

# The Post Dispatch

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## Dell City woman killed in one-car rollover south of Post

by Sheri Lewis

One woman was killed and two people were injured in an accident that occurred at about 4:30 p.m. Sunday on U.S. 84 about 17 miles southeast of Post.

Gabriela Garcia of Dell City was ejected from the Chevy S10 Blazer in which she, her sister and another Dell City resident were traveling. Garcia died, but her sister, Veronica Garcia, and Jesus Valles were pulled from the burning vehicle by motorists passing by the scene of the accident.

"That's pretty heroic if you ask me," said DPS Trooper Chris Wischkaemper, one of the law enforcement officials who worked the accident scene. "It's really great to see people pull together like that. That's good in my book."

Although DPS officials are still investigating the accident, reports indicate that Valles, driver of the vehicle, appeared to have driven off the road.

"For what reason, we don't know," Wischkaemper said, "but he overcorrected... and his girlfriend's sister was not wearing her seatbelt."

Gabriela Garcia was in the backseat of the vehicle and was not required by law to wear a seatbelt. Veronica Garcia and Valles, seated in the front, were wearing seatbelts, the DPS officer said.

Reports indicate the vehicle, traveling in the westbound lane, rolled several times before landing in an upright position.

The survivors were pulled from the wreckage by Sam Boyd and Roy Brewer of Arlington. Boyd's wife, Sue, a registered nurse, began performing CPR on Gabriela Garcia at the scene. David Evans of Abilene assisted.

Members of the Post Volunteer Fire Department, the Post and Snyder EMS teams, the Garza County Sheriff's Department and the Garza County Constable's Office responded to the accident and assisted at the scene. Aerocare was called out to airlift the survivors to Lubbock hospitals.

As of late Tuesday, both survivors remained hospitalized. Valles was in a private room at Covenant Medical Center, while Veronica Garcia remained in the surgical ICU at University Medical Center.

## Drought has ended over South Plains

Over half a foot of rain was recorded during the month of June at the official observation site at the Lubbock International Airport.

Some 8.48 inches of rainfall was recorded, surpassing the previous record for the month — 7.95 inches — back in 1967.

Post officially recorded 7.64 inches in June, according to Garza County Response Team records.

The rain was more than welcome for area cotton farmers, who are now hoping for a warm July and August with plenty of sun and heating degree units to spur on optimum plant growth.

All of the major drought indices are now near normal for the South Plains, including the Palmer Index and the Crop Moisture Index, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor.

Precipitation averaged 2.0 inches above normal for the South Plains area communities during the month of June.



Fast response by motorists on U.S. Hwy 84 south of Post prevented burning of passengers in this car Sunday evening, although one woman thrown from the car was killed. (Photo by Lannie Lee)

## Commissioners rescind outdoor burning order

by Wes Burnett

Announcing that the Texas Forest Service has removed Garza County from its official drought list, Judge Giles W. Dalby informed the commissioners' court Monday morning that the county-wide outdoor burning ban has been suspended.

"We're required to suspend the ban once the forest service takes us off the list," Dalby told the commissioners. The ban had been in place for the past three months.

The court approved continued association with the Storm Water Coalition, which has managed to lobby federal officials to re-

scind enforcement of certain storm water regulations in rural areas. "It looks like we're going to need to do some more lobbying," Dalby pointed out.

Newly appointed county agents Greg Jones and Sara Wagner presented reports to the court, explaining a wide variety of youth activities. Jones said that agricultural demonstration plots have been established and that a futures market training program is planned in the near future.

The court approved recommendations by the Republican and

Democratic party chairmen for election judges in the November general election. Bill Thomas was named early election judge. Other judges by voting precincts are (1) LeeAnn Hodges, (2) Sam Ellis, (3) Betty Striblin, (4) Melinda Morgan, (6) Debbie Ledbetter, (7) Mark Short, (8) Shirley Reidel and (9) Eddie Jo Miller.

The court began preliminary discussion about the budget, with Dalby reporting an estimated increase of \$70 million in mineral evaluations, a reflection of crude oil price increases.

## GHD committee studies changes in hospital law

by Wes Burnett

A committee to make recommendations on re-writing the Garza County Hospital District enabling legislation has been appointed by the district's board of directors following action at the July 5 meeting. The committee is meeting Thursday (6/13/00) at 7 p.m. at the hospital district office.

"We need to completely rewrite HB 1325," board president Mike Travis said, "and we need to include a provision for holding a dissolution election." The committee is composed of 10 Garza County citizens, with board members recommending two each.

Travis suggested that the committee would take the enabling legislation and do a line-by-line study and recommend changes.

Board member Carol Tobias pointed out that a similar proposal two years failed to muster approval by the Texas legislature. "It died in a Senate committee," she reminded board members, "mainly because it was overloaded, and all we needed was a simple amendment allowing for a dissolution election."

Travis countered by insisting that the enabling legislation is "archaic and out of date."

Tobias reminded the board that there is no constitutional authority to create a health care district. Travis replied that the legislature could do it they wanted to.

"We do not need to change HB 1325, other than to provide for a dissolution election."

Travis said that if the dissolution election were held and voters decided not to close the district, then the enabling legislation would have to be rewritten to allow the district "to take care of the health care of our citizens."

Tobias reminded Travis that the state constitution only requires the district to care for the indigent, and the Attorney General's recent opinion cleared up any misunderstanding about indigent and needy.

In other action, the board approved a survey of its property by Robert Telford. The survey was conducted in order to revise a long-term lease with the City of Post. The lease with the city includes all property to cover the

fact that the ambulance garage was built on city right of way (a closed street).

Hospital district administrator Gina Norman was to attend Tuesday's city council meeting to discuss changes in the lease agreement.

Norman reported that the Primary Health Care Grant Program continues seeking additional clients to satisfy Texas Department of Health guidelines for continuing the program here.

A total of 14 Garza County citizens are currently being served as indigents. Expenses for direct indigent medical care in June was \$10,769.55 with a total for this Fiscal Year of \$31,078.14.

No action was taken following an executive session on personnel matters.

## Post ISD seals plans for 2000-2001 school year

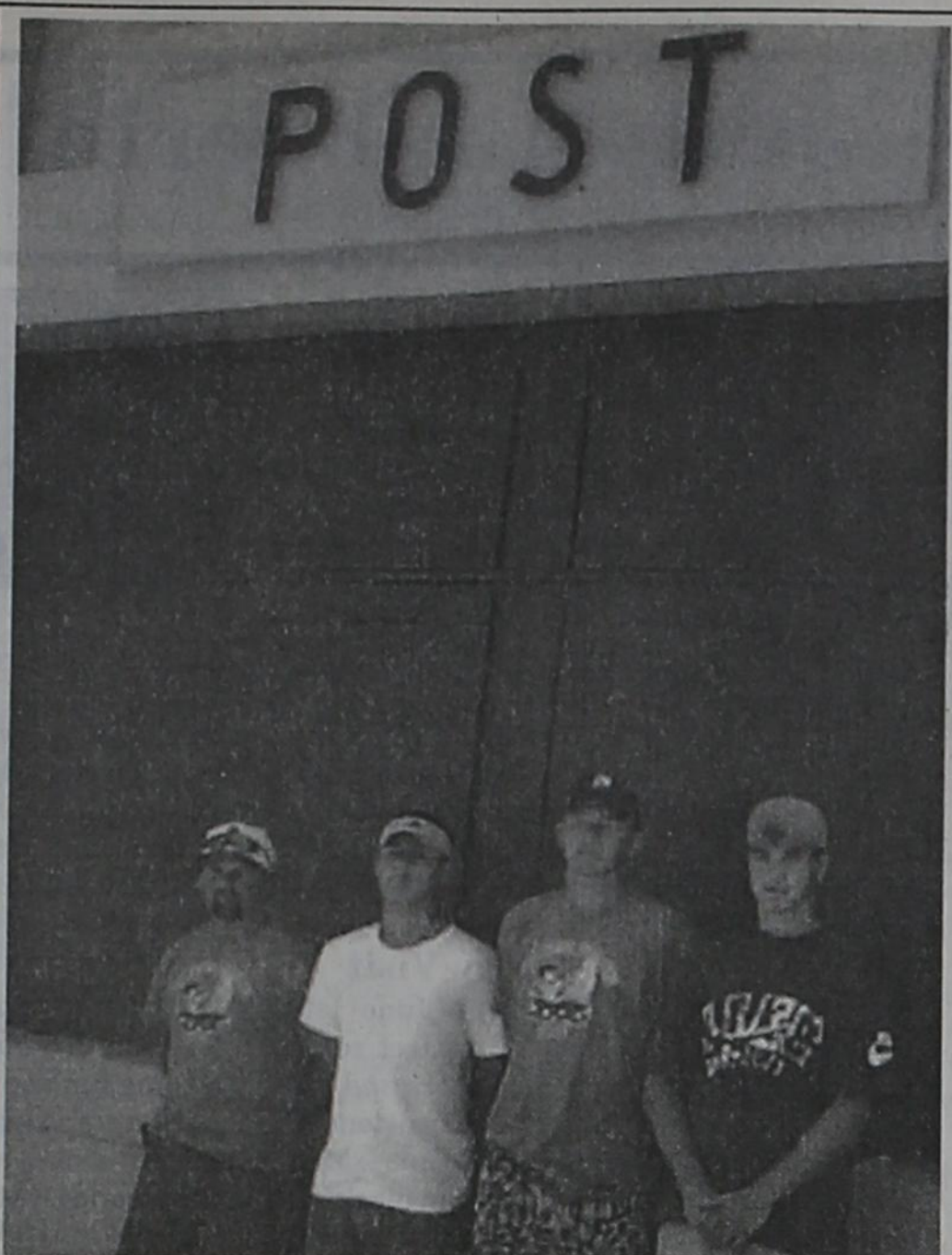
Preparations for the 2000-2001 school year are well under way in the Post Independent School District, and financial plans will be explored at the Aug. 8 meeting of school district trustees.

The coming school year's budget and tax rate will be the subject of a public hearing tentatively set for 7 p.m., according to district officials. The Aug. 8 meeting, which also will serve as the board's regular August session, was set during Monday night's regular trustee meeting.

In other business, trustees approved bids for fuel, service on vehicles, milk, oil and antifreeze. All contracts were awarded to local bidders.

The board approved the Special Education Shared Services Agreement and approved the transfer of title to property at the corner of 10th and Avenue I to the Garza County Trailblazers.

Following an executive session, trustees voted to approve the substitute list for the 2000-2001 school year and hired three new teachers — Xavier Rangel, math teacher/coach.; William Coltrane, middle school history teacher; and Michael Martin, middle school teacher/coach.



Sprucing up the old Santa Fe Depot building with fresh paint recently were (left to right) Rodney Tidwell, Michael Huff, Bryan Looney and Seth Redman. They, along with other MAD DADS Inc. volunteers Wayne McKim and David Lee Rivera responded to a plea from building owner Post Commerce and Tourism Bureau for help.

## Post Notes

### Church softball league returns

The Post area church softball league is back and is encouraging youth and adults to participate. The fee is \$50 per team with a registration deadline of July 19. Contact the First United Methodist Church at 495-2942, Sonja Fields at 495-3401 or Shellee Odom at 495-2457.

### Tennis camp begins July 17

Students entering the third through ninth grade are eligible to participate in the Antelope Tennis Camp. The camp begins July 17 and continues through July 20, from 1 to 4 p.m., with a registration fee of \$20. For more information call coach Dane Vickers at 495-0232 or Darrell Daily at 495-4178.

### Bold Gold football camp

The Bold Gold football camp will be held July 17-20 at the Post High School practice field. Boys entering the fourth to eighth grades are eligible to participate. Cost is \$20 per camper. Those interested in attending the camp should send registration forms to Coach Darrell Daily by July 2 so t-shirts may be ordered. We will accept late registration at camp time. For more information, contact coach Daily at 495-4178.

### Free country music concert

A free country music concert is scheduled for Saturday, July 29 on the parking lot north of the Post Dairy Queen. The Blain Grey Band will be featured, beginning at 7 p.m. The concert is sponsored by the Dairy Queen.

### Rotary Club sponsors "dog dip"

The annual Post Rotary Club sponsored "dog dip" will be held Saturday, July 29 from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at the volunteer fire department. Pet owners are encouraged to take advantage of the service for only \$5 per animal. Dr Larry Mills, D.V.M., will also offer rabies vaccinations for pets.

### YWCA offers free mammograms

The YWCA Breast and Cervical Health Initiative is offering free mammograms and education on early detection of breast and cervical cancer. Contact the center at 729-2723 for more information. This is an ongoing community service project of the YWCA, which is located at 3101 35th St. in Lubbock.

### Donations sought for sports room

Financial assistance is still needed to offset costs incurred in the opening of the PHS Sports Room at the Garza County Historical Museum. Those interested in helping with funding should designate the donation to the sports room on checks written to the Garza County Historical Museum, 119 N. Avenue N, Post, Texas 79356.

### Methodists help with school supplies

The First United Methodist Church of Post is collecting school supplies to assist the Post middle and elementary schools. The collection will continue through the month of July. Donations may be dropped off at the church office, 216 W. 10th, between 9 a.m. and noon or at 123 N. Avenue K. A supply list is available by calling 495-2942 or 495-4154.

### Southland school reunion Aug. 5

The Southland School Reunion will be held Saturday, August 5 at the Southland school. Registration begins at 3 p.m. with a "pot-luck" supper beginning at 6 p.m. Anyone who has lived in Southland or attended Southland school, or supported Southland community is cordially invited to the reunion.

### Emergency Management conference

A public officials' conference on emergency management will be presented Thursday, August 3 at the Post Community Center. The conference will be led by Steve Reddish, Regional Liaison for the Texas Department of Public Safety Division of Emergency Management. There will be two sessions, the first beginning at 1 p.m. and the second at 6 p.m. Local officials may choose to attend either session. The public is also invited to attend.

### Lady Lope basketball camp

The Lady Lope basketball camp will be held August 7-9 at the Post High School gymnasium. Girls entering the third through eighth grades are eligible to participate. Cost is \$20 per camper. Those interested in attending the camp should send in registration forms to Coach Daily by July 15 so t-shirts may be ordered. For more information contact coach Christi Daily at 495-4178.

### Benefit garage sale Saturday

A benefit garage sale, sponsored by the VFW Ladies' Auxiliary, Xi Delta Rho Sorority and the Methodist Church youth group will be held Saturday, July 15 to assist with Samantha Feagin's medical expenses. The garage sale will be held from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the VFW Hall on the Clairemont Hwy. Samantha is the granddaughter of Stanley and Pauline Mathis of Post. Donation of items may be brought to the VFW or by calling Janet Ratliff at 495-2026 or JoAnn Stelzer at 495-3393 for pickup.



Jayta Cravy (left) served as "face painter" for youngsters during the July 4th Blast at the city park. (Photo by Lannie Lee)

## PHS Reunion 2000 hosts 317 former students

by Leslie Acker  
On Saturday, 317 former Post High School students, spouses and friends were welcomed by Mayor Archie Gill ('62) and County Judge Giles W. Dalby ('51) to a reception held in the Post Community Center.

Leslie Acker ('62) presented gift certificates to three former Post High School students recognized for their special efforts in attending the weekend event. They included Geneva Pettigrew Crowley ('31), now 87 years of age, who traveled from Wellington, Kansas, and Sophie Smith Petigrew ('36) and Anne Osborne Gallegos ('57) who came from Redding, Calif., and Orange, Calif., to enjoy the activities.

about the "good ol' days." During the afternoon, most of the former students attended an open house at the Garza County Historical Museum, while others rested, visited and shopped on Main Street or at Old Mill Trade Days.

The Community Center was busy Saturday night as reunion activities continued with a dance featuring Texas Connection from Shallowater. They entertained the crowd with country and western and oldies music. The dance floor was full. Highlighting the evening was the reunited band of 1970 PHS grads Jan Olson, Randy Hudman, David Pierce and Giles McCrary Jr. playing some good old rock and roll during intermissions.

PHS grads from such places as Denver, Colo.; Edgewood, N.M.; Phoenix, Ariz.; Garden City, Kansas; Tulsa, Okla.; Fairhope, Ala.; and Red Owl, S.D., spent the morning trying to recognize each other and talking

The reunion weekend concluded Sunday afternoon with a barbecue lunch at Post's South Park. Danny Cooper ('68) prepared the meal and the weather cooperated for a change.



Attending "Paint the Town Red" camp at Ceta Canyon recently were (left to right) Jordan Payne, Steffi Norman, Bailey Odom, Laura Pederson, and Claire Kirkpatrick. (Photo courtesy Shellee Odom)

## Judy's Jabberin'

By Judy B. Bush



Well folks, I think the heat is really here! I know the farmers need the sun for the cotton, but a nice rumble of thunder would sound too nice!

With everything that has been going on, I forgot to mention that Rick and I were treated to a visit by our kids from May.

Kevin, Devron and little Lexi came in for the weekend. It was great to see them as it had been since Easter. To sound like a regular ole grandma, that Lexi is a cutie. She's kinda shy around us yet but with our loud family she will get out of that. At any rate I enjoyed spending the time with her and her mom and dad.

There were some "greatgrands" glad to see her also. Harold and Jeneice Reno, Fannie Ballentine and Lucille Bush. Do yall think Lexi might be spoiled?

### Busy Visit

Mary Welborn spend the month of June (1st-27th) with her daughter Margaret McVee in Odessa. Margaret really entertained her mom while there. They had lots of visitors and attended some fun shows.

Mary was carried away when they attended Harry Chapin's Cotton Patch Gospel at the Permian Playhouse. Mary said it was wonderful. They also attended concerts by The Blackwood Brothers and Cynthia Clawson, both outstanding Christian concerts.

For some great jazz they attended a David Carr Jr. concert. Mary had pictures of the White-Pool House, which is the oldest structure in Odessa. It is a museum which is home to a number of permanent collections which emphasizes Odessa local history and heritage. Rooms in the home are interpreted in the 1880 and 1930 era. The rooms are beautiful in the pictures. They also visited the Parker House Ranching Museum.

Family and guests that visited with Mary and Margaret during the month:

Wesley and Carol McBee and sons Jason and Ian of Arlington; Mark and Debbie McBee with daughter Meredith and son Mason of Atlanta, Georgia.

You better watch out Margaret, you are gonna spoil Mary!!

### Idiot Sighting

I was at the airport, checking in at the gate, when the airport employee asked, "Has anyone put anything in your baggage without your knowledge?" I said, "If it was without my knowledge, how would I know?" He smiled and nodded knowingly, "That's why we ask."

### Fluitt Reunion

The family of the late Mr. and Mrs. W.O. Fluitt, Sr., recently met for a reunion in the home of W.O. Fluitt, Jr. We all had a great time (as always) and enjoyed some great food.

Those attending: Tom Fluitt of Houston; Maurice and Doris Fluitt of Bowie; Kimberly Winn, Merinda and Dereck of Bowie; Mae Hedrick, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Jones, d Meagan Everett and Mary Jo Evans all of Lubbock.

Family from Post: Lucille Bush, Harold and Jeneice Reno, Nell Mathews, Jerry and Judy Bush, Ricky and Judy Bush, Phil and Windy Mathews, Delwin and Kathy Fluitt, Daniel Fluitt, Pete and Juanella Hays, Daniel, Trevah Yarbro with Quinton, Clinton and Kale, Salli Bush, Reece and Raegan Blongia, Lanny Fluitt, Jay Fluitt and Amanda and Alison Quisenberry all of Post.

### Birthdays this Week

Friday, July 14; Hailey Pearson, Jo Ann Robinson, Ken Young, Ricardo Barboza III, Corbin Saldivar, Amanda McBride, Ed Gossett and Jimmy Solis; Anniversary, Ronnie and Vodabeth Gradine : Saturday, July 15; Tana and Tyler Starkey, Terry Jarrett, Christina Aguilar, Bonnie Trimm, Maximo Castaneda, Ramon Holquin, Randy McCallister, Thressa Harp and Wayne Line; Anniversary, Greg and Sherry Williams: Sunday, July 16, Thelma Criswell, Adelina Quintana, Amanda Quintana, Dianna Ratke, Carmen Rodriguez and Cheyenne Poe: Monday, July 17, Chelsea Moreno, Keri Holly and Dee Ann Tackitt; Anniversary, Gerald and Gloria Braddock: Tuesday, July 18, Lorrye Roye, Leslie Solis and Sandra Benham; Anniversary, Wade and Carol Peppers: Wednesday, July 19, DeDe Smith, K'Lenn Hair, Jane Mason, Sam Bevers and Heather Bullard; Anniversaries, Ray and Celia Mason and James and Melinda Morgan: Thursday, July 20, Michael Lambert, Kelbie Oden, Scott Hair, Anthony Cruse, Elias Quinonez, Debra Worthington, Jay Cole, Jacob Egbert and Ryan Belongia; Anniversary, Lance and Tami Egbert.

### Out Of The Mouths Of Babes

A frail old man went to live with his son, daughter-in-law and four year old grandson.

The old man's hands trembled, his eyesight was blurred and his step faltered. The family ate together at the table, but the elderly grandfather's shaky hands and failing sight made eating difficult.

Peas rolled off his spoon onto the floor. When he grasped the glass, milk spilled on the table cloth. The son and daughter-in-law became irritated with the mess.

"We must do something about Grandfather," said the son. "I've had enough of his spilled milk, noisy eating, and food on the floor". So the husband and wife set a small table in the corner. There, Grandfather ate alone while the rest of the family enjoyed dinner.

Since Grandfather had broken a dish or two, his food was served in a wooden bowl. When the family glanced in Grandfather's direction, sometimes he had a tear in his eye as he sat alone.

Still the only works the couple had for him were sharp admonitions when he dropped a fork or spilled food. The four year old watched it all in silence.

One evening before supper, the father noticed his son playing wood scraps on the floor. He asked the child sweetly, "What are you making?"

Just as sweetly the boy responded, "Oh, I am making a little bowl for you and Mama to eat you food in when I grow up."

The four year old smiled and went back to work. The words so struck the parents that they were speechless. Then tears started to stream down their cheeks. Though no words were spoken, both knew what must be done.

That evening the husband took Grandfather's hand and gently led him back to the family table. For the remainder of his days he ate every meal with the family and for some reason, neither husband nor wife seemed to care any longer when a fork was dropped, milk spilled or the table cloth soiled.

Any wooden bowls in your cabinet?

See Ya Next Week

Hope you all have a great weekend. May God bless each and everyone of you. See ya next week.

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## Movie Hints

Editor's Note: This column is strictly the opinion of the writer, and is provided from time-to-time for the enjoyment of our readers.

by Wes Burnett

Here's a recap of movies we've seen in the past few weeks:

**Mission Impossible** - It's almost impossible to describe the impossible and incredible action in this Tom Cruise thriller. The love affair is contrived and shallow, but if you like Tom Cruise and you like lots of impossible to believe action, you'll get a kick out of this mission impossible.

**Irene, Myself and I** - Not Jim Carey's greatest movie, but still, it has its bright spots and his funny stuff. Renee Zellweger lights up the screen, as always. Lots of laughs, even if some of it is a bit on the cruel side. A lot of nasty language, not recommended for children.

**The Patriot** - Lots of stuff has been written about this one, pro and con. Students of American history will find the movie a bit shallow in places, and the battle scenes are just too much like "Braveheart," too long and overdone. The story is a good one, and I wish the writer or director had elaborated a bit more on the pre-war debate. The flag-waving patriotism was healthy in many ways. It could've been a great movie, but misses the mark.

**The Perfect Storm** - This is a great movie. The ingredients for academy recognition abound. Terrific acting, good character development, excellent feel for the people, and special effects are gripping. A bit too much of a reminder of "Titanic," but still, it's worth seeing.

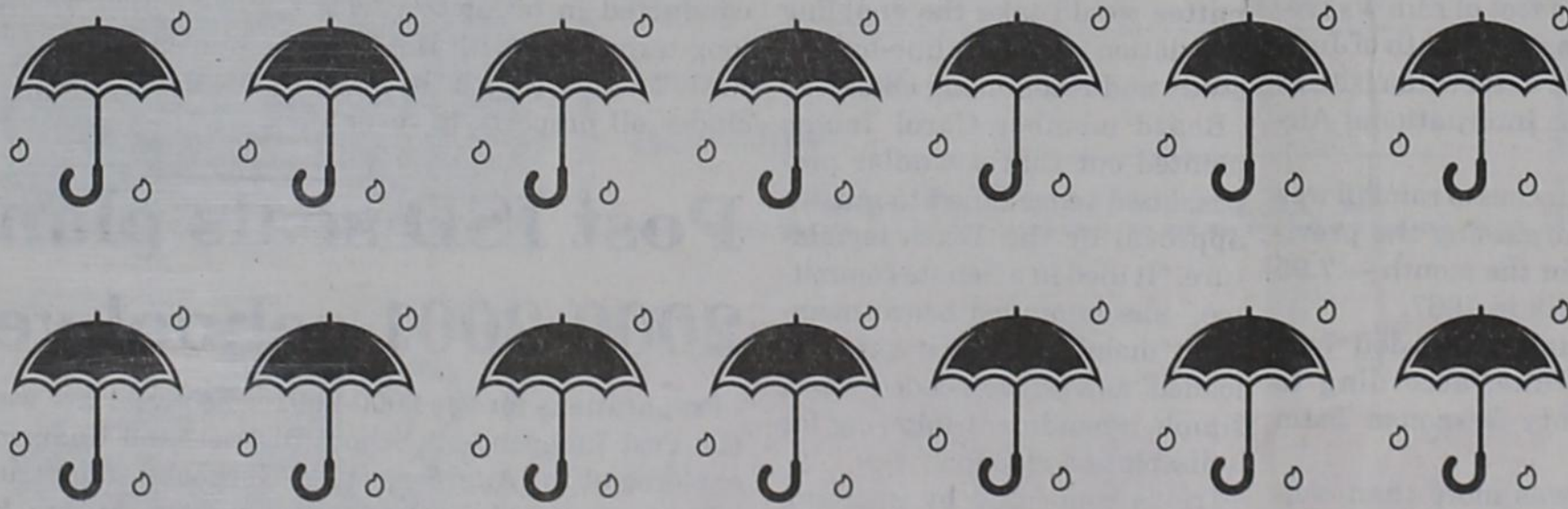
**Disney's The Kid** - This one is for the whole family, although children under 10 might have a bit of trouble figuring out who is who. Bruce Willis is superb, and his young sidekick does a great job. It's an interesting story, albeit a bit confusing at times. Definitely worth seeing.

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## Neighbor to Neighbor

by Sara Wagner, CEA-FCS

### What Are Your Children Watching?

Summer is a time for kids to go swimming, sleep late, and veg out in front of the TV, but have you ever given much thought to what your children are watching? All of us have heard about the detrimental effects media content can have on our children, but nothing much seems to be done about it. Think about your child, especially the young ones, being "zoned" to the TV.

You have called their name over and over, you've waved your hand in front of their face, but nothing seems to break their attention from the images they are watching. The bright colors, quick movements, and sudden flashes capture the child's attention and that attention is not easily diverted.

Media is parents' most powerful competitors for their child's mind and heart. In some cases, the child may spend more time and have a better relationship with the TV than they do with their parents.

Why do researchers believe that TV has such a negative effect on children? It's quite simple. It is instinct for children to imitate. A daughter may imitate her mother cooking or talking on the phone. A son may imitate his dad working with tools.

Therefore, it is natural when a child sees someone on television he or she looks up to they will mimic their behavior. Such as fighting like a Power Ranger or using less than appropriate language they heard on the movie Matilda. It is very important that you monitor the types of programs your children are watching.

If your child is watching a program that has violent, sexual, or adult content, just think of the things they may be imitating both in and out of your sight. It is also important for you as a parent to be a good model. Again, children imitate what they see and if you spend all of your time in front of the TV, they will spend all of their time in front of the TV.

Childhood obesity and lack of exercise is also a concern of researchers in this area. TV requires a child to be passive and inactive. The TV programs job is to entertain and the child's job is to sit and watch. This explains the trance that children go into while watching a favorite TV program. Remember when you were young how you used to ride your bike, make mud pies, and run through the sprinkler?

Children aren't doing that anymore. They would rather be watching a video or playing a game on the computer. They aren't getting the exercise they need to stay healthy and fit.

The above are just a few examples of the negative effects TV can have, but what can be done about them? The following are a few things a parent can do to help their child to develop positive viewing habits.

1. Set limits - Limit your child's use of TV, movies, and video and computer games to no more than 1 to 2 hours per day. This may require some creative thinking on your part to provide them some interesting and attention holding activities.

2. Plan your child's viewing - Instead of flipping through channels, use a program guide and the TV ratings to help you and your child choose shows. Turn the TV on to watch the program you chose and turn it off when the program is over.

3. Watch TV with your child - Although you may not be as entertained by the Rugrats as they are, watching the program with your child and talking to them as it plays will help keep your child from being "zoned" and help them understand the role of TV (i.e., the difference between make believe and real, etc.).

4. Find the right message - Even a poor program and turn out to be a learning experience if you talk to your child about it. For example, programs that portray stereotypes of women, the elderly, and people of other races. This could lead to a deep conversation about the way people are different and the way they are the same. Remember, if you don't agree with the subject matter of a show your child is watching, you can either turn the TV off, or explain why you object.

5. Don't expect your child to resist commercials - Some researchers suggest that you can explain to a child that commercials are designed to make people want things they may not need. If you think you can explain that to a three year old and they will realize they no longer want the super, mega power zoard go ahead, I wish you luck. A better tactic, in my opinion, is to tape a show leaving out the commercials, or better yet, have your child get up and do some movements and expel some energy before the program returns.

6. Look for quality children's videos - There are many quality videos available for children that you can rent or buy. If you have a question about a certain video or just want some suggestions contact The Coalition for Quality Children's Media at <http://www.cqcm.org>.

7. Give other options - Don't allow watching TV to become a habit for your child. Help your child find other things to do with his/her time such as reading, playing, participating in activities with family and friends, learning a new hobby, sport, or instrument, or, most important, spending quality time interacting with a parent.

8. Set a good example - Limiting your own TV viewing and choosing programs carefully will help your child do the same.

9. Express your views - When you don't like something you see on television, make yourself heard. Write to the station, network, or the program's sponsor.

10. Get more information - Your pediatrician, public service groups, your local parent/teacher association, and parenting publications can provide you with more information about the proper role of TV in your child's life.

In closing, I would like to leave you with some statistics on media viewing by children. The use of media by children have reached an average level of more than 38 hours per week. By the time today's children reach age 70 they will have spend seven to ten years of their life watching television! American children have viewed an estimated 360,000 advertisements before graduating from high school.

American children view 2,000 beer and wine commercials per year. The average teenager will view nearly 14,000 sexual references, innuendoes, and jokes per year. Very alarming statistics. I challenge you to take a stand on what your child is watching and how much time they spend watching TV.

Remind your children of the good things in life, like climbing trees, watching the sunset, and the feel of mud between your toes, they will thank you for it in the long run.



Thomas Zachary kept Post and the world-wide web abreast of July 4th activities, broadcasting live on Classic Cable Channel 17 and on the Internet at [www.postcityradio.com](http://www.postcityradio.com) from the City Park on July 4th. (Photo by Lannie Lee)



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### Extension Extras

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

#### Home Horticulture Tour...

...is planned for Friday, July 21, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. For more details, see CEA-AG, Greg Jones column in today's paper.

#### Recipes Needed

We are compiling the "Home for the Holidays" cookbook and, therefore, we need some good holiday recipes. If you have a recipe that is guaranteed to be a family favorite, please bring it by or send it in to the Extension office at 102 South Avenue L, Post, Texas 79356.

#### Seamstresses Needed

If you enjoy sewing and would like to help teach a youngster how to sew, please call Sara Wagner at 495-4400.

#### 4-H Clothing Project

Any youth 9 (or in the 3rd. grade)-18 wanting to sign up for the 4-H Clothing Project need to call the Extension Office. Clothing workshops, tentatively scheduled for July 17-21, will cover the basics of sewing, crafts, comparison shopping and on-line shopping, tours and modeling and grooming techniques. Call today if you want to participate in this fun filled project.

#### 4-H Animal Projects

If you need assistance in finding or selecting steers, goats, sheep or hogs, please call Greg Jones at 495-4400.

Educational programs of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age or national origin.

## Menu

Friday, July 21, 2000  
BBQ chicken, corn, green beans, coleslaw, biscuit and apricot cobbler.

#### Trailblazers

Monday, July 17, 2000

Chicken strips, new potatoes, cream gravy, broccoli, hot roll and brownie.

Tuesday, July 18, 2000

Pork chops, butter beans, beets, tossed salad, cornbread and pear crunch.

Wednesday, July 19, 2000

Burritos, rice, squash casserole, tossed salad, tortilla chips and chocolate cake.

Thursday, July 20, 2000

Salisbury steak, green peas, cauliflower-cheese sauce, wheat roll, stuffed pears and cookies.



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by Greg Jones, CEA-AG

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Dr. Harold Kaufman, Extension Plant Pathologist, and Greg Jones, County Extension Agent, will try to determine a solution to your plants' predicament. We will make home visits from 9:00 a.m. to 12 Noon on the 21st. If you will not be at home during this time please make arrangements to leave your phone number and you will be notified of a possible solution to your problem.

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# Obituaries

## Jerry Courson

Graveside services for Jerry Dale Courson, 65 were Saturday, July 8, 2000 at 2:00 P.M. at the Terrace Cemetery. The Rev. Jim Graham, Pastor of the Church of the Nazarene, officiated. Services were under the personal care of Justice-Mason Funeral Home.

Mr. Courson died Thursday, July 6, 2000 at Covenant Medical Center, Lubbock.

Mr. Courson was born November 4, 1934 at Coahoma, Texas to Vance and Juanita (Cook) Courson. He attended school at Coahoma and Borger and graduated Borger High School in 1953. He married the former Darlene Dodd November 2, 1955 in Borger. In 1967 they moved to the Dallas area, where he worked as a welder until his retirement in 1995. In 1997 they moved to Post, where he helped his son with the Caprock Golf Course. He was preceded in death by his parents and also by a brother Ronald Courson.

Survivors include his wife; one son: Steve Courson and his wife Patricia of Post; one daughter: Teresa Pace and her husband Dusty of Kemp; and a sister: Doris McKain and her husband Bud of Houston;

Four grandchildren: Sheri Hollis, Chad Hollis, Shane Courson and Patrick Courson; and Three great grandchildren: Michael Hollis, Cassidy Hollis and Katie Hollis;

Two sisters-in-law: Rosie Dodd of Dumas and Mary Trevino of Garland; two brothers-in-law: Tony Dodd of Dumas and Lester Dodd of Mesa, Arizona.

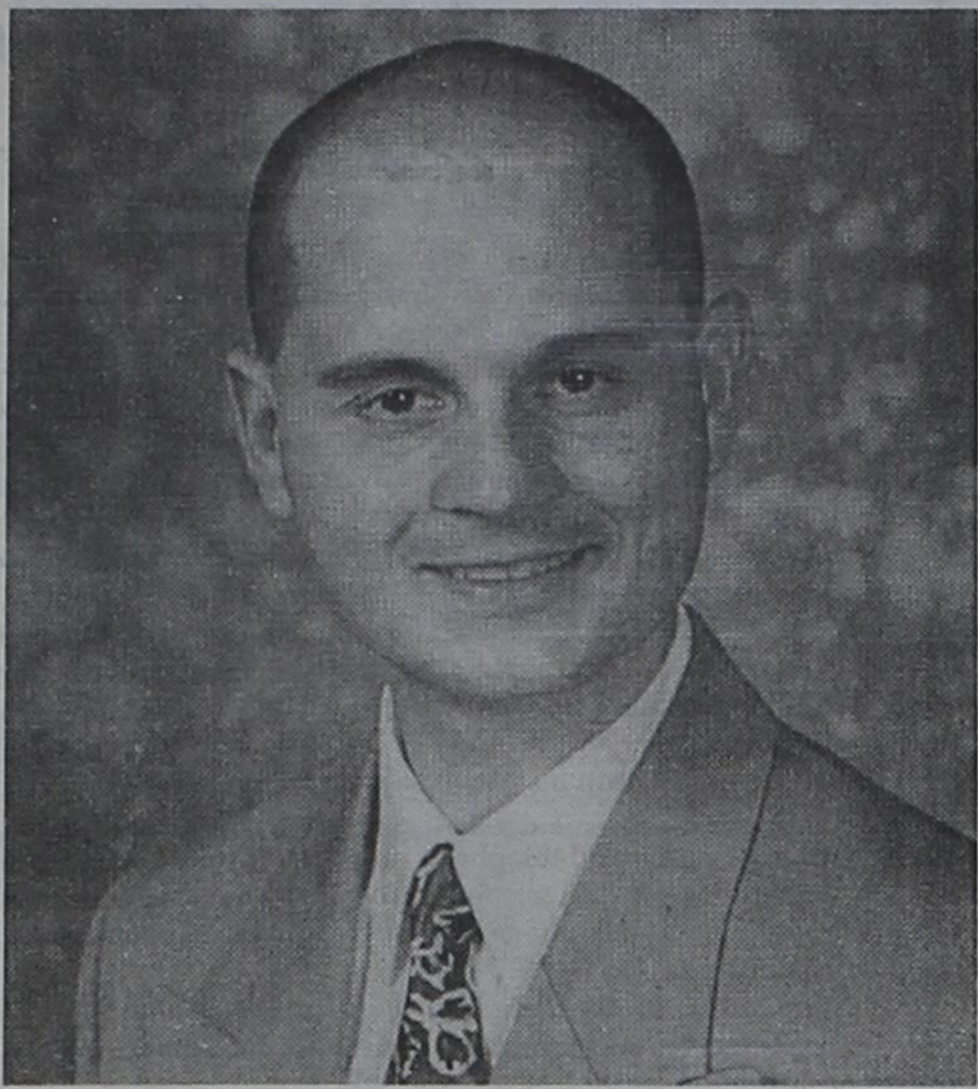
## Pat Adamek

Services for Pat Adamek, 69, of Southland were held at 7 p.m. Monday, July 10, 2000, in Englands Chapel with the Rev. Lawrence Hemp officiating. Mass was held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 11, in St. Joseph Catholic Church with the Rev. Hemp officiating, assisted by Dr. Cleve Kerby. Burial was in the Resthaven Cemetery in Southland under the direction of Englands Funeral Service.

He died Sunday, July 9, in the University Medical Center in Lubbock following a brief illness.

Born Nov. 22, 1940, in Cameron, he moved to Slaton Nov. 22, 1943, from New Home. He attended school at St. Joseph Parochial School and graduated from Slaton High School in 1959. He attended Cameron State College in Lawton, Okla., on a football scholarship and participated in rodeos as a bullrider for many years. He married Jeanie Shelton Oct. 30, 1964, in Tahoka. He was an electrician and welder in the metal fabrication business and helped construct Jones Power Plant in Slaton, Tolk Station in Muleshoe and Lubbock Power and Light.

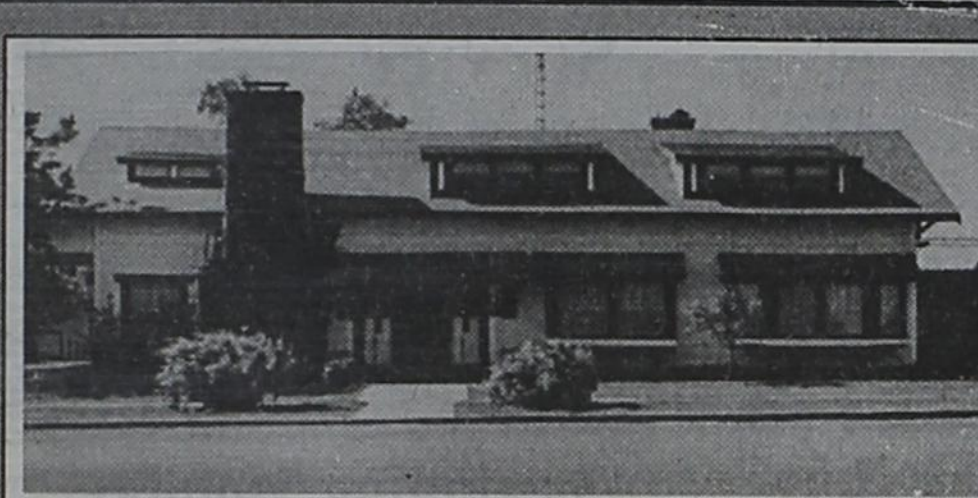
Survivors include his wife, Jeanie, of Southland; two daughters, Monique Binford and Marlana Adamek, both of Southland; his parents, Henry and Marie Adamek of Slaton; one brother, Henry Adamek of Bay Center, Wash.; two sisters, Janet Reynolds of Southland and Judy Tullis of Plainview; and two grandchildren.



Evangelist gospel "One Man Quartet" Chris Smith will be in concert at the Post Church of the Nazarene on Sunday, July 16 at 11 a.m. The church is located at 202 W. 10th and the public is invited to the special gospel concert.

To understand everything makes one tolerant.

—Germaine de Staël



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## Tax 'n Facts

by Terri Cash

### Protecting Your Estate's Assets

Federal estate taxes, which range from 37 to 55 percent, can take a big bite out of an estate. Careful planning can protect your assets, eliminating or at least minimizing the tax bill.

The good news: you can leave \$675,000 tax-free this year, (rising to \$1 million in 2006), in addition to the unlimited amount you can leave a spouse who is a U.S. citizen. More good news: professional know-how can help you shelter more.

One choice is a credit-shelter or bypass trust, into which husband and wife each bequeath property up to the estate-tax exemption. At the death of one, the other spouse can tap the trust; at the second death, the remaining assets pass to the other heirs tax-free. Another option is an irrevocable life insurance trust to hold an existing or new policy. There are some caveats, but it's effective in many situations. Other special trust vehicles can help you protect your assets while controlling where they go.

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Courtney Short entertained folks at the park July 4th, singing a full medley of Dixie Chick popular songs. (Photo by Lannie Lee)

## County gets help from TFS with fire truck

Garza County took advantage of equipment aid available from the Texas Forest Service with the recent acquisition of a free five-ton truck tractor courtesy of the Federal Excess Personal Property equipment program.

Under the FEPP program, equipment acquired through the military is transferred to qualifying fire organizations at no cost.

Additional free equipment is available to rural fire departments thanks to the Industrial Helping Hands program, through which companies and organizations donate industrial fire equipment. Companies interested in donating industrial fire equipment should contact the TFS Rural Fire Defense Section at 409-639-8130 for more information.

Volunteer fire departments may save money through several other programs administered by the Texas Forest Service. A self-insurance vehicle liability insurance pool offers

liability coverage for \$250 per vehicle, ambulances excluded. Fire departments also can purchase firefighter clothing, hand tools and water handling accessories at discount prices through the Fire Safe program. TFS regional fire coordinators located across the state now provide local training in wildland firefighting techniques and assist fire departments with applications for equipment and financial assistance.

Detailed information on volunteer fire department programs is available from the Texas Forest Service regional fire coordinators and from the agency's Rural Fire Defense Section, P.O. Box 310, Lufkin, TX 75902-0310.

Force has no place where there is need of skill.

—Herodotus

## Graham Livestock Commission reports cattle sales

Receipts 2063 consisting of 580 packer cows, bulls, bred cows and cows and calves, 362 yearlings and 1120 calves, all packer cows and bulls were \$1.00 to \$1.50 lower; bred cows were steady; cows and calves were steady and still in good demand; 200 and 400# heifers were fully stead, 400 to 600# heifers were \$1 lower, 600 to 800# heifers were steady to \$1 higher, 200 to 400# steers were \$2 lower, 400 to 600# steers were \$2 lower. Bulls \$2 to \$3 lower, 600 to 800# steers were steady. Bulls steady.

### Representative sales

- Raymond Matlock, Jacksboro, 495# black heifer @ \$102; 485# black steer @ \$105.
- Larry Gill, Trent, 1020# bred brg cow, \$630; 940# hfrette, \$54.
- Don Bucklew, Olney, 1150# ctr cow, \$47.50; 865# cnr cow, \$37.
- 3S Ctl Co., Archer City, three Char steers 558#, \$97.50; three red steers, 460#, \$101.
- Jim Bob Coody, Breckenridge, 360# Char bull, \$110; 320# black steer, \$130.
- Fred Sharp, Henrietta, 475# blk bull, \$108; 355# blk hfr, \$105.
- William Mills, Seymour, two red heifers 402#, \$101; four redwf str 433#, \$95.
- Daws & Coker, Throckmorton, four open young black cows, 990#, \$57; three redwf cows 1010#, \$53.
- Chris Hall, Brazosport, 630# blkwf str @ \$96; 650# black heifer, \$87.
- Allen Stephens, Elbert, two Char steers, 642#, \$92; three Char heifers, 653#, \$90.
- Gene Dozier, Graham, six young red pairs 871#, \$840; three redwf pairs, 1180#, \$785.
- Laverne Scott, Bellevue, 1180# ctr cow, \$47; 1245# roan pair, \$780.
- Melvina Pennington, Palo Pinto, 1125# ctr cow, \$46; 220# blkwf bull, \$145.
- Stephen Hornady, Windthorst, five red steers 504#, \$97; six red steers, 592#, \$94.50.
- Phil Taylor, Breckenridge, 570# black heifer, \$91; 380# black heifer, \$114.
- Binker Quillin, Seymour, four black steers 360#, \$114; three black steers 306#, \$134.
- Jack Strain, Millsap, three black heifers, 440#, \$102; three black heifers, 560#, \$94.
- Jim Underwood, Graham, 330# black heifer, \$117; 435# red bull, \$104.50.
- Mozelle Smith, Throckmorton, four Charlais bulls, 488#, \$105; two Char heifers, 440# \$103.50.
- W.M. Welch, Wichita Falls, 775# Char steer, \$86; five black heifers 570#, \$90.
- Sims Ranch, Baird, 375# blk str, \$105; 290# blk str, \$125.
- George London, Vernon, 995# ctr cow, \$44.
- Pat Boyd, two black steers, 725#, \$85.
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Minor League Cubs - (back) Manager Jason Porter, coach Chris Wischkaemper, (middle) Coleman Scroggins, Michael Porter, Brandon Crawford, Jake Wischkaemper, (front) John Sopic, Caitlin Cravy, Chase Greathouse and Thorne Greathouse. Not available for photo were Lorenzo Soto, Henry Apolinar, Trent Lawrence and Fabian Flores.

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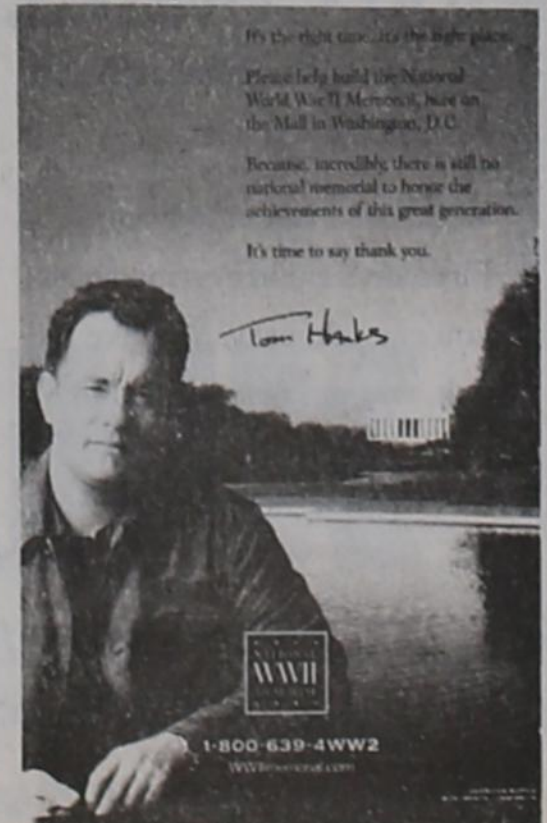
A public officials conference on emergency management will be presented at the Post Community Center Thursday, Aug. 3.

Steve Reddish, regional liaison for the Texas Department of Public Safety's Division of Emergency Management, will lead the presentation. Reddish will explain emergency management, the need for emergency management in Texas and the way Texas is organized to address emergency management.

The first three-hour session will begin at 1 p.m. The second session will begin at 6 p.m.

Local officials may choose to attend either session.

The public is welcome to attend. For more information, contact Arnold Fry at 781-9498.



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# Opinions



## And thereafter, those high gas prices

by Walter E. Williams



Whether we like today's high gasoline prices or not, according to Vice President Gore they're good for us. In Gore's book "Earth in the Balance," he claims that the internal combustion engine is the single greatest threat to mankind and the way to combat that threat is with higher fuel prices.

Now that the OPEC cartel has managed to push oil prices from 1998's \$10 a barrel to nearly \$30, instead of Gore publicly thanking OPEC for helping to save the environment, he's calling for an investigation of "Big Oil" for price-gouging.

That's standard for politicians — pointing fingers to divert attention away from the folly they created. OPEC's supply restrictions no doubt account for part of the gasoline shortage problem, but it's the Congress and the White House who've made us more vulnerable to our Middle East "friends," for whom we fought a costly war to preserve their sovereignty.

We're vulnerable because of restrictions placed on domestic oil exploration. Congress has refused to authorize exploration in a small section of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge that in 1980 was specifically set aside by law for exploration.

That site is estimated to contain 16 billion barrels of oil. The Clinton-Gore administration recently used its executive powers to lock up 43 million acres of government land in so-called roadless areas making oil exploration impossible. Plus, more restrictions have been placed on offshore drilling.

Just recently, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that two oil companies which purchased oil and natural gas leases from the government, and later prevented from drilling, have to be compensated by the government. The bottom line is U.S. oil is in plentiful supply.

Our dependence on imported oil reflects the power that environmental groups have in Congress to stifle domestic oil production. That benefits OPEC immensely, and I wouldn't be surprised if OPEC nations were major donors to environmental groups.

Another part of the problem is the 1990 Clean Air Act. Provisions of the Act allow the Environmental Protection Agency to mandate the use of reformulated gas. The National Academy of Science reports that the benefits to the environment of reformulated gas were trivial.

On top of that, MTBE — a chemical used in reformulated gas — is showing up in our water supplies as a cancer-causing contaminant. Requiring companies to produce reformulated gas increases manufacturing costs and the price we pay at the pump.

Some oil companies in some areas of our country blend their gasoline with ethanol, a corn derivative, as a means to meet EPA mandates. In 1999, for an equivalent amount of energy, ethanol was twice as expensive as gasoline. In addition, ethanol is extremely water-soluble and cannot be transported in pipelines.

Instead, it must be trucked, barged or railed to distribution sites, where the finished product is then trucked to gas stations. That's more expensive. But what the heck! Congressmen from the farm states pushed for ethanol mandates to benefit their constituents.

Whether it harms the rest of the nation is not much of a concern to them. Another part of the high prices are federal, state and local taxes imposed on gasoline. The federal tax alone is 18.4 cents. State and local sales taxes can be as high as 30 percent of the selling price.

That means that if gas costs \$1.75 a gallon in your area, its pre-tax price might be \$1.35. Your state legislators might pretend they feel your pain, but they love revenue. When gas prices are \$1.00 a gallon, they extract 30 cents in tax revenues; when gas sells for \$2.00, their take doubles to 60 cents.

Here's my bet: If Congress were to announce the ending of restrictions on domestic oil production, there'd be a fall in oil prices and the crumbling of OPEC.

To find out more about Walter Williams, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at [www.creators.com](http://www.creators.com).

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## What's wrong with patriotism?

by Vin Suprynowicz

Actor Mel Gibson, producer-director Roland Emmerich and Columbia Pictures seem to have presented the forces of Political Correctness with a bit of a conundrum this Fourth of July.

"The Patriot" — the new Columbia film about the Revolutionary War in the Carolinas — is proving to be enormously popular with American audiences, not just in ticket sales but in the resurfacing of a long-abandoned phenomenon: Theater audiences are actually wiping away tears and rising to their feet to cheer at the picture's conclusion.

Yet many in the mainstream press insist this film's object lessons about patriotism, the need for even reluctant men of conscience to sometimes take up arms in defense of hearth, home, and principle — and even the potential effectiveness of an armed amateur citizenry in resisting tyranny — are inadvisable, inappropriate, corny and maybe even a bit scary.

The real focus of horror on the part of the forces of Political Correctness, clearly, is the crucial scene in which Gibson's character is transfigured into a man of action.

In a character based in part on the life of Francis Marion — the famous "Swamp Fox" who bled the occupying British forces with his guerrilla raids — Gibson plays Benjamin Martin, a reluctant patriot and widower who considers it his first job to preserve his family by remaining neutral in the burgeoning conflict.

But, having just seen one of his children killed despite his piteous pleadings with the evil Col. William Tavington (based on history's infamous Col. Banastre Tarleton, who recalled in his memoirs the pleasure he took in shooting fleeing rebels in the back) and with a second son under imminent threat of unjust execution — Martin finally abandons his pacifism, hands flintlocks to his younger boys, aged about 10 and 13, and leads them on a wild run through the woods to a point where they can ambush the British column.

Here is the very kernel of the American Revolution — a miraculous triumph of everyday, amateur American families taking up arms in a fight for liberty against what was then the world's most powerful army — which the forces of the collectivist left have been struggling for generations to replace with a revisionist version of our history as nothing but a scurrilous catalog of genocide and oppression.

"Don't mistake 'The Patriot' for history," warns James Verniere of The Boston Herald. "It's a sales pitch for America."

"Overblown sanctimony and sentimentalism," agrees Ann Hornaday in The Baltimore Sun, "as corny as the Fourth of July."

"In a scene that will put lead in the spine of Second Amendment fundamentalist Charlton Heston, Martin tears into his larder of unregistered muskets... and wreaks havoc on those who would invade his home," sneers Jack Matthews of the Daily News.

Well, indeed, Revolutionary War victories at places like Saratoga and Cowpens were largely attributable to the armed amateur militia, of whom Tench Coxe (an ally of James Madison and Alexander Hamilton, who would later serve in the administrations of Washington, Adams, Jefferson, and Madison) was speaking when — in his famous letter to the Philadelphia Gazette of Feb. 20, 1788 — he defended the new U.S. Constitution, arguing:

"The power of the sword, say the minority of Pennsylvania, is in the hands of Congress. My friends and countrymen, it is not so, for THE POWERS OF THE SWORD ARE IN THE HANDS OF THE YEOMANRY OF AMERICA FROM SIXTEEN TO SIXTY. The militia of these free commonwealths, entitled and accustomed to their arms, when compared with any possible army, must be tremendous and irresistible. Who are the militia? are they not ourselves. Is it feared, then, that we shall turn our arms each man against his own bosom. Congress have no power to disarm the militia. Their swords, and every other terrible implement of the soldier, are the birthright of an American. What clause in the state or (federal) constitution hath given away that important right... The unlimited power of the sword is not in the hands of either the federal or state governments, but where I trust in God it will ever remain, in the hands of the people."

This is the message which those who now cry "Don't pay any attention to the little man behind the curtain" wish Roland Emmerich and Mel Gibson had left unspoken.

But American audiences are overlooking such cynicism and disinformation in droves — and perhaps drawing a few even less PC parallels, one Internet wag already circulating the apocryphal response of Attorney General Janet Reno to the scene in which the evil Col. Tarleton locks a village full of patriot sympathizers in a church and sets the building afire, the chief Clinton enforcer reportedly insisting: "Those cult members locked themselves in that church and set the fire themselves; the colonel was only trying to rescue them!"

"The Patriot" is a fine film and a great — albeit admittedly "fictionalized" — lesson in American history. Here's hoping it gets a whole new generation of Americans studying the real history of the War for Independence — and the real reason why tyrants have always opposed an armed populace — and leaves the forces of Politically Correct revisionism with a mighty knot in their knickers when it comes time to decide whatever to do with such a piece of "disgustingly populist, patriotic tripe," come Oscar time.

Vin Suprynowicz is assistant editorial page editor of the Las Vegas Review-Journal. His book, "Send in the Waco Killers: Essays on the Freedom Movement, 1993-1998," is available by dialing 1-800-244-2224; or via web site <http://www.thespiritof76.com/wacokillers.html>.

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## Ignoring court orders could cost taxpayers

by Wes Burnett

On August 12, 1997, members of the Garza County Hospital District board of directors signed an agreement that called for a change from at-large to single member elections. The agreement was ordered to be implemented by United States District Judge Sam R. Cummings in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas Lubbock Division.

Since then there have been three election cycles completely disregarding the agreement and court order, which raises serious questions about the validity of those elections.

Members of the board of directors who signed the agreement were Jack Alexander, David Tyler, David Nichols and Zoe Kirkpatrick. Tyler and Kirkpatrick continue to serve, although their elections in 1998 and 1999 were done so in violation of the federal court order.

When this matter was brought to the attention of the current board, Kirkpatrick and Tyler both pointed fingers at the district's attorney, who then castigated the plaintiffs in the case for not pushing the issue forward.

It may be true that the hospital district's attorney failed to take proper action to implement the agreement, but the directors serving in 1997 must take the full responsibility for disregarding the lawful court order.

It is the responsibility of the board members to fulfill their obligations. Passing the buck and blaming others is shameful and downright unbecoming of trusted elected officials.

The agreement plainly puts the burden of implementing the agreement and court order on the hospital district, not the plaintiffs. Quoting from paragraph 16 (page 4) of the agreement signed by the hospital district directors:

"That the District shall implement the electoral plan described and called for by this Settlement Agreement, and shall cause such plan to be submitted for approval to the United States Attorney General pursuant to Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as thereafter amended. The Plaintiff hereby agrees to the appropriateness of this plan and will cooperate with the District in seeking expedited approval of the plan from the United States Attorney General."

The hospital district board in 1997 or since then has never bothered to fulfill its obligation as described in the agreement. Placing blame on the plaintiff for that failure is simply ignoring the board's duties.

Many people moan and complain about the U.S. president and his waffling and blaming others for his unlawful behaviors... what we have here in Garza County by these elected officers is not much different. The answer seems to be, "When caught violating the law, simply blame someone else."

The honorable thing for elected or appointed officials who are unwilling or unable to abide by their oaths of office (that is, to obey the law), is to resign.

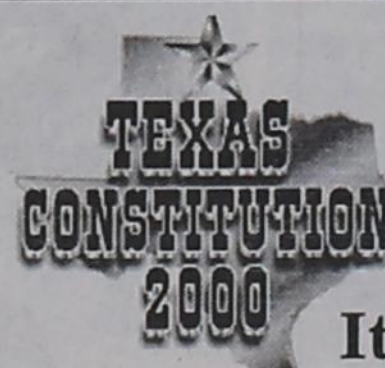
Now, as a result of the board's failure, Garza County taxpayers are going to have to shell out thousands of dollars in attorney and court costs to rectify what should have already been done in 1998.

As we've said before, when elected or appointed officials refuse to abide by the restrictions of their lawful authority, there is no security for taxpayers. This is especially true in a socialist democracy, where the majority of those who vote are more interested in stealing other people's property than to elect people who will obey the law.

Such is the misery of being enslaved by taxation.

It is easy to be conspicuously "compassionate" if others are being forced to pay the cost.

M.N. Rothbard



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Games, food and fun highlighted July 4th events at the Post City Park as families enjoyed the events and fireworks display, hosted by the Garza County Citizens Advisory Board. (Photo by Lannie Lee)



It was truly a "family day" at the Post City Park July 4th. (Photo by Lannie Lee)

## Letters to the Editor

**Letters to the Editor Policy:** We require all letters to be signed, however, names may be withheld from publication by request. Letters may be edited for brevity, grammar and punctuation.

### Are we spending more, getting less?

**QUESTION:** Are government-run K-12 schools spending more (in constant dollars, of course) per pupil than in 1960? Less? About the same? What's the ratio?

**ANSWER:** Government-run schools now spend over 3 times more per K-12 student than they did in 1960, taking into account inflation. The exact numbers are \$2101 current expenditure per pupil (by average daily attendance) in 1959-60 and \$6915 in 1998-99, all in 1998-99 dollars.

Source: U.S. Department of Education, Digest of Education Statistics, 1999, table 170, <http://nces.ed.gov/pubsub2000/2000031b.pdf> (p. 187 of the text document and p. 145 of the PDF file).

Now ask yourself, are we getting three times better educated students today? Are we getting what we are paying for? Ok — so maybe that's not fair... After all, everyone knows that you NEVER get what you pay for when it's the Government you are "hiring" to do the job.

So instead ask: For three times more money - are we getting as well educated students? Are we spending more but at the very least, getting as good a "product"?

I'll leave that answer up to each of you...  
Charlie Duncan

### Cool Ideas In Hot Weather

(NAPS)—Trust NATE. Who's NATE? NATE is not a person. NATE is an organization that helps consumers keep their cool even in hot summer weather.

**Here are some money-saving tips to help you keep your cool this summer:**

- **Be proactive**—Don't wait for a breakdown. Prevention and maintenance for air conditioners such as professional cleaning and tune-ups will cost less than repair or replacement.

- **Use your senses**—Notice the sound your air conditioner makes when it's working and cooling properly. Machines often "tell" you before they're going to quit. Pay attention to changes and you might avoid a costly repair.

- **Watch your utility bills**—Air conditioners can be energy gobblers in the summer. If your bill is unusually high, your system may be struggling. Having a qualified technician inspect your system can save you money on your utility bills.

- **Check qualifications**—When you call a contractor for service, ask for at least three names and phone numbers of recent customers with similar equipment.

Ask your contractor if their technicians have earned certification from NATE, the non-profit North American Technician Excellence organization. NATE sets the standard of excellence for technicians working on air conditioning ventilation and heating equipment.

## Golden Plains Care Center News

by Sandy Smith

Well I bet you will never guess what we had for 4th of July! Strawberries with whip cream and cramel apples umm,good!

We had a great time for the 4th and did alot of patriotic songs with help of Bernice Gribble at the piano and Wilma Johnston singing the lead. I know I have said it before but I just love to brag, we have some very talented people at our home!

We have some birthdays this month and they are, Dave Iles, Evelyn LeMond and Spike Strofer and would you believe they are right in order the 15th, 16th and 17th!

We are so excited for Mary Stanford, she is expecting her grandson Josh Hopper in from France next week and he has been there for over a year now as an exchange student. Mary we are helping you count the days!

We really enjoyed the great bible study this week Bro. Jerry Graham pastor of Calvary Baptist Church along with Bro. Herman Cramer really blessed everyone with the word of God. Bro. Jerry will continue back to come back every Tuesday with his sweet wife Betty to continue our Bible Study classes.

We are so grateful for their love for God and sharing their time with us. Everyone is excited and this is a real blessing!

You know sometimes while walking the halls at Golden Plains you find out the darndest things, I really thought Doc McCook was born in 58!! (and Mike Travis too!)

Keep Smiling!

## 12 arrests reported last week

More than a dozen individuals have been booked into the Garza County Jail during recent weeks, according to records.

On June 24, a 48-year-old male was booked for DWI (released June 25). The next day, a 17-year-old male was picked up for disorderly conduct (released the same day).

On June 28, two arrests were made, including that of a 42-year-old male on a Garza County warrant and a 43-year-old male on a Bexar County warrant (both were released the next day).

On June 29, a 28-year-old male was jailed for kidnapping. A 30-year-old male was picked up June 30 for criminal mischief/Class B (released the next day).

Three arrests were made July 1, including that of a 30-year-old male on a driving while licenses suspended warrant (transferred to another facility the next day); a 33-year-old male on a Scurry County warrant (released the next day); and a 39-year-old male for public intoxication (released the next day).

Four arrests were made July 3, including that of a 20-year-old female, Taylor County warrant (released the same day); a 21-year-old male, Taylor County warrant (released the same day); a 53-year-old male, DWI (released the next day); and a 23-year-old male, public intoxication and making alcohol available to a minor (released the next day).

A 23-year-old male was arrested July 4 for DWI, retaliation and no liability insurance (released the following day).

On July 7, a male, age unlisted, was picked up for DWI (released the same day).

On July 9, a 47-year-old male was jailed for boating while intoxicated (released the same day).

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## NWS introduces StormReady program

The National Weather Service has initiated a new program to help communities prepare themselves to handle hazardous weather.

The program is called StormReady and consists of a series of steps that will help communities respond to tornadoes, floods, winter storms and other weather incidents.

Larger cities need to accomplish many steps to be StormReady. For more information, contact Larry Vannozi at 806-745-3916, ext. 223.

## Junior All-Stars continue to win

The Post Junior All-Stars opened tournament play in Lubbock Friday, July 7, at the Dixie Park against Tahoka.

Post won the game by the 10-run rule, 16-6. Brody Conner pitched for three and a half innings with five strikeouts. Joseph Espinoza came in the game in the fourth inning and finished up in the fifth.

Leading hitting for Post was Bryan Looney who went four for four. Mitchell Mills was two for five and Patrick Gonzales was two for four at the plate.

Post played Lubbock Dixie on Sunday, July 9.

The Post club put the Dixie team away after five innings by a score of 13-2.

Looney pitched all five innings, striking out 10 batters and giving up only two hits. He also led the hitting attack, going three for three, including a two-run homerun in the third inning.

Kris Hernandez went two for two with a single and a double and Jett Lott reached base on all three times at the plate with a single, a double and a walk.

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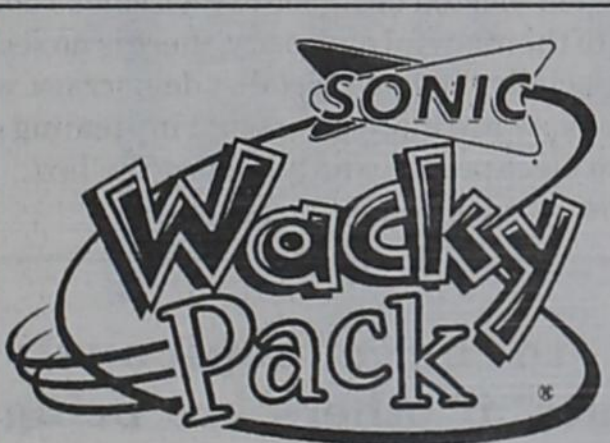
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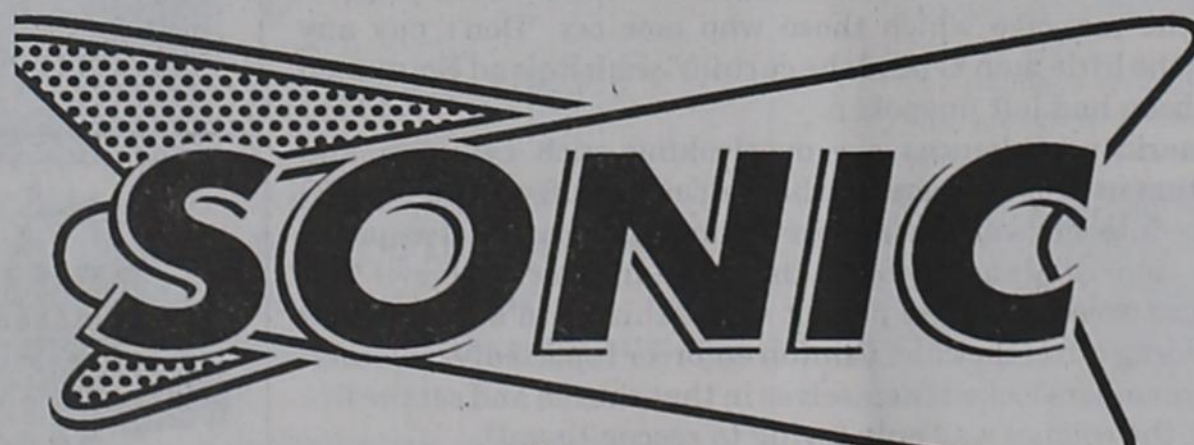


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**ACROSS**

1 Hereford is "town without a tooth"

5 this Astaire danced with TX Ginger

6 TX actors goal

7 TXism: "\_\_\_ to" (intend)

8 Texan who wrote "This Ole House"

18 Darby of "True Grit"

19 TXism: "gets up with the chickens" (2 wds)

21 old Ollers slogan: "Luv \_\_\_ Blue"

22 transactions at a TX horse track

23 TXism: "he'd be unarmed in a \_\_\_ of wits" (dumb)

24 \_\_\_ the Republic Museum

29 TXism: "he's got a short \_\_\_" (temper)

30 in Grayson Co. on 5

31 this TX Shelley was Olive Oyl (init.)

32 Martina Navratilova & TX Judy Nelson's agreement for living arrangement

34 ex-Ranger "Amazing Emu" pitcher Jim

35 Curly & Larry's pal

36 TXism: "she could charm \_\_\_ of a tree"

37 Young of Houston-made "Witness to the Execution"

38 TXism: "tee ninety"

39 New Guinea \_\_\_ turtle was bred at TX zoo

41 Mineola has "Great Pumpkin \_\_\_-Out"

42 TXism: "slippery as an \_\_\_"

43 TXism: "skinny as \_\_\_"

44 collects the leaves

45 to Waco from Austin

46 \_\_\_-Busch has a brewery in Houston

48 TXism: "\_\_\_ greased lightning"

49 the fairways at Fort Worth's Colonial

50 TX "Turtle Lady" Loetscher

51 TX sculptor Elisabet

52 Cowboy scores

**DOWN**

1 TXism: "movin' to" (dance fast)

2 "Dream Team" beat this country for '92 gold medal

3 TX-produced gas

4 swelling malady

9 Lubbock's Air Force Base

10 this TX Sharon was Manson victim

11 there's 40 of 'em in a work week (abbr.)

12 Rangers leag.

13 TXism: "never in all \_\_\_ days"

14 manly strength

15 TX low fat Heritage \_\_\_ Beef

16 Phil Gramm's time in Washington (abbr.)

17 book about 32-across: "Love Match: \_\_\_ Navratilova"

20 TXism for liquor

22 TXism: "a fly in the \_\_\_ milk" (problem)

24 TX Rangers used this Colt's pistol (init.)

25 TXism: "worn \_\_\_ frazzle"

26 founder of TX Belo company (init.)

33 TXism: "\_\_\_ the mark"

34 punished by pirates

35 Irish QB in A&M's '93 Cotton Bowl loss

37 TXism for "miser"

38 TXism: "that \_\_\_ the cake!"

40 Chester, TX named for this pres. (init.)

41 "house" south of the border

44 TX Didrickson's nickname came from this "Babe" written exams at TX universities

### July 11, 1990 10 Years Ago

David Hamilton JD/PhD, a 1970 graduate of Post High School, joined a select group of psychiatrists and psychologists who traveled to the Soviet Union in June for exchanges on the diagnosis and treatment of emotional disorders.

For twenty-five years the musical drama has played in the Palo Duro Canyon near Canyon and Amarillo Texas, and this year two members of the company are from Post.

Candace McConnell who teaches drama in Post High School is the head costumer for "Texas." Another costumer, Jennifer Owen, is the daughter of Mr and Mrs Benjamin Owen.

Jordan and Laurel Tatum are proud to announce the birth of their baby brother, John Cassidy, born June 11, 1990 at St Mary's Hospital.

Cass weighed seven pounds seven ounces and was 20 3/4 inches long at birth.

Proud parents are Tim and Leslie Tatum of Post.

Services for Mary Frances Caywood will be held Wednesday, July 11, 1990 at the Post Church of Christ with Paul Jones officiating.

She was born March 10, 1902 in Comanche County and was the daughter of John Brown and Rosa Keith.

University.  
PHS grads of 1944 in reunion here. A lazy 4th in the park enjoyed by all! Matt Pennell wins FNB Firecracker 500 bike race. Heat wave in fourth week.

### July 9, 1970 30 Years Ago

Elizabeth Monnington of London, England visits Pam McCrary over the July 4th weekend.

Mr and Mrs Roy Gary and daughter and Mrs Dave Ehret and children all spent last week in California visiting their sons and families, Mr and Mrs Roy Gary and Mr and Mrs Frankie Gary.

James family reunion is held at Graham Community Center over the weekend.

New arrivals are George Douglas Hicks born July 3, Kimberly Kay Isham born July 5, Kenny James Gonzales born June 27, Rodney Levell Curtis born June 27 and Susan Pilar Gravitt born July 6.

Post bandsmen start band camp Sunday.

The Saddle Pals Riding Club enjoys a picnic and trailride Sunday on the C.E. Basinger ranch.

### July 7, 1960 40 Years Ago

Airplane skids into S.C. Hudmans yard, knocking down fence.

Installation of the new dial telephone system is under way.

Jake Webb of the Texas Highway Department retires after 34 1/2 years, all spent in Post and Garza County.

D.H. Hawkins wins a new car in a contest at a local auto dealer.

Miss Barbara Wheatley weds Daymon Ethridge Friday night.

Engagement of Miss Willa Faye Graves and Walter Didway announced.

Penny Norman, three years old, honored with birthday party.

The birth of Steve Allison Hair on July 3 announced.

Three PHS majorettes will attend McMurry Colleges twirling school.

Those attending will be Judy Clary, Ruthell Martin and Vonda Howell.

Ed Scott celebrates his 87th birthday.

### July 13, 1950 50 Years Ago

L.B. Whitaker joins staff of The Post Dispatch.

Ganell Babb spent the weekend in Plainview with Mrs Paul Davis.

Billie Shumard underwent a tonsillectomy Friday.

The third finger of Am Floyd's left hand is all aglow with a diamond solitaire which she received Monday evening from Glenn Mauer.

Happy birthday today goes to Jerry Ray Key and Lester Josey.

Jeff Justice, with American Airlines, has been transferred from New York to Dallas. He's the son of Mrs Doyle Justice.

Patsy Claxton returns home to Abilene after visiting her grandparents, Mr and Mrs Bert Cash.

Three Garza County girls attend the annual 4-H Roundup at College Station. Those attending were Sybil Smith, Doris Ritchie and Lenona Stone.

## Skin Sense

facts from the experts

### Keep Your Skin Safe From Sun Damage

(NAPS)—Basking in the sun may seem like a good way to look and feel great, but the experts warn that a summer glow can

come at a very high cost—damaged skin and possible skin cancer. Avoiding sun damage is the single best thing women can do

for their skin.

"Women have to take action to protect their skin from incidental sun exposure—not only the skin on their face, but the rest of their body too," said Elyse S. Rafal, MD, dermatologist for Keri Lotion.

The following tips are designed to help women minimize sun damage, while putting their best foot (and their arms, elbows and knees) forward.

- Adopt a zero tolerance policy toward the sun. Even limited exposure to sun and exposure on a cloudy day can damage your skin. Assume your skin needs protection every day.
- When you do expose your skin to the sun, do it in a way that makes you look your best and protects your skin.

The key to fresher, younger-looking skin is to use an exfoliating body lotion with an Alpha Hydroxy Complex. But the FDA warns that using an Alpha Hydroxy Complex product increases your skin's sensitivity to sun damage. It is essential to use an SPF 15 sunscreen to help avoid cell damage. Keri Skin Renewal is the first leading body lotion with both an Alpha Hydroxy Complex and an SPF 15 sunscreen together, giving you one product that exfoliates and protects.

- If you miss the look of sun-kissed skin, try a self-tanning lotion. It's best to apply a self-tanner after skin has been exfoliated to remove dry, flaky skin.
- Don't go outside without a hat. Avid gardeners, golfers or outdoorsy types should wear a hat with a wide brim that protects neck, ears and face.

### July 10, 1980 20 Years Ago

Post is out of water for 14 hours due to a break in the line 17 miles north of Post.

Sheri Riedel wins first place trophy at the Snyder Art Show with her painting, "Orange Ribbon."

Voda Beth Gradine was honored with a layette shower in the bank community room.

Cindy Lynn Terry, ASU student on the Dean's honor roll for the spring semester.

PHS Class of 1960 holds 20 year reunion on July 4 - 5.

24 members here for 1955 class reunion.

Paula Cawthon receives masters Degree of Education at Texas A&M

- Don't squint. Treat yourself to a good pair of sunglasses that absorb 100 percent of both UVA and UVB light.
- Stay in the shade whenever possible and avoid reflective surfaces.
- Don't dare to go bare. When possible, wear protective, tightly woven clothing such as long-sleeved shirts and pants.
- Stay hydrated. Be sure to drink at least six to eight (eight-ounce) glasses of water each day.

As the warm weather hits, enjoy it, but keep in mind that whether you're having fun in the sun or just taking a leisurely walk, protection from the sun should be a part of your everyday beauty routine.

**A moisturizer that exfoliates and protects from the sun offers many benefits.**



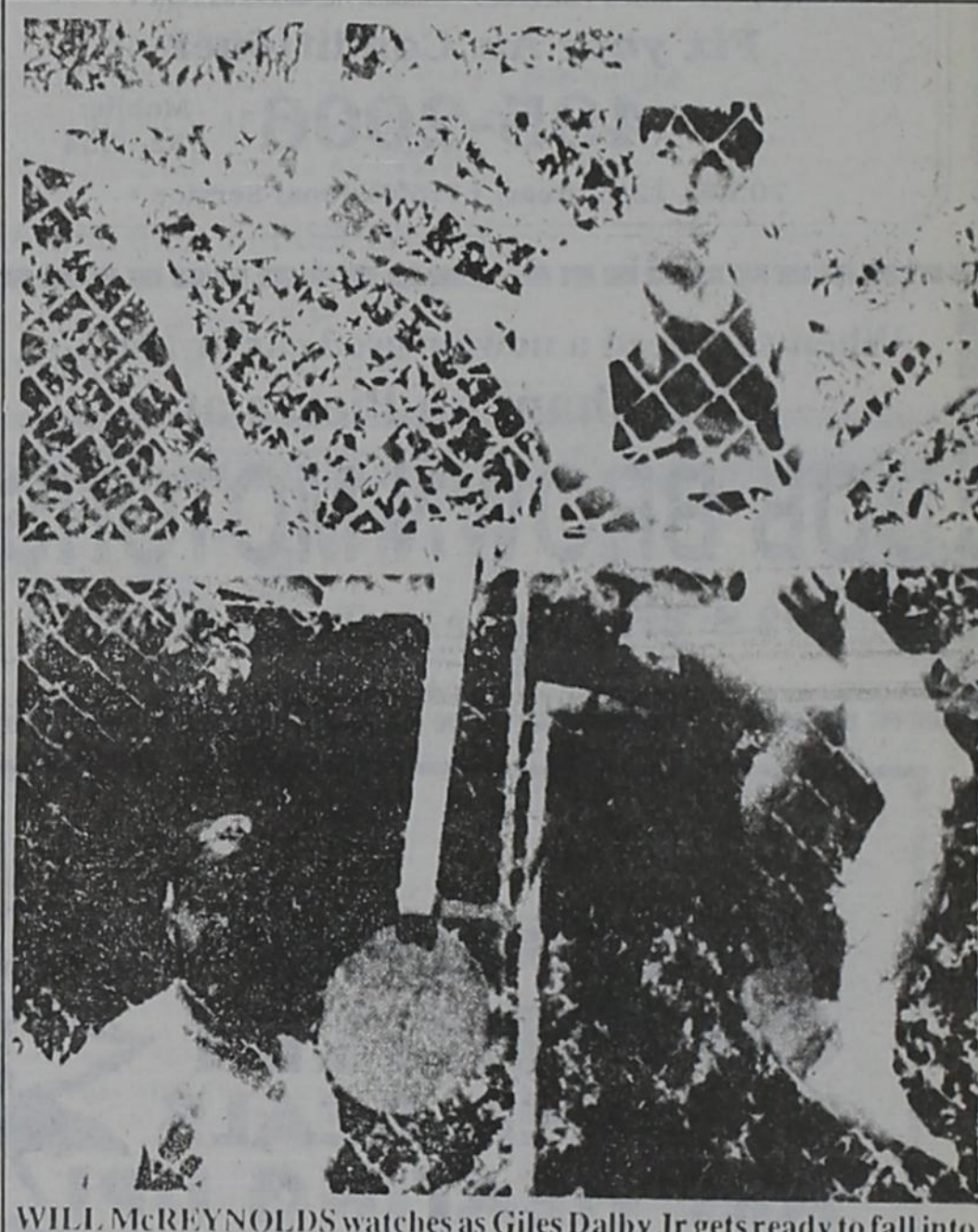
Mrs Mike Babb  
**Angie Holleman and Mike Babb Exchange Vows**

From The Post Dispatch, July 4, 1990



MRS. DAYMON ETHRIDGE  
(Barbara Wheatley)  
(Photo courtesy Marinell's Studio.)

**Miss Barbara Wheatley weds Daymon Ethridge Friday night**  
From The Post Dispatch July 7, 1960



WILL McREYNOLDS watches as Giles Dalby Jr gets ready to fall into the water during fun at the dunking booth during July 4th activities at the park. (Photo by Lee Howard)

From The Post Dispatch, July 11, 1990



**HELP COWBOY CELEBRATE 87th BIRTHDAY**

Shown here with Ed Scott at his 87th birthday party held recently at the Justiceburg Baptist Church are Mrs. Wilson Connell (right) and daughters, Connie (left) and Betty. Scott, an old-time cowboy who came to what is now Garza County some 15 years before the county was organized, worked for many years on the late Wilson Connell's ranch in the Polar community of Scurry County.—(Staff Photo.)

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Thank you to all those who have called, sent cards, and visited while I was in the hospital, rehab and since I have returned home. Special thanks to Paul Jones and Buddy Payne for your encouraging visits. Sincerely, Ruby Carpenter

Belated card of thanks:  
To our friends and neighbors. We express our gratitude and appreciation for the support and for sharing your love during the loss of our loved one. We thank you and appreciate all the prayers, cards, calls, flowers, food and for the love and kindness each one of you showed during the long illness and death of our beloved mother and grandmother.

We really appreciate Uncle Stanley, Aunt Pauline and James Mathis for opening their home to us, and Mike and Melba Feagin and their daughters Stana and Samantha, and some of their friends for all the wonderful food they brought from Lubbock.

We want to thank the staff of Golden Plains Care Center for taking care of Mother and making her as comfortable as possible and being there for her. She loved each one of you as family.

"Thank you so much in her behalf".  
Thanks to all the people that runs the ambulance service, that drove mother to UMC Hospital, hoping to get her there in time and caring for her so many times.

Thanks to the ladies for the Church of God of Prophecy for preparing such a wonderful meal.

Thanks to Bro. Jose Payano for the eugoley, Bro. Oscar Newdigger for his beautiful prayers and to Bro. Billy Jones for the beautiful message and all the comforting words and memories, each thing that was said will never be forgotten.

Thanks to James Mathis and Melba Feagin for the beautiful music and songs.

Thanks to Dee and Janet Justice for the beautiful and dedicated service. Thanks to the Hudman family for fixing all the

beautiful flower arrangements. I'm sure there are some I have forgotten, if I have I didn't mean to, please forgive me if I have. Thanks to each and everyone for making a sad time in our lives, a little easier, knowing you were praying for us and standing up in our behalf. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts and may God bless each and everyone of you.  
The Vesta Ione Hughes Family

### 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).

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<p><b>'99 271 Ext. Cab</b> Stock #3025, Blue with Gold-2 tone, Blue Cloth, 327, Auto, LS Pkg. <b>\$30,477.00</b> - 6,487.00 Discount <b>\$23,990.00 Sale Price</b></p> <p><b>'99 271 Reg. Cab</b> Stock #2836, Back w/ Gray Cloth, 327, Auto, LS Pkg. <b>\$28,080.00</b> - 7,080.00 Discount <b>\$21,000.00 Sale Price</b></p> <p><b>'99 271 Reg. Cab</b> Stock #2835, Red w/ Gray Cloth, 327, Auto, LS Pkg. <b>\$27,370.00</b> - 6,870.00 Discount <b>\$20,500.00 Sale Price</b></p> <p><b>'99 Tracker, 4 dr.</b> Stock #2695, Red w/ Gray Cloth, Cruise, Tilt, Power Windows &amp; Locks, Auto, Keyless Entry <b>\$18,941.00</b> - 6,141.00 Discount <b>\$12,800.00 Sale Price</b></p> <p><b>2000 3/4 Ton Reg. Cab</b> Stock #3408, 4x4 Pickup, White w/ Gray Cloth, 454, Auto, A/C <b>\$26,035.00</b> - 2,810.00 Discount - 1,000.00 Rebate or 6.9% - 500.00 90 day Farm Bureau Member <b>\$21,725.00 Sale Price</b></p>	<p><b>2000 Malibu</b> Stock #3366, Sandrift w/ Neutral Cloth, V/6, Auto, Power Windows &amp; Locks <b>\$18,515.00</b> - 1,215.00 Discount <b>\$17,300.00 Sale Price</b> - 1,500.00 Rebate or 0.9% <b>\$15,800.00 Sale Price</b></p> <p><b>2000 Alero GX</b> Stock #3259, 2 door, Black w/ Pewter Cloth <b>\$18,045.00</b> - 845.00 Discount - 1,500.00 Rebate or 0.9% <b>\$15,700.00 Sale Price</b></p> <p><b>2000 1Ton Reg. Cab</b> Stock #3398, White w/ Gray Cloth, 350, Auto, Air, Tilt, Cruise, Cassette <b>\$22,486.55</b> - 2,000.00 Rebate - 500.00 90 day Farm Bureau Member - 2,386.55 Discount <b>\$17,600.00 Sale Price</b></p> <p><b>2000 Tahoe</b> Stock #3409, 4 dr. Red w/ Gray Cloth <b>\$35,163.00</b> - 3,113.00 Discount <b>\$32,050.00 Sale Price</b></p> <p><b>2000 Suburban</b> Stock #3413, Med. Charcoal Gray w/ Gray Leather, Traller Pkg. <b>\$37,026.00</b> - 3,831.00 Discount <b>\$33,195.00 Sale Price</b></p>	<p><b>2000 3/4 Ton Reg. Cab 4x4</b> Stock #3402, Light Pewter w/ Gray Cloth, 350, Auto, A/C <b>\$26,034.00</b> - 2,809.00 Discount - 1,000.00 Rebate or 6.9% - 500.00 90 day Farm Bureau Member <b>\$21,725.00 Sale Price</b></p> <p><b>2000 3/4 Ton Long Bed Ext. Cab 4x4</b> Stock #3394, LS Pkg. 6000 V/8, Auto, White w/ Graphite Cloth <b>\$32,743.00</b> - 2,253.00 Discount - 500.00 90 day Farm Bureau Member <b>\$29,990.00 Sale Price</b></p> <p><b>2000 Suburban</b> Stock #3341, White w/ Gray Cloth <b>\$35,134.00</b> - 3,584.00 Discount <b>\$31,550.00 Sale Price</b></p> <p><b>Used Vehicles</b></p> <table border="0"> <tr><td>'96 S10 Ext. Cab</td><td>\$6,950</td></tr> <tr><td>'90 Chrysler New Yorker</td><td>\$3,500</td></tr> <tr><td>'96 Olds Ciera, 4 dr.</td><td>\$5,900</td></tr> <tr><td>'95 1/2 Ton Chevy Ext. 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A/C, Tilt &amp; Cruise, Cassette <b>\$26,373.00</b> - 2,873.00 Discount - 2,500.00 Rebate - 900.00 Commercial Rebate <b>\$20,100.00 Sale Price</b></p> <p><b>2000 Crew Cab, 4x4</b> Stock #3336, Long Bed, Single Rear Wheels, Pewter w/ Gray Cloth, 350, Auto <b>\$30,469.00</b> - 3,319.00 Discount - 1,000.00 Rebate or 6.9% - 500.00 90 day Farm Bureau Member <b>\$25,650.00 Sale Price</b></p> <p><b>Program Cars</b></p> <table border="0"> <tr><td>'00 - 15 Passenger Van</td><td>\$24,500</td></tr> <tr><td>(3 in stock) Recently announced rebate</td><td>1,500</td></tr> <tr><td><b>Sale Price</b></td><td><b>\$23,000</b></td></tr> <tr><td>'97 Astro Van</td><td>\$13,900</td></tr> <tr><td>'99 Malibu, 4 dr.</td><td>\$10,150</td></tr> <tr><td>'97 Monte Carlo</td><td>\$10,950</td></tr> <tr><td>'99 Lumina, 4 dr.</td><td>\$13,900</td></tr> <tr><td>'00 Lumina, 4 dr.</td><td>\$14,900</td></tr> <tr><td>'97 S10 LT Blazer</td><td>\$14,900</td></tr> </table>	'96 S10 Ext. 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**NOTICE OF REQUIREMENT FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE NORTHERN ROLLING PLAINS ZONE BOLL WEEVIL ERADICATION PROGRAM**

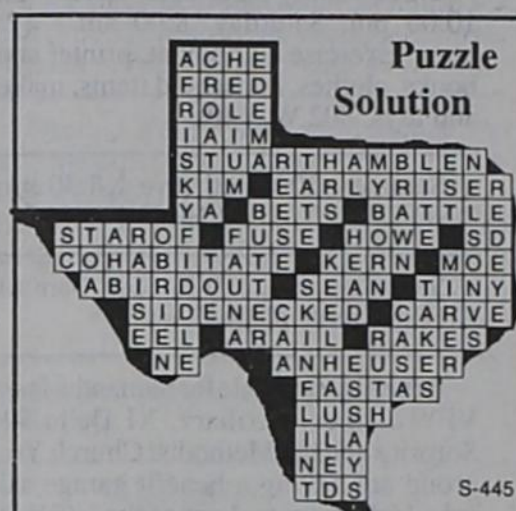
In accordance with the Texas Agriculture Code, Chapter 74, Subchapter D,

874.118 (Vernon Supp. 1999) and 4 Tex. Admin. Code 83.73, the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation (the Foundation) hereby provides notice to growers in the areas recently added to the Northern Rolling Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone that they are required to participate in the eradication program established by referendum for the Northern Rolling Plains Zone. The area consists of all of Kent and Motley Counties, that part of Garza County that lies below of the Caprock escarpment, that part of Crosby County that lies below the Caprock escarpment, that part of Dickens County that lies below the Caprock escarpment, that part of Floyd County that lies north and east of a line running along FM 97 beginning at the Motley County line; continuing west to the Caprock escarpment; and continuing

north along the Caprock escarpment to the Briscoe County line; and that part of Briscoe County that lies east of a line running along Hackberry Creek from its intersection with the Armstrong County line to its intersection with the Prairie Dog Town Fork of the Red River; continuing south along Cherokee Creek from its intersection with the Prairie Dog Town Fork of the Red River to County Road 27; continuing south along County Road 27 to Hwy 256; continuing west along Hwy 256 to the Caprock escarpment; and continuing south along the Caprock escarpment to the Floyd County line. Participation includes: (1) reporting to the Foundation of information regarding acreage and location of all commercial and noncommercial cotton and all cotton grown for ornamental, research or any other purposes, not later than the reporting date established for each county by the Farm Service Agency either by certifying acreage with the appropriate FSA office or by filing with the Foundation an acreage report form obtained from the Foundation, in accordance with 4 Tex. Admin. Code 83.72; (2) payment of the assessment established by referendum ending on April 22, 1999 in the amount and manner approved for the Northern Rolling Plains Zone; and (3) compliance with any rules or procedures established by the Texas Department of Agriculture (the Department) or the Foundation for implementation of the eradication program in the Northern Rolling Plains Zone. Upon notification by the Foundation of a producer's failure to timely comply with participation requirements stated above, the Department may assess an administrative penalty in accordance with 4 Tex. Admin. Code 83.74, or take other appropriate remedial action as provided by Texas Agriculture Code, Chapter 74, Subchapter D. Any questions regarding the participation requirements may be directed to Matt Brockman, Special Assistant for Producer Relations, Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711, (512) 463-7593.

Notice of Scheduled Entry Into Fields Pursuant to Tex. Agric. Code Ann., Section 74.117 (Vernon Supp. 2000), cotton producers in the Motley, Kent, and portions of Briscoe, Floyd, Garza, Crosby, and Dickens counties are hereby notified that Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation personnel will be conducting eradication activities in and around their fields, beginning May 26, 2000. All cotton fields will be mapped, and treatment will begin during early season. For notification prior to any chemical treatment, call 1-800-687-1212 with the exact location of your field and appropriate telephone numbers. Field entry and treatment is expected to last until all cotton is harvested in the zone. For more information regarding this

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DATED July 6, 2000, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Garza County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 99-08-05532-CV, and styled County of Garza vs. Johnny Hair AKA Johnnie Hair, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on July 6, 2000, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in August, 2000, the same being the 1st day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Post, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Garza and the State of Texas, to-wit:

.419 Acre being Lots 12, 13 & 14, Block 81, Original Townsite of the City of Post, Garza County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 223, Page 134 of the Deed Records, Garza County, Texas;

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED July 6, 2000, at Post, Texas.

By *Kenneth Ratke*  
 SHERIFF, Garza County,  
 Texas

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THE STATE OF TEXAS  
 COUNTY OF GARZA

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DATED July 6, 2000, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Garza County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 99-02-05469-CV, and styled Post Independent School District vs. Anzelmu Casarez AKA Anzelmo Casares and Lydia Casarez, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on July 6, 2000, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in August, 2000, the same being the 1st day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Post, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Garza and the State of Texas, to-wit:

GEO#0-100-0155-0004-000-00/.140 Acre being Lot 4, Block 155, Original Town of Post, Garza County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 95, Page 671 of the Deed Records, Garza County, Texas,

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

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DATED July 6, 2000, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Garza County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 97-12-05351-CV, and styled Post Independent School District vs. Terry Flores and Jack Robinson, Lienholder (In Rem Only), and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on July 6, 2000, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in August, 2000, the same being the 1st day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Post, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Garza and the State of Texas, to-wit:

.258 Acre being All of Lot 6, West 34 feet of Lot 7, Block 94, Original Townsite of the City of Post, Garza County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 183, Page 79 of the Deed Records, Garza County, Texas,

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

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