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# Reese AFB housing units to be moved here for rental property

by Wes Burnett

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Garza County will get at least 38 housing units from the former tons for various county offices in cases of emergencies. No action Jane Odom, Ira Bullard, Amber Hernandez, Jeffery Lee Greene, Reese AFB to be available for private ownership or rent, according to a report from county administrative assistant Brian Grimes. He told the court at its regular meeting Monday morning that the housing units should be available in April. County housing board chair-

man Bob Macy is negotiating with moving companies for the project. Most of the units are duplexes. "These are really nice units," Grimes emphasized, "and we were first on the list so we were able to pick and choose the ones we felt were best."

ommended that no cash bonds be accepted by the sheriff's depart- ber 27. ment following the recent revelation of missing funds. Other than the problems outlined about missing funds at the sheriff's department, the audit was favorable.

Sawyers pointed out that the county ended the fiscal year with \$1,022,487 in the fund balance.

Commissioners reviewed a proposal from Correctional Securities regarding security communications devices in the courthouse. The equipment would provide for 13 different messages, with alert but-

was taken on the matter.

The court approved the expansion of the juvenile detention center Lydia Soto. from 48 to 96 beds, a result of increased use of the facility by area county and district courts.

In other action: Set holiday dates for 1999 as New Years' on Jan. 1; Good Friday, April 2; Memorial Day, May 31; Independence Day, July 5; Labor Day, September 6; Veteran's Day, November 11; Thanksgiving Day, Commissioners also heard from auditor Steve Sawyers, who rec- November 25 and 26 and Christmas Day, December 24 and Decem-

• Appointed the following citizens to the grievance committee: Ruby for the Crime Victims Assistance program.

Carol McDonald, G.B. Wilke, Alta Jane Davis, Larry Waldrip and

 Appointed commissioner Lee Norman as county judge pro-tem. Established commissioners for various committees: Lee Norman. community center, ambulance, 911, drug testing and Census 2000; Mason McClellan, landfill and law enforcement; John Valdez, law enforcement and airport and Mike Sanchez, ambulance, park and

 Set terms for the court at February, May, August and November. Approved a grant request presented by Michelle Wischkaemper

# Former dispatcher tells her side of the story

Editor's Note: Last week we published a report concerning the felony for the Sheriff's Department. Sheriff Ratke never had any reason to theft guilty plea of former Sheriff's dispatcher Jackie Gonzales. Information for that report came from Sheriff Kenny Ratke. In fairness to Mrs Gonzales, the following letter provides additional information about developments which led to her confession.

by Jackie Gonzales

I would like to begin by telling everyone that by writing this letter I am in no way trying to make light of my recent legal situation, or in any way try to blame anyone else for my judgment in error. What I have done is wrong and no one knows that better than me.

My only concern in this whole mess was for my children so that they be protected, and even that was not an option. I was born in this town and have lived here for most of my life, my children to, were born here have been raised in this community, attend school here and they have become victims through all of this.

I only hope that if there are any further questions, that they be addressed to me, and only me. The article in the Lubbock A-J is ridiculous. I spoke to no one and I am appalled that they would use my late husband's death to make their story more exciting. I don't know who told the Lubbock paper about this, but wonder if that person realizes how hurtful that was to us.

I have had several days to think about how to write this letter. I have started many letters that were written with anger, hurt and yes, embarrassment. But as I looked over those letters I realized that I wanted to hurt no one, shame no one, or get even with anyone, only to tell my side of this whole situation.

I strongly believe that I should have been interviewed prior to the publication, and given that same consideration as all parties involved. Since all of the information to my case has been published for all to see, I would like to clarify a few things on my behalf and maybe put a stop to all the rumors that are flying around.

I am responsible

It is true that I was responsible for the handling off all accounts

# Post Girls Scouts Gabby Paiz (left) and Bailey Odom (right) present scout cookies to Giles C. McCrary, a long time supporter of the scout program. Scouts will be contacting individuals and businesses the next few weeks. For those who are not contacted, call Carol Tobias at 495-3057 to place an order.

# Post Notes

#### Dance at the Post VFW

Texas Mesquite Band will be featured Saturday from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Post VFW.

#### Class of '64 reunion planned PHS Class of 1964 members are encouraged to attend a 35th

reunion planning meeting January 18 at 7 p.m. at the First Christian Church. Stew and cornbread fundraiser

The First Baptist Church Christian School will offer a fundraiser meal of stew, cornbread and dessert on Wednesday, January 27 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Carryouts will also be available. Donations are accepted for the meal.

#### Little dribblers sign-up

Sign-up for participants in the Little Dribblers season will be held at Norwest Bank on Thursday, January 28 form 7 to 8:30 p.m. and Monday, February 1 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. All boys and girls in third grade through sixth grade are eligible and encouraged to participate. For more information call Robert Wilson at 495-2077.

#### 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."

#### GCJLA Stock Show & Sale

The Garza County Jr. Livestock Association will hold it's 35th Annual Garza County Stock Show and Sale January 21-23, 1999. The public is invited to attend the following shows, sale and lunch: Beef Cattle Show - 4 p.m.; Swine Thursday, January 21 -Show - 6:30 p.m.

Friday, January 22 - Goat Show - 6 p.m.; Sheep Show - 7:00 p.m. Saturday, January 23 - Awards and Sale - 9 a.m.; Lunch - 12 to 1:30 p.m.

Entry Deadline for GCJLA Entries for the Garza County Jr. Livestock Show are due in the Extension office by 5:00 p.m. Thursday, January 14. Also due at time of entry are Wood Shaving Agreements, pen and light fees.

## City council bids Hanna farewell

by Sheri Lewis

City officials said their official goodbye to City Manager Rick Hanna last week, marking the last regular monthly session for the city manager, who officially tendered his resignation to the council and plans to leave his post Jan. 31.

appreciation adopted by the council. "I can't say enough to this man because of what he means to me," Jackson said, "the things he has done, the money he ha saved the city...."

The resolution, signed by the mayor and all council members, reads: "Whereas... Richard L. Hanna has served the City of Post with disoperation; the accumulation, through sound investing and business practices, of a general fund balance exceeding \$1,250,000; the erection of a human and serviceable animal shelter; an upgrade of all city equipment; the installation of a state-of-the-art computerization system; and the generation of an acceptable backup water supply system through the water well system supplementing the White River Water District....

"... The City Commission of the City of Post does hereby unanimously express its warmest wishes for the continual success of Richard L. "Rick" Hanna, as well as its sincere gratitude for the excellence displayed in his service."

Hanna was presented with a signed copy of the resolution. County Judge Giles Dalby, on hand for the council meeting, expressed his thanks to Hanna "for all the work he's done."

"We've had a great relationship with him," Dalby said, referring to his county peers. "It's been a great pleasure working with you, Rick, and we wish you all the luck.... We're certainly going to miss you." Hanna began working as Post city manager in April 1994. He will be taking on similar duties in the City of Muleshoe beginning in February. (See Photo on Page 3)

inquire about these accounts because I always took care of all of his office finances and up until a few months ago, everything I did was done honestly.

The mistake I made was not depositing the cash bonds as they were posted. When someone is arrested they sometimes will post a cash bond instead of obtaining a bail bond since a cash bond is fully refundable while any money paid on a bail bond is lost.

A small portion of the money taken was from a Sheriff's Sale. My mistake was that I never counted the money on a regular basis, I knew that I owed some money, but I never kept track with what I actually owed.

In early December, when it was time for my annual audit, which clearly showed that I never played with the accounts, I simply did not deposit the money.

I would also like to add that I have worked with the county auditor for many years and he is every bit experienced and knowledgeable in what he does. He over looked nothing, because there was nothing there to over look (this system has been in effect for many years and it has always been a sound system).

It was at this time that I was being audited, that I went to check how much I money I owed for the cash bonds and I was surpised to find out that so much money was missing. When I admitted everything to Sheriff Ratke, I expressed to Sheriff Ratke that I did not feel that I had taken all of the money but that I was responsible for the money so I would take all responsibility.

There was no investigation

First of all, there was no investigation within the Sheriff's Department for missing funds. Sheriff Ratke knew absolutely nothing. I agree with Sheriff Ratke that maybe all things did not add up, but this was discovered only after I had gone to Sheriff Ratke with my admission on Sunday morning.

Sheriff Ratke was totally shocked and very upset that he knew nothing. I believe that Sheriff Ratke did want to help me with my situation in the beginning, and had I been able to acquire the funds to pay the money back, maybe none of this would have happened or maybe it would have anyway.

All I asked for was honesty. I had been honest and was willing to cooperate completely, but I feel once I was unable to obtain the funds, then all things changed, things were kept from me and a lot of things were done behind my back.

On Monday around noon I was sent home, "take some sick time, that way if anyone asks for the cash bonds then you will be unavailable," the sheriff said. He knew there would be county arraignments that afternoon.

I then went home and continued to find a means to get the funds. An emotional Mayor Jim Jackson stood and read a resolution of As I later read in Sheriff Ratke's report, it was at this time that he contacted the County Judge, District Attorney and Texas Ranger. I spoke with Sheriff Ratke that same night and he never once mentioned any of the above information, or that he had already taken measures to have me replaced.

On Tuesday, December 15, 1998 I reported to work as usual, and tinction... and has, during his term, been the party principally re- upon entering the Sheriff's Department I saw that Ranger Warren sponsible for the receipt of a waiver for operation of the city landfill Yeager was already there. I waited until I was summoned to Sheriff's Ratke's Office, at which time he told me, "I guess you know why Warren is here." I advised Sheriff Ratke that I did, and Sheriff Ratke advised me that the source from whom I could obtain the funds would not be able to assist me.

I advised Sheriff Ratke tha

Ratke then questioned me about my borrowing funds from the source at another time, to which I answered that I had.

Sheriff Ratke then told me that he would like for me to go down the hall and speak with Ranger Yeager and Lt. J.W. Jolly. I then asked Sheriff Ratke if I needed an attorney to which he answered, "No,

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#### Monica Schooler, Chris White Exchange Vows

Miss. Monica Jae Schooler and Chris White exchanged wedding vows Saturday evening, December 19th, 1998 at the Church of Christ in Post. Officiating the double ring ceremony was Paul Jones, Church of Christ minister.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Jim Schooler of Post and Mr. and

Mrs. Robert White of Villa Grove, Illinois.

The brides colors of sapphire blue and hunter green were used with white poinsettia's, pine garland, clear twinkle lights, candles and gold ribbon. Brass candelabrums formed the back ground for the ceremony. Aisles were marked with gold bows and garland. The couple had a special candle lighting ceremony in honor and remembrance of all the grandparents and great-grandparents. The unity candle used in the wedding was the same candle used by the brides aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Josey in their wedding, 22 years ago.

Vocal music was presented by Miss. Jerica Tyler of Post and an acappella

group from Lubbock Christian University.

Given in marriage by her parents, the bride wore a petal white silk organdy gown by Alfred Angelo. The gown was straight with enrichments of Valencienne lace, pearls and beading on the bodice and long sleeves. The waistline was accented with a bow at the back. Her cathedral length veil of imported silk illusion was attached to a headpiece of white silk flowers and pearls. She carried a bouquet of white roses with baby's breath. For something new, the bride wore a string of pearls and pearl earrings from her maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Josey of Post. For something old and borrowed, she wore her paternal great-grandmother's, Mrs. Merle Schooler's wedding ring and carried her maternal greatgrandmother's, Leona Mickey's, handkerchief. Something blue was a garter made by her great-grandmother, Merle Schooler. For luck, Monica was given a penny with her birth year by her uncle, Don Tatum.

Erica Schooler, sister of the bride was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Misses. Kenda Josey and Jennifer Josey both of Post and Amy Mason of Lubbock. They wore gowns of hunter green crepe and velvet, with low cut cowl backs. They carried a single maroon poinsettia with gold accent and

Flower girls were Ms. K'Nell Dalby of Post, Ms. Tatum Gunn of Lamesa and Ms. Sydney Robets of Lubbock. Ring bearers were Mr. Jay Miles Josey of Post and Mr. Harrison Schooler of Seagraves. The pillow that Harrison carried, was carried by his father, Patrick Schooler 23 years ago in Jim and Karla's wedding, parents of the bride.

Best man was Mr. Jon White, brother of the groom. Other groomsmen were Mr. Patrick Schooler of Seagraves, Mr. Kyle Trowbridge of Villa Grove, Illinois and Mr. Jeremy Josey of Abilene, Tx.

Honorary bridesmaids and groomsmen were Ms. Maggie Flanigan, Ms. Shelby Isaacs, Mrs. Sandy Miller, Mr. Scott Leon and Mr. William White II. Ushers were Mr. Ross Aten and Mr. Jerin Tyler both of Post.

Guest book attendant was Ms. Donae Dalby of Post. The tablecloth used on this table was a cut-work tablecloth made in 1930 by the bride's maternal great-grandmother Leona Mickey. Maggie Flanigan also helped register guest.

Program greeters were Mr. Garrett and Mr. Brady Gunn of Lamesa and Mr. Giles Wilson Dalby III of Post.

Reception at the church followed immediately after the ceremony hosted by the bride's parents. Aunts and great aunts served as the house party for the reception.

The brides table served lemon tea punch, Christmas candy, mints, nuts, petite quiche and tortilla bites. The wedding cake was a three tiered heart shaped cake, topped with a crystal and porcelain bride and groom

Coffee, hot spiced tea, Italian cream cheese cake, pretzels covered in white and brown chocolate, banana nut bread and quiche were served from the groom's table. Maggie Flanigan, Shelby Isaacs and Sandy Miller served at the grooms table.

After a wedding trip, skiing in Ruidoso, New Mexico the couple will be at home in Champaign, Illinois.



Mary Miller (right) won the recent United Way drawing for a Beanie Baby. United Way board member Linda Self made the presentation at Old Mill Trade Days. The Beanie Baby was one of two donated to United Way by Dayton-Parker Pharmacy of Tahoka. Peggy Clark of Lubbock won the other



#### Runkles celebrate 70th wedding anniversary

Saturday, Jan. 16, from 2-4 p.m. at the Norwest Bank Room.

The couple married Jan. 19, 1929, at the Methodist Church in Stephenville. and Damian Hampton. They lived in Dublin, Texas, until 1938 when they moved to Lubbock. In 1949, they moved to Post where Frank Runkles worked as the camp ranger at the Boy Scout Camp until his retirement in 1974

The couple's children are Mona Ross of Corpus Christi; Wanda Moore of Midland; Delores Patty of Yukon, Okla.; Don Runkles of Houston; and the late Wayne Runkles. They have 10 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchillonger show any signs of the tumor.

Patty, Don and Mary Runkles, Mona Ross and Linda Runkles. Family and friends are invited to join the celebration.

Girl Scout cookie sales under way

The annual Girl Scout cookie campaign is under way in Garza County. Girl Scouts are currently taking orders for the cookies, which will be delivered in February. The first shipment of cookies is due Feb. 10, after which time deliveries will begin.

Sales, which began Jan. 8, will run through March 10.

This year's cookie menu includes the traditional offerings — Samoas, Thin Mints, Trefoils, Do-Si-Dos, Tagalongs and Striped Chocolate Chip — and two new selections, Lemon Drops and reduced-fat Apple Cinnamon cookies. Individuals who are not contacted by local Girl Scouts who are interested in ordering cookies should call 495-3057



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## Judy's Jabberin'

By Judy B. Bush

Looks like we are going back to spring weather again. With the warm and windy days it sure feels like it. Wonder if we are going to skip winter all together?

Weekend guest

My mom was glad to have her son (Jack Ballentine) with wife June and daughter Amy here Sunday. They had to skip Christmas with Amy in the

hospital, but got to come down from San Antonio for the weekend. Jack will be retiring in March and they will be moving to Rotan. know my mom will be happy to have them so close to home.

Get well

W.C. Bush is still hospitalized in Lubbock and is doing some better I think. Thanks to everyone for all his cards and get well messages. Joe Williams is also still there. We want both of these guys to know they are in our hearts and prayers, and that we love them both.

Birthdays This Week

Birthdays for this week: Thursday 14; Susan Ferguson and Hayden Benham. Anniversary, Wayne and Mary Edwards: Friday 15; Pay Ayala, Dianna Williams, Esmeralda Flores and J.C. Stelzer: Saturday 16; Benny Wilks, Lola Ledbetter, Marietta Pruitt, Patricia Kane, Bill Pool and J.P. Ray; Anniversary; Francisca and Danny Sanchez: Sunday 17; Aaron Hanna, Cole Easterling and Sebrena Townsend. Monday 18; Jordon Curtis and Tommy Gonzalez.. Tiesday 19;

Frank and Alylene Runkles will celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary Miguel Rodriguez, Wes Burnett and Amy Carlson; Anniversary; Randy and Karla Melton: Wednesday 20; Ruth Williams, Mike Reiter

**Great News** 

I heard from Anita Ayala today and as many of you know she and husband Pat have since July been battling Pat's cancer.

They received wonderful news just recently that recent tests no

Now Anita says that Pat has had Chemo, but she believes this is all Hosts for the celebration will be Wanda and Don Moore, Delores and Bill the work of the Lord. How proud we are for them both. Pat you just keep getting better and we'll keep you in our prayers.

**Attention Grandparents!!** Just an early plug to remind all of you that it will not be long until

it will be time for those sweet pictures of grandkids. One anxious grandparent has already been here.

Prices will remain the same, so start getting those pictures ready!

I need help!! On December 15th, someone purchased a gift subscription for

Evelyn Meeks. Would you please give me a call at the office. Thanks! Update

For all of you that have called in about Mrs. Voyles Pat and Wes would like for you to know that she is now at Golden Plains . All of the calls of concern are so much appreciated. Till Next Week

Guess that is all for this week. We are really short on news, so don't

forget to call and let me know what is going on. So many folks look forward to reading your news. Have a wonderful week end and May God Bless Each of You.

Lingerie Shower honors Monica Schooler

A lingerie shower was given by Miss Amy Mason for Monica Schooler in Lubbock, December 16th

Guest met at the Olive Garden and then went to Amy's apartment to open gifts and have refreshments.

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Schooler honored

A bridal luncheon was given for Ms. Monica Schooler, bride elect of Chris White, December 18th in the home of

Mrs. Joyce Tatum, aunt of the bride.

Christmas ornaments to give the bride.

Hotel Garza scene of

A rehearsal dinner for the wedding party of Monica Schooler and Chris

White was held December 18th at

Hostesses were the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert White of Villa

A great meal and visiting was

enjoyed by all and gifts were shared

with the attendants and persons of

the wedding party from the bride and

A great time was enjoyed by all.

rehearsal dinner

Hotel Garza in Post.

Grove, Illinois.

Mother's of the bride and groom, attendents and other guests brought

with luncheon

Sims Mand Kristi Sims are proud

nounce the birth of their Shter, Kaitlyn Michelle, born 3:31 pm on December 9, 1998 Camden Medical Center in St. Mary's, Georgia.

Kaitlyn weighed seven pounds, five ounces and was 21 inches

Paternal grandparents are Skip and Lisa Starkey of Post and David and Pam Sims of Rowlett,

Maternal grandparents are Darlene Strayn of Round Rock, Tx. and Robert Stuhlman of Shreveport, La.

Paternal great grandparents HE are Bob and Mary Byrd of Rotan, Tx. and Carleton and Bonnie

Starkey of Rociada, NM. Great- great grandmother, Pauline Warren of Baird, Tx.



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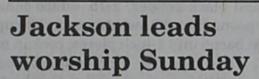
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Jim Jackson will lead morning and evening worship services Sunday, January 17 at the Calvary Baptist Church.

The morning service begins at 10:45 and the evening service is at 6

#### Martin reports for duty at Quantico

Marine Pfc. Timothy S. Martin, son of Charles W. and Elizabeth L. Huffman of Post, recently reported for duty with Headquarters and Service Battalion, Quantico, Va.

The 1998 graduate of Post High School joined the Marine Corps in January 1998.



Rich Hanna (third from right) is congratulated by Post City Council members at last week's city council meeting in recognition of his service to Post. Hanna had announced his resignation to accept the city manager position at Muleshoe and set January 31 as his final day in Post. Joining in the "goodbye" salute to Hannar were (left to right) Juanita Pantoja, Marion Cruse, Bill Pool, Harvey Morton, Jim Jackson, Hanna, Harold Craig and John Redman. (Photo by Sheri Lewis)



Golden Plains Care Center residents Ella Mae Jones, Dewey Chapman, Jim Tayulor and Madge Webb share the holiday spirit with (left to right) Lexi Yarbrough, Aspen Wischkaemper, Kaylin Dean and Matthew Ham.

#### Golden Plains Care Center Newsletter

I hope everyone is enjoying 1999 as much as we are

Monday — Mary Graves did nail care, so we have a lot of ladies with some pretty fancy fingernails.

Tuesday — Dana Babb was here and a lot of residents got their hair done. I even saw Dempsey Zachary in there getting his ears lowered.

Our birthday party was at 3 p.m. We would like to thank the ladies auxiliary of the VFW for a great party. Those celebrating a birthday this month are Lorene Voyles, Jan. 15; Bennie Wilks, Jan. 16; Nell Mathews, Jan. 22; Buster Shumard, Jan. 27; Marvel Pearson, Jan. 31; and Ascencio

Sanchez, Jan. 31. Happy birthday to all! Wednesday — We are going to be plying volleyball at 9:30 a.m. and at 2 p.m. we will be practicing for the talent show. Don't forget about our talent show Thursday at 6:30 p.m. We would like to invite everyone to come

out. This gives us a chance to show off our many talents. Friday - We will have exercise at 9:30 a.m. and singing at 10 a.m.,

followed by Bingo at 2 p.m. We would like to wish a speedy recovery to those in the hospital: Domingo

Villa and Ascension Sanchez. Get well soon, we miss you!

We would like to welcome Lorene Voyles, Charlene Bishop and Mozelle Hutchins. We are glad you are here with us.

### Fictious inspection sticker gets man arrested here

More than a dozen individuals were booked into the Garza County Jail

during the past week, according to reports. Arrested on Jan. 6 was a 20-year-old male picked up for failure to identify, DPS warrants, a 36-year-old male picked up for displaying a fictitious inspection certificate (released the next day on \$1,500 bond); and a 35-yearold female arrested on Guadalupe County warrants (released the same day

on the authorization of Guadalupe County officials). A 30-year-old man, Robert Hugh Cook, was booked into the jail Jan. 7 on charges of family violence (released the same day on \$3,000 bail bond).

A 21-year-old man was jailed Jan. 8 on a weekend commitment. Also booked into the jail on that date were a 20-year-old male, commitment (released Jan. 10), and a 39-year-old male, commitment.

On Jan. 9, a 24-year-old male was jailed for driving while license suspended (released the same day on \$1,500 bond) and an 18-year-old male picked up for public intoxication, disorderly conduct (released the same day after paying fines and court costs). Also jailed was 38-year-old Juan Herrera on charges of assault with injury.

Arrests made Jan. 10 included that of a 35-year-old male, Lamberto Melchor Moreno, charged with assault/family violence with injury (released the next day on \$3,000 bail bond); a 41-year-old female, no driver's license, speeding (released the next day after paying fine); a 27-year-old male, possession of controlled substance with intent to deliver, warrant (transferred to Dawson County the next day due to overcrowded conditions at the local jail facility); and a 23-year-old male, DPS warrant, TDCJ blue warrant (transported to Dawson County the next day).

Fewer than 50 calls for service were received by local dispatchers during the past week.

Incoming calls included a report of criminal mischief in the downtown area; stolen tools in the 500 block of South Avenue N; juveniles shooting a BB gun in the downtown area; and an incidence of family violence on

Calls recorded on Jan. 7 included a reported theft in the 500 block of West 7th (lawn mower allegedly removed from a backyard) and an assault at a

Harassment was reported at a North Broadway location on Jan. 8.

On Jan. 9, a caller reported a man waving a gun and people fighting at a local apartment complex; a domestic dispute was reported in the 800 block of Pine; and a request for a medical assistance came from an 8th Street

On Jan. 10, dispatchers recorded a report of a domestic dispute in the 200 block of North G Place and an automobile accident in the Southland area (no

Everything that can be thought at all can be thought clearly. Everything that can be said can be said clearly.

-Ludwig Wittgenstein

# New Fully Digital Hearing Aid

#### Now Available in Post



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Pam Humble, grduated from Post

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Community College in Lincoln,

Nebraska and plans to transfer later to New Mexico State

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Aid Center offers a 60-day money back satisfaction guarantee.

Call for a free demonstration: 1-800-828-0722. Livingston Hearing Aid Center is located at the Senior Citizens Center in

#### **ONE DAY ONLY** Tues., Jan. 19th



Come meet Hearing Aid Specialist, Arthur Bickel of Livingston Hearing Aid

Center. He will be demonstrating the new Direct Digital Hearing Aid one day only, Tuesday, November 17th at the Senior Citizens Center in Post.

### Nurse aid, phlebotomy courses at SP College

Several openings are available in Certified Nurse Aide and Phlebotomy, which begin Jan. 25 at South Plains College in Levelland.

Classes end March 8.

The 80-hour course in Certified Nurse Aide will meet 5:30-9:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays in the SPC Technical Arts Building, Room 112. Clinical instruction will meet 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. for three Saturdays at a location to be arranged. A total of 56 classroom hours and 24 hours of clinical instruction are included.

Tuition is \$250, plus a state exam fee of \$64.75. Instructors are Karen Cox Daniel,

LVN, and Phillip Bray, LVN. The State of Texas Certified Nurse Aide Competency Exam is required

A 42-hour course in Phlebotomy will meet 7-9 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays for four weeks in the Technical Arts Building, Room 101. Required clinicals are scheduled 8-10 a.m. Monday through Thursdays for three weeks, followed by

on completion of the course.

location to be arranged. Cost is \$250 and instructors are Deborah Langwell, certified phlebotomist, and Jowana Beauchamp.

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Students taking either course must provide proof of immunization for MMR, tetanus and have a current TB test.

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# Obituaries

#### Dena Cooper Morgan

Services for Dena Cooper Morgan, 69, of Post were held Thursday, Jan. 7, 1999, at 3 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Buddy Payne officiating. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery under the personal care of the Justice-Mason Funeral

She died Tuesday, Jan. 5, at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. Born Jan. 24, 1929, in Runnels County to Allen and Betty (Pumphrey) Harrison, she attended school in Winters and graduated from Winters High

School. She married Dean Cooper Sept. 4, 1953, in Winters. They moved from Lubbock to Post in 1959. He preceded her in death Nov. 16, 1969. She married Dick Morgan, who also preceded her in death. She was a

lifetime member of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary, an organization in which she was very active, and she owned and operated Caprock Liquor for many Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Danny and Vicky Cooper

of Post; one daughter, Sheryl Todd; five grandchildren, Danny Dean Leach, R.T. Todd, Mary Ann Permitter, Matt Cooper and Jay Cooper; and five greatgrandchildren, Kristen Aimee Leach, Mykal Dylan Leach, Alyssa Jacqueline Leach, Morgan Permitter and Brayden permitter. Pallbearers included Jeff Whisenhunt, Bill Drewell, Jimmy Moore, Ray

Little, Weldon Reed, Jim Neff, Chris Stelzer and Ray Morris. Honorary pallbearers were members of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Post VFW Ladies Auxiliary or to the First United Methodist Church.

#### XI Delta RHO Meeting

XI Delta rho chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Monday, January 11th, in the community room of Citizens Bank. President Mary Edwards called the meeting to

Hostesses for the meeting were Jan Acker and Melinda Mason. Members enjoyed a wonderful salad supper.

Business items were discussed, one of which was a report from Mary Edwards on a cookbook that International was compiling with recipes from Beta Sigma Phi members. Recipe forms were handed out to members.

A vote was taken on special funds to be dispensed by International and also on the 1999 Sweetheart to be presented next month.

Jo Ann Stelzer and Dana Babb presented the program for the evening which was on the importance of monthly breast self examination. A video from the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation was presented to members present and pamphlets were then handed out to everyone. It was very informative for all of us.

Members present were: Mary Edwards, Jan Acker, Celia Mason, Dana Babb, Susan Boren, Shanda Kelso, Melinda Mason, Meg Nelson, Jo Ann Stelzer and Vickie Walls.



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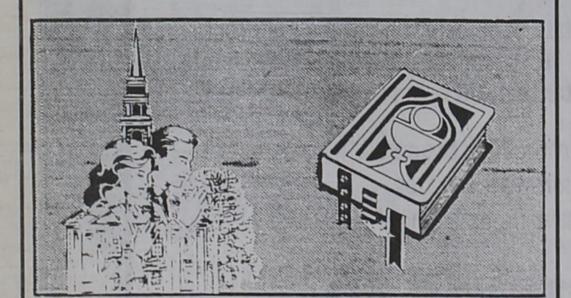
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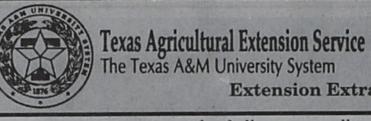


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A few of the youngsters who shared the holiday spirit with residents at Golden Plains Care center are (front, left to right) Tiny Williams, Sydnee Jones, Alex Miller, Chloe Mason, Chelsey Sapp and Cody Dean. Residents Vallie Daniels and Pearl Moreman enjoy the event.



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Southern Mesa Ag Conference....

....is scheduled for 8 a.m., January 18 in the Dawson County Annex Building (609 North First Street) in Lamesa. Registration fee is \$15 prior to January 14 and \$20 thereafter. For registration forms come by the Garza County Extension Office at 102 South Avenue Lin Post. For more information please read Agent John Senter's column, "Living on the Edge of the Cap" in this newspaper.

4-H Project Show

The public is invited to attend the 4-H Project Show scheduled for 9 a.m. Saturday, January 16, at the show barn. All 4-H'ers who participated in will be exhibiting their projects. There will be a concession stand open. GCJLA Stock Show & Sale

The Garza County Jr. Livestock Association will hold it's 35th. Annual Garza County Stock Show and Sale January 21-23, 1999. The public is invited to attend the following shows, sale and lunch: Thursday, January heat 3 to 4 minutes. Add onion and cook until bacon is crisp and onion is 21 - Beef Cattle Show - 4 p.m.; Swine Show - 6:30 p.m. Friday, January 22 tender, stirring occasionally. Combine ketchup, vinegar, water, mustard, -Goat Show - 6 p.m.; Sheep Show - 7 p.m. Saturday, January 23 - Awards and Sale - 9 a.m.; Lunch - 12-1:30 p.m.

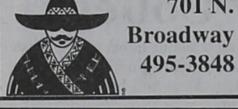
Entry Deadline for GCJLA Entries for the Garza County Jr. Livestock Show are due in the Extension office by 5 p.m. Thursday, January 14. Also due at time of entry are Wood Shaving Agreements, pen and light fees.

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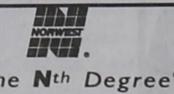


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The session will run through March

Registrations are currently being accepted.

Super Saturdays is designed to provide students in kindergarten through seventh grade with academic and creative experiences beyond the regular school curriculum. Classes offered include aerodynamics, animal science, art, biotechnology, cooking, computers, creative writing, geology, theatre and others. Instructors for the classes include members of the Tech faculty, professionals in various fields and public school teachers.

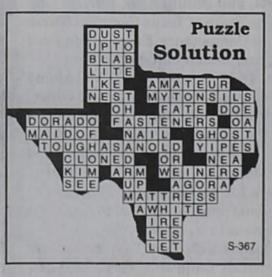
Students may take as many classes as they wish. Most classes are limited to 15 students. Super Saturday meets each Satur-

day for five weeks. Average cost per class is \$66, but

fees vary according to subject.

To participate in Super Saturdays, students must submit a recent report card with a B+ or better average. For more information or to register, contact Tina Vecchio, program coordinator for IDEAL, Texas Tech University, Box 42191, Lubbock, TX 79409

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Cut bacon into 1-inch pieces; cook in medium saucepan over medium-high Worcestershire sauce, salt and pepper; add to bacon mixture. Stir in beans. Reduce heat and simmer, covered, until flavors are blended, 15 to 20 minutes. Stir in Equal®.

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#### **EXERCISE DURING** PREGNANCY

where the experts are

The next few weeks will be spent covering some topics related to pregnancy. The first few articles will discuss topics that are of interest to the person that is already pregnant, followed by topics that will be of interest to someone that is planning a pregnancy. As always if these topics do not relate to you, consider giving them to someone that is, or planning a pregnancy.

The general rule of thumb for exercising during pregnancy is; if you were doing it before your pregnancy it is ok to continue, of course with your medical providers knowledge and permission.

Changes in your body during pregnancy can effect your ability to exercise, these changes are even more important if you are starting an exercise program during the pregnancy. Joints in your body relax due to hormones produced during pregnancy. This laxity makes you more prone to injury, so high impact motions should be avoided. The extra weight in the front of your body shifts your center of gravity, making you more susceptible to a fall. Exercise will cause oxygen to go to your muscles, away from organs that are supporting the pregnancy, so don't over do it.

Walking is by far the best exercise, others are stationary bicycling and swimming. During the last 3 months all exercise will become more difficult, this is normal. After 20 weeks exercises that require you to lie flat on your back should be avoided.

You should stop exercising until cleared by you provider with any of the following symptoms: Abdominal pain, vaginal bleeding or fluid leakage, dizziness, shortness of breath, contractions or chest pains.

Whether the pregnancy is planned or otherwise, exercise can help you prepare for labor and childbirth. Exercising afterward will help you get back into shape. Just be sensible and ask your provider if you have any doubts. MICHAEL TRAVIS PA-C

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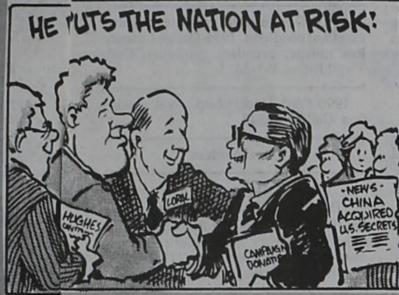
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# Opinions









## The Minimum Wage: Enemy of the Poor

by Jacob G. Hornberger

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Whenever politicians wish to score political points, they recommend raising the minimum wage. Parading as champions of the poor and downtrodden, they cry out against all those selfish and greedy employers who are paying less-than-subsistence wages to their employees.

The truth is that whenever public officials enact or raise a minimum wage, the only people who get harmed are the very people who are supposedly helped — those at the bottom rungs of the economic ladder. In every voluntary economic exchange, both parties benefit.

Each party to the transaction gives up something he values less for something he values more. If such were not the case, he wouldn't enter into the transaction. The principle applies to labor relations. When an employer and employee voluntarily enter into working relationship, both of them benefit.

The employer values the employee's work product more than he values the money he is paying the worker. The employee values the money more than he values the time and energy he is devoting to the business. Let's assume that a certain employer offers to pay a job applicant \$2 an hour and that the applicant refuses to take the job.

We can assume that the applicant values his time more than he values the money. What if the applicant offers to work for \$5 an hour and the employer refuses? Here, the employer values his money more than he values the work product of the employee. All of sudden, politicians step in with a law that requires employers to pay a minimum wage of \$5 an hour.

Is poverty alleviated? Is "exploitation" eradicated? Is the worker helped? No. After all, a minimum-wage law does not force an employer to hire an applicant. The law simply says that if an employer hires an applicant, he must pay the legally established rate of \$5 an hour. Which applicants will get hired?

Only those workers whom an employer would have been willing to pay \$5 an hour anyway. In other words, if an employer values the money (\$5 an hour) less than he values the work product of the employee, he'll hire the employee. But in such a case, the minimumwage law is superfluous because the employee would have been hired in the absence of the law.

What if an employer values the money (\$5 an hour) more than he values the person's work product? Then he doesn't employ him and, thus, the minimum-wage law has accomplished nothing. So, what's the problem? The problem is that the minimum-wage law locks out of the labor market all of those people whose labor is valued by employers at less than the legally established minimum wage.

For example, suppose an employer and a worker both wish to enter into a working relationship at \$4 an hour. The minimum-wage law

prohibits them from doing so. Thus, the worker is condemned to unemployment and the employer loses the value of his labor services. So, how would wages ever rise in the absence of minimum-wage

There is one and only one way that wages can rise in a society: through the accumulation of capital. With capital, workers become more productive. A farm worker who uses a tractor will produce more than his counterpart who uses a hoe. And more productivity means more money with which to pay higher wages.

Doesn't this mean then that employees are at the mercy of the kindness and benevolence of employers to pay them higher wages when they produce more? No. What motivates even the most selfseeking, profit-grabbing employers to pay higher wages is the prospect of competitors' bidding away their workers.

After all, if in the absence of minimum-wage laws, employers would pay only subsistence wages or less, then why do so many businesses today pay their employees more than the minimum wage? Competition in the labor market, not kindness or generosity, forces employers to pay the higher wages.

The key to raising standards of living then, especially for those at the bottom of the economic ladder, is (1) to prohibit governments from "helping the poor" by confiscating massive amounts of income and capital from the rich and middle class and (2) to prohibit government from "helping the poor" with economic regulations like the minimum wage.

If poverty could be eradicated with minimum-wage laws, everyone in the world would be rich. All that legislators would have to do is raise the minimum wage to match what they make. Come to think of it, why haven't they?

Mr. Hornberger is president of The Future of Freedom Foundation, which will soon publish Your Money or Your Life: Why We Must Abolish the Income Tax by Sheldon Richman. For a one-year subscription (12 monthly issues) to FFF's journal of libertarian essays, FREEDOM DAILY, send \$18 (or \$12 for the e-mail version). Check, VISA, or MasterCard accepted. The Future of Freedom Foundation 11350 Random Hills Road Suite 800 Fairfax VA 22030 Tel. (703) 934-6101 Fax (703) 352-8678 E-mail: FFFVA@compuserve.com www.fff.org

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# Economics of predation

by Walter E. Williams

Donald Boudreaux, director of the Foundation for Economic Education in Irvington-on-Hudson, N.Y., and John T. Wenders, professor of economics at the University of Idaho, wrote articles about predation in

the September 1998 issue and December 1988 issue of the Washington, D.C.,-based Competitive Enterprise Institute's monthly "Update."

Predatory pricing is the practice of cutting your prices so low as to bankrupt your competition. Afterward, the predator raises his prices and earns monopoly profits. Today's suspects include Microsoft and major U.S.

airlines. Despite the claims of the U.S. Justice Department's Antitrust orders. The fact that market forces make predation a highly unsuccessful Division, predatory pricing is not effective and will not likely be used as means to gain unlikely monopoly power is not the same as saying there a means to monopoly power.

Let's look at it, pretending that a company like Sears is trying to run its competitors out of the market. Suppose Sears targets K-Mart and other retailers for predation by lowering its prices below costs. The first fact is that the predator must lose more money than any of its prey and the bigger the predator, the bigger will be its losses. Second, the prey is

not helpless in the wake of predation; it has several strategies. One is to temporarily shut down and allow the predator to take the losses from charging low prices. Boudreaux says if the prey is an efficient producer, he can borrow money to weather the attack.

Wenders brings the element of time into the picture, pointing out that the predator is trading up-front losses for discounted future revenues. In other words, a dollar's worth of revenue lost today by charging low prices will have to bring in more than two dollars four or five years from now to make it worthwhile.

Thus, to recoup today's losses, the predator will have to charge very high prices in the future, and that will invite new entrants. Finally, suppose in our example Sears was successful in bankrupting K-Mart. Bankruptcy does not mean productive assets go poof and disappear into

thin air. Bankruptcy simply means that the titles to those productive assets have changed — there is a new owner.

Since the new owner purchases the assets at bargain basement prices, he will be in a better position to fight predation. A historical tidbit points to another anti-predation strategy. Robert Gordon, a slave, purchased his freedom and moved to Cincinnati, where he invested \$1,500 in a coal yard and a private dock on the waterfront.

White competitors tried to run him out of business through ruthless price-cutting. Gordon simply hired fair-complexioned mulattos to purchase coal from his price-cutting competitors to fill his own customer's are not anti-competitive practices that restrict competition.

Most anti-competitive practices have their roots in federal, state and local laws that forestall entry and set minimum prices. Among the many examples are the U.S. Department of Commerce "marketing orders" that allow growers to collude to restrict the supply of fruits and vegetables. U.S. sugar and peanut producers make campaign contributions to get congressmen to restrict imports so they can charge higher prices.

Many cities restrict the number of taxicabs so that those who are already in can charge higher prices. Real-estate brokers can lose their licenses, or access to trade tools such as the multiple-listing, for engaging in "unethical practices" (read: charging too low a commission). If we're really concerned about uncompetitive practices, we should look at legalized collusion.

After all, why is it that corporations give millions of dollars to elected

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## Gonzales responds

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it's not going to be nothing like that."

Sheriff Ratke then asked me how much money I had invested in my retirement fund, that this might be a means of paying the money back. I advised Sheriff Ratke that I was not sure, but that I would check into it. This whole conversation was witnessed by another party.

I then asked Sheriff Ratke if I could be interviewed some place other than the Sheriff's Department, but this request was denied. Before I left Sheriff Ratke's office he informed me that since I was an employee with the county that the investigation would be handled through the Texas Ranger's Office, that no reports would be on file within the Sheriff's Department (this is a routine procedure handled in most "delicate" cases. If that was the case, why was I able to purchase a copy of this report at

the sheriff's office? I then went to Lt. Jolly's office where I was given a copy of my "Miranda Warning," to which I initialed and signed. At no prior time had I been read my rights. After a short conversation and replaying the events, I was allowed to type my own statement (both Lt. Jolly and Ranger Yeager were super and treated me with dignity)

Ranger Yeager then advised me that he would write up a report, give it to the Sheriff and let him handle it from there. I was then allowed to go home. I never resigned nor was I formally terminated at this point, I believe it was just an understanding between the Sheriff and myself.

It was later that same day that Sheriff Ratke telephoned me at home and advised me that he had spoken with the District Attorney, and that the District Attorney was willing to work with me. Sheriff Ratke then went on to explain to me that the DA was willing to offer me a deal.

It was at this point that I realized that I was going to be prosecuted. I became upset and advised Sheriff Ratke that I did not realize that all of this was going to happen. Sheriff Ratke then told me it was the best he could do. I asked Sheriff Ratke if I was going to have to appear before the district judge to which he answered, "yes."

I then asked Sheriff Ratke if I would be appointed an attorney, again he answered, "yes." I then told the Sheriff, "Kenny, how come you told me I didn't need an attorney, and now you're saying I do?" Sheriff Ratke then told me, "Jackie, you don't want really want to take this to a jury trial, because you could be given jail time up front and have the possibility of your children taken away from you.'

I became furious at this point and told Sheriff Ratke, "This is not fair and you know it." I then ended the telephone conversation. Again, Sheriff Ratke telephoned me later that same day and asked me to come to the Sheriff's Department to help him figure out the accounting books, which I did. It was during this meeting that I again questioned Sheriff Ratke about my case and also informed him that I did not want to agree to the deal offered

Sheriff Ratke told me he would then speak with the DA the following day, which he did, and the DA agreed to my current judgment. On Thursday Dec. 17, I was advised by Sheriff Ratke that the District Attorney wanted me to make a plea in my case. I asked Sheriff Ratke if we could please wait until after the holidays to take care of all of this mess to which he agreed to contact the DA.

Approximately 10 minutes later, I was informed by Sheriff Ratke that the DA stated that I must enter a plea that same day or a warrant would be issued for my arrest. At this point I felt like I had no option and agreed to aspear in 106th District Court in Lamesa. The judgement means that for the next three years I belong to Garza County.

I've been told that Sheriff Ratke called personnel into a special meeting, and informed them all of the situation and advised them all to keep quiet or they would be dismissed

If I have learned anything from this, it is that you don't take anything you don't pay for, because oh, how you do pay. I still believe that honesty is

the best policy. Even through all this mess, there have been many there to help pick me

off the ground, and someday I will walk with my head held high again. Thanks to everyone who has been there for me, supported me, cried with me or just listened. Once again you have come to my aid and I will never forget all your kind words, your calls, letters and most of all your prayers.

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#### **Local Government Meetings**

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 court-

Tuesday, February 2

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Also to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hester, CYO Catholic Students for helping me deco-

rate our Christmas tree and the Quintana family for painting the tall wooden candle holders.

To Frank Flores and Julio Hernandez for making our major stable, J.C. Penny managers Sherrie Anderson and Larry Boggs for letting us borrow their beautiful display cloth.

Dee Stamps for sewing the drapes in the altar and Juanita Pantoja, Eva McCeartney, Nancy Jones, Lucy Pena and Louda Moreno for all their help.

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Thank you so much, God Bless you all

The family of Dena Morgan gratefully acknowledges the food, flowers, cards, prayers and memorials expressing sympathy for the loss of our mother and grand-

Special thanks to Dee and Janet Justice for all their loving care. To Rev. Buddy Payne for a very special service and the spiritual support at the hospital.

Thank you to Margie Maestas and Lee Ann Hodges for the beautiful music. To our friends who served as pallbearers and the VFW Ladies Auxillary as honorary pallbearers. Your service will always be remembered.

We cannot forget to thank the members

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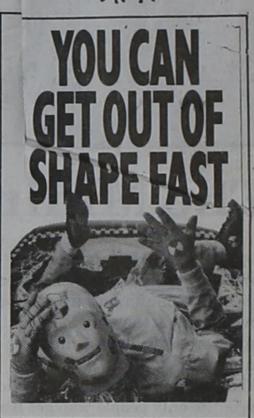
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Enos has been employed by Central

Bail Bonds for 10 years. He and his

wife, Donna, have three grown chil-

dren and three grandchildren. He is

Montano has been employed by

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and has been the manager of the Amarillo office for four years. He, too, is a licensed private investigator. He

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Monday, Jan. 18, 1999

Tuesday, Jan.19, 1999 roll and carrot cake.

Wednesday, Jan. 20, 1999

Thursday, Jan. 21,1999 Spaghetti with meat sauce, Italian vegetables, garlic bread and sunshine

Friday, Jan. 15,1999

Lunch: Frito pie, ranch style beans, pears, corn bread and choice of milk. Wednesday, Jan. 20,1999 Breakfast: Donuts, fruit, sausage

Lunch: Hot sandwich, gravy, salad. carrots, cobbler and choice of milk. Thursday, Jan. 21,1999

orange juice, fruit and milk. Lunch: Taco salad, pinto beans, lettuce and tomatoes, peaches, corn bread and choice of milk.

#### Southland ISD

Friday, Jan. 15, 1999 Breakfast: Cereal, toast, juice and

Lunch: Chili cheese dogs, French fries, corn, cookie and milk. Monday, Jan. 18, 1999 Breakfast: Biscuit, sausage, juice

and milk. Lunch: Chicken nuggets, gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, roll and milk.

Tuesday, Jan. 19, 1999 breaklast: Cream of wheat, toast, juice and milk.

Lunch: Lasagna, toss salad, green beans, Italian bread, pudding and Wednesday, Jan. 20, 1999

Breakfast: Chocolate donuts, sausage, juice and milk. Lunch: Beefstew, okra, cheese stix, cornbread, cookie and milk.

Thursday, Jan. 21, 1999 Breakfast: Pancakes with syrup, bacon, juice and milk. Lunch: Pig-in-blanket, ranch style beans, French fries, cookie and milk.

#### **Lunch Menus**

King ranch chicken, three bean salad, spinach Mexican style, hot roll

and pudding. Roast, potato o'brien, green beans, tossed salad/French dressing, wheat

Hamburger steak, brown gravy, broccoli rice casserole, wheat roll and apple or applesauce.

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#### Post ISD

Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit and

Lunch: Sandwich, chips, salad, pickles, orange and choice of milk. Monday, Jan. 18,1999

Tuesday, Jan. 19,1999 Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit and milk.

links and milk.

Breakfast: Oatmeal, bacon, toast,

#### Birthdays today are: Allen S. Johnson

pital.

Billy Doggett Johnny Malouf Bobby Page Jackie Gordon

concerned.

J.O. Cummings J.W. Higgenbotham Ronnie Clary Jerry Dale Hodges

Jack Alexander, Post elementary principal for the last 10 years, has resigned his school post effective Feb. 1 to join the staff of the First National Bank.

Jan. 11, 1989

10 Years Ago

Erika Holleman is happy to an-

nounce the birth of her new sister.

Whitney Dale, who was born

Monday, January 2, 1989 at 8 p.m.

in Brownwood Memorial Hospital.

ounces and was 20 inches long.

Mrs. Bart Holleman.

She weighed six pounds 14

Her proud parents are Mr. and

Ricky and Judy Bush of Post,

and Ray and Margaret Crispin of

Wilson are proud to announce the

engagement and approaching mar-

riage of their daughter Kerri

Lynette to Robby Dean, son of

Bobby Dean and the late Reba

proud to announce the birth of their

daughter, Mary Dyan, who was

born Wednesday, December 28,

1988 in Lubbock's Methodist Hos-

Jan.11,1979

20 Years Ago

day night renewed Supt. Bill

Shiver's contract as superin-

tendent for another year at

the same salary as far as

the school district was

Post school trustees Tues-

Steve and Diane McMeans are

Hospital Administrator Ed Zintgraff returned to Post Monday after spending Christmas with his sister, Bonnie McNamara and

Yesteryears by Pat Burnett

Angeles suburb.

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#### Jan.9, 1969

family in Alta Loma, a Los

30 Years Ago Weekend guests of Mrs. Vera Gossett and Sonny were Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Ramage and family of Spur, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Taylor of Jayton, Mrs. Jimmy Stanaford and son of Littlefield and Mrs. Ruby Summers and Nita of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Byrd returned home Monday after a month's visit in the home of their son-inlaw and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lowe, in Americus, Ga. The Byrds' son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Thomas of Forest, N. C. made visits in the Lowe home during the Byrds stay there.

Mr. anr Mrs. Bobby Randal Dean are the parents of a son, Robert Randal, born Friday, Jan. 3 at 11:12 p. m. at West Texas Hospital in Lubbock, weighing 7 lbs. 7 ozs.

Walt Disney's "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," in Technicolor is showing this weekend at the Tower Theatre.

#### Jan. 8, 1959 40 Years Ago

The first March of Dimes benefit of this year's drive will be held Saturday night in the form of a box supper at the church house in the Verbena community, MOD Chairman Harold Lucas announced today.

Paula Bates, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Ed Bates, of the Close City community fell in El Paso Saturday and broke her arm, while visiting relatives there. Paula was in an El Paso hospital for a short time but returned home Sunday.

Miss Willa Faye Graves visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Graves during the holidays. She returned to college Sunday at West Texas State College, where she is a junior student.

Mr. and Mrs. Boy Hart were in Abilene Friday and Saturday to attend the roping held there. The Harts' children, Nancy David, and Richard, visited in Snyder with their grandmother, Mrs. Henry

#### Jan. 13, 1949 50 Years Ago

Mrs. Raymond Redman and Mrs. Hattie Foster went to Lubbock last Friday and brought back Mrs. Foster's granddaughter, Patsy Hankins, who spent the weekend in the Redman

Mrs. Walter Boren and Mrs. W. L. Davis were hostesses for a meeting of the Women's Culture Club Wednesday afternoon of last week in the Boren home.

Mrs. R. J. Hundley, a resident of Post for 33 years, died from a sudden heart attack at '7 o'clock last Thursday night in the Lubbock Memorial Hospital.

Marilyn Curry is employed in the office of Carl Webb, attor-

We were pleased to receive a personal photograph of an attractive young guy, G. T. Mason, Jr., 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Mason.

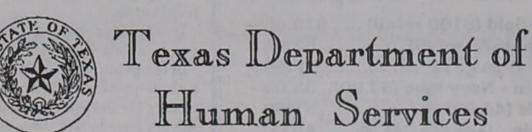
Rex Everett and Bud Short from Tech spent the weekend

Congratulations to Janet Stewart in making the all-tournament team in the Sundown basketball tourney over the week-

Knock Wood is the title of Candice Bergen's autobiography. Her main competition growing up was from Charlie McCarthy, her ventriloquist-father Edgar Bergen's favorite wooden dummy.

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# Pam Ehret, Barry Smith **Exchange Wedding Vows**

From The Post Dispatch, January 11, 1989

#### Lady Lopes win first district contest at 'home' over Seagraves

The Lady Lopes won their first district game of the season against Seagraves by a score of 58 to 47 playing a "home" game in the Borden County gym. The game was a battle from start to finish but Post's depth and defense left Seagraves exhausted in the second half and foul trouble found the Lady Eagles with only four players left on the floor in the final minutes.

The score was tied at half time 30 to 30 but the Lady Lopes began to pull away and into the lead during the third quarter. Post had been averaging 55.6 points per game in pre-season and managed to pass that number hitting 34.6% from the floor and 50% of their free throws.

Seagraves' tough defense resulted in Post turning the ball over 31 times but the Lady Lopes never let down and continued to play tough defense themselves as well as good offense.

Rachelle Jones led in scoring for Post with 12 points (three 3-pointers) with the following also contributing: Kristen Webb 9; Davida Gregory 8; Lauren Webb 7; Kasey Hardin, Becca Stelzer, Meagan Mills 5; Kenda Looney 4; Jennifer Strawn 2; Kelli Moore 1.

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The Lady Lopes had 30 total rebounds which included rebounds by: K. Webb and D. Gregory 7; Stelzer and Looney 4; Hardin 3; Mills 2; Erin Gregory, Jones, and L. Webb 1 each. Hardin had 4 steals in the game with Mills 2; Jones, Looney, and D. Gregory 1 each.



Meagan Mills (10) brings the ball down court for the Lady Lopes in their win over Seagraves at Borden County last Friday. Rachelle Jones (33) helps out on the exchange. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

#### 7th grade Lopes roll past Seagraves 30-22

The 7th grade boys boosted their season record to 6-3 and their district record to 5-1 with a 30-22 win over Seagraves Jan. 11.

In their fourth game in five days, the team jumped out to an early lead outscoring Seagraves 9-4 at the end of the first period. The 'Lopes really came to life in the final period, scoring 12 points and limiting Seagraves to

Mitchell Mills led scoring with 11 points, followed by Daniel Simental with eight points. Jerry Curtis and Mario Gomez each had four points, Brody Conner had two points and Adrian Loredo had one point.

The team's next game is set for Jan. 18 at home against Stanton.

#### J.V. 'Lopes smother Seagraves 49-31

The Post Antelopes handily defeated Seagraves 49-31 in a game played

It was a close game during the first half but the 'Lopes came out strong in the third period, outscoring their opponents 17-6. A continued strong performance in the final period ensured the victory.

Raul Ortiz led scoring with 12 points, followed by Ricky Halford with 10, Clintin Curtis with seven and Jamie Collazo and Justin Gorman with six each. Jeremy Payne had four points in the game, as did Michael Huff.



Tyrone Jefferson (31) shoots a two-pointer for the Antelopes in the game at Borden County last Friday against Seagraves. Clell Knight (4) gets ready for the rebound. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

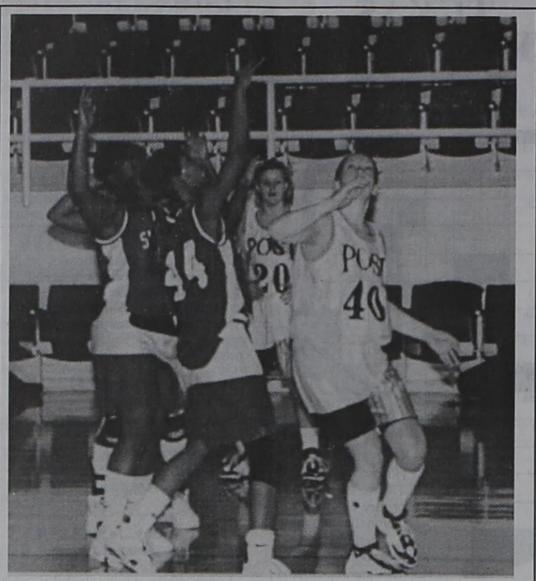
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Kristen Webb (40) and Davida Gregory (20) fight for the rebound during action last Friday at Borden County in the district opener with Seagraves. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

#### JV Lady 'Lopes beat Seagraves

The junior varsity Lady 'Lopes defeated Seagraves Friday, Jan. 8, by a 55-

Leading scorers were Emily Smith with 14 points, Yvonne Lopez with nine and Camie Payne and Larinda Ledbetter with eight points. Also scoring were Stephanie Looney and Manuela Hernandez with six each and Mandy Terry and Jenny Jones, two each.

#### 7th grade girls take consolation prize

The 7th grade Lady 'Lopes played at the Christ the King Tournament last week, opening tourney play with a loss to Lubbock Christian 29-16. On Saturday, the team bounced back to defeat All Saints and win the consolation

Tayler Starkey was named to the All-Tournament Team. "She played solid defense and added eight points on offense," the coach

Other girls contributing to the effort were Jerica Tyler, Jennifer Reiter,

Brittany Haynes, Paula Voyles, Bethany Haynes, Lisa Soto, Breann Haynes, Terri Curtis, Crystal Crawford and Tana Starkey.

#### 7th grade girls lose to Seagraves squad

The 7th grade girls played a tough game Monday but Seagraves finished out on top 29-24.

Contributing in the game were Crystal Crawford with nine points; Jerica Tyler with six points; Terry Curtis with four points; Tayler Starkey and Paula Voyles with two points each; and Jennifer Reiter with one point. Bethany Haynes, Brittany Haynes, Lisa Soto and Starlett Greathouse also contributed to the game.

#### Seagraves edges past varsity boys in overtime

Seagraves pulled out a close one, defeating the Antelopes varsity squad 75-

72 in a game that rolled into overtime. It was the Lopes' first district game.

Post jumped out to a slim lead at the end of the first period, 12-11, and widened that lead by scoring 17 and allowing only 13 in the second period. The two teams were knotted at 16 in the third but Seagraves came back with 24 points to Post's 19 in the final to tie the game at the end of regulation play. Seagraves outscored the 'Lopes 11-8 during the overtime period to take the

Braden Conner led scoring for the 'Lopes with 18 points, followed by Daniel Fluitt with 14 (including three 3-point baskets) and Marcus Sapp, 13. Tyrone Jefferson and Michael Ulm each had eight points, Billy Crawford had seven points and Clell Knight had four points.

Conner led rebounds with nine. Knight led in the assists column with

The 'Lopes were 29 of 55 in shooting and 9 of 19 in free throws. They had

32 turnovers and 32 rebounds. "This was a tough one to lose," Coach Ritchie Thornton said. "We led most of the game until the fourth quarter. We had too many turnovers to win. We

shot the ball extremely well but did not get enough shots on goal. "This was our first district game and we played really hard. Seagraves had a lot of quickness and very good athletes. We could not handle their pressure consistently. I think the guys look forward to playing them again." The loss puts Post at 9-7 on the season and 0-1 in district play.

#### 8th grade boys take pair of wins

The 8th grade boys logged a pair of wins Jan. 12, defeating Coahoma 45-43 and Seagraves 41-37.

In the Coahoma game, the 'Lopes fell behind in the first period but came on strong in the second. The third and fourth periods were close but the

'Lopes managed the win in the end. Lance Curtis led scoring with 16, followed by Brandon Bell with 12, Noah Gutierrez with eight, Brody Robertson with six and Manuel Saucedo, three.

lead throughout the game. Curtis again led scoring, this time with 21 points. Gutierrez had 10 points,

Against Seagraves, Post jumped out to an early lead and maintained that

Bell had six and Robertson and Darryl Dissenger each had two points. The wins put the team at 7-2 on the season and 5-1 in district play.

#### The team's next action will be this week at the Christ the King Tournament. 7th grade boys take second in tourney

The 7th grade 'Lopes took second place in the Christ the King Tournament

The team came up short in the championship game 29-20 against the host team but landed one of its own, Mitchell Mills, on the All-Tournament Team. Mills led scoring in the final game, logging 11 points. Other scorers were Mario Gomez with five points and Brody Conner and Jerry Curtis, two

Two tourney wins led up to the 'Lopes appearance in the championship game, including a 41-39 win over Coahoma and a 28-20 victory over Trinity. In the game against Coahoma, Mills led scoring with 13 points, including a three-pointer hit with five seconds on the clock to give the Lopes the victory. Daniel Simental had nine points, Conner had eight, Gomez had six,

Adrian Laredo had three and Curtis had two. Against Trinity, Curtis was high scorer with 10 points, followed by Simental with five and Conner, Laredo and Mills with four each. Gomez added one point to the score.

**Grandma Brag Pages** Deadline: Friday, February 5 \$5 Per Photo (limit 2 children per photo)



#### Helping youth help themselves

by Rodney Tidwell 495-1244

What is MAD DADS any way? What has this organization done for me? These are a few of the questions asked around town of our organization. Let me start by answering these questions. First of all MAD DADS is an

acronym for Men Against Destruction- Defending Against Drugs and Social disorder. It is a national, not-for-profit, non-traditional parenting program designed to mobilize men in the struggle to save youth from guns, drugs, violence and social-disorder. MAD DADS has organized 53 chapters in 14 states. There are approximately 45,000 men, women, and children involved with MAD DADS of all economic, racial and geographical categories. Although MAD DADS was started by African Americans, there are Caucasian, Native American and Latin Chapters in the organization. MAD DADS is a multi-ethnic organization and welcomes fathers of all cultures. The next question is: What has MAD DADS done for me? Lets start out

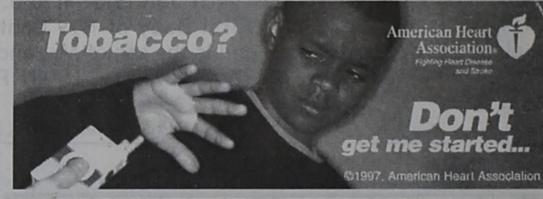
with the Street Patrol first. The purpose of the Street Patrol is to provide a visible, positive presence of community men and women as role models within neighborhoods to maintain a safe, and heathy community environment. We usually are not seen by the ordinary, law abiding citizen. We do not come out until most are already at home and in bed. But we are out in the streets intervening in what ever way we need to. We always go out with two things, PRAYER and Conversation. We are not LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, we are street chaperons. We have a written Code of Conduct that is followed and must be respected. We know how to approach and how to talk to the unsupervised youth, drug dealer, user, and anyone that is out on the streets. We approach with respect and we demand respect in return, we also know how to "control the situation", a manly apology and end of discussion is far better than confrontation. While on the streets we help guide youth in positive directions, some are just looking for a way out of the situation. Many of the young people in our town do not know how to react when a grown man looks them in the eyes and tells them "I love you". Maybe your child is not the one that we are out talking to, but it is a child, no matter if he is 30 years old or not he is still hurting. Now my question to you is: What have you done for MAD DADS?

Other programs of MAD DADS INC. Post, Texas Chapter. We are Christians and Promise Keepers, and realize that without guidance from Christ himself we will not be able to do anything. We provide chaperons for youth events when asked, we work with youth in finding jobs, assist the public school and students with support and a visible presence. We are teaching youth to be responsible adults by example, not only telling them how, but living it out in front of them. We have Da' House teen center were we provide a safe environment for teens to come and do homework, watch TV, play video games, play pool, or just relax with friends. Our newest project at Da' House is putting in a Snack Bar, this will in time, consist of cold drinks, popcorn, hot dogs, nachos, ice cream, and other food that teens like to eat. Right now we have cold drinks and snacks, but they are in my office. Later we will be putting in a slab of concrete to play basketball and skate on. This will be done when we get the financial backing. Now I ask again: What have you done for MAD DADS INC.?

We need more support from the neighbors and people that are effected by the criminal element in our town. If you feel that drugs or some other illegal activity is going on in your neighborhood, and you are tired of being afraid, give us a call. You do not have to give your address, or name, but give us the area, all calls will be handled professionally. The address will go down on a hot sheet, turned in to the police and then the patrols will come by, if it is intervention that is needed give us a call and we will come and help in what way is needed. This is not a sure fire way to stop all the drug traffic, but it will put light on the subject and let other people know that they are being watched. This is a free country and we have the freedom to live in a town that is not infested with drugs and illegal activity.

If you want to get involved in MAD DADS call or come by and dive right in. Your help will be greatly appreciated. We want all to be involved, this is your town, if you can give any amount of time or money, even if it is only \$1 or one hour a month it will help. Please feel free to call me at anytime. I am not always at the office, but give a call and leave a message on the machine. The teen center is open from 3:30 till 5 p.m. and 7 till 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday. On Friday the time is from 3:30 p.m. till 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. till 1 a.m., and Saturday from 7 p.m. till 1 a.m. Give a call anytime.

Letters will soon be mailed for reminders on membership dues.



Sonic Drive-In Proudly Presents our Teacher of the Week



Meet: Ralynn Kirkpatrick

Ralynn Kirkpatrick is a graduate of Borden County High School and Texas Tech University. She is a business education teacher at Post High School and is married to Will Kirkpatrick. Ralynn lists riding horses, rodeoing and sewing as her hobbies.

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