel Robinson, Lois Baldree and Rosa Gonzales. I would like to thank everyone who took the time to help make the show so much fun, the residents really enjoyed it.

Our Birthday Party was a blast thanks to the VFW Ladies Auxiliary who brought in delicious cakes and punch and handed out gifts to all the residents that had a March birthday. Thanks!

This week we are having a Spelling Bee on Wednesday and we will be having singing at 10 a.m. on Thursday and Friday. Next week on Monday at 3:30 p.m. we are playing shuffleboard, and don't forget our domino tournament on Tuesday at 3 p.m.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to the families of Learleen Felder and Verna Roberts, they were two wonderful ladies and we will miss them both.



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### E.P.C. Meeting

March 27 The Garza County Extension Program Council Executive Board will meet Friday, March 27, at Noon at L.D.'s Daughters.



The technical name for a werewolf is *lycanthrope*. The word derives from the mythological Greek king Lycaon, who was turned into a wolf by the god Zeus. *Lycanthropy* is a mental illness where a person imagines he or she is a wolf.

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## Births



Keegan Charles Perez

### Keegan Perez

Kaylem Perez is proud to announce the arrival of his brother, Keegan Charles. He was born on February 9, 1998 at 9:31 a.m. He weighed 8 lbs. 8 ozs. and was 21 1/2 inches long.

Parents are Gabriel and Amy Perez of Post.

Maternal grandparents are Charles and Kay Wallace of Post.

Paternal grandparents are Johnny Perez of Post and Carol Sanchez of Morse, Tx.

Great grandparents are Johnnie Wallace of Post and Peggy Altman of Slaton.

Great great grandmother is Francis Sargent of Slaton.

### Tyler Ayala

Mr and Mrs Jonathan Ayala of Slaton are proud to announce the birth of their son, Tyler Patrick Ayala. He was born March 7, 1998 at U.M.C. Hospital in Lubbock. Tyler weighed 5 lbs. 14 ozs. and was 18 3/4 inches long.

Tyler is welcomed by his first cousins Jacob Young of Atlanta, Ga. and Gabrielle Soto of Odessa.

Maternal grandparents are Ms. Debbie Vasquez of Canyon City, Co. and Mr Mark Born of Fort Wayne, Indiana. Great grandmothers are Marjorie Born of Fort Wayne, Indiana and Alberta Nichols of Columbia City, Indiana. Great great grandmother is Letha Mae of Columbia City, Indiana.

Paternal grandparents are Pat and Anita Ayala of Post. Great grandmother is Francisca Ayala of Post. Great great grandmother is Martina Varela of Deming, N.M.

### Protect your rights! "Render" your taxable property by April 15th.

A "rendition" is a report to the appraisal district that lists all the taxable property you owned or controlled on January 1st of this year. The rendition form is available at your local appraisal district office, or you may mail it to:

#### Who must file a rendition?

You must file a rendition if you own taxable personal property that is used in a business—such as the inventory and equipment used by a business.

#### Are there any advantages to you?

The advantages of filing a rendition are:

- You file your rendition of your property's value. If the appraisal district believes your value is higher, it must notify you in writing of the higher value and explain how you can protest that value to the appraisal district board.
- You record your current mailing address on your tax bills so they go to the right address. If your bill is mailed in the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes even if you're paying rates charged for late payments.
- You can also file a "report of decreased value" to change the appraisal district's appraisal of your property if you think your property's value has decreased since the last time you filed a rendition.

#### What's the deadline?

The last day to file 1998 renditions is April 15. Call your appraisal district for the last date the rendition may be postmarked if mailing. You can mail a rendition 15 days if you ask for it by writing by the April 15 deadline.

#### Where do you file?

File renditions with your local appraisal district at:

Garza Central Appraisal District  
P.O. Drawer F, 124 East Main  
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For more information, stop by your appraisal district and pick up:

- "Texas Property Taxes: Taxpayers' Rights, Remedies & Responsibilities"

Or contact:  
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### ¡Varias exenciones de residencia pueden rebajar sus impuestos de propiedad!

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#### ¿Quién califica para una exención?

Cualquier dueño de una residencia principal el día 1 de enero tiene derecho a una exención de residencia de \$12,000 en sus impuestos de propiedad. Y el 1 de octubre para la exención para los que se completaron 65 años, también tienen derecho a un "plus adicional" para solicitar una exención para 1998. Si Ud. cumple los 65 años durante el año, tiene derecho a una exención de \$12,000 más un plus adicional de \$1,000. Si Ud. cumple los 65 años durante el año, también tiene derecho a una exención de \$12,000 más un plus adicional de \$1,000.

#### ¿Hay otras exenciones?

Si Ud. es independiente, al día 65 años o más, tiene derecho a una exención adicional de \$10,000 en sus impuestos de propiedad. Y el 1 de octubre para la exención para los que se completaron 65 años, también tienen derecho a un "plus adicional" para solicitar una exención para 1998. Si Ud. cumple los 65 años durante el año, tiene derecho a una exención de \$12,000 más un plus adicional de \$1,000. Si Ud. cumple los 65 años durante el año, también tiene derecho a una exención de \$12,000 más un plus adicional de \$1,000.

#### ¿Debo solicitarla cada año?

No. Si Ud. recibió una exención de residencia en 1997, no hay necesidad de solicitarla de nuevo en 1998. Si desea que se le pida su jefe de valoración. Si no, envíe un formulario de solicitud de exención en su residencia en el 1 de octubre de 1998. Si Ud. cumple los 65 años durante el año, tiene derecho a una exención de \$12,000 más un plus adicional de \$1,000. Si Ud. cumple los 65 años durante el año, también tiene derecho a una exención de \$12,000 más un plus adicional de \$1,000.

#### ¿Dónde y cuando debo solicitar mis exenciones?

Su solicitud debe llegar en un oficina local del distrito de valoración antes del día 30 de abril. Si necesita más tiempo, llame al 800-495-1518 para más información.

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#### ¿Quién debe hacer una rendición?

Debe hacer una rendición si Ud. es dueño o posee un negocio de una propiedad personal—por ejemplo, el inventario que equipara utilizado en un negocio.

#### ¿Que ventaja me da?

Las ventajas de hacer una rendición son las siguientes:

- Ud. registra su opinión sobre el valor de su propiedad. Si el distrito cree que el valor es más grande, deberá avisarle por escrito y explicar cómo puede protestar el valor a su junta de valoración.
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#### ¿Cuál es la hora del cierre?

El día 15 de abril es la última fecha para mandar su rendición para 1998. La hora de cierre es a las 5:00 p.m. Si Ud. necesita más tiempo, llame al 800-495-1518 para más información.

#### ¿Dónde hago mi rendición?

Haga su rendición con su distrito de valoración en:

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#### ¿Quién debe hacer una valoración productiva?

Debe hacer una valoración productiva si Ud. posee un terreno agrícola, ganadero o maderero que se utiliza para la producción de bienes agrícolas, ganaderos o madereros.

#### ¿Que ventaja me da?

La valoración productiva puede reducir los impuestos de su terreno agrícola, ganadero o maderero.

#### ¿Cuál es la hora del cierre?

El día 30 de abril es la última fecha para solicitar una valoración productiva para 1998. La hora de cierre es a las 5:00 p.m. Si Ud. necesita más tiempo, llame al 800-495-1518 para más información.

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#### Who must file a productivity appraisal?

Must file a productivity appraisal if you own agricultural, ranch or timber land that is used for the production of agricultural, ranch or timber products.

#### What advantages does it offer?

The productivity appraisal can reduce the property taxes on your agricultural, ranch or timber land.

#### What is the deadline?

The deadline for filing a productivity appraisal for 1998 is April 30. The deadline is 5:00 p.m. If you need more time, call 800-495-1518 for more information.

#### Where should I file?

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## Tax 'n Facts

by Terri Cash, CPA  
Retirement for  
Couples

The new tax law enhances retirement planning for married couples. If a spouse doesn't work, the maximum contribution to an IRA for him or her has risen from \$250 to \$2,000, even if the working spouse is covered by an employer's plan. (This starts to phase out when the family adjusted gross income goes over \$150,000.)

There are more and more two-income families these days, and often both are entitled to stash away as much as \$10,000 in a 401(k). What if they can't afford to take the whole \$20,000 out of the family budget? Best bet then is to maximize the contribution of the younger spouse—the whole \$10,000 limit if allowed—and save a lesser amount for the other spouse (assuming that both employers match contributions the same way). This works for IRAs, too.

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## Extension Agent earns top awards

His work with growers in Crosby and Floyd counties has earned two top awards from the Texas Pest Management Association (TPMA) for Ron Graves, integrated pest management (IPM) agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. The awards were presented at the TPMA annual meeting in Corpus Christi.

Graves received the Excellence in IPM Programming Award for agents with six or fewer years of service. It included a plaque and \$1,000. He also received the Outstanding IPM Specialist Award, which included a plaque and \$1,500.

The awards are especially important because they are presented by the people the agents serve, said Dr. Tom Fuchs, Extension Service entomologist at San Angelo and coordinator of the Extension IPM program. He said the judges include scientists and educators from several disciplines and an IPM coordinator from another state.

The first award is based on an agent's individual efforts in IPM and their professional development as IPM extension agents in their counties. It focuses on technical aspects of IPM, Fuchs said.

The second award, Fuchs said, looks for outstanding leadership and cooperation in working with growers and the TPMA.

"In both categories, Graves has done a truly outstanding job," Fuchs said. "His program has had a tremendous impact on his counties and the growers overwhelmingly support and appreciate what he does."

Graves has served as Crosby-Floyd pest-management agent since December 1995. Last year he had 19,845 contacts with growers and agribusiness people in this area of intensive and diverse crop production. His newsletter went to 7,426 subscribers. He scouted more than 5,000 acres for 26 producers in the program, which provided funds for two other field scouts during the summer.

He also coordinated the two-day Caprock Cotton Conference, attended by 450 producers; conducted numerous workshops and educational meetings, and coordinated the work of an Agri-Partners demonstration technician in data collection from 21 result demonstrations and nine insect monitoring studies. Graves also used mass media to reach growers with timely information.

Graves grew up on a cotton and peanut farm in Garza County and graduated from Post High School. He received a B.S. degree in agricultural services from Tarleton State University in 1991.

He worked for three years with Dr. Thomas A. (Chip) Lee, Extension Service plant pathologist at Stephenville in statewide peanut research and demonstration work. He also worked as a graduate assistant with Dr. David Marshall, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station professor of plant pathology at Dallas. Graves is pursuing a M.S. degree in plant pathology through Texas A & M University.

Graves and his wife, Melinda, have two sons: Braden and Heston.



The remodeled Dairy Queen opened to customers last weekend, with a dazzling new interior and whole new look. Traffic was brisk.

## Texas Folklife Resources

The town of Post, Texas, is gearing up for a week-long visit from traditional fiddler Alvin Crow. From May 11 through 17, Crow will discuss and present traditional Western Swing music for the local chambers of commerce, Rotary Clubs, seniors centers, schools, Head Start groups and other sites throughout the community. With the discussions and mini-performances, Alvin Crow will underscore the importance of Western Swing music to the region and demonstrate why his fiddle was influential in the creation of the sound we know today as swing. The week of activities will be the fourteenth of 20 Community Residencies scheduled throughout Texas from January through June.

This residency celebrates one of the core traditions of Texas country music, Western Swing. While growing up in the Texas Panhandle, Alvin Crow mastered the Western Swing style on his fiddle, which he plays well enough to earn compliments from Mrs. Bob Wills. Alvin Crow is a superb entertainer, playing lively, varied, Texas dance music to appreciative fans worldwide.

Other Community Residencies will feature such traditional music masters as fiddlers Johnny Gimble and Valerie Ryals Bates, blues artists W.C. Clark and Carol Fran and Clarence Hollimon, singer and cowboy poet Buck Ramsey, and conjunto accordionists Mingo Saldivar and Santiago Jimenez, Jr. Each musician will spend seven days in a community, in a variety of small settings, performing, jamming with local musicians, and teaching classes, all to demonstrate the connections between his or her music and the local musical heritage.

Texas Folklife Resources is a statewide non-profit cultural organization that serves both Texas

folk artists and their audiences by helping to present and promote a diverse and living artistic heritage for all Texans. Statewide Community Residencies are made possible in part with funding from the National Endowment for the Arts Folk Arts Program and the Texas Commission on the Arts.

For more information on the event, contact Caprock Cultural Assoc. at 495-4148. For interviews or information on Texas Folklife Resources, contact Debbie Fant, Coordinator of the Community Residency program, (512) 320-0022.

## Graves surprised with birthday party

The ladies of Calvary Baptist Church gave Mary Graves a surprise birthday party Tuesday night.

Lots of fun and fellowship was enjoyed by all. Those attending enjoyed Scripture, poems and stories along with Angel Food cake, strawberries and cream, punch, nuts and candy.

Ladies attending were Mary Graves, Evelyn Jones, Betty Posey, Caroline Halford, Dora Halford, Karzanda Harper, Nicole Gray, Ruby Shedd, Olive Shaw, Wanda Blacklock, Della Crenshaw, Cindy Taylor, Lisa Dean, Della Davis, Judy Lee, Teresa Schoonover, Amy Schoonover, April Graves, Ruth Hill, Ruth Williams, Pauline Clinesmith, Jackie Hair and Arlene Gill.

# Sports

## PHS boys take first, second at golf tourney

Post High School boys' golf teams captured first and second place wins in the Post Invitational Golf Tournament held March 13.

The Post A team won first place with 308, followed by the Post B team with 377. Other team scores included Plains, 384 (won playoff); Seagraves, 384; Tahoka, 412; Idalou, 415; Crosbyton, 518; and New Deal, 558.

Individual scores were as follows: Post A team — Jerry Graham, 77 (third medalist); Marcus Lopez, 72 (first medalist); Jay Gorman, 81; Justin Gorman, 82; and Justin Norman, 78. Post B team — Slade Bevers, 76 (second medalist); Michael Ulm, 114; John Radle, 98; Matt McCallister, 105; and Eric Lopez, 98. Post individual scores included Steve Gonzales, 98, and Brooks Conner, 88.

## First place for PHS girls' golf team

Post High School's girls earned a first place win at the Post Invitational Golf Tournament conducted March 12.

The PHS squad finished with a team score of 398 to take first place in the tourney. Other team totals included Colorado City, 422, and O'Donnell, 487.

Individual scores included Kasey Hardin, 80 (first medalist); Becca Stelzer, 107; Natalie Pollard, 111; Yvonne Lopez, 100; and Moe Palmer, 132. Post individual Kelli Collier finished with a 131.

## Garden Club actually has gardening program!

by Margaret Barley

Who says nothing ever changes? Don't ever believe it. Well, maybe that should be qualified just a little. Besides, isn't it okay to change things just a little at a time, so no one really notices the change.

Take, for instance, our refreshments. The by-laws state they should be light. But how light can you make two sandwiches, chips, olives, pickles and Italian Creme Cake. I'm sure our hostesses, Annie Laura Francis and Alma Williams made them as light as possible and they sure were good. To be sure nothing much changed in our eating habits when we met at Annie Laura's house on the 12th of March.

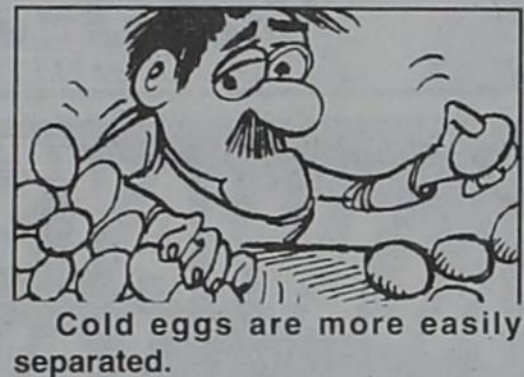
Conversation was pretty normal as Fleta Caffey had to get rather stern to quieten us down so we could get to business and a program. Would you believe, we had gotten back on the subject of snakes? Unreal!! Actually, I consider Gladys Blair, Sybil Cockrum, Edna Owen, Ida Jones, Fleta Caffey, Jan Acker, Shorty King, Jewel White, Irene Mitchell, the hostesses and myself to be rather normal folks, but we evidently have this hang-up about snakes.

You thought I never was going to get to something that had changed, didn't you. Well, we had a program, thanks to Mr. Robert Wilson, on lawn care. To sum it up, if you put weed killer, fertilizer and water on it at the right time, and cut it the right height

at the proper time, your lawn will be beautiful. Oh, yes, and you need to have the right kind of grass for your soil and climate. The soil you can add things to to make it right—the climate you can blame on El Nino. Maybe someday we'll get to flowers and veggies—never can tell with a group of over-achievers like us.

But just think, after you weed it a couple of times, fertilize it two or three times, water it as often as twice a week in the hot summer, and mow it every five days or so all summer long, you don't have to be one of those people that have to go to the track or walk main street to get your exercise. You've already had it and grown a beautiful lawn too. How lucky can you get!

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## GREAT MINDS MUST THINK ALIKE



## Government highway theft nets \$43,737.29 from February travelers

by Wesley W. Burnett

The first two months of 1998 have been prolific for highway revenue agents in the pursuit of padding government bank accounts... a total of \$92,806.05 has been ripped out of the pockets of travelers in Garza County according to reports by the two Justices of the Peace courts here.

The money came from 850 "criminals" who were unfortunate enough to have been trapped by the government sponsored confiscation racket. Of course, most of the victims who coughed up money do not know they have been stamped as criminals... they merely violated some statutory guideline regarding "rules of the road."

However, since state legislators continue to insist on using this tactic as a revenue enhancer, the hired guns for the state believe they are required to enforce these rules.

Interestingly, I took the time last week to read the 1876 State of Texas Constitution... specifically searching for evidence that the legislature has authority to regulate use of publicly owned rights of way. Surely that astute body of elected officials wouldn't dare approve of statutory rules and regulations without some constitutional authority to do so.

So far I have been unable to locate any portion of the 1876 constitution which gives the legislature any authority to regulate use of publicly owned rights of way... well, with one exception... there is a provision for regulating use of beach front roadways in certain coastal counties.

I wonder, if any member of the legislature, or any enforcer of the statutory law, who happens to be reading this newspaper, would bother to cite the specific portion of the state constitution which authorizes the legislature to regulate the use of publicly owned rights of way.

In the meantime, mainly because they have the guns and the judicial system stacked against the victims, this abuse of individual rights continues here as well as all across Texas.

In February the two JP courts here reported \$43,737.29 in revenue from the government highway robbery campaign, reporting 405 "criminal cases."

JP 1 processed 236 criminal cases, netting \$22,846.75 while JP 2 recorded 169 criminal cases, collecting \$20,890.54.

## 'Public education has failed us'... Part 2

by Vin Suprynowicz

(Continued from last week)

Carri Benson remembers testifying before a state senate committee in Carson City, "and this state senator said home schooling should be illegal, that's like living in a cave, the kids don't get any socialization. I said show me the cave, I'll move in, because I'd like to cut my kids' socialization about in half."

"I drive Jeremy (15) to the seminary in the afternoon, right through the milling throng of kids getting out of school. What you see is all black clothing, purple hair standing up at all angles, earrings, nose rings, every other thing pierced. The other day I said, 'Jeremy, do you want to go back? I'd be glad to send you back.' He said 'No thanks, mom!'"

For his doctoral dissertation at the University of Florida in 1992, Larry Shyers videotaped 8- to 10-year-old children at play, and then had their behavior observed by trained counselors who did not know which children went to regular schools and which were home schooled.

"The study found no big difference between the two groups of children in self-concept or assertiveness," reports Isabel Lyman in her Cato Institute report. "But the videotapes showed that youngsters who were taught at home by their parents had consistently fewer behavior problems."

### Successes and failures

The home school success stories are plentiful. Lyman cites the example of Joyce Swann of Anthony, N.M., who "armed only with a high school diploma, decided to homeschool her five-year-old daughter Alexandra, by using the Calvert School's elementary school correspondence program."

At age 16, Alexandra had earned her master's degree from California State University. At age 18 she was teaching U.S. history at El Paso Community College. Today, seven of Alexandra's nine homeschooled siblings also hold master's degrees.

The Colfax family of Boonville, California, famously saw three of their four homeschooled sons accepted by Harvard. Christopher Shea in the Feb. 2, 1996 edition of the Chronicle of Higher Education actually reported a boom in homeschooled students winning admission to selective colleges.

Bill Hanlon presents the other side of the equation.

"As home schooling grows, initially most home schooling parents were extremely hard working people, and I'm sure they still are. But you might have 5 percent of those people using the kids as baby sitters."

Ken Young, a home-schooling Metro police lieutenant who also sits on the board of directors of the parent support group Home Schools United - Vegas Valley, agrees there will always be "parents who don't



do their parental duties as well as what they should. I think with home schooling, there is a potential for that to happen. ...

"Conversely, though, in the public school system we have kids graduating from high school and they have to be basically retrained by private corporations to bring them up to a functional reading and math level. ...

"So the public education system has also failed us, kids who can't read or write are not only being promoted through the different grades, but are receiving high school diplomas with minimal abilities and skills. ...

"I think for the most part you have a lot of dedicated people in the public schools who are trying to do the right job, but especially in Las Vegas they're under such extreme pressures because of the growth, and the influx of Spanish-speaking children ...

"At the most recent advisory committee meeting some parents brought up the point, and I as a law enforcement officer made the same statement, that one of the reasons we pulled our kids out of public high school was the apathy on the part of the teachers. Because they're so overloaded, they basically teach to the lowest common denominator, and the kids just do not have a chance to excel."

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**"The only time my education was interrupted was when I was in school."**

**George Bernard Shaw  
 British author**

## Lies, deceit and arrogance...

by Walter E. Williams

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) recently mandated that Americans could not install on-off switches for auto air bags unless they get permission from the NHTSA. Explosive air-bag forces have already killed 87 people, plus they've been responsible for loss of sight and hearing. To deny people the right to decide against the minor safety gain that air bags give to seatbelts is the height of political arrogance backed up with lies and deception.

"Williams," you say, "our public officials don't lie and deceive!" Try this. Attorney Sam Kazman, of the Washington-based Competitive Enterprise Institute, sent me a video featuring former NHTSA-head Joan Claybrook. Speaking in 1983, Claybrook said, "Because they (air bags) are hidden away in dashboards, they work automatically when a crash occurs. ... They fit all different sizes of people, from little children up to 95 percent males, very large males. And I think that that gives more freedom and liberty than being forced to wear a seatbelt. ..."

"Auto manufacturers warned NHTSA that air bags could maim. In 1969, General Motors warned that "a small child close to the instrument panel from which the air cushion is deployed may be severely injured or even killed." In 1971, Chrysler's president said the air bag is "potentially hazardous for an out-of-position adult or small child."

Tests conducted in 1974 by Volvo showed out-of-position children could be killed or seriously injured by air bags. In her rush to control us, Claybrook dismissed these warnings as obstructionism by auto manufacturers.

Years and experience have justified auto manufacturer safety concerns. What's Claybrook's line now? Kazman's video captures Claybrook, in 1996, saying, "The bags are designed to stop a 160 pound



man going 30 miles an hour ... (auto companies) have known since 1978 that the explosive force needed to stop a man can snap the neck or injure the brain of a child." She says, "The safest place to put your child is in the back seat."

Claybrook has gone from telling us that air bags are perfect for everyone (1983) to telling us now (1996) the lie that she warned the public back then about air-bag dangers. Kazman says in his testimony before the House Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade and Consumer Protection on May 22, 1997: "In Hollywood it's a performance (Claybrook's lies and deception) that would be deserving of an Emmy. But this isn't Hollywood, it's Washington — and it has far more serious consequences."

Kazman played the video for Congress. You might think Congress would jump all over Claybrook. Forget it; they jumped on Kazman. Congressman Edward Markey, D-Mass., chided Kazman for bringing up the past, in his words "golden oldies." Adding, "It really doesn't help the discussion much for you to be sitting here going back into a long-distance, 1983 clip, past, which is 20 seconds that you think puts you to your most narcissistic advantage best, OK?" For Markey, hard evidence of lies and deception by public officials is irrelevant to congressional deliberations. I had always suspected that, but I was surprised to see my suspicions borne out.

This April's Car & Driver magazine has an article by Peter Bedard, "Just Saying No to Air Bags." According to the Bedard, the law prohibits auto shops from disabling air bags; but there is no law that prohibits an owner from doing so. The article gives a step-by-step process for safe do-it-yourself removal of air bags. In addition, there are probably web sites featuring removal procedures. Of course, the best thing would be for air bags to become optional equipment and for Congress to leave us alone.

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## What does low voter turnout in elections mean?

by Wes Burnett

All the hoopla recently about such a low voter turnout for the Democratic and Republican primary elections overlooks an important aspect of political life in Texas (and America)... most "registered" voters don't even know they are "registered."

In Garza County there are 2,966 registered voters. What? There has been an aggressive voter registration here apparently, and according to the Garza County Tax Assessor's office, there are 386 considered on the suspended list because the two-year notification cards were returned with no forwarding addresses.

Once a person registers to vote, the name is continued on the rolls unless the new card is returned when the two-year mailing cycle takes place. I can see how the voter list would continue to grow over the years... for example, high school students register, they move away but mail still goes to their "home" address... as long as their parents are at the same address.

But the total number of registered voters is not a reliable measurement of voter interest. In Garza County, only 442 of those 2,966 bothered to vote in either the Democratic or Republican primary... across the state only 13 percent of registered voters voted.

What does that mean? In the days before primary elections, political parties held precinct and county conventions to determine the party's candidates for office. The people who bothered to show up for those conventions were the party activists... they were the "movers and shakers" and formulators of ideas and philosophy of the political party. Candidates who were chosen were beholden to the party faithful... and because of that, they followed the "party line" and could be held accountable for failure to do so.

When the "big two" political parties pushed through legislation setting up the primary election process, it cast aside the party faithful concept, setting the stage for today's widespread voter apathy.

"It doesn't matter how I vote," is the common gripe of those who don't vote. In the democracy concept (mob rule) the voice of one person means nothing... there is no participatory process. You go in and cast a vote for candidates, who by and large, you don't know and in some cases, neither candidate is worth voting for... or at least that is the sentiment of many people who have abandoned the ballot box.

More often than not, candidates for political office say one thing to get elected, then do whatever they want after the election... usually responding to those who contributed the most to their campaign.

So much for democracy.

### Local Government Meetings

- Monday, March 23**
- Garza County Commissioners' Court, 9 a.m., Courthouse
- Monday, April 6**
- Garza County Commissioners' Court, 9 a.m., 3rd floor courthouse.
- Tuesday, April 7**
- Post City Council, city hall, 6:30 p.m.
- Monday, April 20**
- Garza County Commissioners' Court, 9 a.m., 3rd floor courthouse.



# Sheriff arrests 20 year old man charged with sexual assault

Ten arrests were made by local law enforcement officials over the past week, according to records at the Garza County Sheriff's Department.

On March 10, a 68-year-old male was picked up and placed in protective custody (emergency commitment to the Sunrise Canyon Mental Health Facility in Lubbock that same day). On March 11, two arrests were made, including that of a 36-year-old male arrested for driving while license suspended (released the same day on a \$1,500 PR bond) and a 47-year-old female arrested for public intoxication (released the next day after paying fines and community service).

Two men were arrested on March 12. The first, a 28-year-old male, was picked up on a Dallas County warrant (released the same day after posting a pair of bonds). The second, 20-year-old Antonio David Ayala, was charged with aggravated sexual assault.

On March 13, a 36-year-old man was arrested after he was ticketed for disregard of a stop light and he refused to sign the ticket (released the same day on bail bonds). Also on that date, a 39-year-old male was arrested for DWI (released March 16 on \$2,500 bond).

Arrests made on March 14 included that of a 48-year-old male arrested for DWI (released the next day on \$1,500 bond) and a 20-year-old male charged with DUIA-minor and possession of marijuana (released March 16 after paying fines and court costs).

A 17-year-old man, Ulrick Lee Guerrero, was arrested March 16 and charged with sexual assault.

About 70 calls for service were received at the sheriff's department over the past week. Those calls included, on March 11, a report of possible child abuse at a Burlington Place residence; a stolen dog in the 200 block of West 14th; request for an ambulance in the 900 block of Main Street (call transferred to the clinic); request for an ambulance in the 300 block of West 6th (transport made to Methodist Hospital in Lubbock); and a fight in the parking lot of a Clairemont Highway location (two women fighting, no weapons involved).

On March 12, dispatchers received a report of a minor automobile accident in the 500 block of West 13th (no further details recorded) and a grass fire on County Road 140 near the Southland area (fire department notified).

Incoming calls handled on March 13 included a report of criminal trespass at the juvenile detention center; theft in the 200 block of West 11th (space heaters removed from a rent house); and a request for an ambulance in the 700 block of Caprock (ambulance notified).

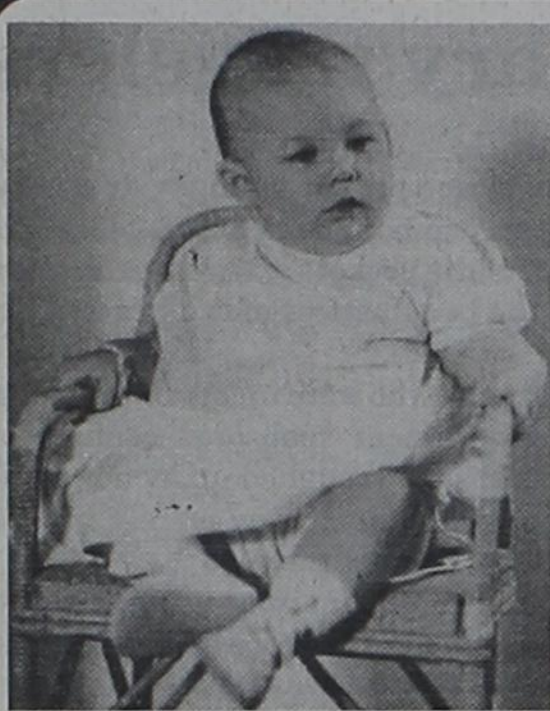
A report of criminal trespass in the Southland area was responded to on March 14, as were reports of a house fire on U.S. 84 south about three miles out (fire department notified); telephone harassment in the 400 block of Mohawk; and theft in the 300 block of West 15th (television and dishwasher reported missing).

An auto fire near Southland was reported on March 16, as was an incident of harassment in the 200 block of West 14th.

*Editor's Note: We publish the names of those people charged with the violation of the rights of other individuals.*



Lacey Gannon of San Angelo sets record-breaking streak this year showing Grand Champion meat goats in four major livestock shows, showing four different goats. She won at San Angelo with Frosty, Fort Worth with Pistol, San Antonio with Red Rock and Houston with Streak. Lacey is the granddaughter of Adell Gannon and daughter of D'Wayne and Denise Gannon.



There was a big celebration in our modest apartment on Elizabeth Street in Brownsville on March 26, 1948... our little sister was born!

Now she's reached a major milestone in her life, and we are all so very proud of her... for all her accomplishments, love and most of all... being our sister!

*Happy Birthday, Beverly!*

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and all your family!

## "Children of a Lesser God"

by Jennifer Smith

The silence...yes, that is what it is... you can see it, you can hear it, and most of all feel what the silence is in the deaf world as you watch this year's One Act Play cast perform "Children of a Lesser God".

The one act play is directed by one of the greatest - Candace Boling. What a show!!

The cast made up of Natalie Pollard, Clell Knight, Candi Reed, Daniel Fluit, Courtney Bratcher, Matt Cooper and Lindsey Rudd along with the crew of Luke Williams and Kelsey Wimmer have spent many long hours of rehearsing and studying lines as well as learning to communicate through sign language. Tanya Rudd has been working with the cast for several months teaching them sign language.

The cast and crew have been

attending festivals all over Texas, and the overall comments from the clinicians have been that the signing and acting are phenomenal. They are!! What a great ensemble!

They are all polishing and perfecting every detail at the moment in hopes to win the District One Act Play title in Abernathy on March 27.

This is a wonderful heart wrenching story. It is difficult to find better words to describe the fabulous job of directing and acting - so let's just say It's Great!! Their acting and timing are right on target.

If you have time, come and support this cast, crew and director while they give an unforgettable performance of "Children of a Lesser God" on March 27 in Abernathy. Their play will be the first one of the contest: God Luck, Good Show, and Break a Leg!!

## Sales tax rebate ahead of last year

Sales tax revenues in Garza County remain ahead for the year but this month's payment is significantly lower than that received a year ago, according to figures released recently by the state comptroller's office.

The City of Post received a monthly sales tax payment of \$16,924.18 this month, compared to last March's payment of \$22,255.71. The difference is -23.95 percent.

This month's payments include local sales taxes collected by monthly filers in January and reported to the state comptroller in February.

Statewide, sales tax rebates were 10.6 percent higher than those received a year ago.

Looking at year-to-date figures, Post has received a total of \$65,458.07. Compared to the 1997 payments to date of \$63,561.36, the city has seen an increase of 2.98 percent, according to the state report.

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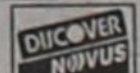
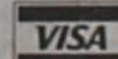
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# Obituaries

## Elbert Humble

Funeral services for Elbert Humble, 86 of Post were held Sunday, March 15, 1998 at 1 p.m. in the Post Church of Christ with Pastor Paul Jones officiating. Burial was in McKenzieville Cemetery under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

Mr Humble died Friday, March 13, 1998 on the Humble Ranch.

He was born March 8, 1912 to Joe and Mary Alice (Jameson) Humble in Silver, Texas. He married Patsy Haywood on December 11, 1938 in Bronte, Texas. He was a rancher and farmer in Garza County and a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors include: his wife, Patsy of the home; two sons, Max's'l Humble of Snyder and Fred Humble of Post; two daughters, Mary Ann Dameron of Midland and Elaine Griffin of Ralls; one brother, A.M. Humble of Riveroaks; eight grandchildren, Karl Humble of Monahans, Katrina Thane of Stamford, Darry Jones of Merkel, Alana Moore of Midland, Sherri Heinrich and Lisa McDonald, both of Idalou, Monty Humble and Tandi Humble, both of Post; and 16 great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were grandsons, Donnie McDonald, Monty Humble, Darry Jones, David Heinrich, Trussell Thane and Karl Humble.

The family suggest memorials to a favorite charity.

## Learleen Felder

Funeral services for Learleen Felder, 91 of Lubbock were held Monday, March 16, 1998 in the Hudman Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Joe Vernon, retired Baptist minister of Beeville officiating. Burial was in Terrace Cemetery under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

Mrs Felder died Thursday, March 12, 1998 in University Medical Center in Lubbock.

She was born March 18, 1906 to William Ido and Lulu Estelle (Johnson) Smith, Sr. in Knox Co. She married Horace Felder on May 20, 1927 in Post. He preceded her in death in July 2, 1953. She was also preceded in death by a daughter, Grace Avant in February 1979. She was a housewife and a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors include: one daughter, Dixie Morgan of Plano; one sister, Mattie Belle Fluit of Post; eight grandchildren and ten great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were John Gist, Roscoe Kropp, Danny Guthrie, Mack Ledbetter, Marion Mathews and Lanny Fluit.

## Claude O. Gary

Graveside services for Claude O. Gary, 96, of Slaton were held at 2 p.m. Monday, March 16, 1998 in Terrace Cemetery with the Rev. Raymond Gary, a retired Baptist Minister of Lubbock officiating. Burial was under the direction of Englund's Funeral Service of Slaton.

Gary died Saturday, March 14, 1998 in Slaton Care Center.

He was born September 2, 1901 in McCulloch County. He attended school at Eagle Hill, N.M. He had lived in Garza County in the 1930s and 40s and moved to Slaton from Plainview in 1965. He married Gertrude Glasscock in 1987. She preceded him in death on April 14, 1990. He was a farmer and he did construction work.

Survivors include two sons, James of Slaton and Bill of Valeria; two daughters, Bonnie Duren of Post and Arleta Gary of Slaton; two stepdaughters, Margie Wright of Lubbock and Lena Nelson of Fort Worth; a brother, Loyde of Elephant Butte, N.M.; 14 grandchildren; 26 great grandchildren; and five great great grandchildren.

## Verna Roberts

Funeral services for Verna Roberts, 101 long time resident of Post were held Friday, March 13, 1998 in the First Baptist Church in Post with Rev. Darryl Smith, pastor officiating. Burial was in Resthaven Cemetery in Southland.

She died Wednesday, March 11, 1998 in Horizon Specialty Hospital in Lubbock.

Verna was born November 14, 1896 in Fannin Co. to John and Bal (Ferris) Robinson. In 1915 her parents brought their ten children from Young County in a covered wagon to a farm near Pleasant Valley. In the 1930's and 40's she was a home health nurse for Dr's. Williams and Surman. She married D.C. "Colonel" Roberts in 1952. He preceded her in death on June 30, 1978.

Verna was honored as Citizen of the Year in Garza County. At the time of her 100th birthday her family and friends honored her with 100 roses and Gov. Bush sent her a proclamation declaring her a yellow rose of Texas. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Post since the 1950's and a member of the Garza County Extension Club for many years.

She is survived by a step-son, Eldon Roberts of Abilene; two step-daughters, Vada Gollehon of Portales, N.M. and Ann Adams of Tahoka; 13 grandchildren, 32 great grandchildren and 14 great great grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews.

The family requests that memorials be sent to the First Baptist Church of Post or to the Trailblazer's Senior Citizens.



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Normal skin lives approximately 26 days. With psoriasis, cells in the lower layer of the epidermis live only 3-4 days. This rapid demise leads to a frantic cell life that involves a response from our immune system which leads to the symptoms of psoriasis.

Psoriasis has several forms. The most common, plaque-type, appears as slowly evolving, slightly raised areas with a purple/red type appearance. There is a scale like appearance to the skin similar dandruff. It appears most commonly on the elbows or knees and any place the skin has been injured. Guttate psoriasis, more common in younger people, forms more quickly and presents as small, raised, solid areas that later develop the silvery scales.

Psoriatic erythroderma is a generalized condition that tends to erupt all over the body, leaving the skin red, swollen and painful. One of the more severe forms, pustular psoriasis, may begin as a fever lasting several days, after which small pus filled sacs develop, usually on the trunk, arms, legs, feet and hands. Any form of psoriasis may cause pitting or discoloration of the fingernails and toenails. About 7%-10% of moderate to severe people with psoriasis develop psoriatic arthritis.

While the real cause is not known and there is no absolute cure, there are a wide variety of treatments. Creams and ointments containing corticosteroids are the first line treatments. They come in a variety of potencies and although can provide long-lasting relief, should be used under the direction of ones medical provider because of the potential for side effects. Moisturizers may be used if there is itching and dryness. Other treatments include phototherapy with ultraviolet light and/or systemic drugs that are either injected or taken orally.

Psoriasis is rarely life threatening, however, there are many similar appearing skin problems that can be more easily treated. Also, some psoriasis appearing lesions could be the sign of a more serious problem. Some forms of skin cancer are an example.

If you suspect psoriasis the best plan is to clear any "home remedies" with your medical provider and be patient with any treatments prescribed, as some take a long time to work. In stubborn cases, you may have to be treated by a dermatologist, who is a medical provider that specializes in the skin.

Michael Travis PA-C

# Menus

## Trail Blazer

**Friday, Mar. 20, 1998**  
Pepper steak, rice or noodles, cabbage, cornbread, ambrosia or cookies, beverage.

**Monday, Mar. 23, 1998**  
Liver and onions, oven-fried potatoes, lettuce and tomato salad, hot roll, oranges, beverage.

**Tuesday, Mar. 24, 1998**  
Fish, golden potatoes, cabbage, cornbread, rice pudding, beverage.

**Wednesday, Mar. 25, 1998**  
Chicken w/squash (Calabaza con Pollo), unfried refried beans, Mexican corn, corn or flour tortillas, cinnamon bananas, beverage.

**Thursday, Mar. 26, 1998**  
Tuna croquettes, creamed sauce, mashed potatoes, black-eyed peas, tossed salad w/Ranch dressing, hot roll, minced pie, beverage.

## Post ISD

**Friday, Mar. 20, 1998**  
Breakfast: Cereal, toast, honey, fruit, milk.  
Lunch: Fish, macaroni and cheese, peas, carrots, biscuit, pears, milk.

**Monday, Mar. 23, 1998**  
Breakfast: Pancake/fruit/sausage on-a-stick, fruit, milk.  
Lunch: Pizza, salad, corn, fresh apple, milk.

**Tuesday, Mar. 24, 1998**  
Breakfast: Cinnamon toast, sausage link, fruit, milk.

Lunch: BBQ on bun, cole slaw, pinto beans, pears, milk.

**Wednesday, Mar. 25, 1998**  
Breakfast: Malt-O-Meal, bacon, toast, fruit, orange juice, milk.  
Lunch: Corn dog, tater tots, mixed veggies, cake, milk.

**Thursday, Mar. 26, 1998**  
Breakfast: Waffles, butter and syrup, sausage, fruit, milk.  
Lunch: Ham and gravy, sweet potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, pineapple chunks, milk.

## Southland ISD

**Monday, Mar. 23, 1998**  
Breakfast: Waffles w/syrup, bacon, juice, milk.  
Lunch: Dorito casserole, corn on cob, breaded okra, cornbread, milk.

**Tuesday, Mar. 24, 1998**  
Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, sausage, toast, juice, milk.  
Lunch: Steak fingers, mashed potatoes w/gravy, corn, roll, Jello, milk.

**Wednesday, Mar. 25, 1998**  
Breakfast: Rice cereal, toast, juice, milk.  
Lunch: Salisbury steak w/gravy, au gratin potatoes, carrots, roll, pudding, milk.

**Thursday, Mar. 26, and Friday, Mar. 27, 1998**  
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by Pat Burnett

**March 16, 1988  
10 Years Ago**

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Lanny Poe was elected senior patrol leader for Troop 316 Webelos.

Will Osborn is a new member to the Lucky Clover 4-H Club.

Heather Wulfen, seventh grader, came in fourth place in the 100 meter hurdles in the Post Jr. Relays.

**March 16, 1978  
20 Years Ago**

Butch Booth and Cindy Kirkpatrick have been elected Mr and Miss PHS for the 1977-78 school year.

Happy Birthday today goes to Bruce Ledbetter, Franklin Carter and Kembra Lea Kemp.

Mrs Innis Thuett celebrated her 78th birthday Sunday with a dinner in her home. Family and friends helped her celebrate the day.

The 18th annual convention of the Caprock District of Texas Federation of Women's Clubs was held in Post last week with approximately 205 delegates attending.

**March 14, 1968  
30 Years Ago**

Miss Linda Hays, a 1967 graduate of Post High School, is attending the second semester at South Plains College.

Mrs Lucy Callis was hostess to members of the Needlecraft Club last Friday. The program was presented by Mrs F.A. Gilley and Mrs W.R. Graeber.

Mrs Aubrey McNeely and family won an "expense free" trip to the Ozarks for four days and three nights. They won the trip from a drawing they entered at the Fat Stock Show in Dallas.

F.W. Callaway, Weldon McGehee, Herman Dabbs and Edmund Wilke spent several days fishing at Falcon Lake. They said the weather wasn't very good so they didn't get to fish a lot.

You can see "The Jungle Book" at the Tower Theatre this week.

**March 13, 1958  
40 Years Ago**

Mrs John B. Coleman, a resident of Post and Garza County since 1910 died Wednesday in the Graham community at the home of her daughter, Mrs W.C. Bush.

Mr and Mrs Carl Fluitt observed

their 25th wedding anniversary last Tuesday. Fluitt and the former Miss Gandy of Tahoka were married March 11, 1933.

Mrs Ben Gordon was honored with a layette shower Saturday evening in the home of Mrs Bill Braddock.

**March 18, 1948  
50 Years Ago**

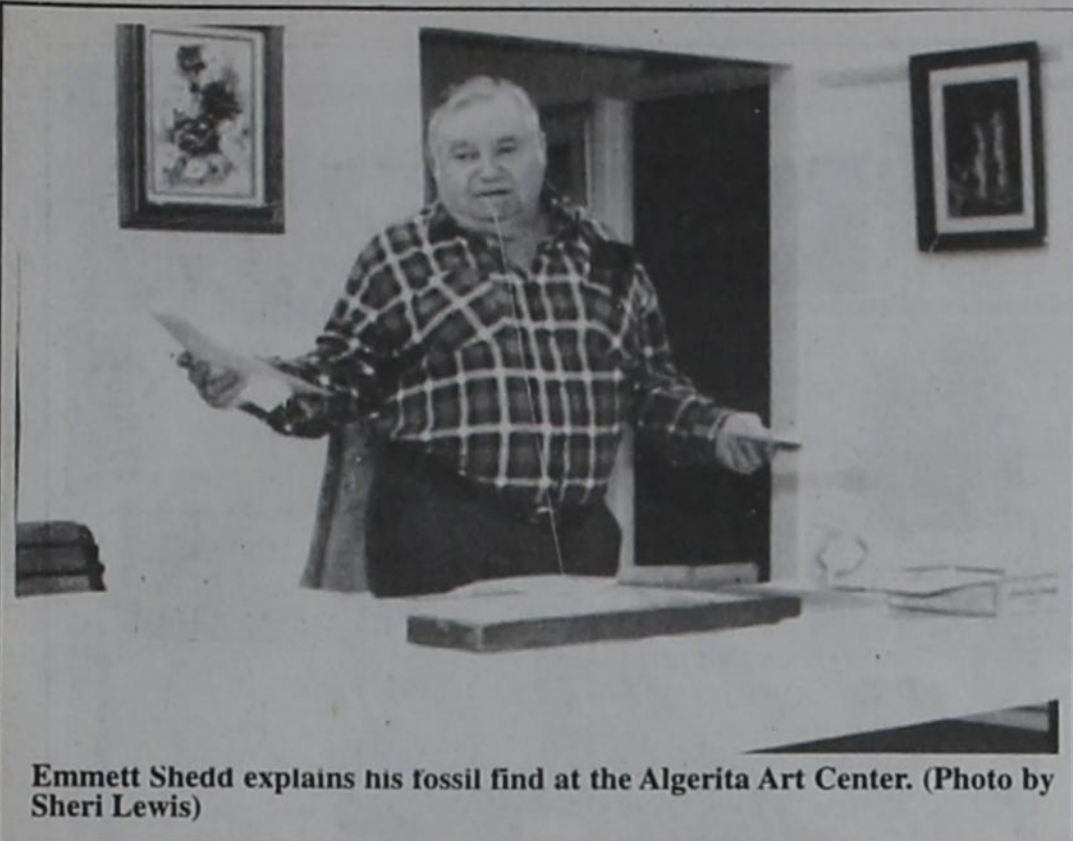
Barbara Lewis had a slumber party at her home Saturday night. Peggy Johnston, Mildred Boren, Glenda Young, Helen Carr, Jean Sims, Anita Kennedy, Joy Stewart and Tinker Beauchamp had a big time.

Mr and Mrs Jake Sparlin have a new Fleetline Chevrolet.

A daughter weighing 7 1/2 lbs. was born to Mr and Mrs C.E. Pinkerton at their home here Monday night.

Mrs E.T. Dye, March room mother for Grade 6-2, served refreshments to the pupils Tuesday afternoon during their reading hour at the Post Grade School.

This week at the Garza Theatre you can see "Swing the Western Way" with The Hossier Hotshots, "Driftwood" with Walter Brennan, Dean Jagger and Natalie Wood and "Albuquerque" with Randolph Scott, Barbara Britton, Geo. "Gabby" Hayes and Lon Chaney.



Emmett Shedd explains his fossil find at the Algeria Art Center. (Photo by Sheri Lewis)

## Emmett Shedd gets recognition for Garza fossil find

Self-described amateur archeologist/paleontologist and naturalist Emmett Shedd was the guest speaker at last week's Arts a la Carte gathering.

In addition to delivering an informational discussion on his hobby, Shedd brought along a display of many items he has found over the years. But what is probably his biggest find, a small piece of a jaw with six preserved teeth, was not exhibited as part of the display. That piece, which was written up in the December 1997 Journal of Vertebrate Paleontology, has been donated to the Denver Museum of Natural History for study.

Discovered in 1989 at a location just south of town, the well-preserved piece has drawn a lot of attention. According to the article written about it, the piece represents evidence of a new procolophonid, Libognathus sheddi (note the use of Shedd's name), and is the first published description of an "unequivocal procolophonid from the Upper Triassic of the southwestern United States."

Shedd, who said he became interested in his hobbies at about the age of 12, said he first started out hunting arrowheads in his spare time. His knowledge in the fields of archaeology and paleontology is self-taught. He worked for many years with local Boy Scouts, teaching them about his hobbies and taking them on hunts, and has taught numerous field schools.

"You get into all kinds of things with these hobbies but they're all interesting," Shedd told the group. "Sometimes when you find something, it's in a jumble. You sort of just have to rework it, like a puzzle."

Shedd said that over the years, his collection has grown to include about 20,000 pieces. All but just a very few of those pieces were those he found on various excursions. His fossil-finding missions have taken him to many areas in Central Texas, while his search for artifacts has carried him across the states of Texas, New Mexico, South Carolina and Alabama. Shedd said he has identified more than 400 archaeological sites in Garza County.

"And I've not hunted it all," he said.

A member of the South Plains Archeological Society since 1957, he has been a member of the state organization since 1959.

## Woman's Culture Club

by Katharine Trammell

The Woman's Culture Club met Wednesday, March 11 at 2 p.m. in the Women's Clubhouse. Hostesses were Peggy Smith and Bebe Boren.

Peggy Smith, club president, presided over the business meeting. We were reminded that dues are due.

Members agreed to have the annual Easter greeting page in the Post Dispatch as our annual fund raiser.

Katharine Trammell introduced Carol and Laura Tobias from the Girl Scouts to present the program.

Carol told of the local Girl Scout program that has troops in Daisies, Brownies, Girl Scouts and Cadets.

Laura told of the Cadet activities and programs. She was especially enthusiastic about an upcoming European tour that is sponsored by the Girl Scouts. Laura plans to take this tour and is working to make money for her expenses.

Hostesses served refreshments to guests: Carol and Laura Tobias and to members: Jan Acker, Iva Hudman, Kay Hays, Bebe Boren and Peggy Smith.

The next meeting will be a salad luncheon at 1 p.m. in the fellowship hall of the First Christian Church on Wednesday, March 25.

Janoma Stephens, TFWC State Treasurer, will be our speaker. We are honored to have a TFWC officer visit us.

## County Wide 4-H meeting

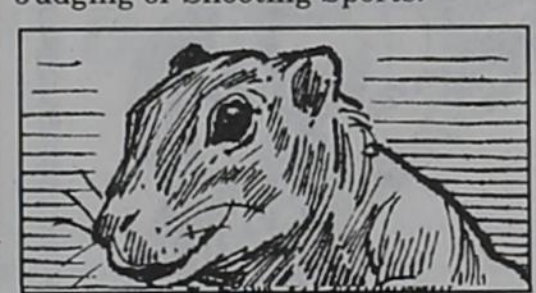
by Golden Clover Reporter, Laci Williams

Monday, March 16, 1998 a county wide 4-H meeting was held at the county showbarn with approximately 25-30 members in attendance. The meeting was called to order and conducted by Chad McDougal. Laci Williams led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance and Luke Cooper led the 4-H pledge.

Members attending some of the major stock shows were recognized for their accomplishments. Items discussed were the upcoming livestock judging and shooting sports meetings which will start this week or soon after. Also discussed were the upcoming summer camps and record books.

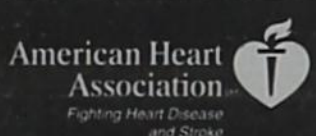
Becky McDougal, 1997-98 Texas Tech Masked Rider, and sister of Chad McDougal presented the program.

The meeting was then adjourned and refreshments were served. Please call the Extension Office or watch for meeting times in the Post Dispatch if you are interested in Livestock Judging or Shooting Sports.



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**ACROSS**

- Austin potted-meat event: \_\_\_\_\_ arama
- this Guthrie played Willie's Farm Aid III
- this Clements was elected gov. in '78
- Oklahoma town recording label for TX Waylon Jennings
- Tech Lady Raiders star in '93, Sheryl
- LBJ's last words: "\_\_\_\_\_ Mike immediately!"
- TX Sissy Spacek goes on a crime spree in this '73 film
- This Clint directed "A Perfect World" in TX (init.)
- TXism: "put a pencil \_\_\_\_\_" (calculate)
- TXism: "two peas \_\_\_\_\_ pod" (alike)
- a hot TX month
- New Englander
- TX moonwalker Bean (init.)
- lake near Colorado City, TX
- farming terrace
- rough \_\_\_\_\_ (drillers)
- San Antonio publication: Texas Farm \_\_\_\_\_
- early TX jazz trombonist Glenn
- TX Kite's 1st swing on a hole (2 wds.)
- TXism: "foaming \_\_\_\_\_ the mouth" (mad)
- TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ light idea" (good idea)
- rod and \_\_\_\_\_
- "good \_\_\_\_\_ boy"

**DOWN**

- see these on display at Fort Hood's 1st Cavalry Division Museum
- "Benji, Zax, & The Alien \_\_\_\_\_" was filmed in Dallas
- north of Fort Worth: \_\_\_\_\_ Airport
- TXism: "poured out of the same \_\_\_\_\_"
- early Denton outlaw Bass (init.)
- Gulf Intracoastal
- bull aroma
- longtime U.S. Rep. \_\_\_\_\_ "Tiger" Teague
- invention security
- Rangers sports-caster Nadel (init.)
- TX Orbison's last hit
- TXism: "the ball \_\_\_\_\_ chain" (spouse)
- TX Joan Crawford's real name: Lucille \_\_\_\_\_ Sueur
- in McLennan Co. on 6
- TX TV preacher scrutinized on "PrimeTime Live" in '91
- location of the hole in Texas Stadium
- TX Holly's "Peggy \_\_\_\_\_"
- TXism: "fast as a cat \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_ tail on fire"
- Gulf shrimp catcher
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- Bush's "Star Wars" program (abbr.)
- yearly TX highway fatalities (2 wds.)
- TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ salesman" (con man)
- student missing from class
- TXism: "fat \_\_\_\_\_ a boardinghouse cat"
- TXism: "could fall \_\_\_\_\_ well" (clumsy)
- this TX Pete wrote "North Dallas Forty"
- TXism: "useless as \_\_\_\_\_ as a milk bucket"
- TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ bull"
- city across the border from McAllen
- Mediterranean isle
- Dallas Stars league
- Charley & Guy are TC \_\_\_\_\_ creators
- San Antonio storied event: "George West \_\_\_\_\_"
- TX Jerry Jones' jet
- TX high school sports organ. (abbr.)
- TX Janis sang "Me and Bobby Mc \_\_\_\_\_"
- Astro pitcher's bag from here to there

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