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## GHD directors face contempt charge

by Wes Burnett

An amended complaint and a motion for contempt have been filed in U.S. District Court in Lubbock against the Garza County Hospital District, majority board members and former directors.

The filing was posted by Thomas Stults of Houston on behalf of his clients Frank Tobias and Bertha Fuentes, who are challenging the at-large election system for violating their civil rights, federal law and a 1997 court order.

Defendants in the case are the hospital district, former president Jack Alexander, current president Michael Travis, former secretary David Nichols, current secretary Zoe Kirkpatrick, vice president David Tyler and Leon Miller, "each individually and all in their respective official capacities as members of the Board of Directors for the Garza County Hospital District."

### Contempt of Court

The motion for contempt cites the failure of the district and its directors to implement a court ordered 1997 agreement to eliminate the at-large election system. The agreement, approved by the U.S. District Court in Lubbock, said "That the District shall implement 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."

"More than three years after the Order was signed, and after three spurious elections, Defendants made no effort to put the ordered election plan into place. Indeed, they have done little more than blame the failure on the Plaintiffs, who were never advised of the plan until May 8, 2000," the motion reads.

The motion also declares that after the three years, the demographics of Garza County have changed "in such a way that the August 21, 1997 plan is no longer effective to alleviate the plight of the Mexican American voters."

"Throughout all of the litigation, from the time the prior lawsuit was filed on April 22, 1995 until the present, the Defendants have shown, and continue to show, their callous disregard for the Court's Order, on which they themselves signed off..." the motion continues.

The board was also cited in the motion for its "callous disregard for the Law in general, even to the point of having stated on videotape on numerous occasions such things as, 'I would do whatever it takes to keep good healthcare here, including breaking the law,' or like comments of similar import."

The contempt motion asked the court to order defendants to (1) show cause why, after more than three years after this court's Order dated August 21, 1997 the defendants have failed and refused to obey the Order;

(2) "show cause why they continue to maintain a system they know to be constitutionally invalid by ostensibly taking steps to implement the August 21, 1997 Order, knowing that the change in demographics is such that the said Order will only perpetuate the status quo;

(3) "show cause why they collaborate on every detail concerning the lawsuit with others who are not parties to this litigation;

(4) "show cause why they should not be ordered to pay substantial attorney's fees for having engaged in a plan and scheme of conduct undermining the Court's intent, thus necessitating this Motion;

## Hospital district reviews indigent standards

by Wes Burnett

"We're getting too entrenched into this lawsuit," Garza County Hospital District board president Mike Travis emphasized at the November 9 regular meeting. "We need to set our priorities, and this board's main priorities are (1) the Primary Health Care program, (2) revising the legislation and (3) the lawsuit."

Travis, apparently expressing the opinions of majority board members Zoe Kirkpatrick, David Tyler and Leon Miller, objected to the time being spent on discussion about the lawsuit in U.S. District Court in Lubbock. The court case challenges the at-large election system, and the 1997 agreement between the board and League of Latin American Citizens (LULAC).

In the list of priorities, Travis did not include serving indigents, which is the only constitutional mandate for the hospital district. He did, however, ask if the qualifications for indigent could be adjusted to provide services to more people. The board currently uses the county indigent guidelines for indigent determination.

District administrator Gina Norman said that about half the people who apply for indigent status are denied services based on their level of financial resources. "Well," Travis asked, "how about changing those standards so we can take care of more folks?"

Norman reported that there are now 13 people designated as indigent. Travis said he thought that was too low and suggested finding ways to increase the number of indigents being served. "How come people don't apply for indigent status?" Travis asked.

On the lawsuit issue, Travis repeated the majority board opposition to several demands made by plaintiffs in the case. Among those objections were the implementation of five single member districts, requiring candidates to live within the districts which they seek to represent, and voting box locations. Travis insisted on four single member districts and one at-large, and remove the restriction on where candidates live, and questioned the difficulty of setting up individual district voting places.

"When the judge tells us to come to the table, we'll come to the table," Travis said. He also said that the lawsuit was taking up too much time for the district's lawyer, who is also preparing proposed legislative changes to the district's enabling legislation.

Miller suggested the board enter into binding arbitration with the plaintiffs. Travis quizzed board member Carol Tobias, who said it was not hers to say. Travis then turned to plaintiffs Frank Tobias and Bertha Fuentes, who suggested the matter should be addressed to their attorney.

Miller expressed objections to news media coverage of the lawsuit published in The Post Dispatch. He specifically was miffed by remarks made by the plaintiffs' attorney, Thomas Stults of Houston. Travis asked if the judge could put a gag order on the lawyers.

The changes were recommended by a citizen advisory committee, headed by Travis. That committee recommended a change in the name of the district, remove restrictions on who can receive tax supported health care and expand other services not authorized by the Texas constitution. The legislative proposal also contains a provision for a dissolution election.

The next regular meeting is set for December 12 at CitizensBank community room.

(5) "show cause why the Court should not grant all other available and additional relief to which the Plaintiffs are entitled.

The motion requests a hearing date on the contempt charge to be set by mutual agreement among the parties.

### First Amended Complaint

The First Amended Complaint requests the court to order a Declaratory Judgment "that the perpetuated at-large scheme, and the August 21, 1997 scheme of electing Directors for the Garza County Hospital District, together with the continued efforts of the Defendants to perpetuate the status quo ... violates Plaintiff's civil rights in that such election method unlawfully dilutes the voting strength of minority voters;

"Further, Plaintiffs seek a permanent injunction prohibiting the calling, holding, supervising or certifying of any future board elections under the present at-large scheme, as well as the August 21, 1997 scheme ...

"Plaintiffs seek the formation of an electoral scheme calling for five districts, and which calls for the requirement that for any person seeking election as a member of the Board, he or she must reside in the district he or she aspires to represent. This would be in conformity to the requirements imposed on candidates running for County Commissioner."

The amended complaint also calls for the district elections of 1998, 1999 and 2000 to be nullified "for want of constitutionality" and remove current officers, replacing them with a court appointed temporary board to serve while the case is litigated.

The lawsuit is Cause No. 5-00CV0293-C in the United States District Court, Northern District of Texas, Lubbock Division.



## Special Honor

Maxine Earl (center) was recognized last Saturday evening for her contributions to the community at the Caprock Cultural Association Celebration Party. CCA president Jack Alexander (right) made the presentation. Mrs. Earl was accompanied by her step-daughter Jennice Marks Fishburn of Scotts Valley, Calif.



Jerry Hays and Eric Cravy were administered oaths of office during the Commissioners Court meeting November 13. Hays is serving as county/district clerk while Cravy is constable, precinct 2.



The South Plains College touring ensemble, which performs a wide repertoire of rock music for area high schools, has a scheduled performance Dec. 1 at Post. The group also will have a performance Dec. 5 on Rock Fest, SPC's biannual showcase of student rock ensembles. The show will be broadcast at 6 p.m. on SPC-TV, Charter cable 10. Pictured from the left are Shane Harmon of Lubbock, guitar; Daniel Fluit of Post, vocals; Leslie White of Lubbock, vocals; Glenn Diamond of Seagraves, bass; Whitney Phipps of Welch, keyboard; Cody Banks of Lubbock, drums; Calli Roles of Elk City, Okla., vocals; Caleb Green, Jupiter, Fla., vocals; and Tim Shoehals of Levelland, guitar. The ensemble's director is Jay Lemon, instructor in commercial music.

## Giddens announces retirement

A four-member interview committee has been appointed to lead the Post Independent School District in finding a replacement for retiring high school principal Joe Giddens.

During the Nov. 15 meeting of the Post ISD board of trustees, board president Alexa Collier named the committee members who will initiate the effort. Committee members will include Superintendent Bobby Bain, middle school principal Brian Brownlow, high school teacher Melvina Moore and Collier.

The group is expected to begin meeting Nov. 30, the cutoff date for applications for the position.

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## Post Notes

### Weight, exercise program for youth

Mad Dads Inc and Vibes are offering special weight lifting and exercise classes for middle school and high school aged youth on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Walk-in registration is \$20 for one month unlimited, when accompanied by an adult. One half of the proceeds benefit Mad Dads Inc. Call Rodney Tidwell to register at 495-1244.

### Windbreak trees available

The Garza County Soil and Water Conservation District (SW&CD) is currently taking orders for windbreak trees. Producers may choose from a variety of evergreen (conifers) and hardwood tree species. Call Oneita Gunn at 495-2056, extension 3 for more information.

### Community Christmas Sing Dec. 13

The annual Community Christmas Sing will be held Wed., December 13 at 7 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church. Groups, choirs or individuals interested in participating this Christmas event should call Patty Kirkpatrick at 495-2868 or the church office at 495-2942. Please call before Friday, Dec. 8 with your Christmas song selections.

### 'Toys for Tots' applications

The Post Lions Club is accepting applications for this year's "Toys for Tots" program. Applications to receive the gifts may be obtained at Cellular Etc., Sheriff's Department or Fashion Cleaners. The deadline for completed applications is Dec. 15. There will be no exceptions to the deadline.

### Donations needed for 'Toys for Tots'

The Post Lions Club needs donations for this year's "Toys for Tots" campaign. Send contributions to Post Lions Club, Box 694, Post, Texas. There are many young children who will not have Christmas gifts without our help.

### Post lighted Christmas parade

The December 2 annual lighted Christmas parade will \$500, \$300 and \$100 prizes for the best three floats. To enter, contact the Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau at 495-3461. Floats must be lighted and deadline is November 27.

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## Delta Kappa Gamma meeting

by Pam Owen

Homemade chili, vegetable trays and desserts warmed the members of Delta Kappa Gamma at the monthly meeting in Brownfield Nov. 6.

After calling the assembly to order, President D'Anne Bishop of Post presided with the usual order of business. Mrs. Donna Aten of Post presented a very interesting program on the Scottish Rite and dyslexia.

Mrs. Irene Rieck of Brownfield gave the Theta Eta members a report on the red and gold materials purchased for the quilt block project. Two members — Sharon Sims of Brownfield and Scooter Sharp of New Homes — were the first two Theta Eta members to complete their personalized blocks. The quilt project will be a fund raising project set for the spring 2001.

Carlene (Kyle) Markham of Abilene reported that Tahoka will be the membership town this year to select a candidate for the \$300 Theta Eta grant.

The Theta Eta yearbook is dedicated this year to a very worthy and faithful member — Irene Rieck of Brownfield.

The death of the mother of O'Donnell's Cheryl Clopton in Fort Worth saddened the Theta Eta members.

The December meeting of this Theta Eta Chapter will be held at Waldrip's Well in O'Donnell. The program will be presented by Irene Rieck. A Christmas bazaar also will be held at that time.

Happy Thanksgiving to you and your's from the Theta Eta Chapter of Delta Kappa.



Alton and Vada Clary celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary November 18 at the 50 Yard Line in Lubbock. Their daughter and family hosted the event. They are the parents of Judy Polson of Lubbock. Clary and the former Vada Taylor were married Nov. 19, 1930 in Post. They have two grandchildren, Mark and Mindy of Lubbock and a great grandson Colton of Lubbock. Alton and Vada have lived all 50 years in Post.



Billie Ruth McCarty was presented a special award of recognition by Caprock Cultural Association board president Jack Alexander at last Saturday evening's "Celebration Party." The award was in honor of Mrs. McCarty for the family donation of the Ruth Little apartment building, located adjacent to the Garza County Museum.

## Birth

### Ethan Quisenberry



Amanda and Stephen Quisenberry of Lubbock announce the arrival of their son, Ethan, who was born at 6:25 a.m. November 3, 2000 in Lubbock.

The baby measured six pounds, six ounces and 18 inches long at birth.

Grandparents are Ricky and Judy Bush of Post and Mike and Gail Quisenberry of Tahoka. Maternal great grandmothers are T.C. and Willie Quisenberry of Lamesa and Gene and Irene Dyke of Brownfield.

Lucille Bush and Fannie Ballentine of Post. Paternal Great Grandparents are T.C. and Willie Quisenberry of Lamesa and Gene and Irene Dyke of Brownfield.

### Devin Odom honored at shower

Lubbock's Applebee's restaurant was the site of a bachelorette/lingerie shower held Saturday, Nov. 18, in honor of Devin Odom, bride-elect of Richard Halford.

Attending the shower were Jamie Doyle, Arimy Gradine, Vondi Gradine, Amy Mason, Amy Lester and Shelly Bertrand.

Special guests included Jane Odom, mother of the bride-to-be, and Betty Sue Bertrand, the bride-elect's aunt.

Hostesses for the event were Shelly Bertrand and Jamie Doyle.

### OS Museum Christmas show

The OS Museum's holiday exhibit, "Saints and Santas," is now on display.

"Share a special Christmas with us as you view the many wonderful sights of this special time of the year," reads the museum's announcement of the new exhibit.

Viewing hours are from 10 a.m. to noon and 1-5 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays.

The museum is located on the second floor at 201 E. Main Street. An elevator is available.

For more information, contact the museum at 495-3570.

## Judy's Jabberin'

By Judy B. Bush

Can you believe it is Thanksgiving already? I tell you folks, my dad always use to tell me that I needed to slow down and enjoy myself and quit wishing my life away (this was when I was 15, 16 and 17), anyway, this is just one more thing my parents were right about!!

I don't know why, but after you turn 45, whoa! The weeks are like days, months like weeks and so on. One month doesn't get started before it is over. Not to mention birthdays!!

Anyway, back to Thanksgiving. I wish each of you a very happy Thanksgiving. Take time to really think what you are thankful about. As for me, my family, mom, Rick, kids and a tassel of grandkids, also a close big family of sister, brother, nieces, nephews and so on.

I'm thankful of where we live, though we may get frazzled over politics, we are fortunate to live in this United States and even more fortunate to reside in this community of Post.

Most recently, thankful that I lived to celebrate a 35 year class reunion and renew friendships that I had long ago forgotten.

So enjoy your turkey, your family and be safe traveling.

### Happy Birthday Pat

Now he doesn't know that I know, but my good friend Pat Martin will celebrate his 80th birthday November 26. So I just want to make sure he knows I love him. I know he will be with Patricia and family, especially that great grandbaby Ashlyn (who will be the big number 1 November 29)

to celebrate but his Post buddies will be thinking about him too.

### Christmas Parade

Everyone remember the Christmas parade. If you would like to enter a float call Wanda at the Chamber. This is a special event for Post, jump off and enter, make the parade a big one!!

### Get Well

I want to let Joe and Alma know that they are on our minds. Joe is having a tough time right now so I want him to know we are praying for him and love he and Alma.

For those of you who don't know Joe is in room 876 South at Covenant in Lubbock

### Alabama Company

Our family had a real treat last week. Mom's nephew and wife, Earl and Virginia Ready of Tallassee, Alabama. They stayed a whole four days this time and we always have such fun with them.

Mom enjoyed visiting with them and ended up having a whole house full with kids and grandkids.

### Birthdays

Friday, November 24: Rodney Oden, Norma Crispin, Krisha Bush and Jason Ballard; Anniversary, James and Amy Easterling. Saturday, November 25: Berry Tanner, Joe Flores, Eva Childs, Kyle Josey and Austin Fields. Sunday, November 26: Pat Martin, Scooter Lynch, Kadie Vernon, Billy Dorner, Laticia Martin and Angelica Tobias. Monday, November 27, Antony Flores and Steven Martinez. Tuesday, November 28; Cornelio Saldivar, Jr., Ethel Harper, Joseph Sanchez and Kotelyn Redman. Wednesday, November 29, Reese Feagin, Kim Reiter, Buck McClain, Jason Worthington, Evalyn Mason, and Monty Humble; Anniversary, two of my very favorite people, Corky and Allane Ammons. Thursday, November 30; Dan Lamb, Tanya Vernon, Buddy Payne, Christopher Putman, Paul Rodriguez, Ben Burges and Billy Parker.

### Till Next Week

Guess that is all. Once again, have a wonderful Thanksgiving. Please call me with your get-togethers and company. May God bless each of you.

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## Class of '65' Home Again

By Judy Ballentine Bush  
This story has been two weeks coming but thanks to all of my classmates for being patient.

In July, Post held its annual All School Reunion. Turnout was great but low and behold, the class of 1965 absolutely outdid themselves and had the largest number in attendance. Of course this only fed their ego and the ones attending had such fun they decided a full blown reunion for our class was called for.

Plans proceeded and a date of October 27-29 was set. Email has never, nor will it ever see such a flurry of activity! Fingers flew over the keyboards with Meredith Newby and our class president Benny Owens in command. Chunky Johnson and Larry Osman joined in demanding biographies and almost weekly reminding everyone that this must be a big turnout.

And oh what a turnout. The weekend kicked off with the class commanding their own section at the Post-Tahoka game, cheering the Antelopes to victory and sharing the first of a million memories due to come as the weekend unfolded.

Saturday morning everyone gathered at the Community Center for the reception. I think everyone was overwhelmed at the crowd. We were all blessed with warm memories, some funny some not. So many of the class had not been back in such a long time, and I think we all were glad we had on name tags. We were honored by many of the parents coming by, especially Bill and Gwen Carlisle who shared Carolyn's memories with us.

After an afternoon of everyone doing their own thing (Mr. Giddens was really brave and allowed the class to tour the school), we all shared a good meal and lots of fun on the dance floor. We honored our classmates we have lost, Carolyn Carlisle, Brenda Richards, Gene Nowell, Susan Ramsey, Paula Helms, David Cheshire, Patsy Snow, Mike Ayala and Fred Leiby. We then made plans to do this all again. I think five years was initially set, but somehow it has turned into three!

Sunday morning many attended a brunch at Garza Hotel and the weekend came to a reluctant close.

There are many things you remember about your high school years, some you probably would rather forget, but one fact remains; Thirty five years later you are all the same people. More mature most definitely, older, grayer, fatter, balder but still the same people. You all come together on a different level where you appreciate each other much more and don't take your time here on this earth quite as for granted as you did in high school. All of you Post High kids out there remember one thing. When you think you don't fit in, one day in the not so distant future, it won't matter. You will all be the same.

Thanks to Meredith, Benny and Sherry, Chunky and Larry for putting the reunion together, to Linda Lewis for decorations and Sabrina Owens for being Sherry's runner. I'm sure everyone like myself will never forget it. A special note to Larry and G.T., thanks for so much help with the pictures and for being patient with me. Three years will go by before we know it!!!



PHS Class of 1965 - Gathering for the 25th class reunion recently were members of Post High School Class of '65. Those available for the photo were (back row, left to right) Betsy Shytle, Linda Stephens, Sherry Bevers, Deborah McCampbell, Charlotte Gilmore, Lynn Edwards, Jimmy Don Williams, Chunky Johnson, Meredith Newby, Ronald Simpson, Danny Pierce, Butch Cross, Judy Ballentine, Joe Bob Blacklock, (middle row) Mary Grace Hodges, Barbara Bush, Vicky Wilks, Brenda Bilberry, Yvonne Moreland, Wanza Windham, Linda Gist, Mary Ann Stone,

Vivian McWhirt, G.T. Mason, Doug Chance, Dicky Vardiman, (front row) Pam Stewart, Shirley Issacs, Cheryl Martin, Becky Thompson, Lewis Herron, Neal Barnes, Dee Ann Walker, Pat Sullivan, Larry Osman and Benny Owens. Those whose faces are hidden in the photos or missed the photo session were Sherry McAfee, Darla Pierce, Linda Green, Vera Jones, Barbara Hahn, Barbara Holleman, Martha Blodgett, Jackie Braddock, James Neff, Elizabeth Tubbs, Billy Wayne Blacklock, Jimmy Huntley and Gayla Johnson. (Photo courtesy G.T. Mason)



PHS Class of '65 The Way They Were - (top, left to right) Charlie Brown, Barbara Bush, Carolyn Carlisle, David Cheshire, (bottom) Bobbie Compton, Judi Cook, Ronnie Cook and Susan Cornish.



PHS Class of '65 The Way They Were - (top, left to right) Judy Ballentine, Neal Barnes, Sherry Bevers, (middle) Brenda Bilberry, John Tom Bilberry, Billy Blacklock, (bottom) Martha Blodgett, Jackie Braddock and Barbara Britton.



(top) Mary Brooks and (bottom) Dennis Brackeen



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(top) James Neff and (bottom) Meredith Newby.



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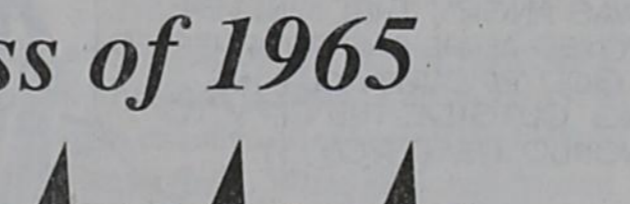
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## Class of 1965



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## Girl Scout seeks adult volunteers

If you love kids and have an hour or two you could spare each week, there are some girls looking for you!  
Currently, we have girls in Post who want to be in Girl Scouts but cannot find a leader to organize a troop for them. Training and assistance are available for anyone interested and lots of rewards are just waiting.  
It really isn't that hard to be a Girl Scout leader as there are so many resources available to help you. It doesn't matter if you work or not either (in fact, most leaders these days DO work). Troop meeting times can be scheduled however you like - right after school to evenings, weekdays or weekends, weekly to monthly. There are even male Girl Scout leaders, so Dads are welcome, too! And there's nothing that requires the leader to be a parent either, so ANYONE can do it!  
Scouting is a really wonderful way to spend some quality time with the children in your life and if our children aren't important enough to make a little time for, who is? You'll be glad you did! To learn more about this opportunity to make a difference for some girls in Post, call Carol Tobias at 495-3057 or Hilda Cordero at 745-2855.

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# Obituaries

## Lois M. Bagby

Services for Lois M. Bagby, 80, of Tahoka, were held at 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 18, 2000, at the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Bruce Parks officiating. Burial was in the Tahoka Cemetery in Tahoka under the direction of the White Funeral Home.

She died Thursday, Nov. 16, in Lubbock.

Born July 7, 1920, in Cisco to Riley Lee and Eula Adams Lee, she attended Redwine and Dixie schools and moved to Tahoka from Brownwood in 1931. She married Raymond Bagby Sr. Dec. 18, 1939, in Lubbock. He died March 30, 1988. She worked as a receptionist for White Funeral Home in Tahoka for many years and was a member of the First United Methodist Church for 60 years.

Survivors include one son, Raymond (Ray) Bagby Jr. of Post; four sisters, Dede Harper and Mary Elrod, both of Tahoka, Juanita Curtis of Hutto and Louise Carpenter of Gustine; two grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by four brothers and one sister.

The family has requested memorials be made to the Lynn County EMS or the First United Methodist Church of Tahoka.

## Julia Howard

Graveside services for Julia "Judy" Howard were Saturday, November 18, 2000 at 1:00 P.M. in the Terrace Cemetery in Post. Paul D. Jones, minister, Post Church of Christ officiated. Services were under the personal care of Justice-Mason Funeral Home.

Mrs. Howard died Wednesday, November 15, 2000 at the Golden Plains Care Center in Post.

She was born April 10, 1919 in Albany to James Arlee and Martha Elizabeth (Gipson) Dunn and attended school at Shields. Came to Lynn County in 1947 to farm. In 1950 moved to the Graham Community in Garza County.

She later moved into Post and worked many years for Levi's Restaurant, Jackson's Cafeteria and for Allsup's. She was a member of the former Central Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by a son Kenneth Howard in 1973.

Survivors include a daughter; Marie Davis of Post, one son; Keith Howard and wife Dianne of Amarillo and four brothers: James Dunn and wife Mary of San Angelo, Robert Dunn and wife Pat of Brownwood, Dewey Dunn and wife June of Granbury and J.D. Dunn of Denton. Four sisters: Ruby Box of Dallas, Faye Hunter and husband David of Abilene Joann McCellan and husband Charles of Abilene and Sonja Adams and husband Ken of Farmersbranch.

Six grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. Grandson were pallbearers.

## Una Mae Jackson

Graveside services for Una Mae Jackson, 97, of Post were held at 1:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 20, 2000, in the Terrace Cemetery with the Rev. Jerry Graham officiating. Hudman Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. She died Saturday, Nov. 18, at Golden Plains Care Center.

Born Aug. 18, 1903, in Gorman, she married R.A. Jackson June 16, 1928, in Post. He died June 9, 1996. She was a housewife and a member of the Calvary Baptist Church.

Survivors include one brother, Roy Gilmore of Post; one sister, Maudeen Priddy of Brownwood; one niece, Marie Neff of Post; and several nieces and nephews.



# Golden Plains News

by Sandy Smith

I am sooo glad to be back at Golden Plains this week. I missed each and every one of these wonderful people. I received such a warm welcome back that I just don't think next year I'll take a vacation!

I have to tell you all about our Halloween party. Most of the employees dressed up as Wizard of Oz, Dorothy, Tin Man, mayor of Munchkin Land and even the Munchkins were there! We don't dare forget Glenda the Good Witch and the vampire from the kitchen. There was a very large lady from the kitchen also whom drinks a lot of milk I suppose... Twilia Holly?

The residents wore their hats and masks that we had worked on for so long. We had hats of every style. Even a hat with cornucobs that Carl Jones so proudly wore. We made these hats out of old newspapers (not the Post Dispatch, of course!), then we spray painted them and decorated them with various things such as beads and feathers. Whatever was close by we glued it right to the hat!

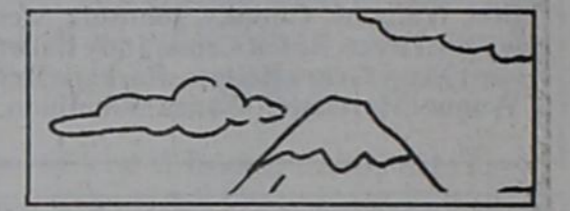
Mable Robinson had her eye on a red hat and that is exactly what she fixed. A big red hat!

The children ages 3 and 4 from My Special Place came to entertain and

sing us some really scary songs! Sebastian Pena was thrilled when his grandson Steve came by to give him a hug and get some candy of course!

Monico Guerrero had some real treats to hand out to the little ones who came by his room for trick or treat later that night. Faye Ogel also had her hands full as she handed out candy to almost 100 kids that came to Golden Plains. There were three little clowns, a couple of little cows that mooed at us and many, many more.

We had our birthday party today. Johnnie Melton, Dorothy Calloway celebrated their birthdays for this month. While at the party, Floyd Lemond pulled out his guitar and did a little picking and singing for us. I will tell you this man has more talent. His wife Evelyn Lemond did a little dancing for us. The good times have only just begun! Spike and Callie Strofer also had a really great time! Keep smiling!



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BUT JONAH WAS ANGRY THAT NINEVEH WASN'T DESTROYED AS HE HAD PROPHESED AND HE URGED GOD TO CARRY OUT HIS WORD, CAMPING OUTSIDE THE CITY TO SEE IF GOD WOULD DESTROY IT!

ONLY AFTER GOD DESTROYED A VINE, THAT SHADED JONAH FROM THE SUN, DID THE PROPHET COME TO REALIZE THAT GOD WAS TRYING TO SHOW HIM THAT MERCY WAS FAR GREATER THAN SELF-RIGHTEOUSNESS!

NEXT WEEK: A KINGDOM LOST BECAUSE OF A KING'S LAZINESS!

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## Tyranny Is Here

by Paul Craig Roberts, NewsMax.com

Tyranny is creeping up on us. If you don't believe it, consider the most prominent hallmarks of the Nazi and Communist regimes, which sought to supplant democracy in the 20th century. In National Socialist Germany and the Soviet Union, there were no First Amendment rights. No one could voice an opinion contrary to the politically correct views enforced by the Gestapo and the KGB. Media and education were used to instill politically correct thinking and bring denunciation upon anyone who departed from politically correct thinking.

This is precisely the situation that exists today in the vast majority of American colleges and universities. Verbal and facial expressions that are contrary to political correctness result in sensitivity training (a form of brainwashing) or expulsion for the offender, who may have done nothing more than laugh. If the source of mirth is an ethnic joke, a blonde joke or a hilarious claim by a multiculturalist, the hapless offender discovers that his constitutional protections do not exist.

In Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union, there were victim groups that were championed and oppressor groups that were suppressed. In Germany, the "victims" were Aryans, who were said to be under the financial hegemony of Jews. In the Soviet Union, the hegemonic group was the bourgeoisie, who allegedly held sway over an oppressed proletariat. In both countries, victims were permitted to exercise violent language and actions against oppressors.

In the United States today, white heterosexual able-bodied males constitute the hegemonic group. Everyone else is a member of a victim group.

In Germany and the Soviet Union, the abstract and imaginary group roles of oppressor and victim were given a frightful reality by ideologues. Race and class categories became the basis for discrimination and new legal systems that favored victims' groups with preferences.

On American campuses, multicultural ideology has revived the concepts of race and class oppression, and added new ones based on gender and sexual orientation. Men oppress women, and heterosexuals oppress homosexuals.

According to multiculturalists, our culture and values reflect nothing but the arbitrary domination of society by white heterosexual males. University of Pennsylvania professor Alan Kors says that, thanks to multiculturalism, "half a century after the defeat of Nazism, we distinguish by blood and we equate blood with culture." We now think like Nazis and explain our society and culture in terms of race (and gender) hegemony.

Tyrannical states attack the family. Both the Nazis and Communists are infamous for state intrusions in family affairs. In the United States, similar bureaucratic and political intrusions come from family courts. Most Americans are unaware of the existence of these relatively new "courts." Howard University professor Stephen Baskerville is the leading authority on these courts. He says family courts are "the most dangerous institution posing a threat to constitutional rights in our society. The only parallels are the ideological-bureaucratic dictatorships of the last century."

Family courts claim immunity from the Constitution and from scrutiny by federal courts. Baskerville describes them as follows:

"Their proceedings are secret and unrecorded. Their orders are enforced by bureaucratic police who do not wear uniforms and whose sole responsibility is to conduct surveillance over families and private lives. As such, these police are akin to secret police. By the very nature of their jurisdiction, these courts and police are the most intrusive and invasive arm of government, and yet they are accountable to virtually no one. Such an institution is intolerable in a free society."

Recently a family court judge ordered the parents of a 7-year-old boy in Berne, N.Y., to put their child on Ritalin, a behavior-control drug. The alternative was to be found guilty of "educational neglect," an offense that would open the possibility of their child being seized by Child Protective Services - a Hillary Clinton "village" institution straight from the pages of the Gestapo. The child suffered serious side effects from the drug, but parents no longer have the right to decide what is best for their children.

Tyrannical states assault the individual in the inner recesses of his consciousness. He is not permitted to think certain thoughts or to express a prohibited thought privately to anyone.

Recently, Janice Barton encountered a Spanish-speaking couple while leaving a restaurant in Manistee, Mich. She turned to her mother and said, "I wish these (ethnic slur) would learn to speak English." An off-duty deputy sheriff overheard the private remark, followed the woman to her car and noted her tag number. Janice Barton was sentenced to 45 days in jail for her thought crime.

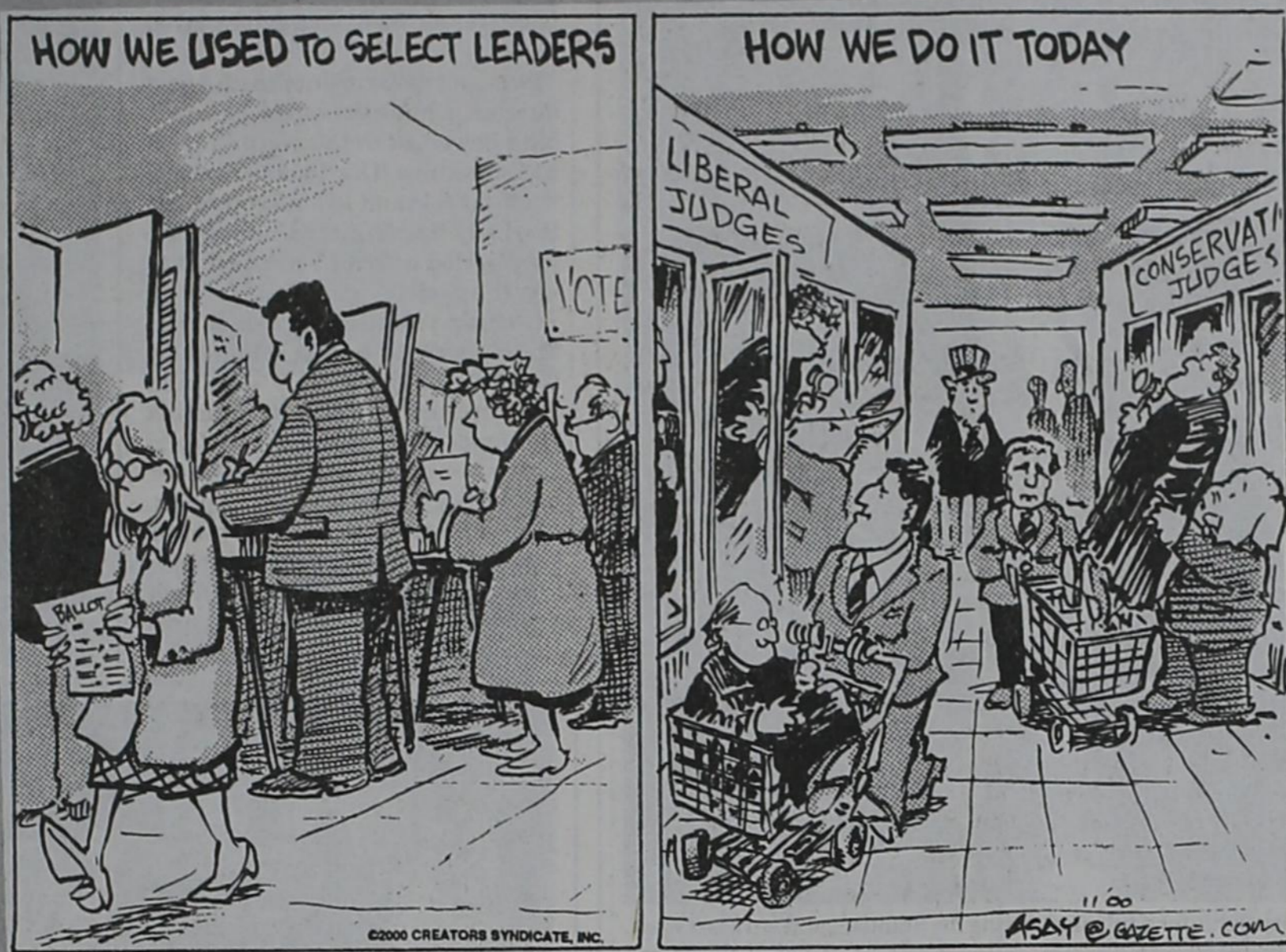
This couldn't happen in a free country. Dr. Roberts' latest book, "The Tyranny of Good Intentions," has just been released by Prima Publishers. COPYRIGHT 2000 CREATORS SYNDICATE INC.

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### Who said that?

"Those who cast the votes decide nothing. Those who count the votes decide everything. — Josef Stalin."



## And thereafter, majority rule equals tyranny

by Walter E. Williams

The controversy surrounding this year's presidential election has led to calls to abandon the Constitution's Article II provisions for the Electoral College to select presidents.

Despite the fact the system has served us well for over 200 years, many Americans now call for its abandonment in favor of electing presidents by popular vote. Before we do this, let's consider the function it performs. California, Ohio, Texas, New York, New Jersey, Florida, Illinois, Pennsylvania and Michigan can boast a combined population of 137 million.

That's slightly more than half our 272 million national population. It's therefore conceivable that just nine states could determine the presidency in a popular vote. The Electoral College gives states with small populations a measure of protection against domination by states with large populations.

That's because the nine high-population states have a total of 243 electoral college votes, but 270 are needed to win the presidency. Compare Wyoming to California. California's population is over 33 million, while Wyoming's is 480,000.

Thus, California has 69 times more people than Wyoming. California has 54 electoral college votes (since it has 52 congressmen and two senators), while Wyoming has three votes. In terms of the Electoral College, California has only 18 times as many votes as Wyoming.

The Electoral College forces presidential candidates to appeal to voters in states with small populations. The Constitution's Framers feared tyranny of the majority. That's why there's an Electoral College — plus, even though California's population is 69 times that of Wyoming's, both states have two senators.

Despite public consensus, there's nothing inherently just or fair about majority rule. In fact, one of the primary dangers of majority rule is that it confers an aura of legitimacy and respectability on acts



that would otherwise be deemed tyrannical. Ask yourself what day-to-day decisions would you like to be decided by majority rule?

What about where you live, for whom you work, what kind of car you drive, what clothing you wear, what woman you marry? You say: "Williams, those decisions are nobody else's business but mine. What's more, those are issues that don't belong in the political arena anyway!"

You're right. Plus, we'd all agree that it would be nothing short of tyranny if where you could live and whom you could marry was decided by majority rule. What if the decision whether to enslave a group of people were made through a popular vote instead of a dictatorship?

Wouldn't you say that it was tyranny nonetheless? Instead of enslave, we could easily substitute the words rape, murder, rob and torture, and reach the same conclusion. Those examples are extreme and unlikely in the United States, but the principle is just as applicable on questions like:

Should a popular vote decide how much of my weekly salary is set aside for retirement, or how much is set aside for housing, clothing, food and entertainment? If a popular vote decided these questions, there's still tyranny, but of a lesser degree.

Americans should read the wise words of James Madison in Federalist Paper No. 10. There's no clearer statement that the Framers fashioned a republic and not a pure democracy.

Our Constitution set limits on not only the power of the three branches of the federal government, it also set limits on the arbitrary will of the people that might be expressed through a majority vote.

Madison said, "Measures are too often decided, not according to the rules of justice and the rights of the minor party, but by the superior force of an interested and overbearing majority." And he's right.

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## Young people are not skeptical enough

by Sheldon Richman

Nearly everyone seems to agree on one thing: young people are tragically skeptical about politics. The subject came up in the third debate between Vice President Al Gore and Gov. George W. Bush, both of whom bemoaned the political disillusionment of the young. Minnesota's governor, Jesse Ventura, constantly talks about it.

Various reasons are posited for this state of affairs. Republicans say it is because the Clinton administration has been dishonest the last eight years, and they call for a change at the polls. The Democrats blame "big money in politics" and call for campaign finance reform. Ventura would agree with both sides, while wishing a pox on both their houses.

If I may be permitted a note of dissent. The problem is not that young people are too skeptical about politics. It is that they aren't nearly skeptical enough!

In other words, if young people think that what's wrong with politics can be fixed by changing parties or by banning soft money, they are a lot more naive than is commonly thought. The defect of politics runs much deeper than that the Democrats and Republicans would have us believe.

To see why, consider this question: Except for a relatively few criminals in society, does anyone think he has the right to help himself to other people's belongings? Is it okay for you take your neighbor's money without his permission because you believe you can use it better than he can?

Of course not. Most of us would never think of doing such a thing. Nor would we get together with a few of our friends, approach that neighbor, and say, "We've voted to take 15 percent of your income because we have some important things to do with it." We know that would be immoral. Our voting on the matter wouldn't make it right.

Yet, somehow, when this very same activity is done under the auspices of government, it is regarded as perfectly proper. We vote for representatives, a majority of whom then vote to take people's money in order to give it to someone else. How is that morally superior to the ad hoc "democracy" described above?

Some readers would respond that it is morally superior because we have all consented to the process. Did we? When were you given a contract to sign? I don't recall getting one. Political philosophers say we have tacitly consented to the process in which we agree to abide by the majority vote, even if it means our money will be taken and given to others. But all tacit consent means is that we didn't move to another country. Why should a property owner have to move in order to opt out of this confiscatory process? That makes no sense — unless the government is the ultimate landlord and people serve as nominal owners only at the pleasure of the state. That is how things work, yet it is not consonant with how people like to view America.

Thus by any reasonable moral standard, no one has really consented to his being relieved of his income through taxation. And even if a particular person did consent, he can consent only for himself. He's free to give all his money away if he wishes. What he is not free to do is to participate in the looting of others. If persuasion doesn't work, then move along.

If young people see nothing wrong with a government that primarily exists to transfer wealth from those who have produced it to those who haven't, then far from being skeptical and idealistic, they are the most cynical of human beings. They have not mastered what George Washington reputedly said, "Government is not reason. It is not eloquence. It is force."

In any matter you can think of, what — besides force — does government contribute? The only wealth it has is what it has first taken from others. Whatever brain power it has is provided by people who would be in the private sector if government were not so dominant. There is only one thing government has that no one else possesses: the legal authority to wield aggressive force against people who have bothered no one.

That fact alone should breed skepticism about politics — in the young and everyone else.

Sheldon Richman is senior fellow at The Future of Freedom Foundation in Fairfax, Va. ([www.fff.org](http://www.fff.org)), and editor of Ideas on Liberty magazine.

## Election problems with a democracy

by Wesley W. Burnett

If you haven't been following the fiasco in Florida (I can't imagine anyone fitting that category), you've by now figured out that there has got to be something wrong.

And you'd be right. Notice in the battle over ballots how both sides put up these great and reasonable sounding platitudes to support directly opposite views.

It's an interpretation of the law, don't you see? The Florida election code (statute) defines how these things are supposed to be handled. Not until this very close race for president as there been too much bother about that process.

In a democracy, you can count on these kinds of problems. In fact, if any county, anywhere had the attention put on its election system such as is the case in Florida, there would be just as much commotion.

It's the inherent flaw in a democracy, which is another reason we should insist on returning a republic form of government.

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# Lady Lopes whallop Stanton

The Post Lady Lopes upended Stanton 63-37 last week, with all players putting scores on the board. "We're really quite pleased with the way we're playing at this point in the season," coach Ron Taylor said.

"The team is playing dynamite defense, but we need to improve some on offense," he added.

Emily Smith led the team in the Stanton contest with 17 points, followed by Davida Gregory with 13 and Kelly Moore with 10. Manuela Hernandez got nine points, four points each were credited to Vondi Gradine and Kenda Looney. Meagan Mills got three, Yvonne Lopez scored two and Tandi Humble picked up one.

The team also whipped Anton 67-32 in the second game of the season. Smith and Looney shared the top scoring honors at 13 points. Gregory got nine, Hernandez came with eight, Mills, seven; Lopez and Gradine, six and Moore, five.

# Anton edges 'Lopes

"I'm feeling pretty good about our team this year," coach Dane Vickers commented about the Post varsity boys basketball team. "The players are working well together, and that's really important."

The team opened the season last week with Anton coming out on top in a 56-55 squeaker. "When we start hitting 66 to 75 percent from the free throw line," Vickers added, "we'll win those close games."

He listed three priorities for the team: out-rebound, consistently hit free throws 66 to 75 percent and play together as a team.

In the Anton contest, Michael Huff led the team with 18, followed by Tyrone Jefferson with 14. Others scoring were Clinton Curtis, eight; Jarrett Vickers, six; Justin Norman, five and Brandon Bell, four.



Emily Smith (25) grabs the ball on a rebound for the Post Lady Lopes in the win over Stanton last week. Vondi Gradine (30) joins in on the action. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)



Davida Gregory fights for a rebound during the Stanton game here last week. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

# 7th grade boys at tourney

The seventh grade 'Lopes dropped their first game in tournament play Nov. 16 in a 34-22 defeat by Cooper.

Israel Barbosa led scoring for the 'Lopes, garnering 17 points. Jace Pollard had four points and John Norman, one point.

"It was a tough game, but the kids learned a lot," said Coach Steve Peña. "The coaches did too."

In their second game of the tourney, the team defeated Christ the King 37-15.

Barbosa led scoring again, this time with 15 points, followed by K. Garay with 12 points and S. Smith with five points.

Other scorers were Boyd, J. Norman, E. Reyna and M. Morris. "The defense was good," the coach said. "The offense was more relaxed and executed better."

In the third game of tournament

# 7th grade boys win 40-19

The Post Middle School seventh grade boys pulled off a 40-19 win over Ralls in their first game of the season Nov. 13. Israel Barbosa led scoring with 12 points, followed by Sterling Smith with eight and Kenny Garay with seven. Others adding to the point totals included Andre Boyd, John Norman, Stace Norman and Eric Reyna. "They looked good for their first basketball game," said Coach Steve Peña.

# J.V. girls win 32-31

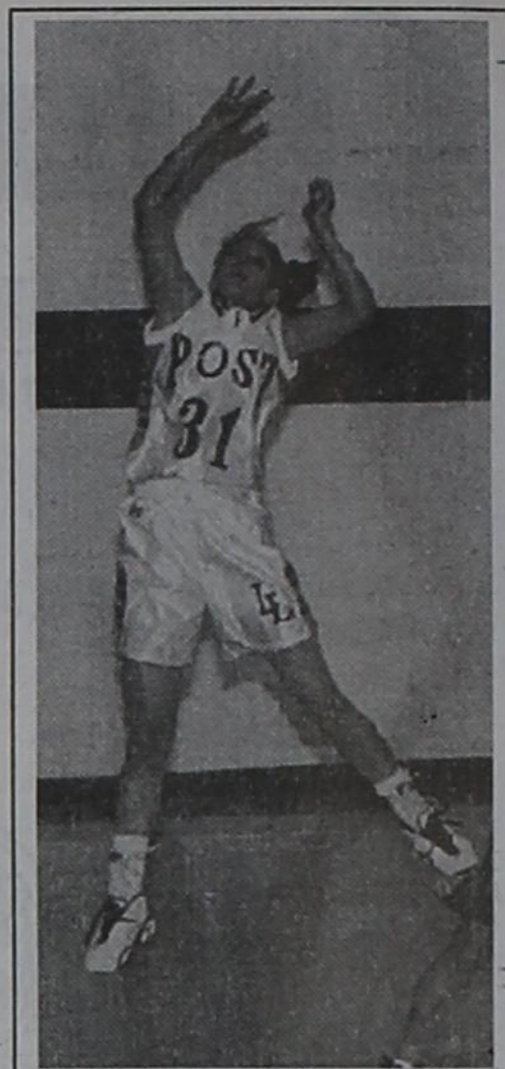
The Post High School girls junior varsity basketball squad squeaked past Stanton 32-31 in a game played Nov. 14.

Post scored six points in the first quarter, holding the opponent to two, but allowed 12 in the second period and scored five. Third quarter scoring was 6 for post and 10 for Stanton, but the Lady Lopes roared back in the final period with a 15-point effort to win the game.

Leading point scorer was Jessica Mason with 10 points, followed by Regina Collazo with 9. LaRinda Ledbetter had six points, Christina Hernandez had three points, Terri Curtis, two points, and Angela Hester and Jerrica Tyler each had one point.

Collazo was the only player successful with a three-point shot.

"We were happy to get a season win against a good JV team," the girls' coach said.



Kenda Looney puts another two points on the board for the Lady Lopes. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)



Meagan Mills races downcourt for the Lady Lopes during the season opener last week. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

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R&B #3	11,646.81	0.00	29.90	11,676.71
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Happy Thanksgiving to one and all!

We'll be closed  
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Post Flag Football... Rodney Tidwell... Lannie Lee

Fifth & Sixth Flag Football... Payne, Roose, Tanner

Austin Field... from Rodney Association

Flag Football... from the action by Lannie

Third & Fourth... (right) provided game. (Photo by)

# Flag Football season a huge success!

by Rodney Tidwell

If you didn't get out and see it, you missed a great time. The Post Flag Football Association had their Superbowl and Closing Ceremonies for future Bold Gold football players on Saturday, Nov. 11. The games were great, the kids played hard. Everyone who played in the season was given a trophy at the end of each division's Superbowl.

The first game between the first and second grade division Red Raiders and Blast started around 3 p.m. in the afternoon. The kids played hard and gave everything they had for their team. The Moore Crop Insurance and Advocare Red Raiders who closed out the season with a 4-2 record advanced to the Superbowl. The challenger was the Sonic Drive-In Blasts with a record of 3-3. The game was a hard fought effort and the Red Raiders came out on top with a score of 40-28.

The third and fourth grade division game was played between the Higginbotham-Bartlett Rams and the Miller Construction Colts. The Rams, with a 6-0 record, and the Colts, with a 4-2, were fighting for the championship. Both teams played their best and as time ran out the Rams were on top by a score of 19-12.

The Handy's Fighting Irish and the Post Automotive Cowboys of the fifth and sixth grade division were next to play. Tensions were high as the Fighting Irish with a record of 6-0 and the Cowboys with a 3-2-1 record took the field.

This game was a battle 'til the last second on the time clock. The Cowboys were driving down the field and were closing in on a touchdown when time ran out. The Fighting Irish came out on top with a score of 31-26.

I would like to take this time to thank everyone who worked so hard

in putting together this year's Flag Football program. I want to thank all who worked all day on the Superbowl to make it a great success. I thank Lanny Copeland for saving the pregame prayer. I thank Greg and Sherry Williams, Michael Huff, Eric Cravy, Chris Wischkaemper for taking care of the time clock and scoreboard and playing some great music to keep the boys pumped up. Thank you, Pixie Grisham, for making the game program and listing all the teams, players, coaches and sponsors. Thanks to Jerrica Tyler, Jessica Mason, Nicole Gray and Mitchell Mills for working the concession stand. Thanks to Miles Gray, Robert Apolinar and Manuel

for working the chains during all three games. Thanks to Buddy Payne for taking care of ordering the shirts and trophies.

To all the coaches and players and parents for making this season happen. And to the officials, Kyle Gunn, Jordan Nelson, Mark McCallister and Wayne McKim for giving up 8-9 hours each Saturday for the seven-week program. We could not have done it without you. And to Cain Abraham who did so much behind the scenes. Thanks, Coach Gorman, for letting us use the practice field for all our games and Antelope Stadium for the Superbowls. Thank you each and everyone.



Post Flag Football Association volunteers (left to right) Greg Williams, Rodney Tidwell, Wayne McKim and Caini Abraham were recognized for their effort at the Flag Football Association awards ceremony. (Photo by Lannie Lee)



Cody Dean gets ready for the Third & Fourth Grade Colts during the Flag Football Association Superbowl.



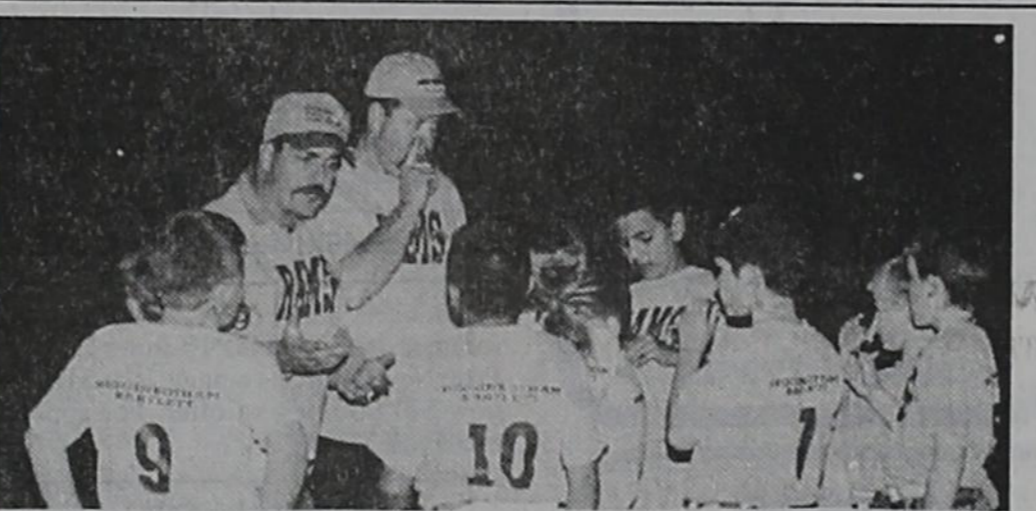
Fifth & Sixth Grade Rams wave their championship trophies following the Flag Football Association championship game. Coach David Davis (back) congratulates team members (back, left to right) Edgar Garay, Joe Don Payne, Roosevelt Brown, (front) Zachary Witcher, Dillon Davis and Will Tanner. (Photo by Lannie Lee)



Mysty Ayala (right) and Jerett Blevins (left) get set on defense for the Third & Fourth Grade Rams during the Flag Football Association Superbowl.



Austin Fields of the First & Second Grade Buzzards steps up to get his trophy from Rodney Tidwell at the awards ceremony during the Flag Football Association Superbowl.



Flag Football Superbowl - Third and fourth grade Rams get a pep talk from their coach during the recent championship game. (Photo by Lannie Lee)



Flag Football Superbowl - Third and fourth grade Colts take a breather from the action at this year's Flag Football Association Superbowl. (Photo by Lannie Lee)



Third & Fourth Grade Rams players Heath Palmer (left) and Govani Garay (right) provided defense during the Flag Football Association championship game. (Photo by Lannie Lee)

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## A little first aid could save a life

I could barely hear his voice from far below me. Was that his light, that little pin point far off in the darkness? Was he kidding, (not like my brother at all to kid) or had he really hurt himself when I knocked that twenty pound rock off of the ledge? I heard the thing carom off of the sides of the cavern until it hit the bottom. It sounded more like a splash than a crash. After the echoes had died out I yelled to him and asked his condition.

It was over 250 feet down to him and so it was no wonder that I had to strain to hear his voice in reply. Or was it weak? From what I could make out he felt like he had broken his arm. I wondered how the rock could have even hit him? He was well clear of the climbing area prior to my descent. Well, there was no stopping now, I continued the long rappel down into the Cave of the Madonna to find out just how bad Horace was hurt.

As I approached the bottom I saw that he was actually about twenty feet away from the landing area. Puzzled, scared, but full of adrenaline, I unhooked my rappel rack and climbed down to the bottom of the large breakdown rock by which he was lying. He did not look so good.

It was apparent that Horace was not going to climb out of this cave. It was 300 feet to the top and his left arm looked like one of those new kind of toothbrushes. You know the ones, kind of crooked at the end so you can get way back in there.

The irony that my brother is a dentist was not lost on us at the time, and both of us cracked jokes about his new dental tool, the "Reach" forearm. The even bigger, more pertinent irony was that Horace was the one climber amongst the four of us on the trip who had actually studied and practiced rigging ropes in such a way that he could pull off a rescue. He could have gotten any of us out of there, but not himself.

We were going to need help. I climbed back up a little way and was able to tell the other two guys what had happened. David, probably the most fit, was sent to go back down the mountain to the nearest ranch and to call for help. We were familiar with some of the cavers (Spelunkers) in Carlsbad and were aware that they had organized a Cave Rescue Unit with situations like this in mind. We would be their first rescue. Oh the embarrassment of it all!

It would take David at least four hours to make the hike back down Dark Canyon and to the ranch. Horace and I settled in for a long wait.

Fortunately we had prepared a pretty good first aid kit. Actually, it had evolved over the years but had not really been put to the test. Feeling responsible for our predicament in the first place I decided to do my best to prevent further damage and to try to relieve his pain.

First, I iced it down with some "squeeze and freeze" ice bags that we had been carrying for years but never used. This helped a great deal. Next using material on hand combined with an ACE bandage the arm was splinted and then secured to his body. That took about thirty minutes. Then the real problem began.

In a cave that is a constant 62 degrees a person can become hypothermic and develop shock even if there arm is not broken. We had some light blankets and one sleeping bag but the real overnight gear was above. We huddled together under the blanket and had one of our best talks in years.

Still, Horace was chilling not only from the cold, but the pain. Ibuprofen helped a little but I was beginning to worry about the swelling in his fingers. Where were those guys?

Did I mention it was as dark as a skunk on a moonless night? We had to conserve batteries so we could use our headlamps to get out. Normally we would be using carbide lamps but this can be hazardous when going up and down ropes, the flame of the lamp being so close to the rope.

We sat in the dark, damp, cold, and lonely bottom of that lovely cave for twelve hours before we were shocked to see our ropes disappearing up into the darkness. We hoped this was good news. However, the sight of the ropes vanishing into darkness tended to be a little unsettling.

Not long afterwards down came three more ropes. Soon lights were appearing above moving down towards us. The rescue was underway.

I was grateful and relieved of a little of my guilt when one of the rescue squad commented on the nice splinting job. It was short lived, though, as the next question was "what happened?" I told them, trying not to embellish it too much with heroic deeds, about the rock I accidentally dislodged on the way down. They grunted a little bit, not really being critical, and began to rig Horace up to their system of ropes and pulleys. Before long he was securely in and suddenly he was gone, lost in the darkness above. And that was that.

The rescue team ascended the ropes and I was the last one out. It was a long lonely climb. By the time I got out of the cave, Horace had been whisked away to Carlsbad by an Army helicopter from El Paso. The rescuers were gone. The three of us quietly hiked down the mountain tired but grateful all the same.

By the time we got into Carlsbad the next day, Horace was already in a cast and eating breakfast from the hospital bed. He offered us his toast, having already eaten the eggs. We fought over the Smuckers. To add to our embarrassment, there was a picture of Horace being unloaded from the helicopter! At least we were all in one piece.

Now for an attempt at making a medical connection. In all of our years of caving nothing like this had ever happened to us. We had toted that oversupplied first aid kit through dozens of caves and had not once had to break in to it. However, when we got ourselves in a caving (a big one at that) it paid off to have put up with all of the hassle of dragging it around.

And so, as silly as it seems, try to keep a few things packed in a kit to carry with you on the outside chance you may need it. Put one in your car. You may need to stop and render aid one day.

Very few items are needed. An ACE bandage, some cord, a few bandages and some tape. Throw in some ibuprofen or naprosyn and if you want to get fancy, some chemically charged ice bags. A few band aids never hurt, and my dad would be upset if there wasn't some hydrogen peroxide in there, too. Be inventive.

By the way, Horace never really blamed me. He is getting along fine and while he is doing more flight instructing than dentistry (the old thrill seeker), he can still get an ache in his arm from time to time, like when he reads this story.

Thank you for spending this time with me.  
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A special thanks to Sammie Palmer, Donnie Stelzer, Sue Warren, Jaquita Blevins, C & D Card employees at Dalby Correctional Center, Dee and Bryan Justice, Brother Jim Graham and Brother Paul Jones.

There is never enough words to show how much we appreciate everyone.

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Thank you correction:  
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Billie and Ruth

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Members enjoyed taking a personality quiz from Ms. Jones. The group's next meeting will be the Christmas party on Dec. 14 at CitizensBank.

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# Yesteryears

by Pat Burnett

November 21 1990  
10 Years Ago

W.F. Shiver, administrator of Post Independent School District, has been selected to participate in the 1990 training update of the Academy of Effective Schools Leadership.

The academy is a component of the Texas School Improvement Initiative (TSII) Program, which was established in 1988 by Dr. W.N. Kirby, commissioner of education, to promote high performance standards of educational quality at campus and district levels.

Lewis Earl, a nominee of the Caprock Cultural Association of Post, was elected by unanimous vote last week to serve as a member of the Texas Arts Council Board of Directors.

Post Main Street Manager Wanda Mitchell and Garza Theatre board of directors chairman Nelda Dalby attended last week's Texas Downtown Associations annual meeting in San Antonio, where the City of Post was awarded the "Best Streetscape" design.

Mitchell accepted the award on behalf of the city, presented by Texas Downtown Association president Larry Fonts.

November 20, 1980  
20 Years Ago

Riley Miller shot and killed a 160 pound mountain lion with a 45 revolver Saturday morning on the Miller Ranch west of Justiceburg.

A record weekend snowstorm dumped 11 inches of snow on Post. Carol Ann Camp and Jonathan De Vinny were united in marriage Saturday, November 15, in Post.

The Post Middle School celebrated a 50's day to wind up their football season. Some of the winners were Tyla Alexander and Basil Reyna.

Syd Conner's Hereford bull showed 4.28 pound daily gain. It's the highest average daily gain of any animal of its breed ever tested at Cooke Co. College's Beef Cattle Evaluation Center.

Helen Richards was elected president of the Close City Extension Homemakers Club when it met in the home of Annie Laura Francis last Tuesday.

November 19, 1970  
30 Years Ago

Free and reduced price lunch program adopted.

Cristal Didway celebrates 9th birthday with a birthday lunch on November 14. Friends attending were Leanna Davis, Charity Smith, Susan Sawyers, Melodie Willson and Tina Rogers.

POW letters are new VFW project. Trena Jackson, 15 year-old Post High School sophomore, bags deer near Menard.

Randy Hudman, freshman student of Wyoming University, visits family for the Thanksgiving holidays.

Post Band receives II in UIL Marching Contest. Garza County is 76th in oil production.

City Manager, Bobby Pierce, is back on the job after major surgery. The Post Jaycees will sponsor a turkey shoot.

November 17, 1960  
40 Years Ago

Mrs Pauline Hagood presents book review on "To Kill a Mocking Bird" to the Post Matrons Club.

The Post VFW opens their new VFW building tonight. Norm Cash rides in Sul Ross homecoming parade with Dan Blocker.

Navy man Auda Vee Teaff visits his parents, Mr and Mrs Will Teaff and other relatives in Post.

Post Art Guild's first exhibit attended by over 100 Sunday. Garza County cotton crop should be largest since 1949.

The Needlecraft Club will meet at the home of Mrs Boone Evans Friday afternoon.

New arrivals are Timothy Van Jenkins born November 9, Tammy Sue King born November 8 and Lisa Carol Kuykendall born November 12.

Weekend guests of the W.C. Kiker's were Ann Brantly, Linda Bias, Barbara Briton and Margie Harrison.

November 23, 1950  
50 Years Ago

1,157 bales of cotton ginned in Garza County this season. Happy birthday goes today to Mrs Charlie Benson, James Patty, Dick Allen, Mrs Edsel Cross, Mrs E.J. Robinson and Mrs J.C. Fumagacli.

Vada Childers is Sunday bride of Ira Alton Clary. Faye Ruth Hamilton arrived in Post by train to spend the weekend with her dad and sister, Beth. Faye attends Baylor.

W.C. Caffey went deer hunting last week. Laverne Furr and Mary Ann Shults participated in the style show held at Texas Tech in the National Wool and Mohair Sewing Contest.

Roy Williams, Post boy, playing with the San Angelo College football team, was highly praised in Hugh Welch's column in the San Angelo Standard Times Paper.

Mr and Mrs R.L. Lewis and Randy were not seriously injured when they hit a cow near Tahoka recently while enroute home to Brownfield. They had been visiting relatives here in Post.

J.N. Power has qualified for Fords '500' Club. Mr and Mrs Harvey Stotts and son of Lubbock and the Jim Barron family were guests of the Will Teaff's Sunday.

Duane Gilliland and Norman Bedford left Friday for the Army. Mrs Nettie Kellum is visiting her son, Pete and family in Pennsylvania.

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If nominated, I will run to Mexico; if elected I will fight extradition.

—Rep. Mo Udall, responding to a question about a possible run for the White house.



Jimmie Lueder

Ms Jimmie Lueder, a graduate of Post High School and the daughter of Ms Penny Rains and the late Carl Rains, received special recognition recently for her outstanding work as a public school teacher and administrator at a dinner in her honor at the home of Dr and Mrs Lawrence D. Morrell of Albuquerque, New Mexico.

From The Post Dispatch, Nov. 21, 1990



Tina Brumbalow

## Tina Brumbalow receives scholarship

Tina Brumbalow is the recipient of the Sam W. and Nettie Hughes Endowed Scholarship at Hardin-Simmons University.

This scholarship has been established with a gift from Mrs Nettie Hughes of Brady to further Christian education. The income will be approximately \$1,000 per year. Preference is given to children of Baptist Missionaries or orphan children.

Brumbalow is the daughter of Johnny and Nancy Kemp of Post.

From The Post Dispatch, Nov. 21, 1990



CHRIS VAN DE VALDE recently was awarded the Order of the Arrow Founder's Award for his active participation and his enthusiasm for the National Boy Scouts of America at a banquet in Lubbock, November 10. He is a member of Explorer Post 140 in Lubbock. Chris is the son of Mr and Mrs Fred Van De Valde of Post.

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## ACROSS

- 1 TXism: "don't throw the baby out with the water"
- 5 gov't safety org.
- 6 Chinese \_\_\_\_\_ Pei dogs
- 7 interview by TX Rafter: "\_\_\_\_\_ A"
- 8 TX h.s. sports org.
- 9 TX sisters who were captured by chief Grey Beard in 1873
- 16 great TX running back Dickerson
- 18 TXism: "popular as \_\_\_\_\_ daughter"
- 21 Santa \_\_\_\_\_ TX
- 22 song: "Ding \_\_\_\_\_ Daddy from Dumas"
- 23 against TX Eli, this Brynner was "magnificent"
- 24 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ in the grass" (bad)
- 30 the "bidness" of UT, et al.
- 34 Gov. \_\_\_\_\_ Ferguson
- 35 historic Dallas area: \_\_\_\_\_ Plaza
- 36 TXism: "flat as \_\_\_\_\_ handle prairie"
- 37 "\_\_\_\_\_ tooty"
- 39 in Trinity Co. on 94
- 43 this TX Banks was "Mr. Chicago Cub"
- 44 Hereford is the "Town without \_\_\_\_\_ ache"
- 45 TXism: "round \_\_\_\_\_ up" (gather)
- 46 TXism: "does a cat have a climbing \_\_\_\_\_?" (yes)

## DOWN

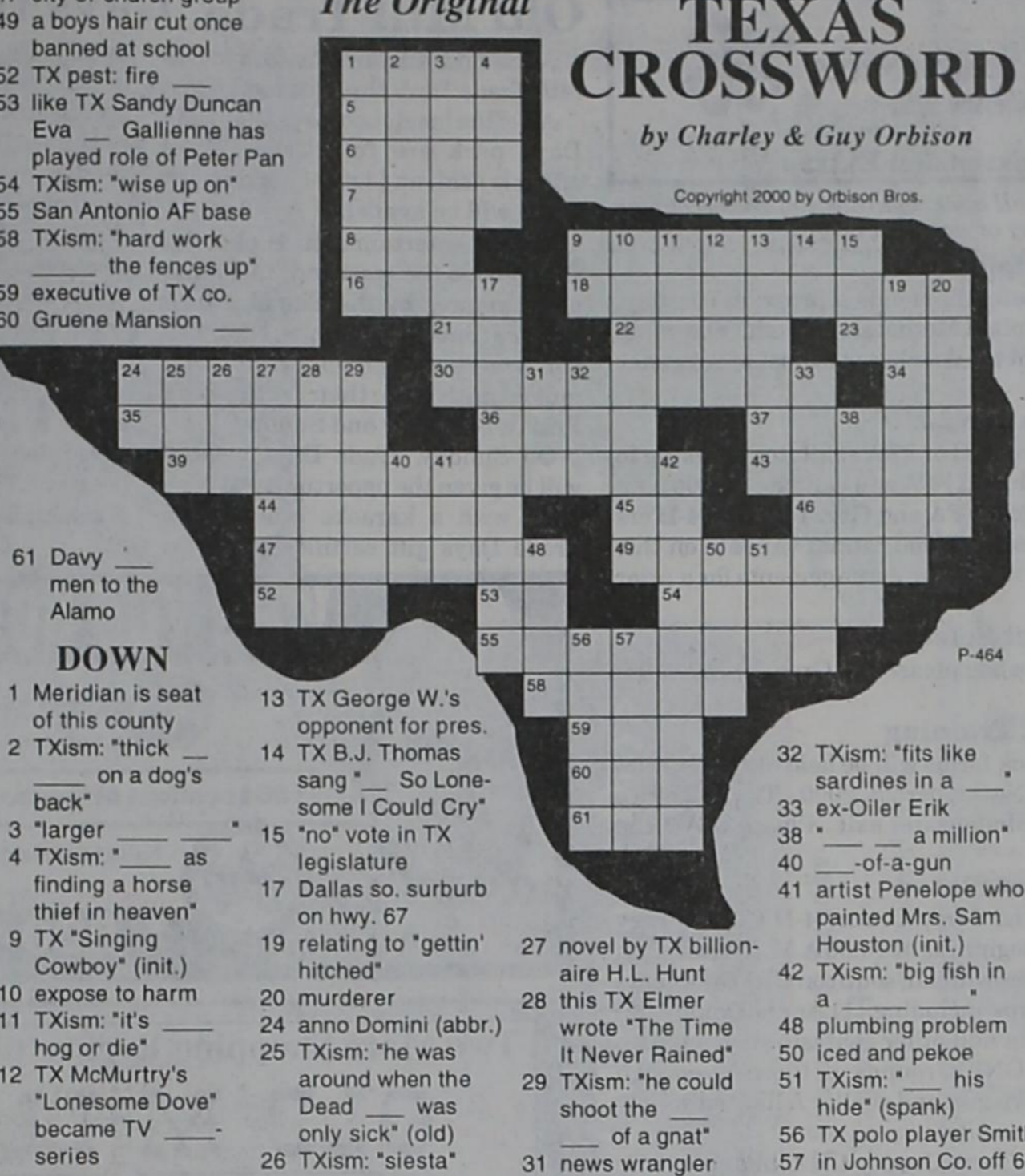
- 1 Meridian is seat of this county
- 2 TXism: "thick \_\_\_\_\_ on a dog's back"
- 3 "larger \_\_\_\_\_" TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ as finding a horse thief in heaven"
- 9 TX "Singing Cowboy" (init.)
- 10 expose to harm
- 11 TXism: "it's \_\_\_\_\_ hog or die"
- 12 TX McMurry's "Lonesome Dove" series

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## DOWN

- 13 TX George W.'s opponent for pres.
- 14 TX B.J. Thomas sang "\_\_\_\_\_ So Lonesome I Could Cry"
- 15 "no" vote in TX legislature
- 17 Dallas so. suburb on hwy. 67
- 19 relating to "gettin' hitched"
- 20 murderer
- 24 anno Domini (abbr.)
- 25 TXism: "he was around when the Dead \_\_\_\_\_ was only sick" (old)
- 26 TXism: "slesta"

- 32 TXism: "fits like sardines in a \_\_\_\_\_"
- 33 ex-Oiler Erik \_\_\_\_\_
- 38 "\_\_\_\_\_ a million"
- 40 "\_\_\_\_\_ of a gun"
- 41 artist Penelope who painted Mrs. Sam Houston (init.)
- 42 TXism: "big fish in a \_\_\_\_\_"
- 48 plumbing problem
- 50 iced and pekee
- 51 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ his hide" (spank)
- 56 TX polo player Smith
- 57 in Johnson Co. off 67

## Laughing is the spice of life

James Martin of Abilene gave a humorous and inspirational presentation at last Saturday's Caprock Cultural Association's "Celebration Party." Martin, who ministers to a multi-denominational church, is the son of CCA executive director JoAnn Mock. Martin emphasized the importance of laughter, spicing up his presentation with hilarious examples of every day events and exchanges with people.



## Post ISD names interview panel

(Continued from Page 1)  
During its sessions, committee members will review, screen and interview applicants in hopes of determining the top two candidates. These candidates will be presented to the full Post ISD board of trustees. Bain said district officials hope to have completed the selection process by January.

Giddens, who has been with the Post ISD since 1971, will be retiring at the end of the current school year. He has served as principal at Post High School for 21 years.

Giddens will be "very, very hard to replace," Bain said.

In other business, trustees:

- Received an update on construction of the new gym from construction superintendent Larry Boulding. Work is going as well as can be expected, with some delays due to the rain, snow and water accumulations that have occurred in recent weeks. Overall, the project is said to be "moving along fine."
- Tabled action on a resolution supporting a state-financed health care plan.
- Considered bids for a 1978 Chevy pickup.
- Approved policy updates.
- Following a closed-door session, approved substitutes as presented.

## Amity Study Club News

by Louella Bilberry

The Amity Study Club met Nov. 14 in the group's "home away from home," the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church.

Our hostesses, Anne Sims and Carolyn Sawyers, had the coffee ready. We always enjoy visiting and catching up on everyone before the meeting.

We answered the roll call with the name of a favorite novel. Titles ranged from "Little Women" to "Forever Amber!"

Our program for the night was a book review, "Walking Backward in the Wind," by Helen Mangum Fields. Joy Pool narrated the stories in first person, which enriched the family stories. Garza County old-timers will be familiar with the Mangum name. Young Helen came to live with Aunt Lizzie and Uncle C.J. Mangum when she was only two years old. They lived eight miles west of Post on a dry land farm.

The first part of her book is divided into our seasons — spring, summer, fall and winter.

In spring, she tells us of the terrible sandstorms in those days. The men would tie handkerchiefs over their noses and mouths when they went outside. The women folk "chinked" the cracks around windows and doors and used sheets to cover up as much as they could. When the winds died, the whole house had to be cleaned. Helen describes Post as it was in

the '20s and their trips to town, driving down the cap but having to back the car up the cap to get home.

In the summer, they would have a hundred-pound block of ice, wrapped in an old quilt, tied onto the back bumper from T.L. Jones' ice house. Helen could hardly wait for the ice cream they would have on Sunday.

The Fourth of July picnic at Tow Draw was the highlight for all the area farmers and ranchers.

She tells of the heartbreak as a hail storm destroys the crops, the sweltering heat in the kitchen as the womenfolk canned vegetables, the fun of the neighbor ladies quilting, the revivals every August when the crops were laid by, the coming of the Sears Roebuck and Montgomery Ward catalogs, and Christmas.

Thank you, Joy. You made Helen very real to us.

Back to business, we were reminded to bring our Toys for Tots to our next meeting. We will start working for our annual Christmas greeting page in the Post Dispatch. The cost is still only three dollars for a family name! We will be calling!



The first mechanical clock appeared in Europe in 1299.



The New York Sun, the first successful penny daily was founded in 1833. It continued to be published daily until 1950.



MR. AND MRS. JESS TYRA

## Jess Tyras are honored on 50th

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Tyra of Post were honored on their golden anniversary, Sunday, Oct. 26 with a luncheon and reception at the C. E. Basinger Ranch.

Tyra and Georgie McCasland were married Oct. 24, 1930 in Carrizozo, N.M.

From The Post Dispatch, Oct. 30, 1980



## TWIRLERS FOR THE ANTELOPE BAND

Among the features of this year's outstanding Post High School band are these three majorette-twirlers. From left to right are Cindy Bird, Dejuana Hays and Jan Bilbo.

—(Staff Photo)

From The Post Dispatch, Oct. 29, 1970

## Irrigation workshop Nov. 27

Practical irrigation management and technology innovations will top the agenda at a one-day irrigation workshop Nov. 27 at the Ambassador Hotel in Amarillo, 3100 I-40 West.

Experts will provide the latest research information and technology updates to participating agricultural producers, irrigation and industry professionals and crop advisors. Organizers for the event are the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District and the Texas Agricultural

Irrigation Association.

On-site registration cost will be \$35, which covers breaks, lunch and a complimentary one-year membership in the Texas Agricultural Irrigation Association.

The event begins with registration and poster displays at 8 a.m., followed by the opening session at 8:30 a.m. Topics include agronomic aspects of irrigation management and scheduling, pumping costs, systems maintenance, management and troubleshooting issues, chemigation, water quality protection, an irrigation research update, and current water issues of interest.

The program is pre-approved for seven CEUs applicable to irrigation association certifications. Certified crop advisors can earn seven and one-quarter CEUs, Texas Department of Agriculture licensed pesticide applicators can earn three, and New Mexico Department of Agriculture licensed pesticide applicators can earn two CEUs.

For more information, contact Dana Porter at 746-4022, e-mail dporter@tam.u.edu or visit the Texas Agriculture Research and Extension Center Lubbock website at <http://lubbock.tamu.edu>.

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—Willie Mays



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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 for Holidays

Mark your calendars now for the Home for the Holidays program Tuesday, November 28 at 7:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. There will be a \$5 registration fee at the door but you must pre-register by calling 495-4400.

#### Hog Validation.....

...has been set for November 30 for any 4-H or FFA exhibitor planning to show swine at a major stock show. Southland FFA will validate at 2:00 p.m. at the Southland Vo-Ag department. Post FFA and Garza County 4-H's will validate at 4:00 p.m. at the showbarn. If you cannot validate on this final date, you need to call your advisor and make arrangements for a prior date.

#### 4-H Hog Project Selection

If you need assistance in purchasing a hog please call Greg Jones at 495-4400.

#### Record Book Training

A training for the new 4-H Record Book forms will be held at the District Extension office at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, November 28, 2000. The D-2 office is located one mile East of I-27 at the Shallowater exit. Please RSVP to the Extension Office by November 27.

#### Turkey Shoot Slated

Come out win a Holiday Turkey at the Terry County 4-H Club Turkey Shoot, to be held Saturday December 2 beginning at 10:00 A.M. The location will be at Tokio about 16 miles west of Brownfield, south on CR125. Events will include something for all age groups including (1) Annie Oakley, (2) Doubles, (3) Jackpot, (4) Straight Trap and other contests such as, ALL LADIES ROUNDS and all YOUTH ONLY rounds if there is enough interest. Shooters need to bring their own gun and shells. A limited supply of shells will be available for purchase on site.

Concession stand will be sponsored by Terry County 4-H Clubs. For more information contact Terry County Office at 806-637-4060.

## Lunch Menus

### Trailblazers

#### Monday, November 27

Baked chicken and mushroom sauce, creamed potatoes, broccoli, salad, hot roll and lemon cake.

#### Tuesday, November 28

Brisket, potato salad, squash, green onions, cornbread and cobbler.

#### Wednesday, November 29

Catfish, navy beans, carrot and raisin salad, cornbread, bananas and oranges and cookies.

#### Thursday, November 30

Enchiladas, red beans, stewed okra and tomatoes, tortilla chips and fruit salad.

#### Friday, December 1

Polish sausage, sweet potatoes, cornbread, beet and onion salad, wheat roll and lemon cake.

### Post ISD

#### Monday, November 27

Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit and choice of milk.

Lunch: Hot sandwich, gravy, black-eyed peas, peach cup and choice of milk.

#### Tuesday, November 28

Breakfast: French toast, sausage link, fruit and choice of milk.

Lunch: Steak fingers, gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, jello and choice of milk.

#### Wednesday, November 29

Breakfast: Breakfast pocket, fruit and choice of milk.

Lunch: Burrito, salad, pears, Snicker bar and choice of milk.

#### Thursday, November 30

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

Lunch: Fajitas, onions and peppers, salad, refried beans, cobbler and choice of milk.

### Friday, December 1

Breakfast: Cereal, toast, pineapple chunks, orange juice and white milk.  
Lunch: Corn dog, mixed vegetables, French fries, pears and choice of milk.

### Southland ISD

#### Monday, November 27

Breakfast: Managers choice

Lunch: Managers choice

#### Tuesday, November 28

Breakfast: Managers choice

Lunch: Managers choice

#### Wednesday, November 29

Breakfast: Managers choice

Lunch: Managers choice

#### Thursday, November 30

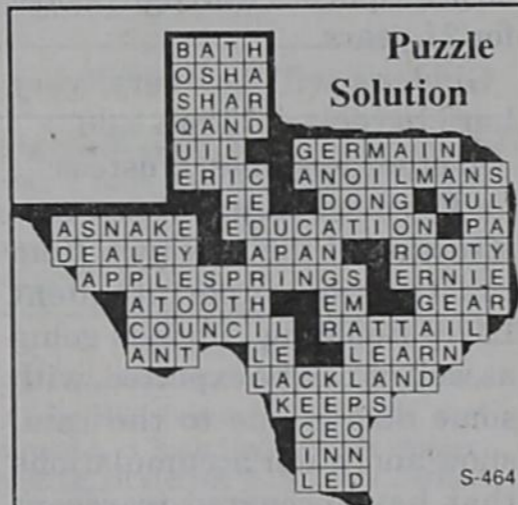
Breakfast: Managers choice

Lunch: Managers choice

Friday, December 1

Breakfast: Managers choice

Lunch: Managers choice



## Old Mill Trade Days this weekend

A full house awaits visitors to Old Mill Trade Days this weekend.

All of the inside booths at the Trade Days park are full, Trade Days officials said, and lots of holiday gift items will be available.

Special entertainment is planned throughout the weekend, including performances by the Equador Inca Indians from Albuquerque, N.M. The performers will provide traditional music native to their culture on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

On Sunday, Trade Days visitors will be given the opportunity to "be a star" with a karaoke event. A \$5 Trade Days gift certificate will be

awarded to every performer who participates in this event. The gift certificates can be used to make a purchase from any Trade Days vendor.

All entertainment is scheduled for the Rainmaker Stage; however, if the weather is bad, a stage has been set up on the east end of the Weaving Room to accommodate the performers and the karaoke activities.

This Friday, Saturday and Sunday event is not the last Trade Days scheduled prior to the Christmas holidays. The final pre-holiday event is scheduled for Dec. 15-17.

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by  
Terri S. Cash

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