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Post Stampede Rodeo directors working toward this year's 59th annual event are (left to right) Barry Morris, Mike Babb, Brady Sanders, Rooster Swartz, Lane Jones, Robbie Williams and Danny Vernon. The rodeo will be held August 12, 13 and 14 with grand entry at 7:45 p.m. nightly. (Photo by Judy Bush)

Post Stampede Rodeo features spur & bit show

The action and excitement of Post's 59th annual Stampede Rodeo, billed as the "Best Rodeo in the West," is scheduled for Aug. 12-14.

TCRA- and CPRA-approved nightly shows will begin at 8 p.m. Grand entry is set for 7:45 p.m. Terry Walls of Stephenville will serve as rodeo producer.

Scheduled events include bareback bronc, one go-round, \$60; calf roping, one head, \$60; saddle bronc, one go-round, \$60; barrel race, \$60; team roping, open, \$120; bull riding, one go-round, \$60; mutton bustin', \$5; girls break away roping, \$60; junior flag, 12 and under, \$5. Flag entries will be limited to the first 10. The top five from each night will advance to the finals.

A total of \$500 will be added in — saddle bronc riding, bareback riding and bull riding.

Books open Sunday, Aug. 8, from 6-7 p.m., rough stock only, and 7-11 p.m., all events, and Monday, Aug. 9, 6-11 p.m., all events. Call 1-254-968-8946.

A ranch horse competition will be held Saturday at 9 a.m. and wild cow milking will be conducted nightly, \$100.

Admission to the rodeo will be \$6 for adults. Children ages six and under will be admitted free of charge.

Dances will be held on Friday and Saturday nights on a 100x150-foot slab. Jody Nix will

provide the music. Admission will be \$6 per person.

Sidelineing the rodeo will be the first annual Post Stampede Spur & Bit Show.

Sponsors for this year's rodeo include Brady's Package Store,

Hackberry Co-op, Caprock Cellular, Norwest Banks, Cellular One, Town & Country and Monsanto.

For more information on the rodeo and related events, call the Stampede Arena at 495-2501.

Watch for more details in coming weeks.

\$52 million drop in valuations puts crunch on county

by Wes Burnett

Staring at a \$2.2 million budget, the Garza County Commissioners Court took its first review of the 1999/2000 budget at the regular meeting Monday morning. No accurate estimate of revenues was available, although treasurer Ruth Ann Young estimated totals based on the tax rate of 42 cents per \$100 evaluation.

"We've lost about \$52 million in evaluations," County Judge Giles Dalby informed the court, "and we're not sure yet how much revenue we'll have."

Taking the budget one page at a time, commissioners took no action, but reviewed budget details.

In other matters, the court heard a report from Warden Terry Bartlett regarding progress at the Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility, who said the facility should be accepted from the contractor as substantially complete in a couple of weeks.

Bartlett also said that although no contracts had been signed, there is hope that the Federal Bureau of Prisons will enter into an agreement. "They've got about 12,000 prisoners placed in temporary detainment," Judge Dalby said, "and there is some urgency on this matter. The local prison is built to accommodate 1,000 medium security prisoners."

Commissioners also approved the \$5 additional fee for vehicle registrations, the same as last year, to renew the school crossing guard program.

A change to the employee manual, suggested by Mrs. Young, will take affect at the beginning of the new fiscal year. The change affects the method of recording time sheets for employees. The new method will require department heads to submit actual time worked at the end of every two weeks on Friday, and have those submitted to the treasurer by Tuesday the following week.

No action was taken on a list of election judges and alternate judges presented by Garza County Republican Party chairman Emmett A. Stelzer. Commissioners tabled the decision until a list from the Democratic Party could be submitted. Political party distribution of election

judges is based on the outcome of the last general election by voting precinct.

The annual agreement with the Mental Health and Retardation Center was approved, as well as renewal rates for Blue Cross/Blue Shield health insurance. Commissioners also agreed to contribute \$500 to the South Plains Heritage Tourism Trail, a joint venture by several area counties to promote tourism.

Judge Dalby reported that the transfer of former Reese AFB

housing to the Post Economic Development Corp. (PEDC) has been delayed, waiting for approval from the Assistant Secretary of Defense.

County administrative assistant Brian Grimes informed the court that a delegation of Reese Development leaders had gone to Washington to address that and other issues. Grimes also announced to the court his departure as of September 1, to enter into private business as a consultant.

Old Mill Trade Days hosts 'Sizzlin Summer Sale'

Many new vendors, as well as a newly-opened section, await Old Mill Trade Days visitors this weekend.

"We've got some new vendors," said Trade Days' Linda Self. "Visitors will want to check out the new booths that have moved in."

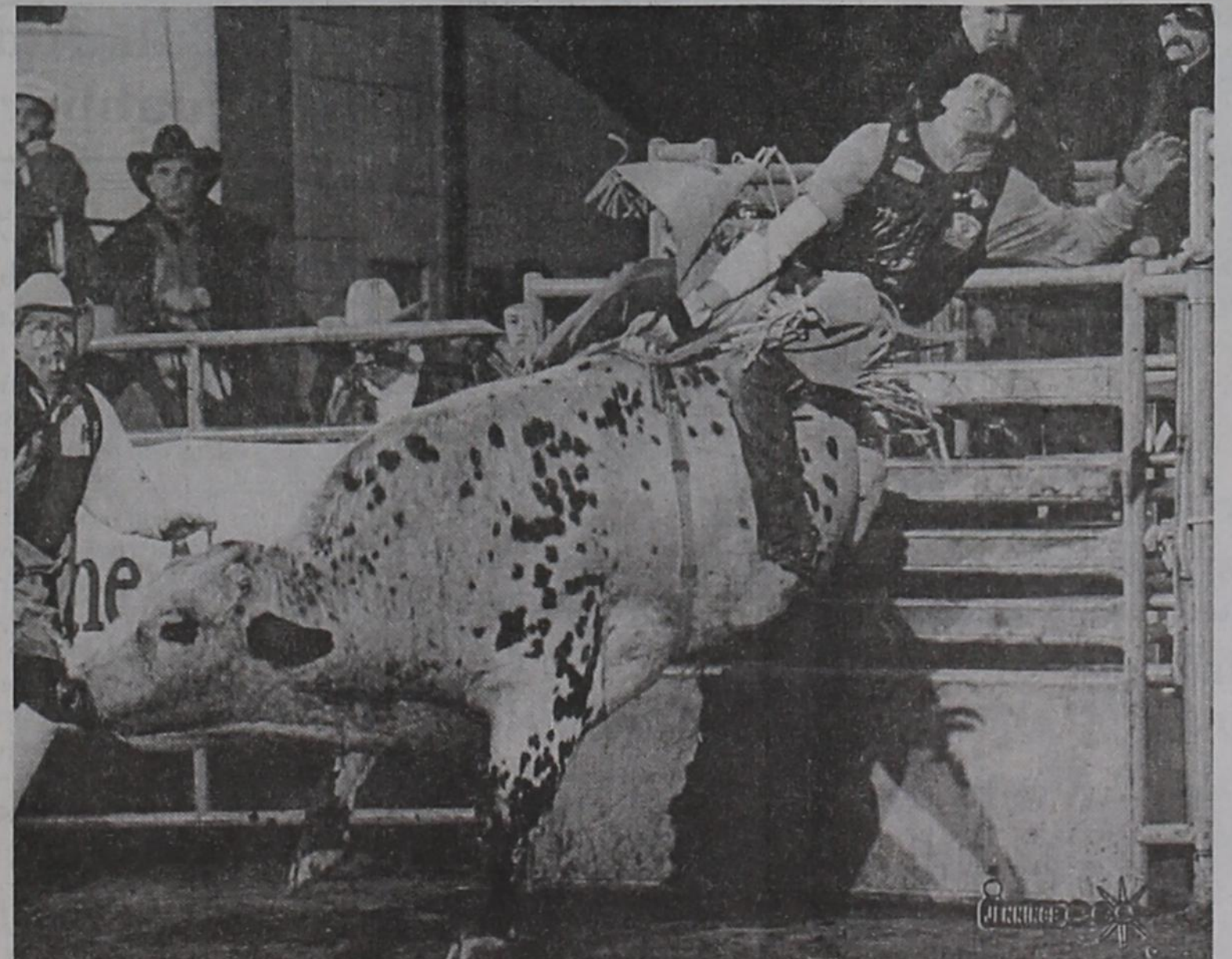
New vendors will be offering such items as jewelry, crafts, health products, pet supplies, western clothing, used tools, saddle tack, ironwork, wood carvings and metal sculptures, stained glass and T-shirts, jeans, caps and sunglasses — everything parents need to help get their child "cool for school" and ready for the new school year.

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Lions Club Sponsors Blood Drive Aug. 5

The Post Lions Club sponsored blood drive will be held Thursday, August 5 from 4 to 9 p.m. at the Post Church of Christ.

There is no need for appointments, but appointments are available for those who are interested. Please help.



Ride 'em cowboy!

Post's Gary Puckett will be one of the featured bull riders in this year's 59th annual Post Stampede Rodeo set for August 12-13 and 14. This year's rodeo includes Friday and Saturday dances with music by Jody Nix.

Post Notes

Car wash and vacuum

Youth at the Holy Cross Catholic Church are offering a car wash and vacuum Saturday, July 31 at United Supermarket beginning at 10 a.m. The cost is donations.

Antelope Booster Club meets Monday

A special organizational meeting of the Post Antelope Booster Club will be held Monday, August 2 at 7 p.m. in the high school commons. All parents and fans are urged to attend this important planning meeting.

New PMS student registration

Registration for new students at the Post Middle School will be held August 2 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Methodist Church helps youth

The First United Methodist Church is taking donations to be used for Da House (teen center) to buy snack foods, which are used at the teen center for youth. Donations will be accepted through the month of July. Please bring gifts to the church office or mail to 216 W. 10th. Any donation will be greatly appreciated.

Benefit softball tourney

A benefit softball tournament will be held Friday and Saturday, July 30-31 at the city ball park. The tournament is organized to assist Pat Ayala with medical expenses. Those interested should contact Dena at 495-3048. Registration is \$100 per team. A concession stand will also be available, and T-shirts awarded to first and second place winners.

Football practice begins August 4

Football players in grades nine through 12 need to pick up their equipment on Tuesday, August 3 from 8 a.m. to noon at the high school field house. Football practice begins August 4.

Lady Lope basketball camp

The Post Lady Lope basketball camp will be held August 9-11 for girls entering the third through eighth grade. The program opens at 8:30 a.m. and concludes at 12:30 p.m. A \$15 per student fee includes the camp, drinks and T-shirt. For more information contact Christi Daily at 495-4178.

Post Dispatch mini-vacation

The Post Dispatch will be closed Thursday and Friday, August 5 and 6. Dispatch staff will observe a "mini-vacation" and be open for regular hours Monday, August 9.

Garza County roping August 7

The annual Garza County roping will be held Saturday, August 7 at the Rodeo Grounds. Entries must be submitted by Thursday, August 5 at 10 p.m. Call (806) 996-5559 or 996-5368 to enter. A pre-roping will be held Sunday, August 1 at Miller Time Arena.

Freshmen swimming party

A special party for incoming freshmen students will be held Saturday, August 14 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the city pool. The event is hosted by freshmen student parents. There will be swimming, followed by hot dogs, soft drinks and sweets at the park. Freshmen students and parents only.

Christian School begins Aug. 16

The First Baptist Church Christian School begins classes Monday, August 16 for kindergarten through third grade. Registration and book fees for pre-kindergarten through third grade are due now. August tuition is due August 1. Please come by the church/school office to pay fees and receive school supply lists and uniform information. Office hours are 8 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday. Pre-school classes begin after Labor Day.

New elementary student registration

All new students planning to enroll at Post Elementary School are urged to visit the school office as soon as possible for registration. Parents are urged to register students, especially pre-k and kindergarten in advance. The office is open from 8 a.m. to noon and 1-3 p.m. Monday through Friday. School starts August 18.

Attention PHS band students

Summer band will be held August 9-13 for Post High School band students. The schedule: 10 a.m. to noon, flutes and clarinets; 1 to 3 p.m., all brasses and saxes and 7 to 9 p.m., full band.

Free blood pressure checks

Free blood pressure checks are available at the Garza County Trailblazers Senior Citizen Center each Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. to noon. Nursing staff of Covenant Home Health Care of Post are providing the free service.

Close City/Garlynn Reunion

The annual Close City/Garlynn Reunion will be held Saturday, August 21 beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the Post Community Center. The reunion will feature a \$9 per person catered meal beginning at noon. Reservations must be made no later than August 19 to Laverne Aten, Rt 3, Post, 79356 or call Laverne at (806) 327-5678 or Billie Cross at (806) 495-2359.

Luce, Peel wed in July 24 ceremony

Jo Lynne Luce and Michael Keith Peel, both of Lubbock, were married Saturday, July 24, 1999, in a 6 p.m. ceremony at St. Luke's United Methodist Church with the Rev. Tom Mills officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Bill and Debbie Luce of Lubbock. The groom's parents are Janet Fowler of Lubbock and Lonnie Gene Peel of Post.

White and ivory pew markers made of tulle and satin decorated the church. Urns fully arranged with mixed white flowers accented the altar. Candelabras entwined with ivy and flowers served as a backdrop, and the kneeling benches were adorned with swags of greenery and flowers.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a sleeveless white matte satin princess-styled long gown designed by Alfred Angelo. Multisized pearls embellished the scooped neckline that dipped to a deep V in the back. Pearl buttons extended down the back of the dress. Pearls also lined the hem of the dress and its train.

The bride's veil was decorated with pearls and attached to a headband adorned with multisized pearls matching the neckline of the bridal gown. She carried a clutch of white and ivory roses, stephanotis and English ivy.

For "something old," the bride carried her maternal grandmother's handkerchief and the groom's maternal grandmother's wedding ring. Her bridal gown was "something new," "Something borrowed" and "something blue" was a garter belonging to her mother.

Kristen Fillingim of Lubbock was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Sara Trumble of Lubbock and Kayla Slack of College Station, the groom's sister. Bridesmaids wore long black peau de soie A-line dresses with soft shaping at the waist.

The couple's five young nieces and nephews carried a scroll down the aisle to the minister who called the ceremony to order. Shayla Peel, Keri Peel and Haylee Dement wore long black-and-white A-line dresses in the same style as the bridesmaids. They carried miniature bouquets of mixed flowers and English ivy. Kyle Slack and Kace Peel wore white linen eaton suits with black-and-white saddle oxford shoes. Their boutonnieres were made of stephanotis and ivy.

Kraig Peel of College Station served as his brother's best man. Rusty Lawson of Lubbock and Lane Luce, the bride's brother, were groomsmen. They were attired in black Armani tuxedos with tails, black vests and black ties. The groom wore a black Armani tuxedo with a white vest and white tie.

Ushers were Richard Graham of Lubbock, Lyle "Skip" Slack of College Station, Cole Vestal of Amarillo and Peyton Higgins of Lubbock.

Karen Dawson provided traditional wedding music on the organ, accompanied by Thomas Manding and Rich Harris on trumpets.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the fellowship hall, featuring a garden setting. The bride's table included the bridal bouquet and a three-tiered cake separated into three individual layers, each on its own stand. The white cake was Italian cream and was decorated with cornelly lace and fresh flowers.

The groom's cake was a round, red velvet cake with ivory rolled fondant icing, a favorite of the groom.

Members of the house party included Marla Brown, Brenna Gaskins, Christi McCoy and Christy Luce, all of Lubbock.

Following a wedding trip to St. Thomas, the couple will make their home in Lubbock.

The rehearsal dinner was given by Janet Fowler, the groom's mother, at Cagle's Steakhouse.

A bridal brunch was hosted by Kayla Slack, Shirley Peel and Janet Fowler at the Lubbock Country Club.

The bride, a 1991 graduate of Monterey High School, is employed by the Lubbock Independent School District. Her husband, a 1989 graduate of Post High School, is employed with Benchmark, Zerex.



Mrs. Keith Peel

Judy's Jabberin'

By Judy B. Bush



Hey, here I am one more time. Hope that you all had a great weekend and got some of the rest and relaxation that I'm sure you deserved!

Playing catch-up

We had the paper down last week when I found out about my "ole" cohort from the insurance days, Danny Gonzales.

You know sometimes you just get so busy with your own life that you let too much time pass without visiting with your old friends. That's what Susan and Danny are, good friends, but I just don't visit like I should.

Danny and I worked together and during that time I really enjoyed spending time with he and Susan, Danny's brother, the late Michael Gonzales and many other friends. But like I said we just get busy.

Anyway, Danny suffered a heart attack this past week, and I just want to let he and Susan know that I am thrilled that he is doing much better. I know Susan will watch him like a hawk and take really good care of him.

You know you're in Texas When.....

Hot water now comes out of both taps!!

Time link

July 1, 1999, Leslie Acker took office as president of the Post Rotary Club. Congratulations Les.

Now last week we printed a picture of his dad taking office on July 1, 1959. Like father, like son.

Just thought that was a neat coincidence.

What a trip!

I had a nice visit with Nellie Tyler yesterday and she was telling me that she and her grandson, Jerin Tyler, had just returned from a two week trip.

They flew to Birmingham, Alabama where they met Nellie's sister then on to Niagara Falls! In all they visited Niagara, Buffalo, New York, into Canada, then back by Dollywood!!

Nellie said that Jerin had a ball and I can sure understand that. Wish I had been along on that trip.

I was pleased to hear Nellie say that the weather in Alabama was really nice. My fathers family, the Ballentines, are having a reunion the first week of August and some of my family will be attending. I know everyone was dreading the humidity, but Nellie said it was no worse there than it is here. You know, our weather sure has done a switch-a-roo hasn't it!

Anyway, thanks Nellie for the info on your trip. I wish everyone would let me know. There are lots of folks that can't get out themselves and they enjoy reading about others that get to go!!

Birthdays this Week

Thursday, July 29; Pam Chapman, Joe Poe, III and Debbie Cannon; Anniversaries; Dirk and Cathy Bland, Jimmy and Janey McMillan and Harlan and Imogene Morris: Friday, July 30; Keegan Stanley, Joseph Saldivar and Fred Myers: Saturday, July 31; Melinda Morgan, Kerri Pool, Rod Smith and Orabeth White: Sunday, August 1; Calvin Davis, Sherry York, Ayra McDonald, Blaine Reese, Scott Brown, Bobby Reiter (18), Gloria Braddock and Eloise Rodriguez. Anniversaries; Dicky and Shellee Odom and Cody and Tandi Yarbrough.

Monday, Aug. 2; Ronnie Halford, Beth Hodges, Weaver McKamie, Imogene Morris, Charlette Saldivar, Shawna Poe, Dawna Hood, Sonya Harp and Tonya Harp. Anniversary; Jim and Karla Schooler: Tuesday, Aug. 3; Chesnel Smith, Gary Campbell, Jessica Garza, Bill Aten, Tandi Yarbrough and Jim Schooler: Wednesday, Aug. 4; Alice Rivera, Angie Gutierrez, Madison Mason, Robin Nelson, April Torres and Jim Fumagalli.

Family Time

Attending a "mini" family reunion Saturday, July 24th at the home of Bobby and Jennie Cowdrey were: Tonya (Baker) Ahn and sons Jarret and Derek of Honolulu, Hawaii; Craig and Darla (Baker) Lacey, Andrea and Scott of Seagraves; Charles and Debbie Baker of Abilene; Hubert and Maxine Cook of Levelland; Mary Alexander of Lovington, New Mexico; Gary and Sue Luft of Midland; Curt Cowdrey and sons Chad and Caleb of Midland; Jim and Delores Redman, Glen and Mary Margaret Norman, James, Amy, Brice, Cale and Kylie Easterling.

It had been some time since everyone had seen Tonya. Charles, Darla and Tonya are the children of Bob Baker and the late Ruth Redman Baker.

Well Kept Secret

I hear that my friend Margie Carpenter has a new career. If you happen to have a parrot that needs to be trained to talk, call Margie!!

Mountain Trip

Opal Ray reports that she and Johnny along with family members had a really nice vacation last week. They visited Mayhill and came in the mountains Thursday through Sunday. She said they had a wonderful time.

Family joining them: R.C. Ray, Janet Dean, Sandra and Russell Benham, Quinton, Brad, Wyatt and Hayden and Tammy and Michael Self and Ethan;

Till Next Week

Guess that is all for this week. Everyone have a great weekend and may God bless each of you.

Call Judy with your "Jabberin" 495-2816

Tax 'n Facts

by Terri Cash
Your Cell Phone and Taxes

The cell phone is no longer the wave of the future; it's here. All across America, there are fewer phone booths in public places and more and more people calling on their own phones.

Many cell phone users find them essential for business communications. A business expense? Yes, but taking the deduction is not as easy as it would seem. The user must have records-bills and a diary explaining each call-to prove the amount of business use of the phone, even if it is used exclusively for business. Of course, if there is personal use as well, only that percentage that is business use is deductible. In addition, the phone will not qualify for accelerated depreciation unless it is used more than 50 percent for business.

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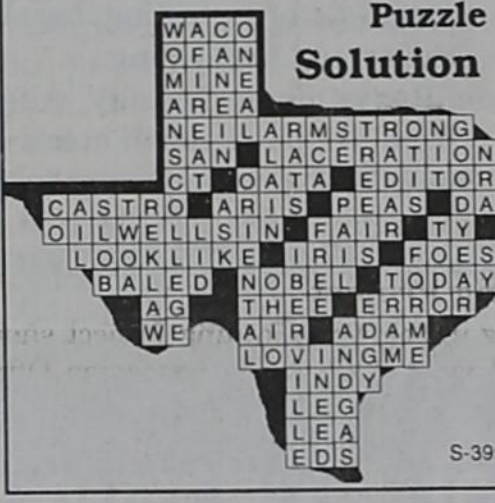
For the third consecutive year, Jamie L. Collazo, son of Linda Collazo and the late Johnny Collazo Sr., has been selected for recognition in Who's Who Among American High School Students for the third straight year. Five percent of all high school students receive this annual recognition and only one-half of one percent are recognized for two or more years.

Who's Who recognizes students for their achievements in academics, athletics and extracurricular activities. Its recipients are eligible for specialized scholarship opportunities.

As a Who's Who honoree, Collazo will have his biography published in Who's Who Among American High School Students, 1998-99.



Jamie Collazo



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Neighbor to Neighbor

by Kelly Ahrens, CEA-FCS

Preserve the Possibilities

Your raspberry jam has jumped from morning toast to a scrumptious torte. Your orange marmalade has gone from scones to roasted pork. Your red-currant jelly has been seen as a sauce for rice pudding.

No longer content with traditional bread-and-butter roles, your favorite jams and jellies are restless for new adventure.

Is it any wonder? The sweet-tartness of fruit or berries is a stunning addition to any phase of your menu*for family or guests. Start with appetizers. A wheel of brie is elegant enough. But drape it in warm red-currant jam and create a sensation.

Skip the salad. Instead, stir raspberry jam into a basic balsamic vinaigrette. Drizzle over fresh slices of avocado and enjoy guaranteed raves.

A word of caution: Don't try this with just any jam or jelly: it all works because of three very special characteristics of your homemade preserves: flavor, flavor and flavor.

With homemade preserves, you control the quality of the fruit that goes in. Pickled "or picked up" at the peak of maturity, your raspberries, apples, peaches or plums can contribute the maximum fresh-fruit flavor. You control the process. So you can keep the batches small and avoid overcooking. And you control storage for maximum flavor retention.

The possibilities for your home-cooked preserves are endless:

Top your cereal: Make a pact with yourself to explore a dynamite brown sugar alternative for your morning oatmeal. Heat a quarter-cup of peach jam with a touch of pineapple juice. Pour in a thin stream over your oatmeal, add milk and change the course of your day!

A Quick Shake-Up: Blend a half-cup of low-fat yogurt with a chilled banana and a couple tablespoons of homemade peach jam for a delicious, healthy dessert shake.

Summer Salad Cooler: Top a pretty arrangement of sliced fresh peaches, pears, plums, raspberries and blueberries with homemade strawberry jam that's been thinned with a bit of water and orange liqueur.

Rich Roast Glaze: Baste a tender cut of pork loin with plum jam laced with Dijon mustard. /fir a celebratory touch, surround the plump with quartered fresh plums as it cools. Spoon the plums onto the plate with green sprigs of parsley.

So, what are you waiting for? It only takes a little imagination to create your own delicious, fruit-flavored possibilities.

Gingered Spring Jam 2 quarts strawberries, 1 pound rhubarb, 2 ounces crystallized ginger, minced, 1/4 cup lemon juice, 1 pouch fruit jell pectin, 5 cups sugar. Prepare your home canning jars and two-piece caps according to the manufacturers instructions. Crush strawberries and measure 4 cups. Finely chop rhubarb and measure 2 cups. Combine strawberries, rhubarb, ginger and lemon juice in a large saucepot. Stir in pectin. Bring mixture to a boil over high heat, stirring constantly. Add sugar. Return mixture to a rolling boil. Boil hard 1 minute, stirring constantly. Remove from heat. Skim foam if necessary. Ladle hot jam into hot jars, leaving 1/4 inch headspace. Wipe jar rim clean. Place lid on jar and tighten band, just until a point of resistance is met. Process 10 minutes in a boiling-water canner. Yield: about 6 half-pints.

Programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap or national origin.



Lisa Bartley recognized for her special cake art

Lisa Bartley, daughter of Bobby and Jennie Cowdrey of Post, is an artist. And a sweet one at that. Bartley is a professional cake decorator who operates a fully-certified bakery studio next to her Alto, N.M., ranch home.

Licensed with the state and subject to regular inspections, she has amassed 20 years of experience in the field and today commands as much as \$2,000 or more for one of her masterpieces. "This is not just bakery work," she recently told a reporter for the Ruidoso News. "These are artistic expressions."

She is currently in the middle of her busiest season — April through August — and it's not at all unusual to find her working on several separate orders this time of the year.

With each cake comes more experience, but Bartley said she still has much to learn about being a "sugar artist." Sugar artists, she said, specialize in the "intricate and lifelike edible flowers that adorn the fancier cakes as well as the latest fashions, such as work with fondant and bows."

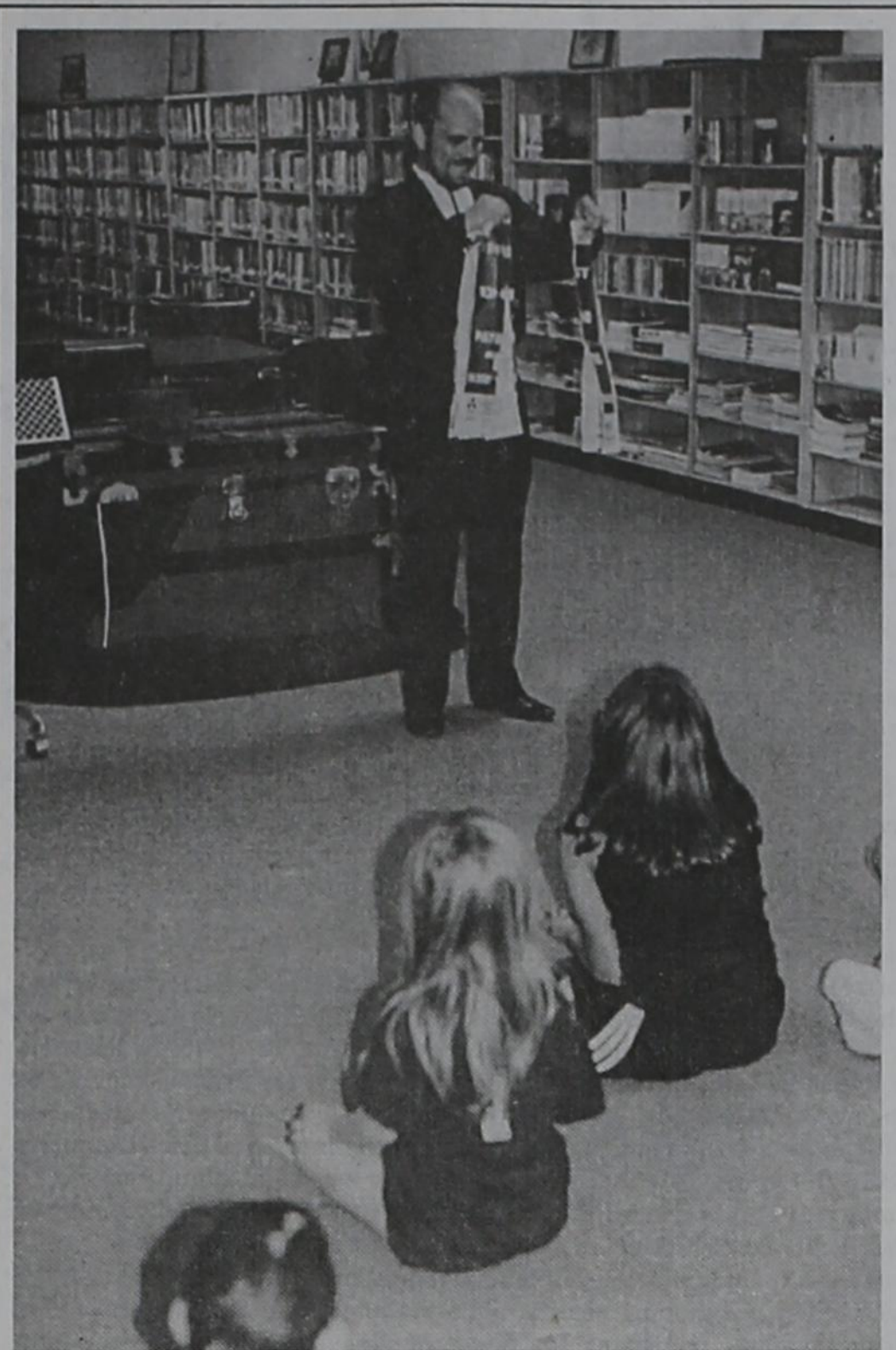
Cake decorations, like fashions, continue to grow and expand. "Wedding cakes are kinda like clothing, cars and homes — they change with the trends," she said. Bartley's mentor is Earlene Moore, a sugar artist whose work is regularly featured in trade magazines.

Bartley began working with Moore when Moore and her business partner at the time, Carol Laird, hired Bartley to work in their bakery while a

student at Lubbock Christian College. Bartley's plans for a career in interior design went by the wayside when Moore helped her get a scholarship with one of the best sugar artists in the world.

Today, Bartley has been approached about teaching her method of creating "edible art" to others but she insists she needs to improve her skills before taking that step. In the meantime, Bartley continues to wow locals with her ability to paint scenes on cakes using fondant, a smooth layer of confection that replaces frosting, as the canvas.

"My main thing is I want (people) to walk in and say, 'Aaaahhh. Oh, that looks beautiful,'" she said. "And then I want them to say, 'It's delicious.'"



Children participating in the Post Public Library Summer Reading Program were treated to some "real" magic last Thursday. Monte Holder of Lubbock kept the children's attention as he demonstrated "Magic for Literacy" tricks.



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Extension Extras

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4-H Fund Raiser

All 4-H'ers and parents need to call the Extension Office to sign up to work in the Concession Stand fund raiser during the Post Rodeo scheduled for August 12, 13 and 14th. Also needed is an Ice Committee and a Wood Committee. If working on one of these committees fits your schedule better than working in the concession stand, please call 495-4400 to sign up. If everyone helps a little, no one will have to work long!

Nutrition Quiz Bowl

Extension District Two is a pilot for the Nutrition Quiz Bowl contest for 1999. The contest focuses on nutrition aspects, and is played in a "game show" fashion with teams of 3-4 members. The District N.Q.B. will be played August 28 at Texas Tech. Anyone interested should contact Kelly Ahrens ASAP to get started.

Jr. Clothing Project

Anyone interested in participating in the 4-H Clothing Project should plan to attend the next workshop August 10th at the Extension Office, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Youth should bring a sack lunch and plan to stay until about 2:00 p.m. The project is for anyone interested in learning more about sewing fundamentals and clothing aspects. If you did not make the first meeting, you are still eligible to participate, and should plan to attend this workshop. Please bring your pattern, or ideas for what you want to create for the Fashion Follies, to be held September 25th in Lubbock. If you need more information, contact the Extension Office at 495-4400.

Achievement Banquet

Mark your calendars for the Garza County 4-H Achievement Banquet scheduled for August 21 at the Post Community Center.

Truth persuades by teaching, but does not teach by persuading. —Tertullian

Lunch Menus

Trail Blazer

Friday, July 30, 1999
Chicken Fried steak, white gravy, baked potato, green beans, wheat roll and fruit.

Monday, August 2, 1999
Hamburger steak, baked potato, okra, cornbread, apricots and oatmeal cookies.

Tuesday, August 3, 1999
BBQ chicken, corn, green beans, salad, biscuit and raisin pie.

Wednesday, August 4, 1999
Beef roast, butter beans, beets, fresh tomatoe, hot roll and pumpkin bars.

Thursday, August 5, 1999
Meatloaf, corn, green beans, salad, wheat roll and jello salad.

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Jettie Taylor

Graveside services for Jettie Taylor, 92, of Denison were held at 10 a.m. July 26, 1999, in the Fairview Cemetery in Denison under the direction of the Bratcher Funeral Home.

She died July 23 at her home. Born Feb. 5, 1907, in Jayton to Ed and Lena (Osman) Wyatt, she married Oren Byron "Bud" Taylor Dec. 4, 1923, in Girard. They resided in Kent and Garza counties where she was employed by the Postex Cotton Mill. Following her husband's retirement from the county, the couple moved to Denison in 1967 where they resided with their son, Alton. She was preceded in death by her husband of 61 years. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include four sons, Alton Taylor and Dink Taylor, both of Denison, C.B. (Byron) Taylor of Lubbock and D.C. Taylor of Poteet; four daughters, Vada Clary of Post, Jane Gordon of Odessa, Faye Scott of Durant, Oklahoma, and Lynda Alexander of Calera, Oklahoma; 14 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Grandsons served as pallbearers.

Robert Bill Sanders

Graveside services for Robert Bill Sanders, 75, of Windthorst will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, July 29, 1999, in the Terrace Cemetery in Post with Bud Walls of Sperry, Oklahoma, officiating. Auds Funeral Home of Archer City is in charge of arrangements.

He died Friday, July 23, at his home. Born March 9, 1924, in Post, he was a World War II veteran, having served in the U.S. Army in the European Theatre and with Patton's Fifth Army at Normandy, France. He married Helen Walls Sept. 12, 1946, in Post. He was a resident of Mannford, Oklahoma, for 20 years prior to moving to Pittsburg, California, in 1979. He was employed as an industrial mechanic throughout most of his life and retired from the Interpace Brick Company in 1984. He moved to Windthorst in 1992. He was an avid gun collector, a member of the National Rifle Association, the American Legion of Windthorst, and a lifetime member of the Veterans of Foreign War.

Survivors include his wife, Helen, of Windthorst; two sons, Richard Eugene Sanders of Pittsburg, California, and Donald William Sanders of Fort Smith, Arkansas; one sister, Ina Smith of Olney; two grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

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"And Jesus walking by the sea of Galilee saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishers. And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Matthew 4:18-19

Oh to be used of God! It sounds Old Fashioned doesn't it? To many it might seem an impossible task in the heat of summer. Still others might say, "How can I be used of God?" As we look at the verses before us, let's see just how we might be used of God. First of all, we need to believe and understand that to be willing to be used of God is still the great need of our day!

People still need to hear the Gospel and it is people who must tell people about the Lord Jesus! Since Jesus is the ultimate seeker, He can and will seek us out for service to Him just as He did that day walking on the shore of the Sea of Galilee. How wonderful it is to be known by the Saviour! Notice that He called Peter and Andrew by name.

I am glad that the Lord Jesus calls each of us to come out from where we are. He comes to us and calls us to come to Him. Many are reluctant to answer that call because of a supposed inability to be used in His service. We will never know how much we can be used of God until we give Him the chance to reveal it to each one of His own.

Will you listen for the call of God in your life today? You may be at that place where you are being called to be saved or you might be at that place where God is calling you to a special task of service.

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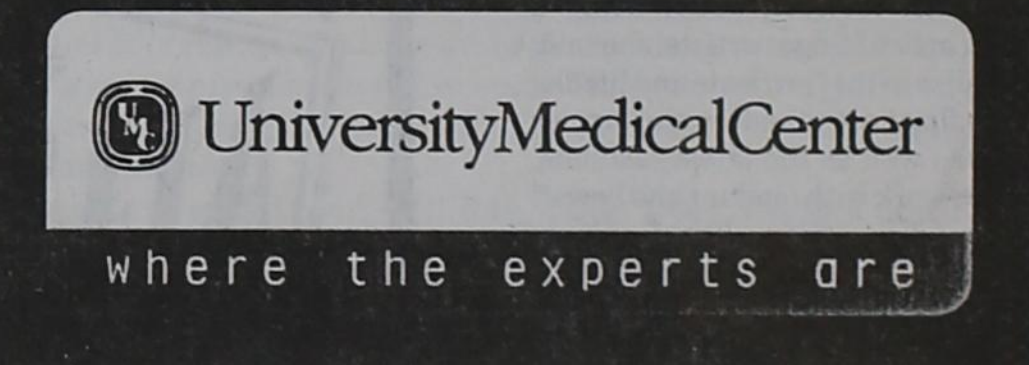


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- have a close friend or family member willing to also participate in interviews and supervision of study medications
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Now that the summer travel season is in full swing its time to remember your medical history. With few exceptions, you should not let a chronic medical condition stop you from seeing your friends and loved ones. There are some safe guards to consider should you become ill while away from home. Take a copy of your medical and surgical history with you. This should include a list of all chronic illnesses and surgeries, also include the date they were diagnosed and any recent problems they have caused. Health wise travelers even have a copy of their most recent electrocardiogram if they have or have had problems with their heart in the past.

Take a list of all your care providers with you. Besides their name you should have their office phone number and what they are treating you for.

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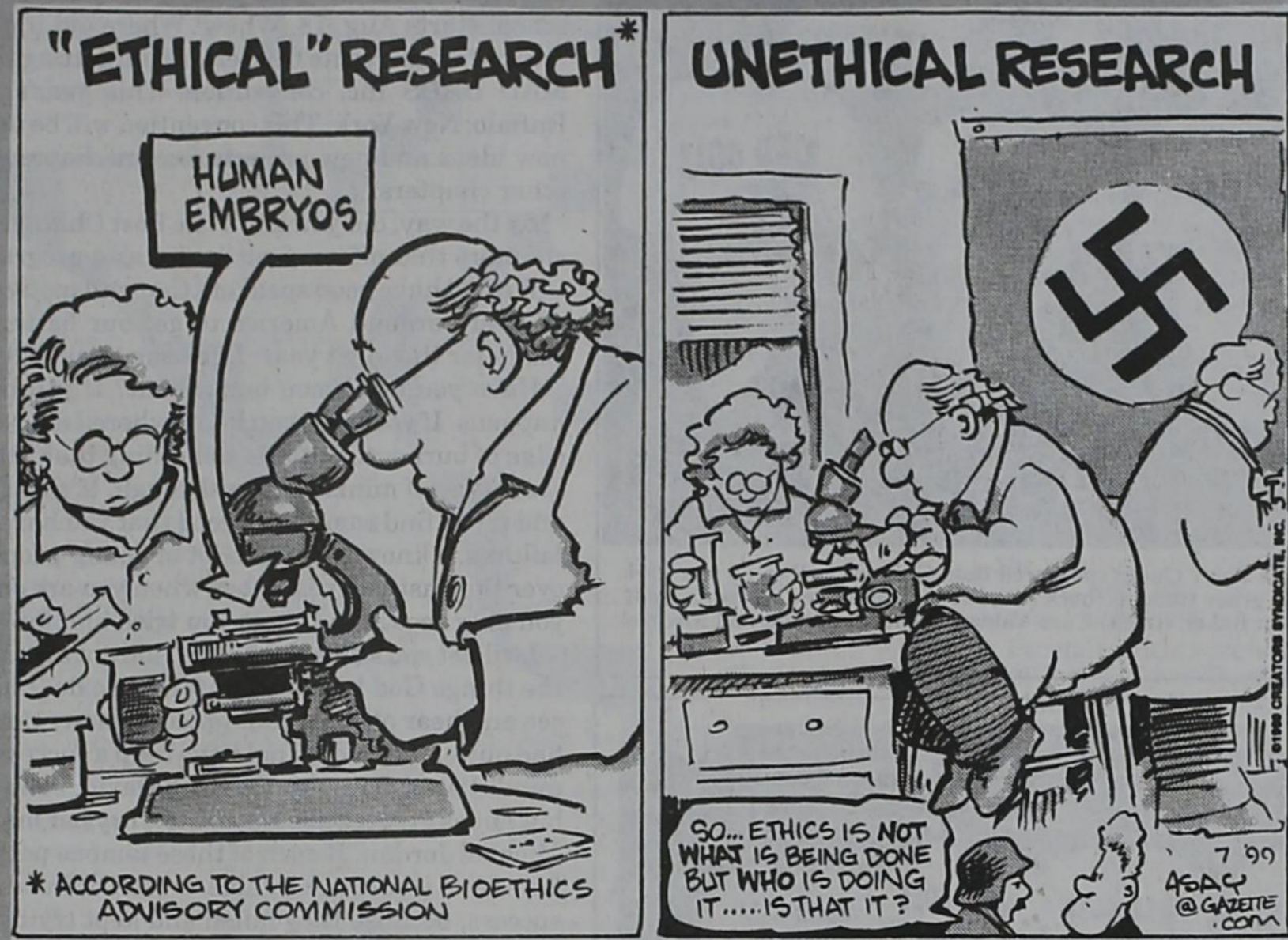
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Even the most extensive medical history will fit very nicely on one sheet of paper. Make two copies and make sure someone with whom you are traveling knows where it is. Don't depend on a friend or loved one to remember your history in a time of stress. Don't forget to update this information on a regular basis.

So have a great holiday, be health smart and don't forget your toothbrush...or your medical history.

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What's wrong with private enterprise?

by Wes Burnett
What is the best way to ensure adequate or exceptional health care in Garza County? That seems to be a central question for those who support the continued misuse of tax funds appropriated by the Garza County Hospital District.

Let's take a look at the efficiency of what our tax dollars have gotten us through socialized medical care, promoted by those who wish to continue confiscating our money to provide health care here.

Since 1969, taxpayers have shelled out millions of dollars. For that they have received the following benefits:

- (1) a hospital that was in marginal use by the very people who forked over the money to keep it going;
 - (2) a merging of that hospital with a Lubbock hospital, which resulted in
 - (3) the closing of the Garza County hospital, with no decrease in taxation;
 - (4) the continued tax subsidy for a privately owned clinic; and
 - (5) a hospital board of directors which has routinely violated the law.
- All this in the name of providing "quality" health care for Garza County residents.

The problem with this socialized medical system is really quite simple: government, nor its use of forced labor through taxation, can ever operate efficient medical care. It is by its very nature inefficient and incapable of competing with private enterprise. It can only smother private enterprise by the sheer weight of its regulatory and confiscatory methods.

No matter how much money is poured into the system, it will never satisfy market demands. Take for instance the promise by the GCHD board several months ago that there would be a 24 hour health care clinic. What happened to that promise?

It quietly disappeared in a revision of the contract with the provider, which by the way, was not competitively bid as is required by law.

Yet, the tax subsidy did not decrease. To paraphrase an old Russian proverb, "they pretend to serve us, we pretend to like it."

Government subsidies can only distort the market place. With a tax subsidized guarantee of more than \$300,000 per year, what incentive is there to go the extra mile? Or for that matter, the extra block? A tax subsidy only creates the illusion of service, but in fact stymies real competition.

Take away the tax subsidy, and health care will be competitive, because those who wish to offer their services will have to work for it. They will have to prove their worth in the market place.

Socialists will argue that no one will want to work in Garza County without a tax subsidy. Historically, that is one of the biggest lies of this century. To prove the point, before tax subsidies were used to support medical care, this county had as many as four or five private physicians. Government, at the county, state and national level, has all but destroyed the dynamics of private enterprise that made this nation so great.

And we will never rid ourselves of state and federal regulations and taxation if we don't start right here in Garza County. We must demand that private enterprise be freed of the restraints of government. We must demand a return to the principles upon which America was founded, and upon which once led Texas to its preeminent economic status in the world.

We must demand that our elected officials quit singing the old worn out socialist dogma that is used to strangle competition and free enterprise. It's a shame that we are burdened with political leaders who actually believe that only government can provide essential health care services.

Look at it this way, what doctor or health care provider would want to be under the thumb of political leaders who do not believe in following the law, and who do not believe in private enterprise? Those who enjoy working in that environment surely are not the kind of professionals we need in charge of our health care.

The waste of money and resources of the past have proven beyond any doubt that government can not and will not provide the care we need... only the private enterprise market place can do that. And when we shed ourselves of this socialized medicine albatross, we'll usher in a terrific boom of competitive health care providers. It'll be so impressive, that even the socialists will have to admit their faulty reasoning.

Remember, C.W. Post came and built this town from nothing, and he did it all without a single penny from government. Socialists among us will argue it can't be done, but then, they have no faith in the strength of our people, nor in the spirit of American free enterprise.

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And thereafter, problem profiteers

by Walter E. Williams

One of the outcomes of last week's NAACP 90th Annual Meeting was a call to mau-mau network executives for not having enough blacks in leading roles in next fall's television shows. Another was Kweisi Mfume's call to sue gun manufacturers.

The NAACP director said, "The time has come for us to look at the proliferation of handguns." Mfume, like the mayors of Philadelphia, New Orleans and Chicago, sees gun manufacturers as responsible for the murder and mayhem in black neighborhoods.

At the turn of the century, Booker T. Washington warned against the agenda of "problem profiteers," proclaiming: "There is a class of colored people who make a business of keeping the troubles, the wrongs and the hardships of the Negro race before the public."

Having learned that they are able to make a living out of their troubles, they have grown into the settled habit of advertising their wrongs — partly because they want sympathy, and partly because it pays. Some of these people do not want the Negro to lose his grievances, because they do not want to lose their jobs."

Booker T. Washington's warnings apply aptly to people like Jesse Jackson and Mfume. Robert Woodson, director of the Washington-based National Center for Neighborhood Enterprises, points to the increasing gap between the concerns of the civil-rights establishment and those of ordinary black citizens for whom they purport to speak in his recent book, "The Triumphs of Joseph."

In one survey, 83 percent of blacks said they were in favor of school choice. Yet in a floor vote at the 1993 NAACP convention, delegates passed a resolution opposing school choice. In a Washington Post survey, pollsters asked whether minorities should receive preferential treatment to make up for past discrimination — 77 percent of black leaders said yes, while 77 percent of the black public said no.

Black leaders support forced school busing, while a majority of

blacks disapprove. Only 8 percent of blacks see racial integration as an issue of importance. Yet the civil-rights establishment continues to pursue their '60s agenda of mandated integration and recompense for past discrimination.

Jackson and Mfume's push to have more blacks in starring roles on television shows is exactly what Bill Raspberry, Washington Post columnist, meant when he wrote, "The inner-city poor furnish the statistical base for the proposals, but the benefits go primarily to the already well-off." More blacks on television doesn't do a thing for the major problems of the inner-city blacks, such as poor education, crime and female-headed households.

Invoking the names of poor blacks in order to benefit well-off blacks isn't new. In 1990, Jackson and other civil-rights leaders accused Nike Corporation of exploiting inner-city black youngsters. Among their demands were: more blacks in top management positions, more Nike advertising in black-owned media outlets and more blacks on Nike's board of trustees.

This tactic of using poor blacks to provide benefits for their better-off brethren is known in retailing as "bait and switch." Since private and Catholic schools do a far better job of educating blacks, the NAACP could have called for school choice, but that would have offended their members who are public school teachers.

They could have called on the Clinton administration to speak out against slavery in Ghana — as featured in a Feb. 7, 1997, New York Times story — and slavery in the Sudan and Mauritania, where an estimated 30,000 blacks are held in bondage, but that might offend Jackson's Muslim backers.

If there's a bright side to the NAACP, it's that ordinary blacks don't give the organization much attention and financial support. Most of the organization's financing comes from white liberals, mau-maued corporations and foundations.

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Another blow to the Lollipop Guild

by Vin Suprynowicz

The most important requirement if we're to assure public school teachers can do their jobs, we've long been told, is their "certification." Experts in the science of education — pedagogy — must certify that these instructors have attended an education college (or equivalent endless night courses), and mastered all the specialized skills and techniques necessary to transfer knowledge to the young.

This is far more important — government educators have long insisted — than a teacher merely having specialized knowledge of his or her academic subject area (math, science, French, whatever.) That's why we must be wary of any scheme to facilitate the movement of professionals from other fields into the classroom under "emergency" or "alternative" licensure programs, without requiring them to go back and pass through the daunting gantlets and Augean portals of "education school."

Just because Einstein was a mathematical genius, this argument has long asserted, doesn't mean he would have been adept at transferring basic mathematical principles to the young.

(Actually, it turns out Einstein was a teacher, and a decent one. Perhaps inspiration and the ability to convey excitement about a field count for something.)

But now comes a collection of studies casting doubt on the very underpinnings of this reliance on traditional teacher certification.

Students whose teachers possess a bachelor's or master's degree in math outperform other students in math, regardless of the teacher's certification, reports Chester E. Finn Jr., president of the Thomas Fordham Foundation. The privately run school-reform research outfit last week released a collection of reports critical of current teacher hiring, training, and evaluation procedures.

"This result should cast doubt on assertions that standard certification should be required of all teachers," the Fordham researchers write.

The reports say teachers tend to have weak verbal and math skills and not nearly enough have a college major or minor in the subjects they teach. And standard state credential requirements fall short of putting better teachers in the classroom, the Fordham researchers found. In California, Ohio, New York, and Minnesota, approved preparation programs tend to have very low entry requirements, no exit requirements and low subject content.

Tomorrow's teachers might as well be studying "Theory of Physical Education" ... or are they?

On the other hand, the researchers found more innovative states like Pennsylvania have been able to raise teacher academic standards while maintaining strong "alternative certification" programs. Teachers there must take more academic courses and fewer education courses, and pass licensure exams with higher scores. But — horrors! — college graduates who pass those exams may teach in Pennsylvania under the mentorship of a principal or master teacher without attending a school of education, at all.

"Education is the last remaining field in America where people think you can boost quality by tightening the rules and multiplying the regulations," concludes Mr. Finn. By screening out well-educated graduates who took their degrees somewhere other than a teacher's college, "Education interest groups have pushed misguided regulatory schemes that will make it even harder for our public schools to attract strong teachers into their ranks."

Calling for teacher hiring criteria to be left to local districts, Mr. Finn directly contradicted the proposal outlined by President Clinton in this year's State of the Union Address, in which Mr. Clinton endorsed a teacher's union proposal to actually tighten up the exclusivity of the current guild, requiring states and school districts to phase out "emergency-certified" teachers, entirely.

Vin Suprynowicz is the assistant editorial page editor of the Las Vegas Review-Journal. His new book, "Send in the Waco Killers: Essays on the Freedom Movement, 1993-1998," is available at \$21.95 plus \$3 shipping (\$6 UPS; \$2 shipping each additional copy) through Mountain Media, P.O. Box 271122, Las Vegas, Nev. 89127. The 500-page trade paperback may also be ordered via web site <http://www.thespiritof76.com/wacokillers.html>, or at 1-800-244-2224. Credit cards accepted; volume discounts available.

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"The evils of tyranny are rarely seen but by him who resists it." — John Hay, 1872

"The whole aim of practical politics is to keep the populace alarmed — and thus clamorous to be led to safety — by menacing it with an endless series of hobgoblins, all of them imaginary." — H.L. Mencken

Ag assistance likely to wait until September

A representative of House Agriculture Committee Chairman Larry Combest reported that the crisis situation that exists in agriculture is well known in Washington and that Congressional action to try and relieve the situation will probably get started in earnest this September.

Combest aide Jimmy Clark told members of the Plains Cotton Growers Inc. board of directors that the awareness of agriculture and its problems is at the highest point he has seen in many years and that Congressional action will be forthcoming later in the summer. He noted that a number of key items will very likely make their way into any future disaster or economic assistance package.

He said that restoration of Step 2 funds, while not likely to improve farm level cotton prices more than a

few cents, would be a key ingredient to the eventual solution since the program's main benefit was encouraging the marketing of cotton instead of forcing producers to hold the crop waiting for a better price or forfeiting the cotton to the government loan program.

Another top priority of PCG is the removal of burdensome payment limitations on Loan Deficiency Payments and Marketing Loan Gains. Clark noted that changing the rules for LDP payment limitations would be important and that Combest was looking at several different ways to attack the problem.

Clark concluded that Combest and the rest of the House Ag Committee was committed to developing some form of supplemental income assistance as well as continuing to pursue significant crop insurance reform.



Attending the Dairy Queen sponsored Bold Gold football camp last week were eighth grade students (back row, left to right) Langly Couch, Mitchell Mills, Will Todd, (front) Josh Payne, Kyle Gunn, Mark Norman and Mark McCallister.

Fall registration at SPC

With registration for fall classes at South Plains College less than two months away, there is still time for prospective students to complete the steps necessary for admission to the two-year comprehensive community college.

SPC's fall registration is Aug. 23-24 at the Reese Center in Lubbock, Aug. 25-26 at SPC Lubbock and Aug. 26 at SPC Levelland.

"We have a few simple steps to follow for enrollment at South Plains College, whether students plan to attend the SPC campuses in Levelland or Lubbock or the Reese Center in Lubbock," said Andrea Rangel, registrar and dean of admissions.

The application process is free. SPC also maintains a website at www.spc.cc.tx.us for students who would like to complete the application process and obtain other college information online.

College-bound students planning to enroll at SPC this fall need to complete an application for admission, provide their high school and/or college transcripts, and take a TASP or alternative TASP exam. SPC Lubbock also provides for a detailed, step by step, flyer on getting enrolled on campus.

Students enrolling for the first time on the Levelland campus also need to sign up for orientation, an information-packed two-day session that includes registration for fall classes. After students submit a completed application for admission, they will receive a letter notifying them of the date to attend orientation. If they have not yet received an orientation letter, they need to contact SPC's Office of Guidance and Counseling on the Levelland campus.

Students need to take the TASP or an approved TASP alternative test. TASP (Texas Academic Skills Program) is a state-mandated assessment of basic college-level skills. It is now required of all entering college students who have not earned at least three semester hours of college credit prior to the fall of 1999. Certain exemptions apply. SPC's Levelland and Lubbock campuses have scheduled a number of dates for alternative TASP testing prior to fall enrollment.

For more information about SPC's admission process, contact the SPC Office of Guidance and Counseling in Levelland at 806-894-9611, ext. 2366 or 2368, or the SPC Office of Guidance and Counseling in Lubbock at 747-0576, ext. 4606.



Attending the Dairy Queen sponsored Bold Gold football camp last week were seventh grade students (back row, left to right) Casey Williams, Cody Bullard, Kam Baker, (front) Coco Valdez, Trent McDonald and Michael Williams.



Attending the Dairy Queen sponsored Bold Gold football camp last week were seventh grade students (back row, left to right) Travis Hopper, Jett Lott, Martin Garcia, Kyle Kirkpatrick, (front) Jerrad Grisham, Ryan Babb, Quinton Odum and Cole Easterling.



Attending the Dairy Queen sponsored Bold Gold football camp last week were sixth grade students (back row, left to right) Stace Norman, Colt Mason, Wilson Cash, Levi Williams, (front) Israel Beggs, Jace Pollard and Heath Felhauer.



Helping youth help themselves

by Rodney Tidwell
495-1244

I hope everyone has had a great summer so far. If you haven't had a vacation, better hurry. It's coming to an end real fast. In fact, football season (the best part of the year for me) starts Aug. 4 and school starts Aug. 18. Whew! Where did it all go?

Anyway, as I write this letter I am getting ready for the 5th annual MAD DADS Inc. convention. This year's convention will be in Buffalo, New York. This convention will be used to help put together new ideas and new projects for our chapter in Post, as well as the other chapters.

By the way, did you know the Post Chapter is one of two in over 56 chapters that offer a teen center as a program of MAD DADS?

We will have good speakers that will motivate and help each of the chapters around America to get our batteries recharged and get ready for this next year. I, for one, may just need new batteries.

Have you ever been burned out? If you haven't, I hope it never happens. If you have you know where I am coming from. I am on the edge of burnout. But it is something that I think everyone that has some type of ministry goes through. It sucks when you look around and try to find something good that you have done and all you see is failures. I know there is a lot of young people that we have helped over the past two years, but when you are on the edge of a burnout, you only see those things you tried and failed at.

I will let you know right now, I am not a quitter, nor will I quit doing the things God has laid out for me to do. I have to look around and see and hear of those that failed so many times in their lives. If they had quite, they would not have been a success. Names that pop in my mind: Peter, Paul, Mark, King David, John and some more recent but not as great, Babe Ruth, the Chrysler man (can't spell his name), Michael Jordan. If each of these famous people had quite after they failed, we would not be able to read or hear about them. They are a success, because they failed and kept trying.

I don't know who else may have needed to hear this, but I know I am not the only one that feels this way right now. Everyone will be all right.

Please remember me in your prayers. Pray specifically for the fire to fall and set my spirit back in line with what God has set me here to do.

Thank you,
Rodney Tidwell

PCG board approves '99-2000 budget

Members of the Plains Cotton Growers Inc. board of directors met July 14 and approved the 43-year-old organization's fiscal year 1999-2000 operating budget.

The PCG board approved a budget totaling \$491,545 to cover the organization's legislative, research and promotional activities for the coming year.

Other items discussed by the board, which was convened for its regular quarterly meeting, included status of boll weevil eradication efforts in the High Plains, an update on crop insurance reform and the ongoing ag economic crisis.

During the meeting PCG board members interacted with Jimmy Clark from House Ag Committee chairman Larry Combest's staff and Lindy Patton, executive director of the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation.

Patton discussed a number of issues related to the start of eradication programs in the Northwest Plains, Western High Plains and Permian Basin zones. He noted that it is a big job to get these three different programs going in an area and that, in conjunction with the start of eradication in the Northern Rolling Plains, some 2.5 million acres of cotton would be starting programs in the fall of 1999.

Patton also answered questions about the implementation of the compliance certificate program through which liens, which have always been a part of the law authorizing assessment collections, would be enforced in order to collect unpaid assessments.

Patton noted that there were a

couple of reasons why the compliance certificate program was developed as a method to enforce TBWEF's ability to collect unpaid assessments.

First and foremost Patton said was the demand from producers that some mechanism be developed to ensure that all producers pay their assessments and keep the new programs in healthy financial positions.

Secondly, he said the Texas Legislature, which appropriated some \$75 million in emergency and direct appropriations for cost-share assistance in active boll weevil eradication zones, also wanted assurances that the programs being funded with state money continued to operate with full producer support.

Patton said the proposed rules for the compliance certificate program would not prevent or impede the marketing of cotton, and explained that the program will require the producers who have not paid assessments be issued checks made jointly to the grower and the Texas Department of Agriculture, which oversees assessment collection, when they sell their cotton. The regulation will not affect producers who have paid their assessments by scheduled due dates and will cease to affect producers as soon as the TBWEF receives full payment of the outstanding assessment.

Patton further explained that TDA will endorse any checks issued jointly under the statute after the outstanding assessments are paid.

Further information about the compliance certificate program can be obtained from the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation or the Texas Department of Agriculture.

Baseball is not the sport of the wealthy, it is the sport of the wage earner.

—Bill Veeck

The first known magnets were lodestones, which can pick up paper clips or other small iron or steel objects. Throughout the Middle Ages many people believed they had magical powers.

Our Sincere Thanks

The Garza Theatre Board and Staff wishes to express our most sincere thanks for the generous support and contributions of door prizes for our Annual Harley Sadler Show.

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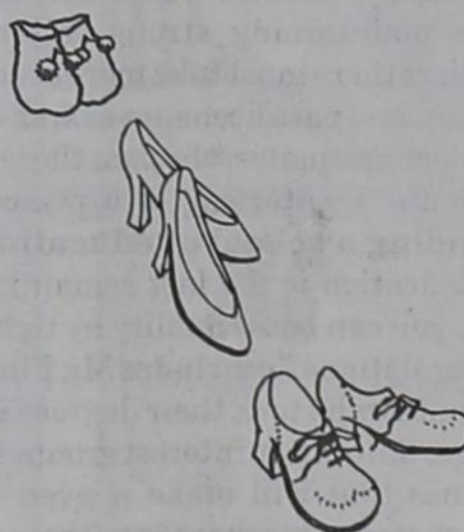
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- Duke's Doodads at Trade Days
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- The U.S. Postal Service
- Subway
- Germania Insurance
- The Bee Hive
- Jackson Bros. Locker
- Burger King of Lubbock

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Yesteryears

by Pat Burnett

July 26, 1989
10 Years Ago

The children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of "Nana" Henrietta Warren are proud to announce her marriage to Travis Thomas on Thursday, July 13, 1989, with Justice of the Peace Dee Justice performing the ceremony.

Sid and Bobbie Childs of Houston are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Marilyn Gail Wright, to James Wesley Burnett, son of Wesley and Pat Burnett of Post.

The couple will be married Saturday, July 29, 1989 at Ceta Glen.

Lupe and Cindy Augilar are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Ana Christina, who was born Saturday, July 15, 1989 at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. She weighed seven pounds and four ounces and was 19 and three-fourths inches long.

Funeral services were held July 17, 1989 for Roy Edwin Burnett Sr., who died July 14, 1989 in Post.

Graveside services were held at Willow Wild Cemetery in Bonham, Texas, with Rev. Thomas Pass, pastor of Greenville's First Presbyterian Church, officiating.

July 26, 1979
20 Years Ago

The Leisure Lodge in Snyder was the scene of a birthday party honored Ruby Clark on her 100th birthday, Sunday, July 22. Miss Clark received a letter of congratulations from both the President and the governor.

Miss Clark is the great aunt of Voda Beth Gradine of Post.

Tomoko Fukasawa, 14-year-old Labo Exchange Student, is visiting in Post for the next month with the Robert (Pete) Hays family.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Byrd recently and attending their family reunion were eight of their children.

Lenny Drake's sister, Sheree, was visiting in Post this past weekend.

July 31, 1969
30 Years Ago

Kirk Stevens, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emory Stevens, was honored with a swimming party on his 7th birthday last Thursday afternoon at the City - County swimming pool.

Enjoying the swim were Ronald, Carl, Brent, Deborah and Linda Oden, Mike, Jimmy, Jerry and Oletha Hawkins, Jan, Ronnie and Gary Bilbo, Jody and Rynn Norman, Sara Dunn, and Kirk and his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Melton and granddaughter, Susan Melton, left Friday to return to their home in Jackson Gap, Ala., after a visit in Post in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. James Melton and Mr. and Mrs. David Tyler.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Young and granddaughter, Connie Cockrell of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fagan, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Huddleston and grandson, Jimmy Foster of Lubbock and the Garland Huddleston family spent the weekend in Brownwood and attended the Ward family reunion at the USO building there. Seventy-three were present.

July 30, 1959
40 Years Ago

Birthdays today are:

Elizabeth Ann Dalby, Lubbock
Mrs. Emory Stevens
Bills Shumard
John Wayne Jones
Marshall Reno
John Edd May

The family of H. J. Bingham gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Bingham Monday evening for a family reunion and picnic supper.

Miss Linda Williams returned to her home in Devine last week after spending two months of her summer school vacation visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Hayden Rogers, and other relatives and friends. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Williams.

A former Post resident, Marine Cpl. Larry J. Sanders, participated in the Southeast Asia Treaty Organization exercise "Saddle Up" in British North Borneo in June while serving with the Third Marine Division.

Miss Pat Cooper recently visited in Fort Worth with Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Page and family and in Seagraves with the George Kirk family, all former Post residents.

Mr. and Mrs. Ike Driver and son, Neil Grant, 115 West 12th Street, caught a 33-pound fish recently at Stamford Lake. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. "Slats" Parker of Denver City.

They also caught several other "little" fish, ranging about 15 or 16 inches long.

Mrs. B. K. Bowen, 406 West 13th, met with her nine children and their families for a reunion last weekend on the Colorado River at Stacy, where Mrs. Bowen and her husband moved in 1899, and moved from there to Post in 1915.

July 28, 1949
50 Years Ago

Mrs. H. E. McGohee and daughter of Morton are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vinson Billberry.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Lucas and daughter, Margufette, left Sunday by train from Lubbock for a visit in Kansas City, Mo., in the home of their son and brother and family, the Wilbur Lucases. They were accompanied to Lubbock by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lucas and daughter of Post.

Shirley Ann and Sandra Lawson of San Leandro, Calif., arrived here Friday evening for a visit with their grandmother, Mrs. W. J. Shepherd, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sutton and daughter moved to Pecos last weekend to make their home. Mr. Sutton is employed by an oil company there.

A canceled check which I. O. Blasingame wrote to the Post Dispatch on the First National Bank on December 27, 1914, was found by Bake Robinson, Jr., on the street in downtown Floydada just before he moved back to Post. Robinson, who had been carrying the check in his billfold for several months, showed it to the Post Dispatch editor last week. The 4 1/2-year-old check was for \$2.50, the price of a one-year subscription to the paper.

Mrs. Emily Morrow, of Fort Worth is visiting this week in the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Weakly. She was accompanied to Post by Mr. and Mrs. Tom Eason of San Angelo.

Mrs. Howard M. Buchman and daughter, Ann, of Salt Lake City, Utah, are visiting in the home of their parents and grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. David H. Templeton.



Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Doyle Oden

Marcella Lynn Sneed and Rodney Doyle Oden exchanged wedding vows June 23, 1989 at Graham Methodist Church with Rev. Wesley Brown officiating.

Sneed, Oden wed in double-ring ceremony

From The Post Dispatch, July 26, 1989



Sister Alicia Rivera

Alicia Rivera completes final vows as Sister

From The Post Dispatch, July 26, 1989



FIRST VISIT IN 58 YEARS

M. J. Malouf is pictured with his arm around his sister, Mrs. Karmey Said Malouf of Lebanon, whom he hadn't seen for 58 years until she arrived in Post for a visit.—(Staff Photo)

From The Post Dispatch, July 31, 1969

ACROSS

1 town of the Dr. Pepper Museum

5 TXism: "got the morals" alley cat

6 not yours

7 Denton's 940 code

8 moon to Houston speaker

18 Antonio or Jacinto

19 TX Foreman cut

21 TX Bush's choice for Supreme Court (init.)

22 race at TX Oatmeal Festival: _____ Thon

23 Dublin Citizen VIP

24 its seat is Dimmitt

29 Maverick Tarpley's former Greek club: _____ Salonica

30 TXism: "two _____ in a pod" (alike)

31 Henry Wade's job when he prosecuted Jack Ruby (abbr.)

32 TXism: "numerous as _____ TX"

34 State _____ of TX

35 baseballer Cobb

36 TXism: "you _____ death warmed over"

37 TX perennial

38 49ers to Cowboys

40 bundled hay

41 peace prize

43 TX George Jones' "He Stopped Loving Her _____" (80)

44 Cornyn's job (abbr.)

45 TXism: "suits me to a fare _____ well"

46 Astro mistake

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DOWN

1 Denton's TWU was this once (2 wds.)

2 TXism: "exciting as _____ the IRS office"

3 TX Gene Watson's "Raisin' _____ TX"

4 TX Ty of film "Mighty Ducks"

9 Delon of "Texas Across the River"

10 TX has 50 species of _____ & mice

11 C & W music label to Tyler from Paris

12 TX King Vidor's "A _____ A Tree"

14 DPS speed gun

15 ex-Rocket Thorpe

16 Fort Worth's Colonial _____

17 TX Tire & Rubber Co.

20 gun group (abbr.)

22 type of rug or garden

24 Charley & Guy: _____-creators of the Texas Crossword

25 TXism: "down in the mouth"

26 TXism: "ain't particular where he spits"

27 football class of Hico Tigers

28 this TX town is a backward "Walker"

29 "_____ a silly question"

30 bucket

33 TXism: "keep the _____ on" (control)

34 North American _____ Trade pact

35 TXism: "a big _____" (large party)

37 TX Bill Longley may be buried in this Louisiana parish

38 TX Debbie Reynolds "Say One _____"

39 this Young founded UT's "Curtain Club" (init.)

42 NFL Hall of Fame city: Canton, _____

43 Johnson Space Ctr. tour transport

46 TXism: "hearin' footsteps"

49 old co.: Humble Oil _____ Co.

51 TXism: "_____ that like a duck needs an umbrella"

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POST BAND GROUP PRESENTED ATTENDANCE TROPHY

Dean Killion, director of the Texas Tech Youth Music Camp, presents the Governor's trophy to Ken Herron, president of the Post High School Band. Post Band Director Herb Germer is partially shown next to Herron. Post won the "traveling trophy" for having the most students from outside Lubbock at the music camp for daily sessions for two weeks. Post students attending the camp, top row, left to right, Randy

Babb, Kelvin Thomas, Kent Kirkpatrick, Ricky Thomas, Ronald Martin, Rusty Conner, and Steve Hays. Middle row, Dana Pool, Jenda Gilmore, Kim Hester, Jan Hall, Pat Nelson, Sandy Bullard, Earla Baker, Sarah Vernon, Wilma Bullard. Seated are Patti Parrish, Melanie King, Jana McKamie, Tina McAlister, and Mary Ann Norman.

From The Post Dispatch, July 31, 1969



SOUTH PLAINS ALL-STARS — Seven of the local teenage baseball players were chosen for the South Plains All-Stars recently and will begin tournament play Monday, July 30 in Plainview. Shown l to r, bottom row, Mark Holly, Danny Gunn, Raymie Holly, and Bryan Compton. Top row, l to r, player coach, Michael Haas, Mike Holly, Leslie Looney, Mike Dye and Manager, Boog Holly. — (Staff Photo)

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Card of Thanks

I would like to thank everyone who called and visited me while I was in the hospital and after I came home. Thanks to Wayne, Gina and Lavina for their prompt response and excellent care. Robert Wilke for making sure my farm animals had food and water. And a special thanks to Patrick Gonzales for helping dad on the farm. Most of all to my family for being there the whole time.
Danny Gonzales.

Personals

Post Independent School District invites the Senior Citizens of the district to come by the Superintendent's office and receive a gift of a complimentary general admissions pass that will admit you to all school functions. (You will be asked to present identification so that a pass can be issued in your name).

Post Group of Alcoholics Anonymous

Meets every Thursday night at the First Presbyterian Church, 901 West 10th at 8 p.m. Closed meetings are held except on the last Thursday of the month, which is an open meeting. Door opens at 7 p.m. and the meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. cake and coffee following the meeting. Anyone who wishes to talk or ask about an alcohol problem, call 495-4152, 495-4185 or 629-4393.

Last Chance

Last chance for FREEDOM! Send \$10 today to TCRF, 6112 N. Mesa, Suite 223, El Paso, Texas 79912. Help ratify Texas Constitution 2000. www.tcrf.com

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Apartments for Rent

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Miscellaneous for Sale

B-B-Q briskets, \$20.00 each. Call in order before noon on Friday, pick it up by noon on Saturday. Call Danny Cooper, 495-1252.

For sale Hillary dome tent, sleeps 6, like new. \$75. Call 495-2816 day or 327-5254 evenings.

Two sets luggage, club chair, headache rack, trailer hitch, antique Philco radio, two 8 track players, vacuum cleaner, 8mm movie camera set up and Christmas decorations. Call 495-3459 if interested.

Garage Sales

Saturday, July 31, 901 W. 13th. 9 am till 1 pm. Childrens clothing and misc.

Friday, 9 am, 907 W. 7th.

Carport sale, Saturday, July 31st. 9 am till 7. 505 West 8th. Toys, kids clothes, lots of stuff; everything cheap. Absolutely no early callers. Nell Morris.

Friday 1 pm till 5 pm, Saturday 7:30 till 11:00. 1 1/2 miles North on Hwy. 207. Clothing, mens and boys, ladies 6-8, tool boxes, toys.

Saturday, 9 am till 1 pm. 4H Barn on Lubbock Hwy. Nancy Norman.

Moving Grassland Nazarene Parish. 14 miles West, two miles South of Post. Friday and Saturday 8 - 5. 1979 Suburban, go kart, dishwasher, dryer, entertainment center, bookshelves, misc.

Claimont Hwy., first house (yellow) past cemetery, Saturday 9 till 7. Appliances, air conditioner, furniture, lots of misc., even a 1980 Lincoln Town car. Kenneth Williams.

Legal Notices

Invitation for Competitive Bids
City of Post
Roof tear out and replacement with related repair and replacement items: The city of Post, Texas invites a COMBINED BID from qualified roofing contractors for tear-out and replacement of roofs, flashing, gravel, and the removal and reinstallation of AC equipment on the following buildings located in Post, Texas:

#1 CITY HALL - approximately 66.25 SQ - 3 ply built up + Spanish Tile - two story + 100 SF ceiling tile.

#2 Library - approximately 21.25 SQ - Modified Bitumen + repair of Facade Roof + 90 SF ceiling tile.

#3 GARZA THEATRE - approximately 46.50 SQ - Modified Bitumen - two story.

#4 COMMUNITY CENTER - approximately 124.40 SQ Modified Bitumen

#5 CEMETERY OFFICE - 11.33 SQ 240# Composition + paint

General requirements include:

a. proof of contractor general liability insurance coverage.

b. proof of contractor worker's comprehensive coverage.

c. a performance or cash bond equal the amount of the job must be obtained prior to the start of work.

d. a 48 month roofing warranty

e. bank and commercial references

f. a proposed beginning construction date

g. a statement as to length of time needed to complete the work.

To receive a statement as to the scope of work to be performed please call Fred Stephens, City Manager, City of Post, at 806-495-2811.

Bids should be delivered to Wynonne Kennedy, City Secretary, City of Post, 105 East Main, Post, Texas, on or before 4:00 PM August 12, 1999.

The City of Post reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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Notice of Application

Close City Co-Op Gin has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for issuance of Air Quality Permit No. 41604 to authorize modification and operation of an existing Cotton Gin located approximately 2 miles north of Highway 380 on F.M. 399, Post, Garza County, Texas. The existing facility will emit the following air contaminants: particulate matter, nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide, and unburned hydrocarbons. A person who may be affected by air contaminants emitted from the existing facility may request a hearing.

If the applicant demonstrates the proposed facility will comply with all applicable air quality requirements, the applicant will qualify for issuance of a permit. The subject of a hearing would be limited to applicable air quality requirements, which do not include issues such as water quality, noise, traffic safety, or zoning. If a hearing is held, it will be a legal proceeding similar to civil trials in state district court.

To request a hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) the applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "I/we request a public hearing"; (4) a brief, specific statement of how and why emissions from the proposed

facility would adversely affect you in a way not common to members of the general public; and (5) the location of your property relative to the proposed facility.

Hearing requests or comments on the application must be received in writing at the Chief Clerk's Office, MC-105, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, within 30 days after the second publication of this notice. This notice is to be published on July 22, 1999 and July 29, 1999.

The application and the TNRCC's preliminary analysis are available for review and reproduction at the TNRCC Office of Permitting, 12124 Park 35 Circle, Building C, Austin, Texas 78753. Application documents, a compliance file if any exists, and further information may be obtained from the TNRCC Lubbock Regional Office, Air Program at 4630 50th Street, Suite 600, Lubbock, Texas 79414-3509, telephone (806) 796-7092. Individual members of the public who wish to inquire about the information contained in this notice, or to inquire about other agency permit applications or permitting processes, should call the TNRCC Office of Public Assistance, toll free, at 1-800-687-4040.

Notice To All Persons Having Claims Against The Estate Of Willis Alvin Morris

Notice to all persons is hereby given that the original letters testamentary of the estate of WILLIS ALVIN MORRIS, deceased, was issued to me the undersigned on the 22nd day of July, 1999, in the proceeding indicated below my signature hereto, which is still pending, and that I now hold such letters. All persons having claims against said estate, which is being administered, the county below named, are hereby required to present the same to me at the address below given, before suit upon same is barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such estate is closed, and within the time required by law. JAMES SEALS and VERA MORRIS SEALS may be notified c/o Preston Poole, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 296, Post, Texas 79356.

Dated: 22 July, 1999
JAMES SEALA - Independent Executor

VERA SEALS - Independent Executor

Estate of WILLIS ALVIN SEALS, Probate No. 1702 Garza County, Texas.

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Rotary Club hears program by McKim

The Post Rotary Club, during its July 20 meeting, heard a program presented by Wayne McKim, Garza County adult probation officer.

McKim detailed the work of his office, the types of probation used by Texas courts and the community resources the office uses to help probationers comply with the rules and regulations of their probationers.

McKim presently supervised 88 adult probationers in the county, and at any given time there are 450,000 people on court-ordered probation in Texas.

The 24 Rotarians present also discussed plans for Rotary projects and fundraisers for 1999-2000, which includes seeking better publicity for the group's various activities.

In June of each year, the Rotary Clubs of West Texas sponsor boys and girls for a fun one-week leadership camp near Happy. The Post club will have applications available for any young person who has completed his junior year in high school before next June.

The Post Rotary Club meets each Thursday at noon in the Rotary Room, Post Community Center.

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Trade Days...

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"If you're going to buy for school, this would be a real good time," Self said.

Also on hand will be new vendors offering computer software, including games, and family-oriented videos and posters.

Many of the new vendors will be in the newly-opened area of 24 spaces on the east side of the Weaving Room. At this time, the new area is about half full.

"We're pretty full," Self said. "It's going to be a good one."

In addition to the new vendors, Self said visitors should come out to see the Indian museum located on Lovers Lane just east of the Rainmaker Stage.

"If they've not come to check it out, they need to come," she said. "It's really a nice exhibit."

Many other types of entertainment have also been planned.

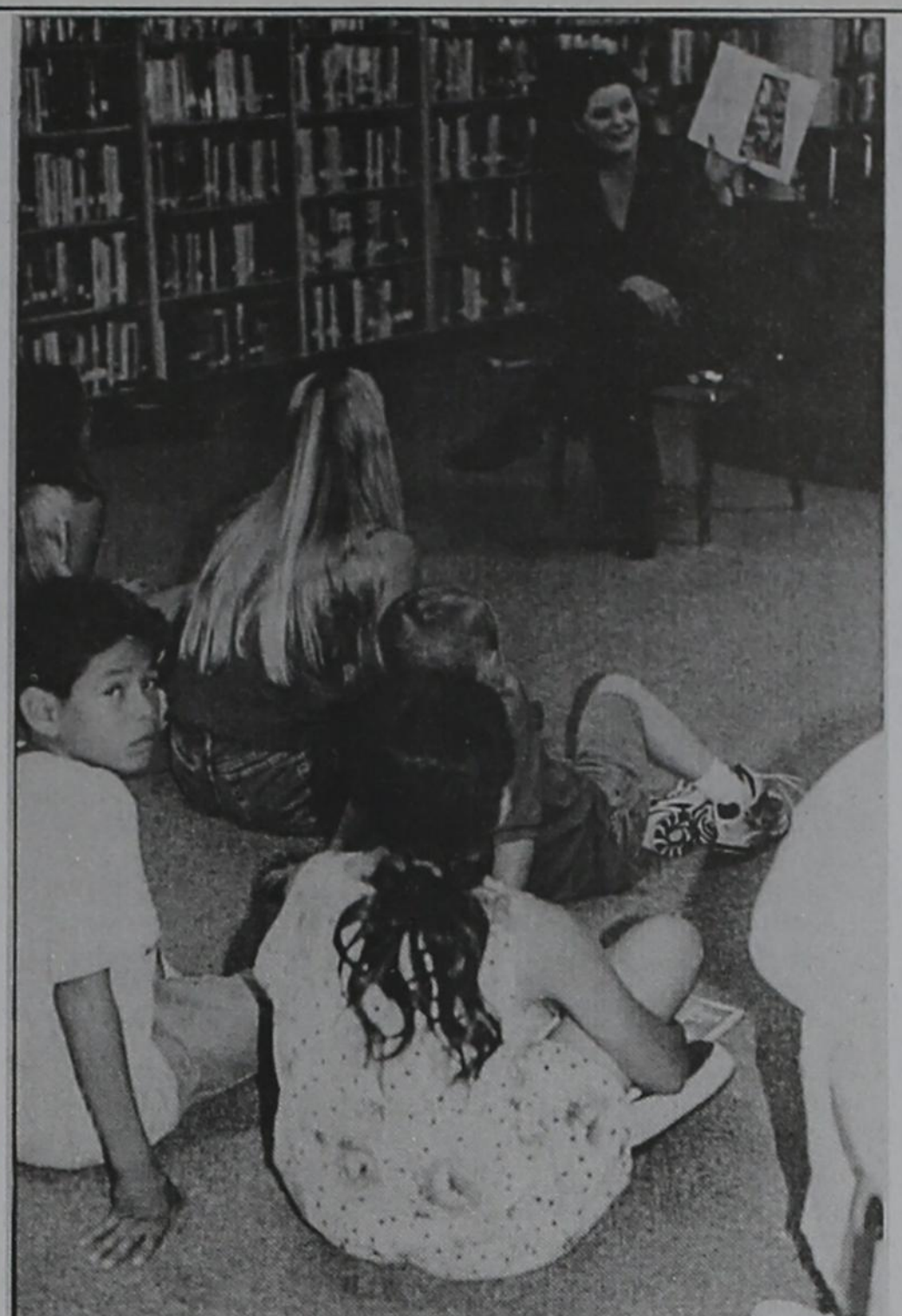
"We've got a lot to offer kids, and they need to get out and have some fun," Self said.

Trade Days has a game room complete with arcade games and pool tables located on the north side of the park; a train ride for kids outside the south gate; gyros on the north side; and a dunking booth operated to benefit MAD DADS on the park's north side.

"School is right around the corner, so this is really their last event to get out and have some fun while Mom is shopping," Self said.

Musical entertainment scheduled during the three-day Trade Days event includes, on Saturday, country singer Kallie Rogers of Ralls performing at noon on the Rainmaker Stage, followed by Lindsay, Stephanie and Georgia Long (The Long Sisters) of Lubbock at 1 p.m.

On Sunday, gospel country singer Blayne Bell of Lubbock will take the stage at 12:30 p.m. The ever-popular Guthrie Family will perform at 2 p.m.



Delila Bishop of Lubbock read a delightful story about the famous escape artist Houdini to children participating in the Post Public Library Summer Reading Program. The reading and magic show which followed is part of the "Magic of Literacy" program.

Sorghum gene mapping develops stay-green line

Plant science researchers at Texas Tech University are narrowing the gap between sorghum that dies prematurely due to heat and moisture stress and lines of the crop that seem to display 'stay-green' characteristics allowing plants to mature normally in high-heat areas, and creating higher yield for producers.

A team of international researchers, under the direction of Henry T. Nguyen, Ph.D., Texas Tech Horn professor of plant genetics in the department of plant and soil science, are using DNA markers — or gene mapping — to breed new lines of sorghum that contain many more drought resistance and moisture stress tolerance properties.

The problem, said Nguyen, is that most commercially produced sorghum hybrids in the U.S. possess a little post-flowering drought tolerance. That is, if there is drought stress after flowering and before the seeds reach maturity, the plant ceases the photosynthesis necessary to fill out the seed with the proteins and carbohydrates important for cattle and human consumption.

"Stay-green genes delay the premature death of leaves and plants, help the normal grain filling and reduce the incidence of lodging, or plants just falling dead to the ground," said Nguyen. "Some lines of sorghum remain green with good stand, and it is the genes from those particular lines we want to identify and manipulate."

Nguyen said the gene-mapping procedure is particularly important to drought tolerance research because of timing. Typically, a researcher using conventional breeding methods must wait through each growing season before the visual evidence is present whether a line will have the obvious stay-green characteristics. Since conventional researchers can only do their plant selection once a year, the process takes a very long time to get to a generation in which the genes are particularly strong.

"By using DNA markers to follow the genes, we can breed the plants approximately three times a year instead of only once during the regular growing season," he said. "The process becomes more efficient, since we don't have to wait for the plant to express (show visual characteristics)."

"We have pinpointed four different chromosomal regions in the sorghum where these stay-green genes exist. Any time we can conduct genome mapping like this, we can pinpoint certain DNA markers as landmarks on a particular chromosome. The next step will be to continue selection and breeding, following the genes at the DNA level."

The ultimate goal, according to Nguyen, is to eventually identify the genes, or DNA sequences, and tell precisely what genetic characteristics they carry, what it does and why, at the cellular biochemical level. He also said his research is a few years away from commercially procuring the heartier stay-green lines.

Sorghum is an important part of the Texas cropping system. "First of all, sorghum can grow here. It does well in a semi-arid climate. Secondly, producers need options for crop rotation to ensure a sustainable system of agriculture," Nguyen said. "Sorghum can be rotated with cotton, just like wheat and corn. Thirdly, with the prevalence of the cattle feed industry in this part of the state, sorghum could certainly be used more more in this area, creating a larger demand for the grain."

Nguyen said the state produces about four million acres of sorghum each year, mostly in the Texas High Plains and Coastal Bend area around Corpus Christi.

"Texas is either number one or number two in the United States, depending on the year, behind Kansas, in sorghum production. In the U.S. the crop is used mostly as an animal feed," he said.

The sorghum also is a global crop, much like corn and wheat, and is used widely as an additive to human consumables.

"India grows a lot of sorghum, as does Africa, Mexico, Central America, Brazil and China," Nguyen said.

The research is funded through a grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture National Research Initiative Plant Genome project, the state's Tex GRAINS program and four major seed companies. Nguyen's collaborators include Darrell Rosenow of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, as well as Hirut Kebede, an Ethiopian scientist supported by the Rockefeller Foundation program on advance training and fellowship for developing countries.

Nguyen believes that researchers in Lubbock and at Tech can be considered the pioneers in developing sorghum into a major commodity for the area, the state and the country. He says there have been scientists working in the area since the 1950s, mostly at the Experiment Station in the early years, to research this crop.

Texas Constitution 2000 outlined at Lubbock meeting

South Plains libertarians will meet Thursday, July 29 at 7 p.m. in the Matador Room at the University Center on the Tech Campus. The program will feature a special presentation by newspaper publisher Wesley W. Burnett of Post. "We cordially invite anyone who is interested in liberty to join us for what is sure to be an interesting evening," Lubbock County Libertarian Party chairman David DeLamar said.

Burnett, who is the former publicity and advertising chairman for the Libertarian Party of Texas, will explain the background and details of Texas Constitution 2000, a proposed new Texas constitution which is being presented for ratification at county conventions beginning in the fall of 1999.

The guest speaker is noted for his outspoken defense of liberty, and a hard-hitting weekly opinion page which emphasizes individual rights and limited government.

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Worship God, You must be a cultist

This is what your governmental leaders think of you. "A cultist is one who has a strong belief in the Bible and the Second Coming of Christ; who frequently attends Bible studies; who has a high level of financial giving to a Christian cause; who homeschools their children; who has accumulated surplus funds and has a strong belief in the Second Amendment; and who distrusts big government. Any of these may qualify a person as a cultist but certainly more than one of these would cause us to look at this person as a threat and his family as being in a risk situation that qualified for government interference." (Janet Reno, U.S. Attorney General, in an interview on "60 Minutes" June 26, 1994).
Denzell Teague

Are we merely slaves to a democracy

According to the Tax Foundation, taxes now consume more than 38% of the average families budget. That is more than is spent on food, clothing, housing and transportation combined. Compare this to the plight of medieval serfs. They only had to give the lord of the manor one-third of their output — and they were considered slaves. So what does that make us?
Daniel J. Mitchell, Heritage Foundation

Let's put our money to work for us!

If the hospital district controversy is going to be solved, we are just going to have to do it ourselves. You've seen your money in action... we're just too "small potatoes" for our representatives and our government to care about.

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3. Purchase the GHD property (surely the district would be willing to sell);
4. Provide a subsidy (non-tax) to doctors, contract it for a clinic, or operate it as a private hospital, all without the legal limits placed on the hospital district, and with unlimited possibilities.

This would leave the hospital district operating within its legal duties and responsibilities and it could reduce taxes dramatically. Everyone gets his/her choice.

Then we can all let bygones be bygones and get on with our lives as friends and neighbors.

Barbara Ethridge

Thanks to store clerk!

On July 12 my wife, granddaughter and I were on our way to New Mexico and stopped at the Town & Country in Post. I left my money clip with our vacation money (which had no identification) on the counter.

I didn't realize what I had done until we arrived in Ruidoso. We were feeling pretty sick, trying to remember where I might have left the clip.

We called Town & Country and discovered that store clerk Lisa Torres had waited on me, had found the clip and turned it in for safe keeping. Thank you, Lisa, for your honesty and also thanks to the friendly people at Town & Country. We assure you, Post and Town & Country will be regular stops for us on our trips.
Paul Curtis, Liberty Hill

Journey of the Hope cyclists say thanks!

The cyclists and crew of the Journey of Hope cross country cycling team would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the people of Post for helping make this year's Journey of Hope a great success.

The 1999 Journey of Hope team, along with corporate sponsorships from Superior Bank, KRG Capital Partners, Saturn Corporation, White Cap Inc., Diversified Electronics, Bank of America and AT&T Wireless Services, raised over \$300,000 for Push America.

In addition to this, we receiving local sponsorships from the Post Lions Club, the Church of Christ and Post High School.

While in Post, the participants of the Journey of Hope were able to establish volunteer relationships with local organizations, which help support people with disabilities. These efforts are the heart and soul of the Journey of Hope and Push America.

The cyclists, crew, and project managers of the Journey of Hope would like to send their sincere thanks to the people of Post. We hope to involve you in all of our future efforts to serve and raise awareness for people with disabilities.

Joey Dickerson, Project Manager Journey of Hope '99



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Main Street Town that should have been

The other night I was driving back to Post, immersed in all thoughts of what work had to be accomplished upon my return. The thought of seeing Post after coming off the Caprock was always inspiring to me, like entering a totally new landscape of age and antiquity, merged in my hopes of making this rural town a destination spot of importance, not just for the liquor stores.

There was an eerie feeling that night, it was overcast, dark to the touch. Then out of nowhere there was a brilliant shining in the sky. The look was something out of a Steve Spielberg movie... U.R.O., volcano... what?

As I approached the edge of the cap, my heart sank into my stomach. There in all its glory was this site of ill-will. Its lights loomed as a monster for everyone to behold.

What once was one of the most glorious views in West Texas has now been destroyed by this temple of doom. One of the richest gifts this town had to offer visitors and travelers has now been obliterated by "economic development" in the form of what looks like a Nazi concentration camp.

A few years ago people were concerned that a superhighway would by-pass Post, sucking the life out of our town as those big highways have done to so many other small towns in Texas. Now all must settle with an even bigger irony.

What were the people of this town thinking? Easy money, keeping growth down, discouraging new businesses, retarding its citizens... what?

This giant white elephant sticking out like a huge sore thumb, should have at least been built out of town and out of sight.

Maybe the Founder's Day we can all take our children out and string lights on the razor blade wire, along with hundreds of Chinese paper lamps, so the kids in this community can take pride in the contribution this town has made to them. Now here's a real opportunity for their future, and what an incentive to stay and live and work as adults in Post... at a prison.

This discouragement alone will not kill our town, but it certainly has crippled it, especially our ability to attract visitors for our many cultural offerings.

Over the past months I've heard many people here complaining about this albatross, but those voices have been shouted down by elected officials who apparently prefer big government projects over the "less important" cultural and tourism efforts by a handful of volunteers.

I am still haunted by a quote from a representative of the Post Commerce and Tourism Bureau, who was quoted in an area newspaper as saying, "No, we don't want a WalMart store here, when they go into a small town, they kill businesses and the town."

Well, heck, let's just build a prison right smack in town, that ought to really bring in the people.

Maybe the Sheriff's Department could get into the act along with the prison, and open up a gift shop specializing in jail-bar-t-shirts, handcuffs, ankle restraints (engraved of course) and barbed wire center pieces for banquets. Now there's some real money!

But let's not forget that there are some real gems in this community, trying to make a positive and pleasing difference. Take a close look at those folks... like Jim and Janice Plummer at the Hotel Garza; all the volunteers at the Garza Theatre, Caprock Cultural Association, Algerita Arts Center and the Garza County Historical Museum.

Hats off to JoAnn Mook and the CCA board, Linda Puckett and her valiant efforts to preserve what's left of this town's history; the Post Dispatch for its honesty and to Old Mill Trade Days for the vision of its leaders.

There is hope, but only if we all take a strong interest in developing our assets toward making a good difference. Shame on those who seek ways to diminish those efforts.

R. Lee White

Federal reserve sued by constitutionalist

Robert Clarkson, an Anderson, South Carolina Constitutional advocate, has filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) lawsuit in U.S. District Court in Washington, DC against the Federal Reserve System; the Governor and Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve; and Federal Reserve Banks in Richmond and Atlanta. The lawsuit is intended to force the Fed and its branches to reveal certain documents under the FOIA.

The FOIA, Title 5 United States Code 552, requires Federal agencies to produce all documents requested in writing under the FOIA. Clarkson made a number of written requests for documents. Federal Reserve officials refused his requests because they claimed the Fed is not a federal agency.

Documents Clarkson has requested include: a) a list of > stockholders of the Federal Reserve broken down by race, creed and national citizenship; b) account of the Fed's donations to political parties and candidates; c) copy of the audit of the Fed; d) minutes of meetings of the Open Market Committee; e) authorization to issue Federal Reserve Notes; f) documents on losses from foreign currency transactions.

Clarkson said in a prepared statement: "The purpose of this lawsuit is to expose the Federal Reserve and bring public attention to the fact that the Federal Reserve Bank is a private institution making vast profits for its private owners. We will ask the Federal Courts to decide whether the Fed is covered by the FOIA law and thereby an agency of the U.S. Government. We expect to lose on that issue, though."

Robert Clarkson is a graduate of Clemson University in Economics (1969) and of University of South Carolina Law School (1974). He served in Vietnam in 1970-71 with the 25th Infantry Division, 22nd Infantry Regiment. He is a recognized authority on the Federal Reserve and the Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act.

Clarkson has filed many prior FOIA-PA lawsuits and is currently suing the Air Force under the FOIA for their records of their own outrageous political activities.

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14 arrests reported

Garza County law officers arrested 14 individuals during action in the past week.

Two arrests on July 21 included a 33 year old man for criminal mischief and trespass and a 49 year old woman for public intoxication.

Three men were jailed and released on July 23. A 28 year old was held for assault under the family code and criminal trespass; a 24 year old was charged with possession of marijuana and a 25 year old for commitment.

Five arrests were recorded on July 25. A 43 year old man was held on a DWI charge; a 19 year old man was charged with no driver's license, no insurance and held on Lubbock warrants; a 38 year old woman was arrested on Lubbock warrants; a 28 year old was charged with DWI; a 25 year old woman was held for public intoxication and a 27 year old man was detained on outstanding warrants.

On July 26 officers arrested three men, one for DWI, one 24 year old for making alcohol available to a minor and a 30 year old man held on a previous warrant.



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To All Interested Persons and Parties

Close City Co-Op Gin has made application with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission for Air Quality Permit No. 41604 to authorize modification and operation of an existing Cotton Gin in Post, Garza County, Texas. The location of the existing facility is approximately 2 miles north of Highway 380 on F.M. 399. Additional information concerning this application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper. This notice is to be published on July 22, 1999 and July 29, 1999.

FREE & REDUCED PRICED MEALS FOR POST ISD STUDENTS

Post Independent School District announces its policy for providing free and reduced price meals for children served under the National School Lunch Program. Each school and/or the central administration office has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party.

The household size and income criteria identified below will be used to determine eligibility for free and reduced price benefits. Children from households whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free or reduced price meals. Foster children that are the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court are also eligible for benefits regardless of the income of the household with whom they reside. Eligibility for the foster child is based on the child's income.

INCOME CHART			
Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Weekly
1.....	15,244.....	1,271.....	294
2.....	20,461.....	1,706.....	394
3.....	25,678.....	2,140.....	494
4.....	30,895.....	2,575.....	595
5.....	36,112.....	3,010.....	695
6.....	41,329.....	3,445.....	795
7.....	46,546.....	3,879.....	896
8.....	51,763.....	4,314.....	996
For each add'l member			
add.....	+5,217.....	+435.....	+101

Application forms are being distributed to households with a letter informing households of the availability of free and reduced price meals for their children. Applications also are available at the principal's office in each school. To apply for free and reduced price meals, households must fill out the application and return it to the school. Applications may be submitted anytime during the school year.

For school officials to determine eligibility for free and reduced price benefits, households receiving food stamps or AFDC only have to list their child's name, food stamp or AFDC case number and an adult household member must sign the application. Households who do not list a food stamp or AFDC case number must list the names of all household members, the amount and source of the income received by each household member who signs the application. If neither household member has a social security number, the household member must indicate that a social security number is not available. The application must be signed by an adult household member.

Under the provisions of the free and reduced price meal policy, principals will review applications and determine eligibility. Parents or guardians dissatisfied with the ruling of the official may wish to make a formal appeal for a hearing on the decision and may make a request either orally or in writing to the principal.

Households that list a food stamp or AFDC case number must report when the household no longer receive these benefits. Other households approved for benefits based on income information must report increases in household income of over \$50 per month or \$500 per year and decreases in household size. Also, if a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases, the household should contact the school. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for benefits if the household income falls at or below the levels shown above.

In the operation of child feeding programs administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, no child will be discriminated against because of race, color, sex, national origin, age or handicap. If any member of a household believes they have been discriminated against, they should write immediately to the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250.