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Sheriff's dispatcher pleads guilty to felony theft charge

Longtime sheriff's department employee entered a guilty plea to a felony theft charge last month and has, according to the probationary stipulations, agreed to pay back in full the \$9,791.15 in cash that was taken from within the department.

Jackie Gonzales, a departmental employee since 1990, who was serving as head dispatcher and chief office employee, entered the guilty plea in district court on December 17, according to records made available at the sheriff's department.

Gonzales' confession to the crime came shortly after Sheriff Kenny Ratke uncovered "a couple of things that weren't adding up" in the department's bookkeeping. Upon discovering these financial questions, the sheriff said he brought the problems to the attention of Gonzales, who was solely responsible for the handling of the monies.

On Sunday, Dec. 13, Gonzales called Ratke at home and told him she was responsible for the missing funds, the sheriff said. On Monday morning, Dec. 14, Ratke contacted the district attorney and advised him of the situation and followed up with a call to the county judge. He also requested assistance from the Texas Rangers, a standard procedure for investigations handled inside law enforcement agencies.

On Tuesday morning, Dec. 15, Ratke said he did an internal audit and received a statement from the employee. When advised that she would be terminated as a result of her statement, Gonzales opted to resign.

"She fully cooperated and is making full restitution to the county," the sheriff said.

Gonzales' sentence requires that she make full restitution by Jan. 25, including related fines and court costs; that she serve three years of probation; and that she complete 200 hours of community service, according to records.

The department had recently undergone an extensive and routine audit, Ratke said, and the audit was clean. However, the escrow fund from which monies were determined to have been taken was not a part of that audit procedure as it is used to handle incoming and outgoing bond monies that frequently flow in and out of the department.

Many of these bond monies are submitted as cash payments, Ratke said.

As a result of this incident, the sheriff has established a new policy — cash bonds will no longer be accepted — and is requesting that bond records be examined and be subject to the same scrutiny as other financial records in the sheriff's department (see related city council story).

Reports indicate Gonzales had apparently been taking small amounts of money from the department since July.

"Whether the employee was a friend of mine or not, I'm going to do my job," Ratke said. "That's not an issue."

The situation, which occurred last month, was not widely-known in the community earlier because, the sheriff said, he chooses not to "bad-mouth" people to the press or to others in the community. The case was a matter of public record.

There was no call sheet on the incident, as the investigation was triggered from within and did not result from a telephone report from outside the sheriff's department. (The Post Dispatch, as a means of keeping up with the activities of local law enforcement agencies, regularly checks the call sheets.)

This incident was handled in the same manner as any other investigation and resulting conviction, Ratke said.

Frozen pipe bursts, ruins gym floor

A major water main break at the Post High School gym has forced PHS basketball players to play the remaining season home games at the Borden County High School gymnasium.

"It's been 18 years since this happened," PHS principal Joe Giddens explains, "but when it gets as cold as it did, those concrete walls just don't allow any heat, and the pipes froze then burst."

The broken water main apparently burst during the evening of December 23. Giddens said that James Easterling had gone by the school the next morning and saw water coming out of the doors. "The insurance adjusters came to inspect the floor," Giddens added, "and declared it a total loss."

PHS has advertised this week for bids to repair the floor, but due to the extensive damage, no more games will be played here this season.

Giddens said that the water pipe that burst is located in the north wall of the building, sandwiched between two concrete walls. "Without tearing out the wall, you just can't get back there to get any heat," he said. "We're going to have to work something out, probably just leave a hole where the pipes are to get some heat in there."

A revised schedule for PHS basketball games is included in The Post Dispatch this week on page 8.

Willy Awards set for January 16

The annual Willy Awards for the Garza Theatre will be held Saturday, January 16 beginning at 6 p.m. at the Post Community Center. The evening begins with a meal catered by LD's Daughters. Reservations for the \$17 per person evening are being accepted through January 11 for the event at 495-4005, no tickets will be sold at the door.

The Garza Theatre has also announced its first three shows for the 1999 season, opening February 26 with "Glass Menagerie," directed by Gene Cole of South Plains College. The play will open in Levelland at the SPC campus on February 17, with performances at the Garza Theatre Feb. 27, 28 and 29 and March 5, 6 and 7.

On March 26 "The Housekeeper" opens a three weekend run, ending April 11. The play features Steve and Amy Sever.

This year's musical will be the "Unsinkable Molly Brown," set for later in the spring. As is the tradition, the Garza Theatre's 1999 schedule will include the popular summer tent show.

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Date	High	Low	Precip
Dec. 29	67	29	—
Dec. 30	63	29	—
Dec. 31	69	32	—
Jan. 1	48	33	—
Jan. 2	68	30	—
Jan. 3	68	23	—
Jan. 4	33	18	—
Jan. 5	44	17	—
January rainfall	— 0.00		
Year-to-date rainfall	— 0.00		

Records courtesy Garza County Sheriff's Dept.

Ratke explains new audit policy to city council

Sheriff Kenny Ratke told Post City Council members Tuesday he has made several changes within his department after it was determined last month that an employee had made off with more than \$9,700 worth of cash bond monies.

"Through the course of this investigation it was found that several policy changes were needed to minimize the future likelihood of theft at the sheriff's department," Ratke told the council. "A particular error that I personally made was trusting one person to be wholly responsible for the accounting of proceeds brought into the office."

"The fact that cash monies in such large amounts were involved presented problems in itself. Cash bonds that were coming into the office were, for the most part, being undetected by a general audit..."

As a result, Ratke said he has decided that cash bonds will no longer be accepted at the Garza County Sheriff's Department, a change that has already been cleared with the district attorney's office.

"Personally felt any change in the policy for giving receipts would be ineffective as a person could falsify reports," he said.

"The sheriff said he has also requested that in the future, bond monies be examined and subject to the same scrutiny as the other financial records of the department. Also, excess monies that are needed in the county's escrow and special accounts will be deeded into the general fund and an inmate trust account has been established with the county depository to further reduce the handling of cash."

of cash.

Ratke briefed the council on the theft (see related story) and the resulting conviction and advised that the employee, who was solely responsible for the depositing and accounting of the bond monies, is no longer employed by the sheriff's department. The employee has been replaced by Sandy Guthrie, a longtime employee who is now working closely with the sheriff and county treasurer to ensure that "accurate and timely monthly disbursements are made..."

Ratke noted that the \$9,791.15 taken from the department will be fully refunded in accordance with the plea bargain agreed to by the former employee. The employee will be using the proceeds from her retirement benefits to refund what was taken.

"Rumors going around town that I'm hiding something are so far-fetched," the sheriff said, adding that he wanted to make this presentation to the council to bring them up-to-date on the situation.

Ratke did offer an apology to the city manager for not calling him immediately when these problems erupted last month. Mayor Jim Jackson asked the sheriff to keep city officials informed as to further developments.

City Manager Rick Hanna suggested that the sheriff's department might want to look into using a system similar to that which the city uses, requiring two signatures on any financial transaction. Ratke agreed that that might be a viable option.

In other business, the council:

• Adopted, on first reading, an ordinance that will prohibit smoking in several city-owned properties, including city hall, the library, the chamber offices and the EMS building. As written, the ordinance would not impact the city barn, the community center or the Garza Theatre. City Attorney Harvey Morton said the issue was raised due to the fact that passive smoke has been linked to cancer in some studies, and the city's failure to take action to eliminate smoking in its facilities could be a legal liability. City Council member John Redman suggested deleting the EMS building from the list of "smoking prohibited" sites, saying that such a move is likely to cost the EMS service several recruits for emergency technician trainees. Other council members suggested that maybe all city-owned properties should be included in the ordinance. Morton told the council the ordinance can always be amended. All council members voted in favor of the ordinance on first reading with the exception of Redman, who opposed the measure.

• Heard from County Judge Giles Dalby, who asked that the city join county officials and representatives of the Underground Water District in meeting with White River board members in discussing the future availability of water in the Post area. Dalby said approximately 30 individuals were planning on being in Post Wednesday to further explore the possibility of building a geriatric prison facility.

However, for Post to be a possible site for such a facility, planners must

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Post Notes

Seeking info on old drive-in theater

Debbie Perry is seeking information about the old drive-in theater. She is interested in talking to anyone who can provide information about ownership, when it opened and when it closed. Contact by fax at (409) 542-7045 or e-mail: debbiep@utilicorp.com.

Garza Livestock Show Jan. 21-23

The Garza County Jr. Livestock Association will hold its 35th Annual Garza County Stock Show January 21-23, 1999. The public is invited to attend the following shows: Thursday, January 21, Beef Cattle Show - 4 p.m.; Swine Show - 6:30 p.m.; Friday, January 22, Goat Show - 6 p.m.; Sheep Show - 7 p.m.; and Saturday, January 23, Awards and Sale - 9 a.m.; Lunch - 12-1:30 p.m.

United Way campaign seeks \$21,150

The Garza County United Way campaign is seeking a total of \$21,150 to fund 13 participating units. Donations may be made by mailing to Garza County United Way, P.O. Box 425, Post, Texas 79356. Last year the Garza County United Way was honored as one of the top units of its size in the nation.

Grandma Brag Pages deadline Feb. 5

The traditional "Grandma Brag Pages" will be published this year on Thursday, February 11, with a deadline of Friday, February 5. The cost remains at \$5 per photo, with a limit of two children per photo for the small size. Larger sizes are available at comparable rates. "This is the same low price that has not changed since 1982," Post Dispatch publisher Wes Burnett emphasizes. "There's not too many bargains like this around these days."

Culture Club meets Jan. 13

The Woman's Culture Club meets Wednesday, January 13 at 2 p.m. in the clubhouse. Hostesses are Dorace Wilson and Donna Craig.



Oaths of Office

Newly elected Garza County officials were administered their oaths of office Friday, January 1 at the courthouse. At the ceremony were (left to right) Clerk Sonny Gossett, Judge Giles W. Dalby, Tax Assessor Jeanette Hodges, Justice of the Peace Precinct 2 Dee C. Justice, Hides Inspector Donald Windham, Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Sheila Melton, Commissioner Precinct 4 Mike Sanchez and Commissioner Precinct 2 Mason McClellan.



Frances Josey joins her husband Royce at the reception honoring him for his service to Garza County as commissioner of Precinct 4. The reception was held at the courthouse last week. (Photo by Sheri Lewis)

Normans mark 50th wedding anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Norman of Post celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Wednesday, Dec. 30, 1998, with a family dinner at the 50-Yard Line Restaurant in Lubbock.

Hosting the event were the couple's children and their spouses, including Lee and Marsha Norman of Post, Billy Max and Nancy Gordon of Post, Bobby and Kim Norman of Midland and Kevin and Mary Ann Wright of Snyder.

Norman and the former Mary Margaret Duckworth were married Jan. 1, 1949, at the First Baptist Church in Post. They have farmed in the Grassland community for the past 53 years. The Normans have 19 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



Mary Margaret and Glenn Norman

officials agreed that with the opening of the new prison and the possibility of the opening of a geriatric facility, the need for additional housing will only skyrocket.

- Received a report on the annual audit of the city records ending Sept. 30, 1998. Ron Howell of Mason, Warner & Co. gave the city a clean bill of health and commended the city in several areas.

- Reviewed the city's investments. Hanna said the city, as of mid-December, had \$2,719,257 in reserve funds. All municipal investments were in CDs in local banks.

- Reviewed a letter from Classic Cable, which indicates that local cable subscribers will be subject to a \$2 increase in coming weeks. Craig said he would like to see the lodge an official complaint about Classic's continued and annual price hikes, noting that the service has taken 8-9 percent increases in each of the last three years. "It's too much," he said. The council agreed to send a letter of complaint to the cable company.

- Conducted an executive session during which time the council discussed the resignation of the city manager and the action on the search for a new city manager. Jackson said the council has already placed ads in Texas Municipal League publications in hopes of filling the position and indicated the city hopes to fill the position sometime in the next 90 days.

- Opened four bids on the new landfill cell excavation project and awarded the contract to the low bidder, H&M Construction, for \$23,450.

- Appointed Delbert Rudd as the city's water project representative and as the project signatory representative. Rudd will replace the city manager in these duties. Hanna has resigned his position effective Jan. 31 to take a similar post in the City of Muleshoe.

- Followed the lead of the other cities involved in the water project and approved the low bids on water well drilling and pump installation. The drilling contract will go to West Texas Water Well, while the pump installation contract will go to Crosby County Pump.

- Reappointed Charles Hardin and Bo Jackson to positions on the White River Water District board. Each will serve an additional two-year term.

- Received several general reports from the city manager. As part of those reports, Hanna lauded the performances of several individual city employees. The council responded by asking Hanna to draft commendation letters to be signed by the mayor and council and delivered to each of these employees. Hanna also reported that the city has stepped up its enforcement of the junk vehicle ordinance and said the city appears to be within Y2k compliance following preliminary testing.



Willa Didway won the portable t.v. in the recent Garza County Trail Blazers' drawing. The raffle was conducted to raise funds for the senior citizen center. (Photo by Judy Bush)

Judy's Jabberin'

By Judy B. Bush

Well folks, here we are in this new year and I think my brain is still in the holiday warp zone! It really is hard to get back in the swing of things and get going on 1999. Hope all of you had a great holiday and are off and running!

Thanks

I would like to take time to say thank you to all of you that have called and ask about Uncle Dub (W.C. Bush).

Things pretty well stand the same right now, but hopefully he will start physical therapy the 5th and will soon be much better. He's a fighter and I know he will be up and around soon.

He was giving me a hard time the other day for not putting our Christmas get together in the "Jabberin'" column so he could see his name in the paper, so this one's for you Uncle Dub!

You get well quick, we love ya.

Others

Also to my good friends Joe and Alma Williams, a get well message. Joe is at Methodist (correction, Covenant) and undergoing several tests. I got a report yesterday that he was some better. Joe you get well quick and you and Alma come home soon.

My thoughts and prayers are also with Pat and Wes as Mrs. Voyles (Pat's Mom) is still in the hospital and still not doing very well. I hope that she is feeling better soon.

Birthdays This Week

Birthdays for this week: Thursday 7; Michael Ray Gonzales: Anniversary; Jimmy and Patricia Morris: Saturday 9; Karla Melton, Josh Hataway and John Delarosa; Anniversary; Judy and Terry Jarrett: Sunday 10; Anniversary; Marvin and Linda Self.

Monday 11; Buddy Thompson, Brandi Melton and Will Fumagalli; Anniversaries; Doug and Lynette Campbell, Jack and Marcella Hair and Sammy and Karen Palmer. Tuesday 12; Anthony D.; Wednesday 13; Casey Zachary, Zoe Kirkpatrick, Pixie Grisham and Jeremy Short; Anniversary; Victor and Peggy Ashley.

What a Group!!

Margie Harper hosted a luncheon for the Edwards siblings on January 3, 1999. I believe Margie said this was the third or fourth time here.

Those attending were: Mozelle Rogers; Tandi Yarbrough with Alexis and Barrett; Carol and Wade Peppers; Mr. and Mrs. Randy Melton with Brandi and Kelli; Traci Morris and Tony and Misty Soto with Michael and Anthony all of Post.

Out of town guests were: Tina and Chesni Smith of Lubbock; Nicole Smith of Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Leland Edwards and grandson Zach Metzgar of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Harper, Joel and Michael Loyd of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hair and Jerrad of Lubbock; Amber Hair of Brownfield and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Edwards of Tahoka.

Unable to attend were: Mr. and Mrs. Eddy Harper, Greg and Nettie of Venice, Fla.; Christy Hair of Brownfield; Travis Hair of Lubbock and Cody Yarbrough of Post.

Till Next Week

I hear we are in for a couple of warm days, so everyone get out and enjoy them, or I guess by time you read this they will have past. Take care and have a wonderful weekend. May God Bless each of you.

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City council...

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be assured of an ample water supply, the judge said. "When the prison goes online, it's going to take all your surplus water. If the geriatric facility goes online, it's going to increase the need tremendously." The geriatric prison project is being pursued as another way of bringing additional jobs into the area, Dalby said, as well as the "world of medical people" it will bring. In response to the county judge's report, city officials passed a resolution of support and agreed to attend the Jan. 14 White River meeting.

Also heard a report from the county judge on the ongoing effort to increase housing availability in Post. Dalby said a group of local representatives is scheduled to travel to Lubbock Thursday to visit Reese Air Force Base housing. Tentative plans have been made to purchase 46 of these units through the PEDC or the Housing Authority. "We're trying to push it as hard as we can," the judge said, adding that Bob Macy, chairman of the local Housing Authority, was in Lubbock Tuesday working on the project. "But we're going to need more housing than that (the 46 Reese units). We're trying to push every button that we can." City and county



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Living on the Edge of the Caprock

by John Senter, CEA-AG

Ag conference scheduled

The Southern Mesa Agricultural Conference, focusing on regulations and policies affecting Texas agriculture as well as the BMP's (Best Management Practices) for cotton, grain sorghum and peanut production, will be held Monday, January 18 in the Dawson County Annex Building, located at 609 North First Street in Lamesa, Texas, and will begin at 8:00 a.m.

The registration fee, which includes technical sessions, door prize ticket, lunch, refreshments, educational materials and access to exhibits, is \$15 if paid by January 14, 1999. After January 14, the registration fee will be \$20. Registration forms and fees, payable to "Dawson County Ag Fund", should be sent to the Dawson County Extension office at P. O. Box 1268, Lamesa, Texas 79331.

The program, sponsored by the Dawson, Borden, Scurry, Mitchell, Lynn and Garza counties Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will also feature information on the latest production technology for crop production, insect control, and weed control of cotton, grain sorghum and peanuts. Risk management and production outlooks will also be discussed.

Four and a half (4 1/2) Continuing Education Units (CEU's) will be provided for private, commercial and non-commercial applicators for attendance at this program.

Top quality speakers from across the state and the South Plains area will make presentations concerning current research production trials. Speakers include Shelly Henington with Texas Department of Agriculture; Dr. Wayne Keeling with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station; Drs. Roland Roberts, Randy Boman, Robert Lemon, Craig Fincham, James Leser, Ted McCollum and Peter Dotray; and County Agent John Farris with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Producers will have the opportunity to discuss their experiences with experts, specialists and other growers, and will be able to visit commercial booths throughout the day.

Producers who wish to pre-register should mail in a registration form with their fee. Registration forms may be obtained from the Extension office in any of the counties listed above. Remember, the registration fee is \$15 if paid by January 14, 1999. After January 14, the fee will be \$20.

We will seek to accommodate all persons with disabilities for the meeting. Please contact John Farris at the Dawson County-Texas Agricultural Extension Service (806-872-7539) as soon as possible to advise of auxiliary and/or service needed.

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Neighbor to Neighbor

by Kelly Ahrens, CEA-FCS

National Soup Month

Soup's on! Great! That can mean you're serving an elegant first course, a hearty meal to family and friends, or putting together a surefire cure for the common cold. There is nothing quite like the soothing comfort of a bowl of soup.

Soup is Good Food Soup is universal. It is known on every continent, and its infinite variations reflect both the creative skills of the local and the natural bounty of the locale. Vegetable and spice combinations vary from one ethnic group to the next, and certain soup dishes are firmly identified with Old World origins, as borscht is with Russia.

A good hearty soup has kept many a worker stoked up for his or her strenuous labors. Not only are soups nutritious, they are budget-stretchers, as well. They can be expanded to feed a large number of people; and can be made with whatever ingredients are on hand or plentiful. They provide a fine use for leftovers. (It has been said that the line between a stew and a soup is drawn with water.)

Eat Soup to Lose Weight Perhaps best of all is the news that there is evidence that eating soup can help with a weight-loss diet. In a study conducted by University of Pennsylvania researchers, it was shown that soup taken at the beginning of a meal slows the rate of eating, resulting in lower calorie consumption overall.

Making soup is a stirring experience! Home-style, made-from-scratch soups are the best. They're easy to make, but they take time. One good trick is to start the soup the day before you intend to enjoy it; it will taste even better because the flavors will have had time to mingle in the refrigerator overnight.

Kinds of Soup No matter by what method it is made... and however enticing its name, soup will fit into one of the following categories. Bouillon concentrated brown stock Consommé clarified double-strength brown stock Broths' clear liquids from fish, meat, fowl and vegetables Jellied soups made from gelatinous knuckle bones, clarified and used as they are or with added gelatin Vegetable soups - all vegetable or prepared with meat or fish stocks in which vegetables predominate Purées of vegetables and legumes with or without cream added Cream soups cream, butter, cereal or egg-thickened soups, often on a vegetable base Bisques shellfish-based cream soups Chowders thick fish, meat and vegetable soups, to which salt pork, milk, and diced vegetables may be added Fruit soups made with fresh, dried, or frozen fruits; served as a dessert or as a chilled summer first course

Quick U.S. Senate Bean Soup Coat a Dutch oven with vegetable cooking spray. Add: 1 Tbsp. olive oil. Place over medium heat until hot. Add and sauté until tender: 1 c. chopped onion. Add and sauté 5 minutes more: 6 ribs of celery with leaves, chopped and 2 diced carrots. Add: 3 cup water, chicken broth, or combination; 3 (15-oz.) cans white beans (navy, lima, cannellini); 1/8 lb. ham or sausage; 1 bay leaf, 6-8 peppercorns and 6 whole cloves. Bring to boil. Cover, reduce heat, and simmer 20 minutes or until tender. (Meanwhile, make 1 cup mashed potatoes needed in next step.) Add: 1 cup freshly cooked mashed potatoes. Cook 30 minutes more. Remove the bay leaf and discard. Remove and mince the meat. Whirl the soup (in batches) in a blender. Thin the soup, if desired, with boiling water or milk. Return the meat to the soup and season to taste. Makes 9 cups or 12 6-ounce servings.

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Deputies arrest six last week...

Six arrests were made during the past week by local deputies and troopers, according to records at the Garza County Sheriff's Department. On Dec. 29, a 38-year-old male was picked up for driving while license suspended (released the next day on \$1,500 bail bond).

On Dec. 30, a 17-year-old male was picked up for possession of marijuana, over two ounces but under four ounces (released the next day on \$3,000 surety bond). The final arrest of the calendar year was that of a 38-year-old male picked up on a Bexar County warrant (released the same day on a \$1,200 bail bond).

On Jan. 1, two arrests were made, including that of a 17-year-old male for possession of marijuana, under two ounces (released the same day on \$1,500 bail bond) and a 39-year-old male, commitment (first weekend).

On Jan. 4, a 33-year-old male was arrested for DWI, felony indictment.

Authorities received almost 100 calls for service over the past week, including, on Dec. 28, a report of a rabid coyote at Two Draw (the animal was killed) and, on Dec. 29, a report of criminal mischief at a local apartment complex, a theft about four miles south on U.S. 84 (trailer allegedly taken) and an unauthorized use of a motor vehicle in the 400 block of South Avenue P.

A domestic dispute was worked Dec. 30 (no address recorded on the call sheet).

On Dec. 31, a request for an ambulance came from the 100 block of South Avenue S; a minor automobile accident was reported at a retailer on South Broadway; a robbery and assault was reported in the 500 block of West 12th (\$450 in cash was allegedly taken and an ambulance was called out for the assault victim, who refused treatment); an automobile accident at a retailer's on North Broadway; and an automobile at a business on 8th Street (no details recorded).

On Jan. 2, lawmen were called out to investigate a lost or stolen purse at a North Broadway restaurant (\$200 in cash, keys, credit cards and other items were missing); a theft in the 100 block of 5th Street; criminal trespass in the 500 block of West 12th; an automobile accident in the 200 block of Ralls Road (ambulance and wrecker responded and transport made to Methodist Hospital, Lubbock); and a request for medical assistance (no address recorded).

Calls received Jan. 3 included a report of a burglary of a vehicle (no address given; stereo equipment allegedly taken); poachers at Canyon Valley; a request for an ambulance in the 1000 block of Sunset (transport made to Methodist); and a request for an ambulance in the 300 block of West 13th (transport made to Lynn County Hospital in Tahoka).

Calls received on Jan. 4 included a request for an ambulance in the 900 block of West 7th (transport made to Methodist); a grass fire on 207 (fire department contacted); a request for an ambulance in the 600 block of South Avenue F (no details recorded); and a report from an assault victim in the 900 block of West 15th (transport made to Methodist hospital).



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4-H Parents' Association Meeting

All 4-H parents are encouraged to attend a 4-H Parents meeting Tuesday, January 12, 7:00 p.m. in the Extension Office. Plans for 1999 activities and the 4-H Project Show will be finalized.

4-H Project Show

The public is invited to attend the 4-H Project Show scheduled for 9:00 a.m., Saturday, January 16, at the show barn. All 4-H'ers who participated in Clothing and Foods Projects, and those with Swine, Beef, Sheep and Goats will be exhibiting their projects. There will be a concession stand open.

Births



M'Keison Guerrero

M'Keison Guerrero Dawn Guerrero is pleased to announce the birth of her daughter, M'Keison.

She was born November 25th 4:40 am at Highland Medical Center in Lubbock.

M'Keison weighed six pounds, 1/2 ounces and was 18 3/4 inches long.

Her proud great grandma is Edna Perry.

Kota Bree Walls

Lucas and Athena Walls are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, D'Kata Bree.

She was born November 28, 1999 in Amarillo's SouthWest Hospital at 5:00 am.

D'Kata weighed six pounds and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Her proud maternal grandparents are Coline and Susseen Mansour and Joe Lopez.

Her proud paternal grandparents are Ken Walls and Dale Walls.

Her proud maternal great grandparents are Trace Perez and the late Trace Perez.

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Obituaries

Trey Birdwell

Services for Trey Birdwell, 19, were held Saturday, Jan. 2, 1999, at the First Baptist Church at Graham. The Rev. Joe Howard Williamson of Archer City and the Rev. Wayne Hardin of Graham officiated. Music was provided by Noel White of Post.

A taped selection, Reba McIntire's "If I Had Only Known," was also played. Burial was in the Pioneer Cemetery. He was visiting his fiancée in Cleburne at the time of his death due to a medication reaction. He was a May 1998 graduate of Graham High School.

Survivors include his parents, George and Karen Birdwell; a brother, Blake; maternal grandparents, Junior and Carolyn Gray of Graham, formerly of Post; and paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Birdwell Sr. of Graham. Maternal great-grandparents were the late Walter and Reba Jones of Post.

Lloyd Weldon Davidson

Services for Lloyd Weldon Davidson, 37, of Waxahachie were held Sunday, Jan. 3, 1999, at 2 p.m. in the Hudman Funeral Home with David Graves of Calvary Baptist Church officiating. Burial was in the Terrace Cemetery. He died Dec. 30, 1998, in Lancaster.

Born Sept. 20, 1961, in Houston to Hubert Junior Davidson Sr. and Glenda Dell Halbert, he was a Baptist and a maintenance worker.

Survivors include one son, Bobby Weldon Davidson of Waxahachie; two brothers, Hubert Davidson Jr. of Abilene and Norman Davidson of Hurst; and seven sisters, Debra Hughes and Carrie Mae Davidson, both of Abilene, Glenda Sue Buford and Elizabeth Ann Roberts of Hurst, Laura Faye McKee of Austin, Francis Jane Thomas of Indianapolis, Indiana, and Pamela Kay Frazier of Rule.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Dennis Eugene in 1962, and his parents.

Dorothy W. Graves

Funeral mass for Dorothy Weikerth Graves, 84, was held Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1999, at 10 a.m. at St. Christopher Catholic Church, Houston. Burial was at the Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery under the direction of the Earthman Funeral Directors.

The family received friends for visitation from 5-7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 4, with a rosary at 7 p.m. at the Earthman Gulf Freeway Chapel. She died Jan. 2.

A graduate of St. Agnes Academy class of 1932, she was owner and instructor of Weikerth School of Dance for 45 years. She was a life member of the National Dance Masters of America and a life and charter member of the Texas Chapter #3 DM of A. She served as president, secretary, treasurer and delegate to national. She was also a member of Catholic Daughters of America Court #1713. She was a charter member of St. Christopher Catholic Church and was a current member of St. Augustine.

Survivors include her daughter, Dee Holland Pantoja and husband Nick of Post; one sister, Patricia Weikerth of League City; two grandchildren, Dawne Stone and husband, Joey, of New Home and Todd Holland of Conroe; five great-grandchildren; two nieces; one nephew; a lifelong friend and companion, Lorena Meiners; cousins; and numerous friends.

Pallbearers included Kevin Gammill, Nick Pantoja, Lloyd Whitney, Britton Stein, Ronnie Kokenson and Dr. Ed. Jaquet. Honorary pallbearers were Todd Holland, the Rev. Bob Joiner, Tony Montez, Perry J. Cruthirds, Albert J. Weikerth and Joey Stone.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donations may be made to St. Joseph Hospice, 1911 La Branch, Houston, TX 77002.

Pink Wilks

Services for Pink Wilks, 92, of Post were held Wednesday, Jan. 6, 1999, at 3 p.m. in the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Darryl Smith officiating. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery under the personal care of the Justice-Mason Funeral Home. She died Sunday, Jan. 3, in Golden Plains Care Center.

Born Aug. 16, 1906, in Colorado City to George P. and Nellie Antoinette (Shepper) Wilks, she moved to Garza County with her family at a young age to farm. She took care of her mother and later worked taking care of the elderly in their homes.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church. Survivors include one nephew, Don Davies of Arlington; one niece, Carol Tobias of Post; and two cousins, Benny Wilks of Post and Veazey Sanders of Colorado City. She was preceded in death by her parents and a sister, Georgia Nell Davies.

Pallbearers included Mario Tobias, Jon James, Jimmy Redman, Danny Guthrie, Noah Gutierrez, Kim Wilks and Manual Criado.



Carl Jones and Ella Mae Jones celebrating at Golden Plains Care Center New Year's Eve Party.

Golden Plains Care Center News

by Bunny Lynch

The month of December was so much fun. We would like to thank the following groups for stopping by to carol or just to wish us a Merry Christmas: First Baptist Church Christian School; second, third and fourth grade elementary school students; the youth from the Methodist Church; the GAs and Acteens from First Baptist; and the Calvary Baptist Church.

On Dec. 19 the following families stopped by and got our toes to tapping: Tony, Karen, Braden, Brooks and Brody Conner; Jamie Laci and Casey Williams; Marta, Tiny and Whitney Williams; Jamie Dawson and Frances Josey.

Braden Conner played the fiddle while Frances Josey played the piano. We also had a special song played on the piano by Whitney Williams. A big thanks to all of them for coming to perform for us. Our Christmas party was on the 21st and everyone really enjoyed themselves. We had lots of cookies and punch and Jerrica Tyler really got us in the Christmas spirit with her beautiful voice. Everyone enjoyed being with their families.

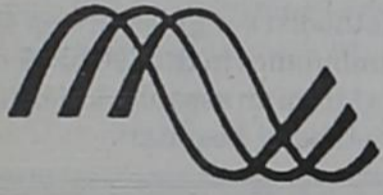
We would also like to thank Twana McCrary and family for the basketball set, shuffleboard and movies. I know we are going to get a lot of enjoyment out of them. On Dec. 31 at 3 p.m. we had our New Year's Eve party. We had noise-makers, party hats and David Cheshire made a toss to 1999, then we all did the countdown and yelled, "Happy New Year!"

We will be having a talent show Jan. 14 at 6:30 p.m. We would like to invite the community to come to the performances. We will have singing, piano playing, accordion and organ, and dog tricks and any other hidden talents we find between now and then.

We played with our new basketball set Tuesday, Dec. 29. Just call us the Golden Plains Mavericks. We had some real good freethrow shooters.

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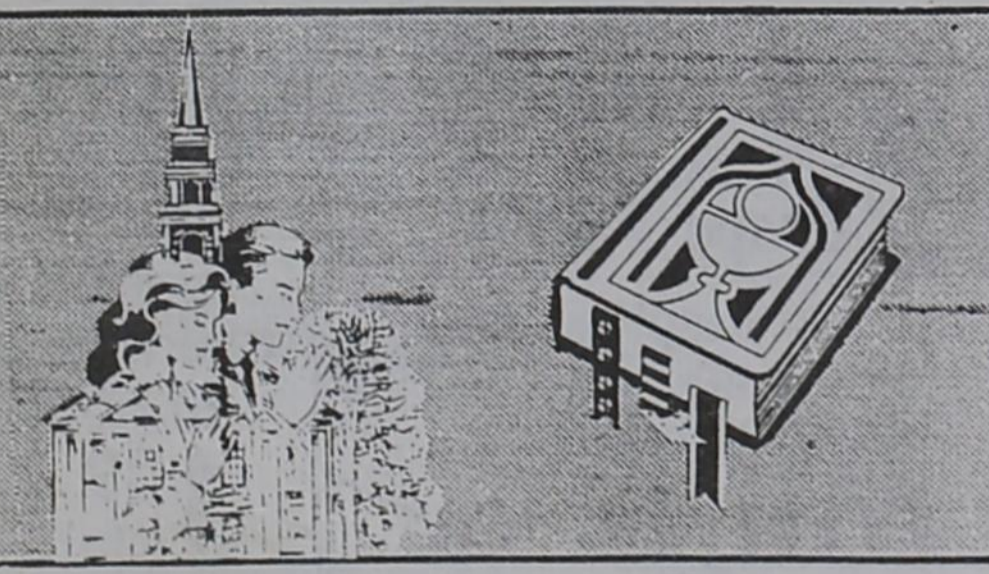
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The excess cholesterol collects in the blood and can be the cause of plaques that clog arteries, leading to heart attack and stroke. By lowering your cholesterol you may be able to stop plaque from developing, and shrink clots that have already formed.

Your cholesterol level is broken down into two parts. High Density Lipoprotein (HDL), which is the "good" cholesterol, because of its ability to cleanse arteries and low-density lipoprotein (LDL), which is the "bad" cholesterol because it builds up and clogs the arteries.

The "good" HDL fights the "bad" LDL. A HDL above 60 is considered very good; a HDL below 35 is unhealthy. LDL below 130 is considered good, even lower if you already have blood vessel diseases such as diabetes, high blood pressure, heart or kidney disease.

The correct way to measure your cholesterol is after a twelve-hour fast at your provider's office or lab. Screenings at health fairs or malls are only somewhat helpful as they are not fasting and do not separate the HDL from the LDL. Most people just don't eat or drink anything after dinner and have their blood drawn in the morning.

Decreasing your saturated fat intake is the best way to control your cholesterol. Here are a few tips: Limit fatty animal products, hamburger, bacon, sausage, if possible limit your meat intake to a portion about the size of a deck of cards, per day. Remove the skin from chicken and trim the fat off meat. Cook with canola, sunflower, corn, soybean or olive oils. Avoid commercially prepared cookies, cakes and pies. Make your own salad dressings with the above oils. Use skim or low-fat milk products.

Remember that except for the smell and taste of that double cheeseburger with fries, cholesterol is colorless, odorless and tasteless that's why it has the nickname the sly killer.

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Letters to the Editor

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Is there a coverup of missing money?

As an employer, if I had a crew working for me and one of them did something wrong and the foreman never came to me, but instead tried to cover it up, I would fire the foreman.

As I understand, this has happened at our sheriff's office. Supposedly a large amount of money is missing, and there has supposedly been a rape involving one of the deputies. It's also alleged that a domestic disturbance call was placed, involving one of the officers, and I am unsure if anything was done about that.

As I read through the sheriff's reports published in The Post Dispatch, I have not seen any of this information. I think taxpayers are the sheriff's employer and have the right to know about these questions. Perhaps we have the wrong person in charge.

If these charges are true, and if it had been an ordinary citizen, I feel sure the reports would have been posted for all to see. Is it really a game of "them against us" or "us against them?" In my opinion, we should all be together.

James Dawson
Editor's Note: According to Sheriff Kenny Ratke (see page one) the missing money issue was adjudicated through the district court; there is no record of any rape charges; and the issue of a domestic disturbance involves a neighbor of a deputy calling to complain on a regular basis and appears to be an ongoing personal dispute. As to the report on this matter, it is actually our responsibility to "dig" out these stories. There has been no attempt to "cover up," but the sheriff is not obligated, nor should he, call us whenever there is some unusual case. So we appreciate citizens who take the time to alert us to news which we have either overlooked or were not aware of.

Upholding the constitution

by Wesley W. Burnett

Last Friday elected officials all across America stood in various courthouses as they were administered oaths of office following the November general election.

The oaths may be worded slightly different according to various state statutes, but they all include a statement that the elected official will uphold the U.S. and state constitutions and the laws of those states and the U.S.

I witnessed this solemn occasion last Friday morning at the Garza County courthouse and was particularly interested in the part of the oath that says the officials shall uphold and defend the constitutions, as well as the laws.

I wondered a bit about how many elected officials who make these oaths actually have read and studied the documents for which they claim to uphold.

I wonder how many of them are like Congressman Larry Combest of Lubbock, who told constituents a few years ago in Canyon at a "town hall meeting" that he wasn't qualified to answer a constitutional question. "I'm not a lawyer," he said in answer to a question about the constitution, leaving the impression that only lawyers can understand the constitution.

I wonder how many elected officials conduct their duties with the ignorance of the constitution exemplified by Congressman Combest and a whole passel of elected officials like him, who believe that "if it doesn't say we can't do it, then we can."

As I have written in editorials many times, it would seem appropriate to me that every elected and appointed officer of government, especially those who make an oath to uphold the constitution, would actually read and study the document for which they are bound to preserve and defend.

If they did, they would be unable to enforce statutory law which violates the rights of individuals.

Government agents, sworn to uphold and defend the constitution, too often take the second part of the oath as gospel, and ignore the first part. The second part says, "and the laws of this state and U.S." The sad truth is, most elected and appointed officials do not know what the constitution says, especially its powerful restrictions on government, as evidenced by Congressman Combest. Don't get me wrong, I'm not picking on him, he is just a reflection of the vast majority of those we elect.

So, we end up with government agents who ignore their constitutional restraints, all the while chipping away at individual rights because some legislative mandate from Austin or Washington says this or that. Most of the time these unconstitutional statutes are

never challenged, and when they are, our dutifully elected and appointed officials refuse to support the constitutionally guaranteed rights that are being trampled.

I have a friend who tried to explain his constitutionally guaranteed right in a county court. The judge recessed the court and escorted him to a back room. "Son, if you bring up that constitutional crap one more time, I'm going to charge you with contempt and you're going to jail, you got that?"

The jury was never allowed to hear his constitutional argument. That's the kind of justice that is dispensed when elected and appointed officials support statutory law above constitutional guarantees. That's why so many Texans are interested in changing the political system. There must be way to hold government agents accountable when they violate the rights of individuals under the cover of legislative law.

Furthermore, those who swear to uphold these statutory laws would never in a lifetime be able to even read them all, let alone know what they say. The truth is, the oath is merely an empty shell if those who make it have no idea what it is that they are sworn to uphold and defend.

It's like the dirty secret (not so secret anymore) in Austin and Washington, when legislators meet and give their "yeas" to laws which they do not even bother to read before taking a vote. "Well, so and so said it was okay," is the answer they usually give. Or, "well, there's just too much to read." Okay, then the common sense approach would be to vote "no" on anything you don't have time to read and understand.

Another almost forgotten inherent right

This country, with its institutions, belongs to the people who inhabit it. Whenever they shall grow weary of the existing government, they can exercise their constitutional right of amending it or their revolutionary right to dismember or overthrow it.

**Abraham Lincoln,
 First Inaugural Address, March 4, 1861**

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I am a lover of history and I have a somewhat unusual hobby. I collect old tokens used by stores, barber shops, pool halls, bakeries, saloons, forts and other businesses years ago. The tokens were "good for" 5¢, 10¢, 12 1/2¢ or such, in trade or merchandise or "good for" a loaf of bread, one drink, one shave, one ride or whatever.

They were usually made of metal, and while having the general appearance of a coin, they were made in all shapes and sizes.

I know that this request is unimportant, but as our elderly pass away and the younger members of the family inherit their possessions, tokens and other items are considered junk and thrown out. I do get a great deal of enjoyment from my hobby and I do believe that these concrete reminders of our great heritage are worth preserving.

I have reason to believe that some of these tokens were used in your area and I would be most interested in obtaining some of them for my collection.

I would like to hear from anyone having one or more of these tokens or from anyone that might be able to help me. Please write me at Box 1168, Bellaire, Texas 77402.

Travis Roberts

Some things I wonder about

by Walter E. Williams

There are things that really puzzle me. For example, some insurers advertise bargain life-insurance rates provided you don't have a life-shortening lifestyle. Being a non-smoker is one of them. That's actuarially sound policy because smokers risk a shorter life expectancy, but insurance companies don't advertise lower rates to non-homosexuals.

After all homosexuals, as a group — because of AIDS — have a shorter life expectancy than either smokers or heterosexuals. You say, "That would be discrimination against homosexuals!" But my question is why is it acceptable for insurance companies to discriminate against smokers but not homosexuals?

Then there are those TV fund-raising commercials featuring emaciated, forlorn looking children in other lands. The speaker says we can help this little child have nutritious meals, and get a good education and better housing if we'd donate \$21 a month. Then later on in the commercial, the formerly forlorn-looking child is happy and playful.

I say great! How come we can't do the same thing domestically? Twenty-one dollars a month is a darn sight cheaper than what we're paying for all our welfare programs. Let's look at some statistics before my next puzzlement.

The Census Bureau reports that the 1997 median income for 25- to 34-year-olds was \$26,000; for those in the 55 to 64 age bracket, the median income was \$31,000. Net worth (assets minus liabilities) was a paltry \$6,000 for the under-35-year-old householder and a whopping \$91,000 for the 55- to 64-year-old householder.

Older people having higher income and greater wealth makes sense simply because they've gained skills and had time to accumulate wealth. What I don't understand is why we have the senior citizen goodies — discounts, rebates and handouts for people at the top of the

income and wealth heap. There are instructions that puzzle me, engendering considerable disrespect for my fellow Americans' intellect, such as warning labels on all manner of products that read: "Do Not Take Internally."

Most often, the product isn't something one reasonably takes internally, like butter, a can of Coke or a candy bar. The warnings are on products like paint, bleach and other cleaning fluids. I'm wondering how many grown Americans actually took a swig of something like Minwax, bleach and paint thinners.

There's a warning label appearing on automobile sun screens that people buy to put on their windshield to keep their cars cool that reads: "Do Not Drive With Screen In Place." Here's my take. A person dumb enough to drink Minwax, bleach and paint thinners, or drive with a sun screen in place, is probably also too dumb to read. In that case, warning labels are a waste.

Speaking of warning labels, there's a debate going on as to whether mother's milk is good or bad for infants, a preposterous debate considering the world's population. If the medical authorities conclude that mother's milk is hazardous, I'm wondering where they're going to put that warning label.

Finally, there's a seeming conspiracy against parents. You buy your kid all kinds of pets. In our case, it was birds for our daughter. Typically, the bird is in the house for a week, a month, several months and out of the clear blue sky the bird drops dead. What bird survives?

If you said the bird that you bought just before the kid went off to college, that's not allowed in the dorm, that you now have to care for, go to the head of the class. In our case, that bird lived through four years of college and lives on as I write this column, but fortunately, finally, not with us.

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Local Government Meetings

- Monday, January 11**
- Garza County Commissioners' Court, 9 a.m., 3rd floor courthouse.
- Monday, January 11**
- Post ISD board of trustees, 7:30 p.m., Administration Office.
- Thursday, January 14**
- Garza Hospital District board of directors, in the clinic building, 7 a.m. (Thursday after 10th of each month)
- Monday, January 25**
- Garza County Commissioners' Court, 9 a.m., 3rd floor courthouse.

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Notice To All Persons Having Claims Against The Estate of Wilma Ethel Presson Olson

Notice to all persons is hereby given that the original letter of independent administration upon the estate of Wilma Ethel Presson Olson, deceased, was issued to me the undersigned on the 5 day of January, 1999, in the proceeding indicated below my signature hereto, which is still pending and that I now hold such letter. All persons having claims against said estate, which is being administered, the county below named, are hereby required to present the same to me respectively, at the address below given, before suit upon same are barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such estate is closed, and within the time required by law. Jan Marc Olson may be notified 505 South Ave. K., Seminole, Gaines County, Texas or in care of the Attorney; Preston Poole, 311 W. Main, P.O. Box 296, Post, Texas 79356.
Dated: 01-05-99
Jan Marc Olson
Independent Executor
Cause # 1687 Wilma Ethel Presson Olson, Deceased

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The Post ISD is accepting bids to remove and replace the existing High School Gym Floor. Bid information and specifications can be obtained from the Superintendent's Office located at 501 South Avenue K, Post, Texas or by calling 806-495-3343. Bids will be received on or before 10:00 AM on January 21, 1999, in the Superintendent's Office. Bids will then be opened at 10:05 AM. The Post ISD Board of Trustees will consider bids at the Regular February Board Meeting. The Post ISD reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Hospitals' name change with new year

The name changes of Covenant Health System's two cornerstone hospitals officially took place Friday, Jan. 1.

Effective with the advent of the new year, Methodist Hospital, Lubbock, will now be known as Covenant Medical Center, while Lubbock's St. Mary Hospital is now known as Covenant Medical Center-Lakeside.

These changes complete the process for all Covenant Health System (CHS) member hospitals. Methodist Children's Hospital was the first to change its name, becoming Covenant Children's Hospital Oct. 1. Partner hospitals in Levelland and Plainview recently updated their names as well — Covenant Hospital Levelland and Covenant Hospital Plainview, respectively.

In addition, the system's home health agency, Total Home Health Care, is changing its name to Covenant Home Health Care at most of its locations in the state.

According to CHS president/CEO Charley Trimble, these name changes more accurately reflect the system's vision "to be recognized as a leader in providing regional integrated health care, promoting health improvement and creating health communities."

"We are proud of our histories of service to the community as Methodist and St. Mary hospitals, and we look forward to a future where people recognize the Covenant name as the one they can count on to provide the medical needs of their entire family," he said.

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New Deadlines for The Post Dispatch Tues. 4 p.m.

Lunch Menus

Trail Blazer

Friday, Jan. 8, 1999

Crispy fish, baked beans, broccoli, coleslaw, cornbread and chocolate pudding.

Monday, Jan. 11, 1999

Chicken fried steak, white gravy, cream potato's, broccoli, wheat roll and oranges and bananas.

Tuesday, Jan. 12, 1999

Chicken and dumplings, green peas, cauliflower, cheese sauce, hot roll and pumpkin bars.

Wednesday, Jan. 13, 1999

Roast beef, brown gravy, roast potatoes, zucchini, tossed salad/French dressing, wheat roll and frosted spice cake.

Thursday, Jan. 14, 1999

Beef and potato stew, mixed vegetables, cornbread and pina colada pudding.

Post ISD

Friday, Jan. 8, 1999

Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Cheeseburger, H.B. salad, French fries, cookie and choice of milk.

Monday, Jan. 11, 1999

Breakfast: Pancake-sausage on a stick, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Nachos supreme, salad, fruit cocktail, cake and choice of milk.

Tuesday, Jan. 12, 1999

Breakfast: Muffin, sausage links, fruit, orange juice and milk.

Lunch: Chili dog, French fries, green peas, cherry crisp and choice of milk.

Wednesday, Jan. 13, 1999

Breakfast: Malt-o-meal, sausage, fruit, toast and milk.

Lunch: Tamales, pinto beans, salad, peaches and choice of milk.

Thursday, Jan. 14, 1999

Breakfast: French toast, sausage links, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Fried chicken, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, jello and choice of milk.

Southland ISD

Friday, Jan. 8, 1999

no menu

Monday, Jan. 11, 1999

Breakfast: Cheese toast, hashbrowns, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Corn dogs, pork-n-beans, French fries, cookie and milk.

Tuesday, Jan. 12, 1999

Breakfast: Rice cereal, toast, juice and milk.

Lunch: Spaghetti, tossed salad, green beans, garlic bread, fruit and milk.

Wednesday, Jan. 13, 1999

Breakfast: French toast w/srup, bacon, juice and milk.

Lunch: Nachos, corn salad, Rice Krispy Treats and milk.

Thursday, Jan. 14, 1999

Breakfast: Muffins, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Turkey sandwiches, pickle spears, chips, brownies and milk.

Yesteryears

by Pat Burnett

Jan. 5, 1989
10 Years Ago

With most of the area cotton gins completing ginning operations for the 1988 season around the end of December, the final bale count for Garza County is running slightly less than the total for 1987's "near miracle" crop, but 1988 has produced another bumper crop for the area.

Ray and Celia Mason are happy to announce the birth of their son Ronald Wesley, who was born at 3:30 a.m., December 30, 1988 at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. He weighed eight pounds, five ounces and was 21 and three-fourths inches long.

Jan. 3, 1979
20 Years Ago

Garza County's 1979 United Fund drive has finally gone over the top for the 10th consecutive year.

Drive Chairman Jim Cornish announced Wednesday that contributions stood at \$10,814.50, \$139.50 over the \$10,675 goal.

If deposits continue to grow at the First National Bank here, 1979 may be the year the Post bank will pay out a million dollars in interest to its depositors for the first time.

Jan. 2, 1969
30 Years Ago

The Post Volunteer Fire Department's assistance in fighting a raging fire at Tahoka on Sunday morning, Dec. 22, has earned the Post firemen the gratitude of the entire Tahoka community, according to a letter to The Dispatch from Ed Redwine, secretary of the Tahoka Fire Department.

"Good neighbors are indeed a treasure and we have found a 'treasure' in our friends in the Post Fire Department," the Tahoka fireman wrote.

Post's moisture total for 1968 measured 25.22 inches for the "wettest" year since 1963 when 25.40 inches were measured.

Post High School student Don Collier, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Collier, broke his left leg in two places while skiing near Cloudcroft, N. M., about 2 p. m. last Friday.

Jan. 4, 1959
40 Years Ago

The farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Elton (Red) Mathis and most of its contents were destroyed by a windwhipped fire about noon Tuesday.

Post soon will have a fifth physician. He is Dr. James R. Matthews, who is closing his practice in Augusta, Ark., to open his new practice here probably on Monday, Jan. 19.

Jan. 5, 1949
50 Years Ago

Old Man Measles and Old Saint Nick arrived at the same hour to pay Sharon Jobe a visit as she was visiting in the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Greenfield, during the holidays. Sharon, along with her sister, Lynn, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Edwards, of Fort Worth spent the holidays here. Bill returned to Fort Worth Sunday. It is understood that the Edwards family will move to Post within the near future and Bill will be associated in business with T. R. in the Greenfield Hardware store.



MRS. GRADY GLENN NORMAN

From The Post Dispatch, January 5, 1949

ACROSS

- 1 TXism: "loud enough to wake the _____"
- 5 advantage
- 6 honorary TX Ranger: _____ Stanley Gardner
- 7 tornado sound
- 8 PepsiCo to Dallas' Pizza Hut (2 wds.)
- 18 TX George Strait's _____ in the Hole Band"
- 19 TXism for run (3 wds.)
- 21 "Giant" star Rock (init)
- 22 a cow and a calf
- 23 state capitol is located on Congress _____
- 24 load the mule again
- 29 Dallas NBA team
- 30 Wichita Falls FM
- 31 this Red is the official "Cowboy Poet of Texas" (init.)
- 32 statement of belief
- 33 TX Belle Starr hid outlaw _____ Younger
- 34 UNT's _____ Joe Greene played in four Super Bowls
- 35 TX Rafter's network
- 36 TXism: "got _____ do as a hibernating bear" (idle)
- 38 Goliad's Presidio La Bahia has painting of angel with six _____
- 39 Mule _____ TX
- 40 someTX sites were once this (3 wds.)
- 42 TXism: "feel like I was chewed _____ spit out"
- 43 Emmitt's objective

- 44 TBN's _____ the Lord" is on 12 TX TV stations
- 45 TXism: "sticks out like _____ thumb"
- 46 "yes" below the border
- 47 TX dusters
- 49 TXism: "pays it no _____ never mind"
- 50 TX TV producer Spelling
- 51 this TX Porter won '66 Pulitzer Prize (init.)
- 52 TXism: "_____ it or lose it!"
- 53 Gov. Smith (init.)

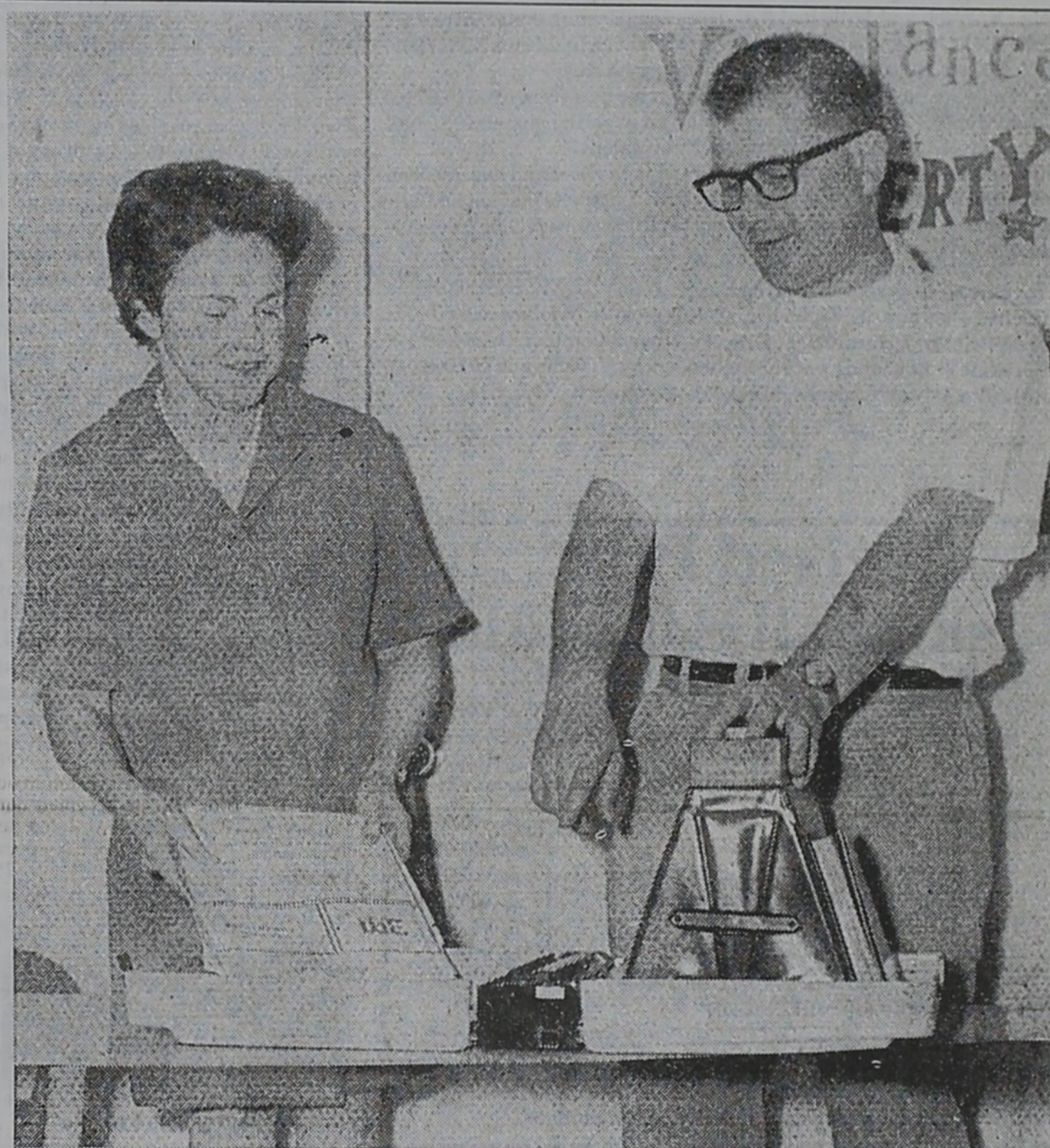
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DOWN

- 1 east of Houston on hwy. 225
- 2 former controversial WTSU president
- 3 angry stare (2 wds.)
- 4 TXism: "heavy as the front end of a John _____"
- 9 TX Minyard's owns Sack _____
- 10 TXism: "in _____ neck of the woods" (near)
- 11 TXism: "packed like cows in a box _____"
- 12 TXism: "mighty fine"
- 13 TXism: "_____ a bulldog on a gun powder diet"
- 14 this Corey won '88 Texas Open
- 15 TXism: "it beats _____ a peckin' "
- 16 A&M uses a _____ scholarship player as the "12th man"
- 17 TXism: "it'll rattle _____" (loud noise)
- 20 TXism: "_____ up" (admitted)
- 22 tip of Texas wildlife refuge: Las _____
- 24 _____ Cola
- 25 Astro Drabek stat
- 26 Rangers made early badges from this Mexican coin
- 27 TXism: "fesses up"
- 28 TX Charley Pride's "Wonder _____ Live There Anymore?"
- 29 pickup propeller
- 30 "peachy _____"
- 33 _____ suey
- 34 TXism: "sweet as new _____" (good odor)
- 35 TX belle allures
- 37 TX actress
- 38 TXism: "has _____ on a mirror to fix her hair" (homely)
- 39 football
- 41 Sam Houston's Indian wife
- 42 authority for TX Olympians (abbr.)
- 45 TXism: "wouldn't touch that with _____ foot pole"
- 48 Sonora is on the western _____ of Edwards Plateau



NEW COPYING MACHINE AT LIBRARY

The operation of a new copying machine purchased for the Post Public Library is explained by Librarian George L. Miller to Library Aide Mrs. Giles C. McCrary. The new machine will be especially helpful to students by enabling them to copy pages from reference works at the library. (Staff Photo)

From The Post Dispatch, January 2, 1969

Sneed, Oden Wedding Plans are Announced

Debbie Sneed wishes to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter, Marcie, to Rodney Oden, son of Alfred and Linda Oden.

The couple plans to wed June 23, 1989, upon completion of their home.



Rodney Oden and Marcie Sneed

From The Post Dispatch, January 5, 1989



GARZA COUNTY AND PRECINCT OFFICIALS SWORN IN

Shortly after taking their oaths of office New Year's morning, Garza County officials elected last November are shown at the judge's bench in the district courtroom. Seated is new County

Judge J. E. Parker. Standing, left to right, are Mrs. Ruth Lee, county treasurer; Dean A. Robinson, county school superintendent; E. E. Peel, Precinct 2 commissioner; Mason Justice, new Pre-

dict 4 commissioner; D. C. Roberts Sr., Precinct 1 justice of the peace; Carl Cederholm, county and district clerk, and Mrs. Faye Cockrell, deputy clerk. — (Staff Photo.)

From The Post Dispatch, January 4, 1959

Sports

Lady Lopes average 51.6 points in tournament

The Lady Lopes fell short of their expectations of bringing home a trophy in the Crosbyton Tournament held December 28-29-30; however, they have nothing to be ashamed of as they played hard each game. They averaged 51.6 points per game shooting almost 30% from the floor and averaged 32 rebounds per game.

Kristen Webb, 5'10" senior Post, was named to the All-Tournament Team. Post fell in Game #1 to Hale Center 64 to 43. The Lady Lopes got off to a slow start after the holidays hitting only 1 of 17 attempts from the floor in the first quarter but they came back in the second quarter and matched points with the Lady Owlettes and the score at half was Post 15, Hale Center 26.

The second half proved to be a better shooting half for the Lady Lopes hitting 44% of their shots in that period but they just couldn't make up ground lost in the first half. Free throw shooting kept Post in the game as they scored 18 points from the free throw line hitting 67% of their shots. The Hale Center Owlettes were district and bi-district champs last year and went on to win the tournament.

Scorers for Post were led by Kasey Hardin with 11. Others scoring included: Kenda Looney 9, Jennifer Strawn 7, Vondi Gradine 5, K. Webb 4, Meagan Mills 3, Davida Gregory and Rachelle Jones 2, and Erin Gregory 1. K. Webb led rebounders with 9 followed by Hardin, Jones, D. Gregory, and Gradine 4; Looney and E. Gregory 3; Becca Stelzer 2; Strawn and Lauren Webb 1.

Post came out strong in Game #2 winning 62 to 58 for Kress. The Lady Lopes led after the first quarter 20-9; however, Kress rallied during the second quarter and Post only led by six points at half. Post held on to their lead and beat Kress for the third time in three meetings this year.

The Lady Lopes hit 39% from the floor and 61% from the free throw line during the game. K. Webb led all scorers from Post with 23. Hardin was also in double figures with 10 followed by Jones and Looney 9, Mills 5, Strawn 4, and E. Gregory 2. Looney did a great job rebounding pulling down 15 of the teams' 33 rebounds.

Others with rebounds were D. Gregory 6; Stelzer 3; Strawn, K. Webb, Mills 2; and Hardin, Jones, E. Gregory 1 each. As a team the Lady Lopes had 14 steals and 16 steals. K. Webb and Mills had 3 assists each; Hardin, Jones, Strawn 2 each; E. Gregory, D. Gregory 1 each. Hardin and Mills each had 4 steals; K. Webb and Looney 2; Stelzer, Strawn, Jones, and D. Gregory 1 each.

The Lady Lopes were upset by Ralls in the third game by a score of 56 to 50 for the Consolation trophy. Post did not have their best shooting game as the ball just seemed to spin out of the hoop on numerous occasions.

They could only manage to hit 27% of their shots from the floor and had a season low 37.5% shooting average from the free throw line. Luck was just not on their side during this game but Ralls did play exceptionally well with tough defense against the Lady Lopes.

Post only committed 14 turnovers during the game and the final outcome was decided at the free shot line. K. Webb led all scorers with 16 followed by Jones with 12 (three 3-pointers); Hardin 8, E. Gregory 5 (one 3-pointer), D. Gregory 5; Looney and Gradine 2. Rebounds were brought down by K. Webb and D. Gregory 6; Looney 5; Hardin 4; Stelzer, Jones, Mills 2; E. Gregory 1.

Lady Lopes whip Crosbyton

The Post Lady Lopes, playing great defense and shooting well, managed a big win over Crosbyton by a score of 60 to 31 in the final game before district competition. Post hit 32% from the floor scoring 29 points total in the first three quarters and 31 points in the final quarter. From the free throw line the Lady Lopes hit 76% hitting 19 of 25 attempts.

Crosbyton played Post fairly close staying within 8 points until the final quarter when Post turned up the heat with their swarming defense stealing the ball at least 8 times resulting in scores on the turnovers. The Lady Lopes also hit 10 of 11 free throws in that period.

Kristen Webb led scorers with 14 followed by Kasey Hardin 9; Becca Stelzer 7 (one 3-pointer); Meagan Mills 7; Vondi Gradine 6; Kelli Moore 5; Manuela Hernandez and Davida Gregory 4; Lauren Webb 3; and Erin Gregory 1.

Stelzer and Looney had 6 rebounds each followed by: E. Gregory 4; Hardin 3; D. Gregory, Gradine, Mills, Emily Smith 2; K. Webb, Strawn, L. Webb, Moore, Hernandez 1. The Lady Lopes' tough defense resulted in a team total 25 steals led by Mills 7; D. Gregory and Moore 3; Stelzer, E. Gregory, Hernandez 2; Hardin, Strawn, K. Webb, Looney, Gradine, Smith 1.

Freshmen fall to Tahoka

The freshman boys lost to Tahoka Monday, Dec. 14, in a tough game 61-30. The team's record now stands at 1-4 overall for the season.

Roland Castaneda was high scorer with 10. Mikey Gonzales and Allen Bell each added seven points. Adrian Serrano put in four for the Lopes.

The team's next game will be Jan. 7 when they go to Coahoma to play.

Varsity boys win one, lose one during holidays

Post High School's varsity boys earned a 57-37 win over Crosbyton during the holiday break but dropped a close one to Roosevelt 71-70.

In a game played Jan. 2 at Crosbyton, the Lopes went 40 percent in their shooting to take the win. Braden Conner led scoring with 19 points, followed by Marcus Sapp with 10. Others adding to the score were Clell Knight with eight points, Tyrone Jefferson and Billy Crawford with seven points each, R.T. Todd with four and Michael Ulm, two.

Conner posted 15 rebounds on the night, followed by Knight with seven. Knight had five assists.

Post led 14-10 at the close of the first period and scored 11 points to Crosbyton's five in the second period. The Lopes scored 20 in the third, allowing only nine, and let up a bit in the final, scoring 12 points to their opponent's 13.

"This was one of our last non-conference games and I felt like we played with a lot of intensity," the coach said. "I thought the guys did a great job of shutting down Crosbyton and holding them to only 37 points. We played out matchup zone really well. We rebounded well again, grabbing 43 rebounds. Braden Conner had a double-double with 19 points and 15 rebounds.

"I think the guys are ready to start district competition. All of our home games will be played in Borden County."

This win put the team's season record at nine wins, six losses. One of those losses came just before the holiday break on the team's home court. On Dec. 18, the Lopes lost a squeaker to Roosevelt 71-70.

Post jumped out to an early lead with a 22-18 score at the end of the first period. Scoring remained close in the next two periods, with Post earning 17 and 18 points in the second and third quarters to Roosevelt's 18 and 18. But it was Roosevelt's final period push that allowed them to come up 17-13 over the Lopes and take the win.

Top scorers for the Lopes were Conner and Fluit with 14 each, followed by Knight with 12, Sapp and Jefferson with 10 apiece, Ulm with seven and Crawford, three. Knight led rebounders with nine and shared the top of the assists stats with Conner. Each had five assists.

"This was a tough loss against a very good 9-4 team," the coach said. "We played really well throughout the game and led most of the game. We gave up three transition baskets in the fourth that really hurt.

"Clell had an excellent game and I thought our bench players hit the boards really well. The guys played their best game of the year and I am looking forward to seeing added improvement as district approaches."

District play begins for the Antelopes Jan. 8 at home against Seagraves.

Revised PHS Basketball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time	Place	Teams
1/8	Seagraves	5 p.m.	Gail	JV & Varsity
1/12	Stanton	5 p.m.	Stanton	JV & Varsity
1/15	Plains	5 p.m.	Stanton	JV & Varsity
1/16	J.V. Tourney	TBA	Seagraves	JV
1/19	Tahoka	4 p.m.	Tahoka	JV & Varsity
1/22	Coahoma	5 p.m.	Gail	JV & Varsity
1/26	Seagraves	5 p.m.	Seagraves	JV & Varsity
1/30	Stanton	5 p.m.	Gail	JV & Varsity
2/2	Plains	5 p.m.	Plains	JV & Varsity
2/5	Tahoka	5 p.m.	Gail	JV & Varsity
2/9	Coahoma	5 p.m.	Coahoma	JV & Varsity

- Middle School schedule unaffected.
- 9th grade games for Post will be at the Middle School gym after the 7th and 8th grade boys games.
- The varsity boys and girls game site with Coahoma have been switched from previous schedule (see above for changes).

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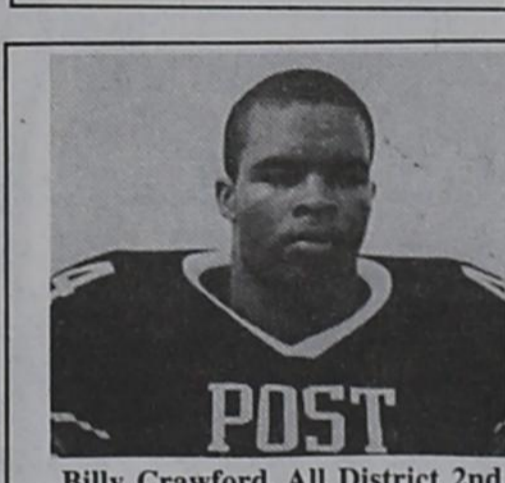
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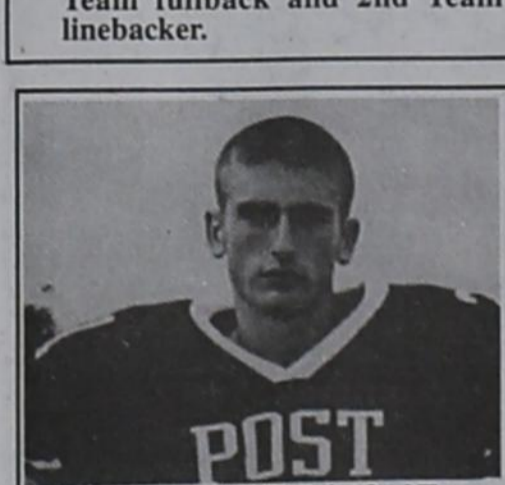
Daniel Fluit, All District 2nd Team wide receiver.



Clell Knight, All District 2nd Team tight end.



Billy Crawford, All District 2nd Team fullback and 2nd Team linebacker.



Jay Gorman, All District 2nd Team quarterback, 2nd Team defensive back.

'Lopes edged out in Crosbyton tourney

The Post High School varsity boys narrowly lost the consolation final of the Crosbyton Tournament in a 38-36 game against Kress Dec. 30.

Braden Conner led scoring with 11 points, followed by Clell Knight with eight points, Billy Crawford with six, Tyrone Jefferson with five, Marcus Sapp with four points and Daniel Fluit, two points. Crawford led rebounds with seven while Ulm led assists, posting four.

The Lopes fell to a small deficit early on with Kress leading 11-8 at the end of the first quarter. The second quarter echoed the first, with Kress scoring 13 points to Post's eight. But the Antelopes poured on the defense in the third period, allowing only three points while scoring 10. Kress came back to life in the final period to score 11 to Post's 10 for the 38-36 final.

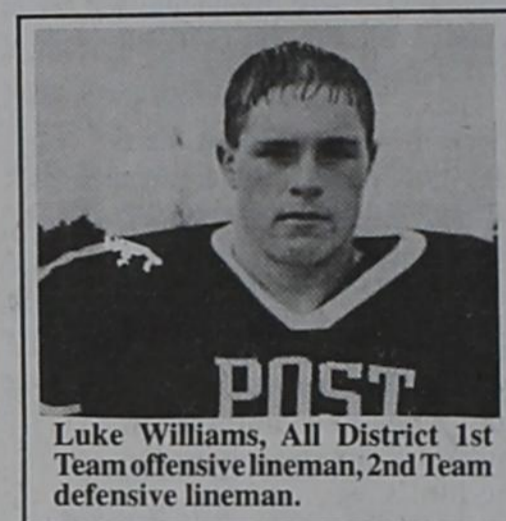
In the Dec. 28 game against Happy, Knight and Conner led scoring with 11 each, followed by Jefferson with 10 and Crawford with nine. Conner led in rebounds and Knight and Fluit each logged seven assists. The team was 22 of 68 in its shooting and made 10 of 18 free throws.

On Dec. 29, the team pulled off the win over Sunray under the shooting leadership of Crawford, who scored 16 points. Other top scorers were Knight and Sapp with 11 points each and Ulm, who had 10. Crawford led rebounds with 11, followed closely by Knight with 11. Knight led assists with six.

Shooting was 20 of 60, or 40 percent, and free throws were 16 of 29.

The Lopes got to the consolation final through an 80-60 defeat at the hands of Happy and a win over Sunray, 67-49.

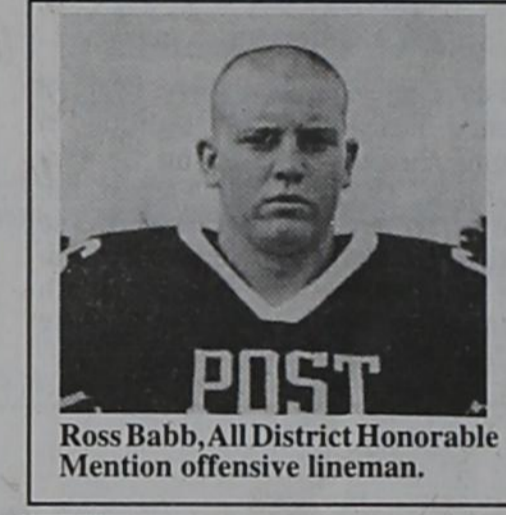
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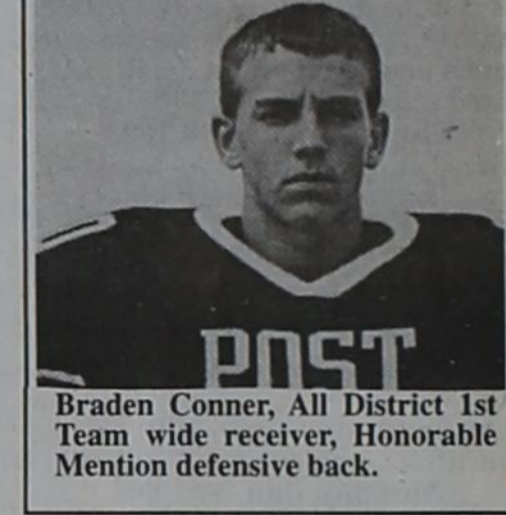
Luke Williams, All District 1st Team offensive lineman, 2nd Team defensive lineman.



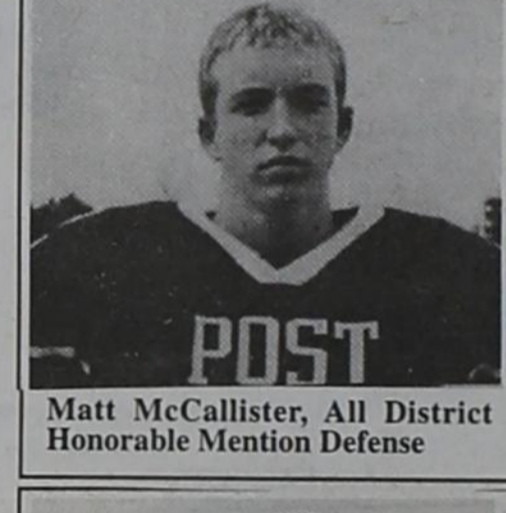
Michael Ulm, All District 2nd Team defensive back.



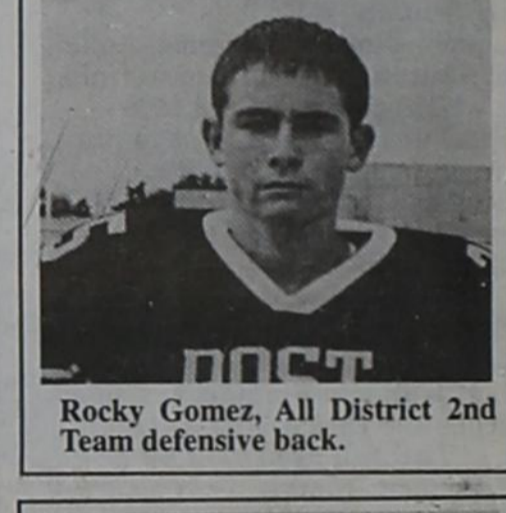
Ross Babb, All District Honorable Mention offensive lineman.



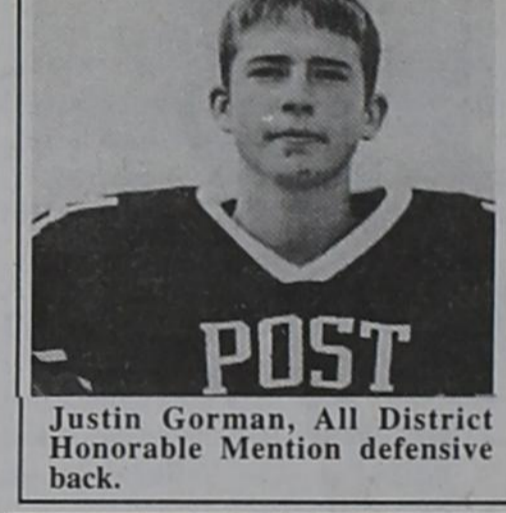
Braden Conner, All District 1st Team wide receiver, Honorable Mention defensive back.



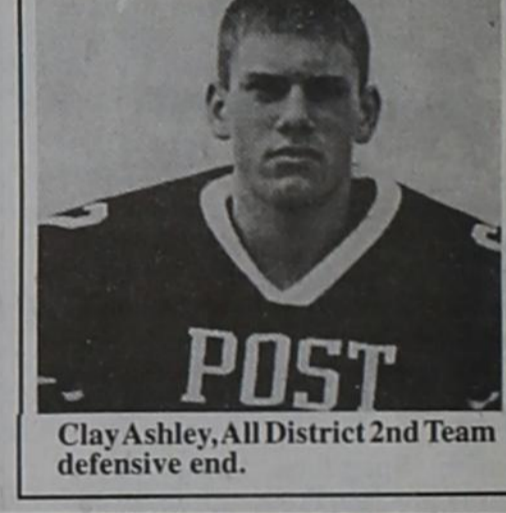
Matt McCallister, All District Honorable Mention Defense.



Rocky Gomez, All District 2nd Team defensive back.



Justin Gorman, All District Honorable Mention defensive back.



Clay Ashley, All District 2nd Team defensive end.

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