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Indigent health costs trouble GHD

by Wes Burnett

Garza County taxpayers are forking out double-pay for indigent care, according to information provided at the April 12 Garza County Hospital District board of directors meeting.

During a discussion about the high cost for one current indigent, hospital administrator Gina Ladwig itemized expenses paid to various doctors, and a hospital bill of \$6,000 to University Medical Center.

She admitted that indigent patients go "wherever they want" for health care, and are not restricted to services provided by Covenant Health Systems. The district has a contract with Covenant for the purpose of providing health care to the indigent. That contract specifies a \$300,000 per year payment to Covenant to operate a clinic in Post for indigent care.

That \$300,000 annual guaran-

tee does not include the actual medical expenses incurred by individual indigent patients. The total cost of indigent care for the 14 qualified indigent patients is approximately \$450,000 per year.

The hospital district's auditor emphasized at an earlier meeting that the district pays a guarantee of \$300,000 per year to have doctors and staff available in Post for the indigent. District officials have been unable to provide details as to how many indigent patients actually use the clinic here.

The revelation about out-of-county indigent cost was aired during an agenda item about ex-

cessive expenses for at least one indigent patient. Norman pointed out that the district has a limit of three prescriptions per month, yet the district has been paying for up to nine prescriptions per month for the unnamed patient.

Board members authorized the continued exception to the guidelines, with a monthly report on corrective action to limit the amount of prescriptions for the patient.

In other matters, the board heard a report from Norman that the pre-clearance by the U.S. Department of Justice was on schedule for the May 5 election.

Early voting was to begin April 18, although the approval for changing the election to single member districts has not yet been approved.

The board tabled any further action regarding asbestos tile at the old hospital building. A recent survey by an engineering firm showed "hot spots" in the carpet and tile, but board members accepted the option to "maintain" the safe condition that currently exists.

Board president Mike Travis presented a brief summary on the recent hearings in Austin regarding HB 2477. The board approved payment of \$499.75 for travel expenses incurred by Travis and board member Zoe Kirkpatrick. The two had lobbied at the hearings for passage of HB 2477, which alters the district's enabling legislation, expanding its power and use of tax funds.

Board member Carol Tobias objected to using tax funds to pay for Travis and Kirkpatrick's trip to Austin. "I don't think it is right for taxpayers to have to pay for your trip to lobby for this piece of legislation," she said. She was out-voted by Kirkpatrick, Miller and David Tyler.

Covenant Health System reported a total of 657 patients vis-

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Mayfield serves as art show judge here

Lubbock artist Donna Alexander Mayfield, composer of fine arts, will judge the Post Art Guild Annual Art Show.

Following a 1960s art education at Texas Tech, Mayfield's deepest roots are in impressionistic watercolor.

"I'm an uncontrollable romantic, whose greatest awareness of fulfillment may be best expressed in watercolor," she said. "I have never painted a watercolor that did not stir me to excitement, either negatively or positively. It just doesn't get better than that."

By 1990, Mayfield's creative journeys led to expansive endeavors as a muralist, designer of residential and commercial interiors and creator of elegantly embellished furniture and functional pieces, always emphasizing texture and asymmetry.

She considers all surfaces as fields of expression.

"My true belief is that none be awarded than other, but each applauded as a specific and unique recording of human experience," Mayfield said of viewing art.

She sums up her art career by

Commissioners get positive report on EMS

by Wes Burnett

The Garza County Commissioners' Court heard a positive report about the Post Emergency Medical Services at its regular meeting Monday morning. South Plains Emergency Medical Service (SPEMS) representative Sharla Mitchell explained the wide variety of services offered by the organization, and praised the

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saying, "I've heard it said, 'That's not who I am, that's what I do.' I believe, that's who I am... an artist."

Mayfield's works are exhibited in numerous galleries across the nation. She is a member of the Lubbock Art Association and the West Texas Watercolor Society.



Donna Mayfield



Soil Stewardship gets recognition from Garza County Judge Giles W. Dalby (center, seated) with Garza Soil & Water Conservation District directors (back, left to right) B.L. Thomas, J.C. Stelzer Jr, Delwin Fluitt and natural resource manager Mario Avila.



The Garza County Trail Blazers got three more significant donations last week toward the building fund. Zoe Kirkpatrick (second from right) presents a \$762 donation on behalf of the First United Methodist Church through its recent musical. Kirkpatrick and Jack Alexander (second from left), representing the Post Hospital Foundation, also presented a check for \$2,500 to the Trail Blazers. Accepting the donations for the senior citizens were James Mitchell (left) and Jack Ault (right). The Trail Blazers also were notified that The Brown Foundation, Inc. has awarded a \$25,000 grant.



Post High School students advancing to regional U.I.L. competition with their coaches are (back row, left to right) Aaron Cooper, Russell Eaton, A.J. Dickman, coaches Christy Morris, Kim Mills, Shanda Kelso, Candace Boling, Nancy McDonald, Sandra Alexander, Doris Giddens, Jennifer Morgan, Jessica Garza, Jamie Dawson, Tisha Cowley, Heather Bullard, Tandi Humble, Naomi Gonzales, Teresa Salazar, (front row) Amanda Workman, Jerica Tyler, Laci Williams, Davida Gregory, Mandi Terry and Meagan Mills.

Post Notes

Patron's Reception Thursday

The Patron's Reception for this year's Spring Art Show will be held Thursday, April 26 from 5-8 p.m. at the Algerita Art Center. Refreshments will be served.

Super Sunday Children Crusade

The Super Sunday Children's Crusade will be held at the Church on the Go, 111 N. Avenue I on Sunday, April 29 from 3-5 p.m. All children from kindergarten through sixth grade are invited to participate in the event. Scheduled programs include games, puppet shows and prizes. Children will be taught lessons from the bible during the event, including "obeying and honoring their parents."

Floydada radio covers track meet

Radio station KFLP (900 AM) of Floydada will cover the regional track meet from Abilene on Saturday, beginning at 2:30 p.m. The station will air live reports during the finals.

3-on-3 basketball tournament

The TAEX 4-H and Youth Committee is sponsoring Texans Building Character 3-On-3 Basketball Tournament All-nighter for junior high aged youth, April 28, 10 p.m. to 8 a.m. at the Post High School gym. Pizza will be provided but bring your quarters for drinks, candy and chips. There will be fun, movies, dancing and special guest Miss Lubbock. Start forming your basketball teams now!

VFW ladies set garage, bake sale

The VFW Ladies Auxiliary will hold a garage and bake sale April 27 and 28. The sale will begin at 8 a.m. both days at the VFW Post. Call JoAnn Stelzer at 495-3393 or the VFW at 495-3785 to make donations for the sale.

Spring Art Show April 24-29

The Spring Art Show opens April 24 and continues through April 29 at the Algerita Art Center on East Main Street. Entries will be accepted April 24 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and April 25 from 10 a.m. to noon. Judging will be held April 26 with the show open to the public April 27 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and April 28 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Awards will be presented April 29 from 1 to 3 p.m. Call 495-3493 for more information.

All Sports Banquet May 3

The All Sports Banquet has been set for Thursday, May 3, 2001 at the Post Community Center. Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$12 at the door. Tickets for the event may be purchased from Jana McCallister at CitizensBank or call Larry Mills.

Henderson arena sets "play days"

The Henderson Arena will begin with playdays and barrel races starting May 11. For more information call 806-327-5323.

Foster parenting orientation set May 3

The Lubbock Outreach Office of Methodist Children's Home will sponsor an orientation to Foster Parenting on Thursday, May 3 at Forrest Heights United Methodist Church, 3007 33rd Street in Lubbock. For more information call 792-0099.

Post Elementary Book Fair

The Post Elementary School will host the 2001 Scholastic Book Fair April 30 through May 4 at the school's library. Family Book Fair Night will be held on Tuesday, May 1. This year's theme is "Climb Up for a Reading Adventure Treehouse." Plan now to attend these special events and help your child experience the wonderful world of reading through outstanding book selections.

Benefit to assist Gonzales May 11

A benefit dinner to assist Jimmy Gonzales will be held Friday, May 11 from 12 noon until 7 p.m. at the Holy Cross Catholic Church. The dinner includes fish, potato salad, cole slaw and trimmings for \$5 per plate.

Junior/Senior Prom

The Post High School junior class is making plans for the junior/senior prom to be held on Friday, May 18th. The juniors would greatly appreciate any donations from businesses or individuals of merchandise, gift certificates, or cash/check to be used for the prom "auction". Each donation is tax deductible and receipts are available. If you are interested in making a donation, please contact Kim Mills, Delton Moore, Nancy McDonald, Perry Smith, or Sandra Alexander at Post High School, 200 West 6th Street, 495-2770.

Cancer Survivor Walk

The Relay for Life Survivor Walk will be held Friday evening, June 1 at the Post ISD track. If you or someone you know, who has cancer or has had cancer, would like to participate, please contact Nancy McDonald at 495-3315 or Pat Bilbo at 495-3613. Everyone is welcome. There will be a reception immediately following the walk for all survivors and their families.

Volunteers needed for concession stand

The Post summer baseball program is seeking volunteers to help serve at the baseball concession stand during games. Call Greg Williams at 495-3880 or Larry Mills at 495-3719 to assist.



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Jackson, Ward set wedding date

Kelli Suzanne Jackson of Post and Craig Ward Allen of Carrollton have announced their engagement and approaching marriage. The couple will wed July 14, 2001, at the Church of Christ in Denver City.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Ted and Martha Jackson of Seminole. A graduate of Seminole High School and Lubbock Christian University, she is employed by the Post Independent School District.

The prospective bridegroom, the son of Milton and Maudane Allen of Duncanville, is a graduate of Duncanville High School and Abilene Christian University. He is employed by the Carrollton Police Department.



Craig Ward and Kelli Suzanne Jackson

**Call Judy with your "Jabberin"
495-2816; deadline Tuesday noon**

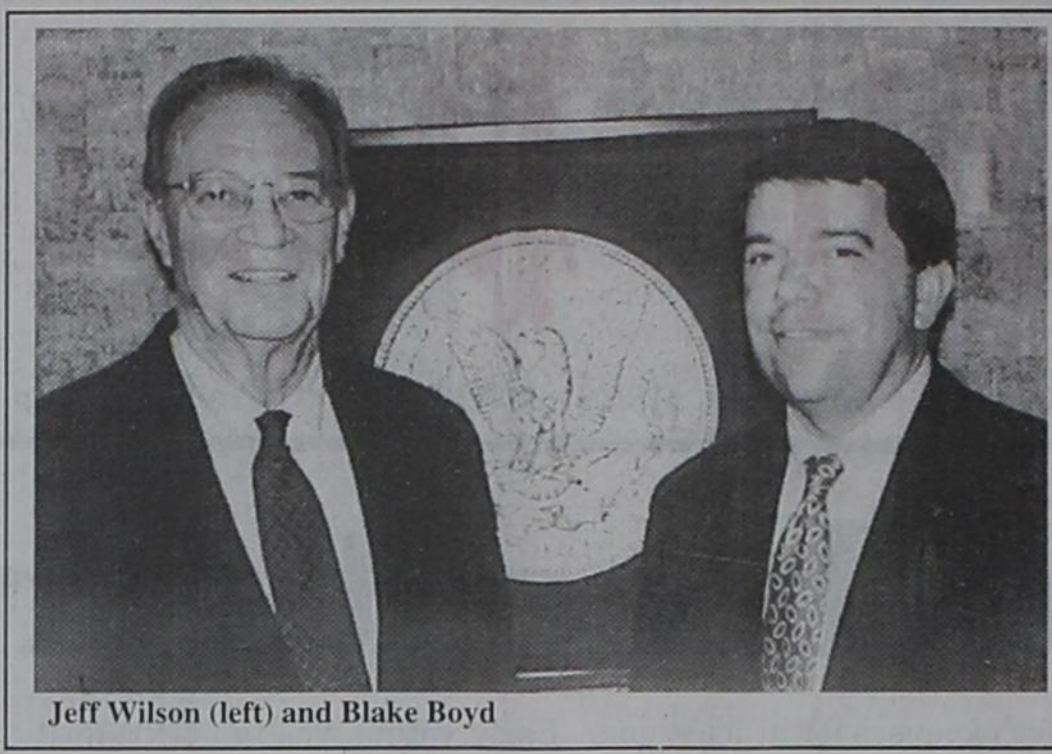
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Jeff Wilson (left) and Blake Boyd

CitizensBank holds retirement reception for Jeff Wilson

Citizens Bank has announced the retirement of Jeff D. Wilson as bank president and the promotion of another bank officer, Blake Boyd, to the position.

Wilson, who has been president of Citizens Bank for the last 22 years, will continue to serve on the bank's board of directors and executive committee. His retirement from the office of president will be effective April 30.

Boyd, executive vice president, will be promoted to the position effective May 1, according to an announcement made by Citizens Bank Chairman E.W. Williams Jr.

Boyd, who has been with Citizens Bank since 1992 and was previously a commissioned examiner with the Texas Department of Banking, will continue service on the board of directors and the bank's executive committee.

A 1985 graduate of Texas Tech University in Lubbock with a B.S. in

agricultural economics, Boyd also is a graduate of the Southwestern Graduate School of Banking in Dallas.

Boyd serves as an officer of the Slaton Industrial Foundation and the Slaton Stock Show and is a member of the Lions Club. He and his wife, Felicia, have two children, Linsey and Blake. They are members of the First United Methodist Church.

Wilson, too, has been active in area civic affairs, having served as president of the Slaton Chamber of Commerce and a board member of the Slaton Economic Development Corporation. He and his wife, Laura Lynn, will continue residing in Slaton.

Prior to joining Citizens Bank in 1979, Wilson was previously associated with banks in Lubbock, Wellington, Amarillo and Dennison.

On May 1, Citizens Bank will host a public reception honoring Wilson and Boyd in the lobby of the Slaton bank from 1:30-4 p.m.

Births

Logan Rogers

Lane Rogers is proud to announce the birth of his brother, Logan.

He was born February 3, 2001 in Albuquerque, N.M. He

weighed six pounds, 11 ounces and was 20 and 1/2 inches long.

Parents are Jay and Gabriella Rogers.

Grandparents are Iris Truelock of Post and Susan and Tom Macdonell of Santa Fe, N.M.



Lane Rogers & Logan Rogers

Karsen Susanne West

Kyler West wishes to announce the arrival of his little sister, Karsen Susanne, born Monday.

April 2, 2001, at 10:40 a.m. at Covenant Medical Center. Kyler and Karsen are the children of Mark and Angela West of Lubbock. Grandparents are C.D. and Nancy West of Lubbock and Ronnie and Diane Graves of Post. Great-Grandparents are W.C. and Annie Graves and Quannah and Sue Maxey, all of Post.



Karen Susanne West

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Judy's Jabberin'

By Judy B. Bush

Are we tired of the wind?? I think Mother Nature thinks this is March instead of April. So much for the weather.

Rick and I, along with Mom, Kerri and girls made a road trip to Midland Sunday to visit my brother and sister-in-law, Jack and June Ballentine. My mom "just" had to go see her 20th great grandchild that was visiting from San Antonio. (Can you imagine?)

Happy 75th Lois!!!!

What a blow out!! To celebrate her 75th birthday, Lois Childs had a houseful over Easter weekend. Lots of family and loved ones gathered, shared a catered BBQ meal along with a lot of visiting and catching up, to make the day special for Lois.

Folks came from all over for the celebration and from visiting with Lois, I know it will be a long time before she forgets the special gathering.

Those attending: Cordell and Dot Custer of Cincinnati, Ohio; Dennis and Diane Custer of Ft. Collins, Colorado (it had been 43 years since these two families had seen each other); Chuck Prather of Millsap, Texas; Haleigh Prather of Baird, Tx.; Jim and Nedra Ellis and Will, Joe and Mandy Guerrero with Abby and Ally, all of Amarillo; Tammye and David Heefner with Katie and Jennifer of New Braunfels, Texas; Virginia Custer, Jill and Mike Gryder, Russell, Leslie and Caitlyn all of Lubbock; Janet Justice, Becky and Ben Justice, Brent Justice and Deedra, Julia Childs and Skipper Prather.

Lois, I know this was so much fun for you. Happy birthday from "Jabberin" and hope you have many, many more!!

Two Special Happy Birthdays

This is a special (tho late) birthday wish for my sis, Jane Terry! She celebrated her birthday Monday, April 23. Now I won't print her age, tho I don't think she would care, but just wanted her to know she is special to me and I hope she had a great day!!

Also to Peggy Dennis. I know she will celebrate her 80th on April 25. Happy Birthday to a special lady.

Thanks to Jerry Taylor-A Great Pastor Story!

He had a kitten that climbed up a tree in his backyard and then was afraid to come down. The pastor coaxed, offered warm milk, etc. The kitty would not come down. The tree was not sturdy enough to climb, so the pastor decided that if he tied a rope to his car and drove away so that the tree bent down, he could then reach up and get the kitten. He did all this, checking his progress in the car frequently, then figured if he went just a little bit further, the tree would be bent sufficiently for him to reach the kitten.

Just as he moved a little further forward...the rope broke. The tree went "boing" and the kitten instantly sailed through the air-out of sight. The pastor felt terrible!

He walked all over the neighborhood asking people if they'd seen a little kitten. Nobody had seen a stray kitten. So he prayed, "Lord, I just commit this kitten to your keeping," and went on about his business.

A few days later he was at the grocery store, and met one of his church members. He happened to look into his shopping cart and was amazed to see cat food. Now this woman was a cat hater and everyone knew it, so he asked her, "Why are you buying cat food when you hate cats so much?"

She replied, "You won't believe this," and told him how her little girl had been begging her for a cat, but she kept refusing. Then a few days before, the child had begged again, so the Mom finally told her little girl, "Well if God gives you a cat, I'll let you keep it."

She told the pastor, "I watched my child go out in the yard, get on her knees, and ask God for a cat. And really, Pastor, you won't believe this, but I saw it with my own eyes. A kitten suddenly came flying out of the blue sky, with its paws spread out, and landed right in front of her."

All Sports Banquet Reminder

The All Sports Banquet will be held May 3rd, at The Post Community Center. Tickets are available advance for \$10.00 or at the door for \$12.00. They go on sale April 19-30.

You can see Jana McCallister at Citizen's Bank or call Larry Mills at 495-3726.

Birthdays:

Friday, May 4: Della Davis, Russel Benham, Rene Gutierrez and Tom McClintock. Saturday, May 5: Kerri Dean, Amy Line and Sammy Palmer; Sunday, May 6, Kirk Williams and Ronnie Eaton; Monday, May 7, Mike Powell, Koby Solis, Martha Phillips and Matthew Tanner; Anniversary, John David and Sonja Fields. Tuesday, May 8, Kenda Josey and Caden Dean; Anniversary, Margie and Oell Curtis. Wednesday, May 9: Teresa Gomez and Mike Basquez. Thursday, May 10: Alvin Reed, Jr. Melissa Williams, Chelisa Drauser, Marinette Tyler, Cliff Laws and Kimberly Craig; Anniversary, Mr. and Mrs. Ricardo Tobias.

What will kids say next?

- Thanks to Ronnie Metsgar!
- A couple of little girls were playing on the playground recently. One suggested they play "house". She said, "I will be the wife, you can be the ex-wife!"
- A three-year old went put his shoes on by himself. His mother noticed the left shoe was on the right foot. "Son, your shoes are on the wrong feet."
- He looked at her with a raised brow and said, "Don't kid me, Mom. I know they're my feet!"
- A father was reading Bible stories to his young son. He read, "The man named Lot was warned to take his wife and flee out of the city, but his wife looked back and was turned to salt."
- His son asked, "What happened to the flea?"

Remember

The ladies from the VFW are planning a garage and bake sale on April 27th and 28th. On the 27th (Fri) it will be 8 am till 3 and on the 28th (Sat) it will be 8 am till 7.

I know that now as in the past that if you have anything that you would like to donate, just call JoAnn Stelzer and she will see that it is picked up.

Remember these ladies need your help. They do lots of good stuff! The proceeds from this sale will go to children with diabetes. It will help them attend Camp Sweeney.

Henderson Arena

I was visiting with Jo Henderson this past week and she reminded me that Henderson Arena will be starting up again soon with playdays and barrel races.

There will be a playday for 18 and under classes, with a 3D open barrel race, Friday, May 11th. The books will open at 5:00, stickhorse race at 5:30 followed by exhibition, cloverleaf, straightaway, flags and poles.

Saturday, May 12th, will be a jackpot for 14 and under, 3D class, and open 3D barrel classes. There will also be a barrel race for parents and their children (only in May). The books will open at 10:00 with exhibitions at 11:00.

Horses MUST have coggins papers. A concession stand is available. Bleachers are available, but you can also bring your lawn chairs. Located 10 miles West on Hwy. 380, look for signs on the left, then 3 mile on Country Road 105. For further information you can call Jo at 806-327-5323. Be sure and hang on to this for future reference. Sounds like it will be a great time!!

Till Next Week

Hope that you have a great weekend. May God bless each of you. See ya next week!!

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Living on the Edge of the Caprock

by Greg Jones, CEA-AG

Sustainable Wildlife Management

A wildlife program, "Sustainable Wildlife Management" hosted by Borden, Fisher, Garza, Kent, Mitchell, Nolan, and Scurry County Extension Offices and sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas Parks & Wildlife Department, USDA-National Resource and Conservation Service, Texas Wildlife Association, Ezell-Key Grain Co., Inc., and the Wagon Wheel Guest Ranch, will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 8 & 9, 2001 at the Wagon Wheel Guest Ranch, 10 miles north of Snyder, Texas just off of U. S. Highway 84 on County Road 2128, from 8:30 a.m. until 4:10 p.m.

This meeting is planned to help area landowners and managers to further develop their wildlife management skills toward profitable wildlife enterprises.

The first part of the program will begin at 8:00 pm on the evening of May 8th where Jim Lionberger, Wildlife Biologist for the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department stationed in Scurry County who will conduct a spotlight deer survey on the Wagon Wheel Ranch to help area managers learn how to estimate their deer population.

Leading off the program on Wednesday, May 9th at 9:00 am, will be Tamara Trail, Director of Education and Special Events for the Texas Wildlife Association headquartered in San Antonio, Texas, who will discuss the function of the Texas Wildlife Association and the benefits of membership to those interested in wildlife.

Following Tamara will be Rory Burroughs with Crooked River Outfitters who will present "Techniques to Enhance Wildlife Habitat". After a break, Duane Lucia, Wildlife Biologist with Texas Parks & Wildlife, who will discuss how to live with feral hogs, a growing problem in our area. Kent Mills, with Ezell-Key Grain Co., Inc., Snyder Texas, will finish the morning session with a talk on some practical feeding programs for deer.

After a steak dinner at the Rusty Spur Cafe, Steve Nelle, Wildlife Biologist with the Natural Resource and Conservation Service in San Angelo, Texas will cover the topic of determining the proper deer harvest for your country. Dr. Dale Rollins, Wildlife Specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in San Angelo, Texas will then discuss how to manage your quail harvest to maintain a viable population on your ranch.

Finishing out the afternoon session will be a talk from Roy Wilson, of Texas Best Outfitters, on how to improve the dove hunting opportunities in this area, and Mike Graham, Wildlife Biologist, near Del Rio, Texas will give his insights on selection and location of deer blinds and feeders to enhance your hunting success.

The meeting is open to anyone interested in wildlife management. The fee for this Wildlife Meeting is \$20.00 for those who pre-register by May 2nd. For those who wish to sign up at the door, the fee will be \$30.00.

All proceeds in excess of the costs of the meeting will go toward a scholarship fund for area youths who attend either the Bobwhite or Buckskin Brigade Youth Wildlife and Leadership Camps sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas Parks & Wildlife, National Resource Conservation Service, and private and university volunteers. To pre-register, contact Greg Jones, CEA-AG Garza County at (806) 495-4400.



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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.

3-On-3 Basketball Tournament Lock-In

The TAEX 4-H and Youth Committee is sponsoring Texans Building Character 3-On-3 Basketball Tournament All-nighter, April 28, 10:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. at the Post High School gym. Pizza will be provided but bring your quarters for drinks, candy and chips. There will be fun, movies, dancing and special guest Miss Lubbock. Start forming your basketball teams now!

BLT Program

Better Living for Texans, a nutrition program, is offering educational classes on "Stretching Your Food Dollars", April 30 through May 4, at 5:00 p.m. each evening. The programs will be held at the Post Housing Authority Meeting Room at 709 Caprock Drive. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

Sustainable Wildlife Management Conference

A Wildlife Conference will be held at the Wagon Wheel Ranch 32 miles south of Post on Hwy. 84, May 9, 2001. Pre-registration is \$20 due May 2 or \$30 at the door. Topics on wildlife habitats, feral hogs, deer management, quail management and dove management will be on tap. For more information call or come by the Extension Office.

State Steer Validation

All youth interested in feeding steers must validate for all stock shows through the state validation process. Steer tags must be ordered by May 1. Please notify the Extension office or a Vo-Ag instructor if you plan on showing steers.

Registro de Niños de Jardín Infantil

Todos los estudiantes de cuatro años, desde el primero de Septiembre, dos mil uno, pueden atender la escuela Antes de Jardín Infantil.

Nuestro programa esta abierto para todo los niños del condado de Garza.

ATENCION, ATENCION, ATENCION!!

Hoy no necesita calificar para este programa.

Si usted tiene un niño o niña, o conoce alguna persona que tiene niños de cuatro años, el conjunto de maestros de la escuela elemental de Post los anima que registren los niños para el año proximo de escuela. Por favor pasen por la oficina elemental para escoger su paquete de asiento. Llaman 495-3414 y hablen con el principal, el señor Self, por mas informacion.

El Registro de Niños Antes de Jardín Infantil se aconteciemente hoy!!!

Pre-Kindergarten Registration

All students who are 4 years old by September 1, 2001 will be able to attend our Pre-K program next year.

Our program is open to all 4 year old children of Garza County.

ATTENTION, ATTENTION, ATTENTION!!

You no longer have to qualify for this program. If you have a child, or you know of someone that has a child that will be 4 years of age by Setpember 1, the staff at Post Elementary School would like to encourage you to enroll him or her in our school program next year. Please come by the elementary office for a registration packet or for more information call Mr Self at 495-3414

Pre-K registration is happening NOW at Post Elementary!!!



Golden Plains Care Center residents, family and friends enjoyed coloring eggs for the recent Easter Egg Hunt at the facility.

Neighbor to Neighbor

by Sara Stevens, CEA-FCS

Texans Building Character 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament

During the Texas Community Futures Forum, each county identified needs within the community. These needs were compiled and the top five were given to County Extension Agents to address.

One of the high priority issues that was identified as important to citizens of Garza County was: To bring God back into schools, government, etc. teaching all citizens to be better citizens leading to less police, fewer prisons, less government, etc.

To address this issue the Garza County Extension Service, MAD DADS, and Juvenile Probation Office is sponsoring the TEXANS BUILDING CHARACTER 3 ON 3 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT ALL-NIGHTER on Saturday, April 28, 2001 beginning at 10:00 p.m. and ending at 8:00 a.m. We have a fun filled night planned for junior high aged youth.

Miss Lubbock will be there to speak on character building and sign autographs. We will also have the basketball tournament (one for girls, one for boys), however, if you don't want to play, that's okay, there will be lots of other activities.

We will have an area for dancing, some fun and interesting games to play, movies, and you can cheer on a team as they play!! We will also have food to serve, however, due to limited funds, everything will be 25 - 75 cents (our cost): cokes, candy, chips, everything!

So, plan to attend the Texans Building Character 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament All-nighter!!



Garza Theatre opens "Anne of Green Gables"

Continuing its 2001 season, the Garza Theatre will observe the initial performances of its next production, "Anne of Green Gables," May 4, 5 and 6.

Additional performances are set for May 11-12 and 18-19, with curtain times set for 7:45 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and at 2:30 p.m. for the Sunday matinee.

Laura Bryan will direct the play, which stars Amanda Workman, Mitchell Britton, Shirley Cahn, Lannie Lee, Stan Tucker, Mandy Gray, Kristin Thomas, Teresa McHam, Jay Young, Valerie Burlesmith, Jenny Haning, Kindyl Keeton, Jennifer Paxton, Adam McHam, C.J. Long and Bryan.

Tickets will be \$8 for adults and \$5 for children ages 6-12.

For more information on the play and its performances, contact the Garza Theatre box office at 495-4005.

Nabarrette returns from deployment

Navy Seaman Diana A. Nabarrette, a 1995 graduate of Post High School, recently returned from a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific Ocean and Arabian Gulf while assigned to the amphibious assault ship USS Tarawa, home ported in San Diego, Calif.

During the deployment, Nabarrette's ship participated in a noncombatant evacuation operation exercise off the coast of Kuwait. Marines from the 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit landed at the American embassy and a beach evacuation site where they worked hand-in-hand with embassy officials and the U.S. Army. As a result of their teamwork, more than 200 American citizens and embassy staff were evacuated to the USS Tarawa and the accompanying ships of its amphibious ready group.

Nabarrette's ship also visited Mahe, Seychelles, Archipelago. While visiting the tropical island, the Tarawa crew had the opportunity to participate in various snorkeling and diving trips that gave them a view of 100 species of coral and more than 900 species of fish.

During the final two weeks of the deployment, Nabarrette's ship visited Iwo Jima. Tarawa sailors and embarked Marines were flown to an airfield on the island and hiked three miles to Mount Suribachi, a 500-foot volcanic cone at the top of the island's southern tip. The ships of the Tarawa group played a historical video and slide show over their closed-circuit TV before the event and conducted shipboard memorial ceremonies during the visit.

Consumer News

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Obituaries

Jonathan Shannon

Services for Jonathan "Jon" Shannon, 26, of Lubbock were held Saturday, April 21, 2001, in Resthaven's Abby Chapel with Ted Dotts officiating. A military burial was conducted in the Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Resthaven Funeral Home of Lubbock.



He died Wednesday, April 18. Born Nov. 17, 1974, in Heidelberg, Germany, he married Micah Varnell Oct. 29, 2000, in Portales, N.M. He served in the U.S. Army and was a member of the Second Baptist Church in Lubbock.

Survivors include his wife; one daughter, Kyrsten, of Lubbock; his parents, Ann Hendrix Shannon of Phoenix, Ariz., and Richard Shannon of Lubbock; one brother, James of Brownfield; one sister, Shelby Margrave of Lubbock; his grandmother, Gladys Hendrix; and two aunts and uncles, Nancy and Ronald Thuet of Post and Dr. Gene and Loraine Hendrix of Abilene.

Alvin Young

Services for Alvin Young, 82, of Post were held at 2 p.m. Monday, April 23, 2001, at the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Paul Kenley of Houston officiating, with the Rev. Keith Cooper of Post assisting. Masonic burial services followed in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of the Hudman Funeral Home.

He died Friday, April 20, in Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. Born April 29, 1918, in Garza County, he moved to Kingsland in 1971 and back to Post in 1979 where he operated a small motor shop until his death. He was a member of the Post Masonic Lodge for 55 years and also was a member of the Chapter and Council of the Lubbock Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Gale Young of Post; one son, Tommy Young of Post; two sisters, Gladys Womack of Midland and Sally Cook of Idalou; four grandchildren, Jay Young and Ken Young, both of Post, D'Lynn Barnhart of Lewisville and Jimmy Todd Young of Terilton, Okla.; and four great-grandchildren, Ashley Young and J.D. Young, both of Post, and Emma K. Barnhart and Jack Barnhart, both of Lewisville.

He was preceded in death by one son, Donald Young, on Dec. 8, 1965. Pallbearers were Jay Young, Ken Young, J.D. Young, Jayson Barnhart, Jerry Thuet and Ronald Thuet. Honorary pallbearers were members of the Men's Sunday School Class.

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AND AGAIN I SAY UNTO YOU, IT IS EASIER FOR A CAMEL TO GO THROUGH THE EYE OF A NEEDLE, THAN FOR A RICH MAN TO ENTER INTO THE KINGDOM OF GOD. - MATT. 19:24

ROPE OR CAMEL—WHICH DID JESUS REALLY SAY?

IF YOU HEARD SOMEBODY SAY, "I TORE A LEAF..." YOU COULDN'T BE TOO SURE WHAT WAS MEANT UNTIL THEY FINISHED THE SENTENCE. "I TORE A LEAF...OFF THE TREE!" NOW YOU'D KNOW WHAT WAS MEANT! "I TORE A LEAF...OUT OF THE BOOK!" AGAIN YOU'D KNOW EXACTLY WHAT WAS MEANT—THE SAME WORD BUT WITH TWO ENTIRELY DIFFERENT MEANINGS: ONE, THE FOLIAGE THAT GROWS ON A TREE; TWO, A PIECE OF PAPER THAT'S BOUND IN A BOOK.

IN JUST THE SAME MANNER DOES THE ARAMAIC WORD "GAMLA" MEAN CAMEL, OR A ROPE, OR A BEAM. WHEN JESUS, SPEAKING IN THE ONLY LANGUAGE HE KNEW, ARAMAIC, SAID, "DAD'LIL LGAMLA LMEAL BAKHROPRA DAMGATA AU ATIRA DNEAOL LMAGOOOHA DALAHA" HE ACTUALLY SAID "IT IS EASIER FOR A ROPE TO GO THROUGH THE EYE OF A NEEDLE THAN FOR A RICH MAN TO ENTER INTO THE KINGDOM OF GOD." IN FACT, HE WAS ONLY USING A VERY POPULAR EXPRESSION OF THE DAY. EASTERN WOMEN, WHEN SHOPPING FOR THREAD WOULD OFTEN SAY, IF THE THREAD WAS TOO THICK, "IT IS A ROPE, IT WILL NOT GO THROUGH THE EYE OF MY NEEDLE!"

BUT WHEN THE EARLY GREEKS TRANSLATED THE NEW TESTAMENT BOOKS FROM ARAMAIC INTO GREEK, THEY DIDN'T REALIZE THAT, IN ARAMAIC CUSTOM, NEEDLE AND ROPE HAD ANY CONNECTION. ONE OF THEM, OBVIOUSLY, DID KNOW THAT "GAMLA" MEANT CAMEL AND SO TRANSLATED IT THAT WAY — AND FROM THAT DAY ON, THOUSANDS UPON THOUSANDS OF PRIESTS, MINISTERS, AND PREACHERS HAVE MISQUOTED JESUS WITHOUT KNOWING THEY WERE DOING SO! THIS DISCREPANCY WAS FINALLY BROUGHT TO LIGHT IN THE 1920'S, IN A SERIES OF LECTURES BY PROF. GEORGE M. LAMSA, EMINENT ETHNOLOGIST AND ARAMAIC LANGUAGE EXPERT — WHICH HAPPENED TO BE HIS OWN MOTHER-TONGUE!

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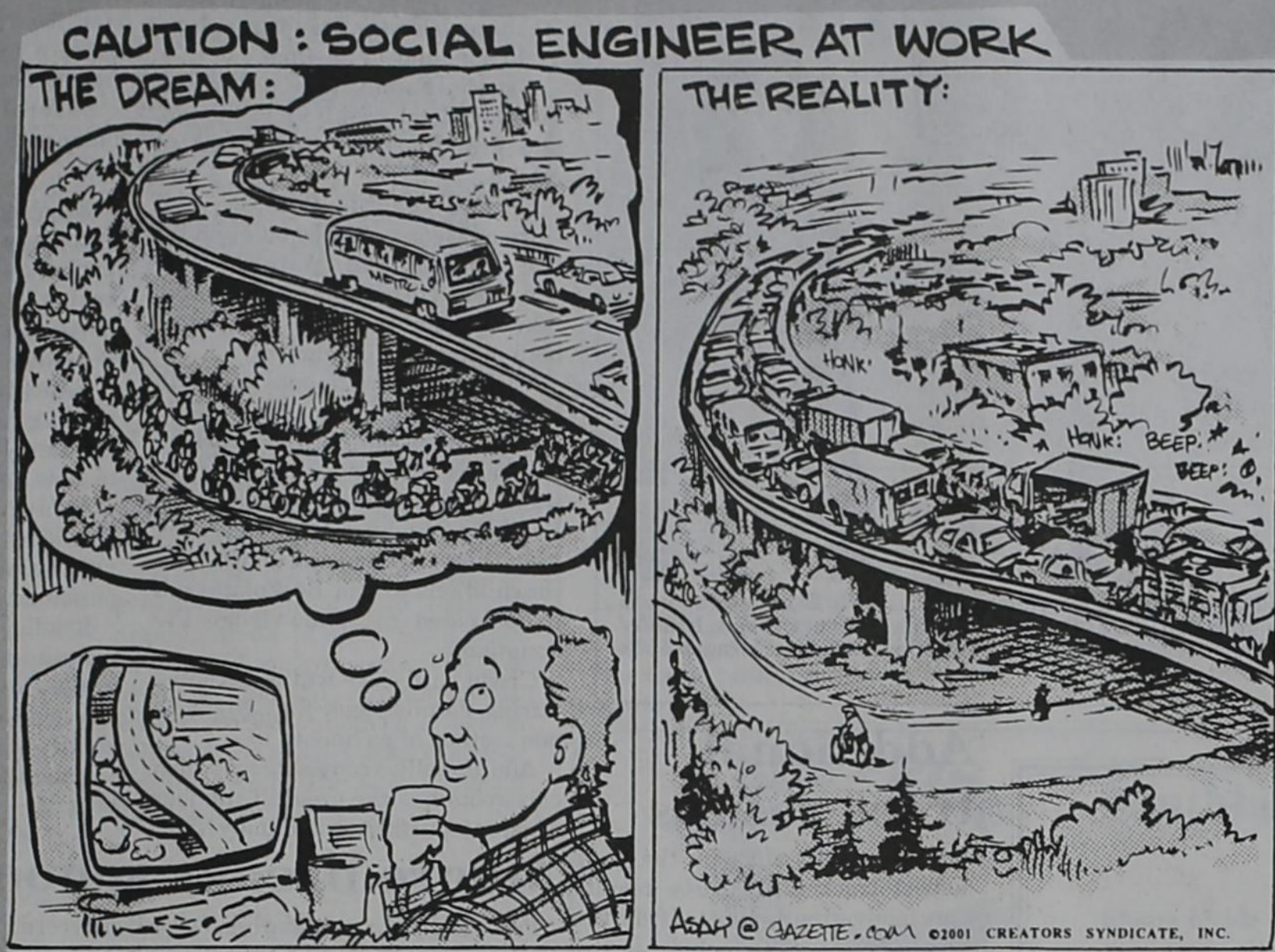
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Opinions



Secession and liberty...

by Thomas J. DiLorenzo

The presidential election of 2000 showed that America is now divided into two great political classes: the productive, taxpaying class and the parasitic, live-at-others'-expense class. The latter group includes millions of welfare bums, federal, state and local government bureaucrats and "contractors," and their massive supporting propaganda apparatus in the universities, on television, and in print journalism. Now that the vast majority of what the central government does is unconstitutional, there is almost no restraint at all on the extent to which the latter class can use the coercive powers of the state to plunder the former class.

The federal system of government that was created by the founding fathers was designed explicitly to deter this outcome, but that system was overthrown in 1865. The founders understood that democracy would inevitably evolve into a system of legalized plunder unless the plundered were given numerous escape routes and constitutional protections such as the separation of powers, the Bill of Rights, election of senators by state legislators, the electoral college, no income taxation, most governmental functions performed at the state and local levels, and myriad other constitutional limitations on the powers of the central government.

The most important protection was the right of secession, which Peter Applebome of the New York Times suggests we should revive in light of the election returns. This was quite natural, for the United States were founded as the direct result of a war of secession waged against Great Britain. The very principle of the American Revolution was the right of secession against tyrannical government. The founders understood that even the threat of secession would hold would-be governmental tyrants in check.

In his 1801 First Inaugural Address one of the first things Thomas Jefferson did was to support the right of secession. "If there be any among us who wish to dissolve the Union or to change its republican form," the author of the Declaration of Independence said, "let them stand undisturbed, as monuments of the safety with which error of opinion may be tolerated where reason is left free to combat it."

Jefferson and James Madison were the authors of the Virginia and Kentucky Resolutions of 1798 which held that "where powers were assumed by the national government which had not been granted by the states, nullification is the rightful remedy," and that every state has a right to "nullify of its own authority all assumptions of power by others." Nullification of unconstitutional federal actions was a means of effectively seceding.

The election of 1800 was a battle between Jefferson and the supporters of limited, decentralized government and the Federalist Party, which

advocated a more powerful and centralized state. The Federalists were so bitter about their electoral defeat that they immediately began plotting to secede from the Union. The important point about this episode is that this secession movement, which was based in New England, was led by some of the most distinguished men of the founding generation and was never opposed on principle by Jefferson or anyone else. It was argued that secession might have been an unwise strategy, but no one denied that states enjoyed a right of secession.

The leader of the New England secessionists was Timothy Pickering of Massachusetts, who had served as George Washington's chief of staff, his secretary of war and secretary of state, as well as a congressman and senator from Massachusetts. "The principles of our Revolution [of 1776] point to the remedy - a separation," Pickering wrote to George Cabot in 1803, for "the people of the East cannot reconcile their habits, views, and interests with those of the South and West." "The Eastern states must and will dissolve the Union and form a separate government," announced Senator James Hillhouse. Similar sentiments were expressed by such prominent New Englanders as Elbridge Gerry, John Quincy Adams, Fisher Ames, Josiah Quincy, and Joseph Story, among others.

The New England secession movement gained momentum for an entire decade, but ultimately failed at the Hartford Secession Convention of 1814. Throughout this struggle, wrote historian Edward Powell in Nullification and Secession in the United States, "the right of a state to withdraw from the Union was not disputed."

At the outbreak of the War for Southern Independence in 1861 the vast majority of Northern opinion leaders still believed that a right of secession was fundamental, and that the South should be allowed to go in peace. The abolitionist Horace Greeley, editor of the New York Daily Tribune and the preeminent journalist of his day, wrote on December 17, 1860 that "if tyranny and despotism justified the American Revolution of 1776, then we do not see why it would not justify the secession of Five Millions of Southrons from the Federal Union in 1861" (Howard Perkins, Northern Editorials on Secession). "Nine out of ten people of the North," Greeley wrote on February 5, 1861, "were opposed to forcing South Carolina to remain in the Union," for "the great principle embodied by Jefferson in the Declaration . . . is that governments derive their just power from the consent of the governed." Therefore, if the southern states wanted to secede, "they have a clear right to do so."

Similar statements were made by newspapers all throughout the North on the eve of the war, and are perhaps best represented by an editorial

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April is the cruelest month of all

by Sheldon Richman

Taxes. Fiscal force. It's that time again. This is the month you are ordered to reduce your financial life to a series of complex tax forms and get them in to the IRS (which, by the way, can't keep its own records in order). The authorities are waiting to hear from you. Don't be late. Don't fail to tell all. Don't err.

Not a pleasant subject. And why should it be? Taxation is legalized robbery, compulsory tribute, exaction. The government does not ask your consent, and as far as it is concerned, none is needed. It wants a healthy portion of what you earned last year. You pay under penalty of confiscation, imprisonment, even death. (No exaggeration there. Try refusing the taxman and then defending your property when the armed agents show up at your door.)

The description of taxation as theft applies to any tax. Let's face it, there is no sense in which you or I consented - without duress - to this voracious monster we call the federal government.

The most egregious tax is the income tax. Any tax intended to raise nearly two trillion dollars will be draconian, but an income tax is most oppressive. For one thing, people will always be tempted to hide their income. Nothing is more human than the wish to keep what one has earned. But the government will go to great lengths to prevent that. The complexity of the code gives government great scope for intrusion. Each touted legislative effort to simplify the tax somehow makes it more complicated. Everyone is a lawbreaker. The taxman knows it and we know it. The system is based on terror, which is unbecoming a theoretically free people. To rub salt in the wound, the government compels employers to withhold the tax before we even get our hands on it.

There is something especially repugnant about the government's demanding that we report how much money we make and where it comes from. It is the income tax that has made financial privacy an object of nostalgia. The Founding Fathers would be appalled. They abhorred inquisitorial government. Yet that is what the Sixteenth Amendment has delivered us to.

Today the federal government takes a record peacetime amount of the people's income, more than 20 percent. The budget-makers brag about the coming surpluses. But do they talk about dramatically cutting or repealing taxes? Republicans use tax-cutting language ritualistically, but it doesn't get much beyond that. President Bush's plan wouldn't even undo his father's promise-breaking tax hike. Democrats have a pathological fear that a tax cut would benefit the "rich" (who pay most of the income tax) more than the "poor." Besides, they have too many other

things to do with your money than to let you keep it. They have to "save" Social Security, pay down the national debt, increase spending on education, build up the military, and a dozen other things. None would be as beneficial to Americans or America as a repeal of the income tax.

Truth be told, government does not serve the "general welfare." It is just a cynical transfer machine: politicians take what A produces and give it to B. The B's are well-organized interest groups, the A's the unorganized majority. The system is designed to keep incumbents living in the manner to which they have become accustomed. They buy votes by distributing booty. (Don't be fooled by so-called campaign-finance reform.)

The only lasting remedy is a dismantling of the transfer machine we benignly call the welfare state. The pillars of the welfare state, the income tax and the Sixteenth Amendment that authorizes it, must go.

In all the public discussion of the income tax, the key fact gets lost: It's your money. You work for it. You earn it. It's your property. Only you have a right to it. You never freely agreed to surrender it.

We've come a long way since small tax and stamp taxes fueled revolutionary thoughts in our forefathers.

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Does God approve of theft by the many?

by Wes Burnett

Last week's editorial about theft by government drew a few responses from our readers, two of whom used New Testament scripture to back up their claims that taxes are okay.

The first, and most common reference given by Christians to justify theft by government, is the often misquoted statement by Jesus in the Gospel According to Matthew (Chapter 22: 15-22). One letter writer simply quoted verse 21, "Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's," giving that as the final word for justification of theft by government.

But if we're going to use scripture, we must look at the entire passage, which starts at verse 15:

"Then went the Pharisees, and took counsel how they might entangle him in his talk. And they sent out unto him their disciples with the Herodians, saying, 'Master, we know that thou art true, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest thou for any man: for thou regardest not the person of men. Tell us therefore, what thinkest thou? Is it lawful to give tribute unto Caesar, or not?'"

"But Jesus perceived their wickedness, and said, 'Why tempt ye me, ye hypocrites? Shew me the tribute money.' And they brought unto him a penny. And he saith unto them, 'Whose is this image and superscription?'" "They said unto him, Caesar's. Then saith he unto them, 'Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's.'"

The people who listened to this exchange knew that Caesar owned it all... the money, the land, all earnings by his "subjects, who were merely slaves to the emperor. The supreme worldly ruler owned the people as well as the wealth within his realm. People hearing this message knew exactly what Jesus meant. If you're a slave, you must pay the slave master whatever he demands. If your landlord demands payment, you must pay it.

So, the question for us is whether or not we owe "Caesar" part of our earnings and property? Who is the Caesar of our time? Is it government, which demands tribute by way of taxation? If so, Texans have been fooled for many generations into thinking that government is our servant, not our master.

Who is the "supreme ruler" of our world? Is it God, or it is government? Those who claim that we owe government a tribute are admitting that government owns us and our property. If that be true, well then, so much for the idea of freedom and liberty. That concept was grandly rejected by our ancestors who rebelled against their "sovereign king" in the 1770s.

You see, liberty and freedom can not coexist with government ownership of property and people. The two do not mix. When government uses taxation to maintain its power and grip, liberty and freedom have to take a back seat.

Those of us who uphold the great American principles of liberty and freedom for which our ancestors fought and died, insist that government is not our Caesar, government is not the owner of us or our property. It may behave as if it has that authority, but only God has that authority of ownership. All that we are, and all that we have, come directly from God's blessings, not the benevolence of government.

Taxation gives government the power to force us into slavery, and it is a worldly power that has no authority from God. In fact, the idea of government ownership is the focal point for socialism, a political concept in direct opposition to God and the blessings he has promised us. Jesus' words have been twisted by socialists for generations in an evil attempt to turn God's word inside out.

You do not have the right nor the authority to force anyone to pay for something against their will. If you do that, you will be guilty of stealing, and that is a violation of God's law.

If you say, "The majority voted for this tax," and you delegate power to the courts and sheriff to enforce the mob's decision, you are still guilty of theft... simply because you delegated that theft and have the approval of the majority does not make it less of a sin.

"Thou shalt not steal," God says. He does not say, "Thou shalt not steal, unless the majority says it's okay." It's the same as with murder or adultery or any of God's commandments. You, or you and your neighbors who participate in this collective sin, are just as guilty as if you personally robbed your neighbor.

Now to the second frequently used scripture, this one from Paul's letter the church at Rome (Romans, Chapter 13). Here he admonishes the readers of his letter (Christians living in Rome), that they should be subject to the "higher powers." Paul is not writing to his flock about government powers, he is writing about the power of leaders in the Christian church.

He even refers to these leaders as doing good, and as a terror to evil. "For this cause pay ye tribute also: for they are God's ministers, attending continually upon this very thing." Paul was not writing about the goodness of the Roman emperor, he was writing about the goodness of the leaders of the early church in Rome.

Instead of accepting this scripture for what it was intended, a letter to build up the church in Rome, generations of government lovers twist the great disciples words to a dangerous and unintended purpose.

In Germany during the worst of its Hitler days, German law and government authority implemented the most evil deeds known in modern times. Millions of Germans were led down the path of destruction by the misuse of Paul's words, as Christians sat quietly in the pews, following the admonishment of their ministers quoting the apostle Paul.

Christians must stand against worldly statutes which are in conflict with God's law. Surely we can see that Paul did not intend for us to bow and scrape like slaves in the face of government abuse of God's law.

In the same way as many Americans stood up against the laws supporting slavery prior to the 1860s, we must reject any statute which violates God's law. The most egregious of these is government's power to tax.

Taxation is evil, it is a sin against God, and if we profess to be believers of the one and only God, we must demand the elimination of any man-made law which denies God's commandments.

Post edges New Deal

Post pitcher Michael Huff tossed a seven-inning complete game in the Antelopes' 6-5 victory over New Deal in District 4-2A action.

Huff allowed seven hits with seven walks and also had five strikeouts.

Batting for Post were Bryan Looney, a walk, a single, scored once; Kenny Ratke, a fielder's choice single; Huff, two singles, one RBI, scored once; Jon Eilenberger, one walk, scored once; Mitchell Mills, two walks, one single, scored once; Cody Fox, two doubles, one fielder's choice single, three RBIs, scored once; Roland Casteneda, two singles, one RBI; Luis Zubia, one single; and Mikey Gonzales, one single, scored once.

Post moved one-half game ahead of New Deal in the district standings for third place in the playoff slot.



Post scholars honored for their scholastic achievements at the annual Celebration of Educational Excellence at South Plains College recently with their sponsor Suzanne Hudman (left) were (back row, left to right) Laura Tobias, Jennifer Morgan, Kelsey Wimmer, (front row) Terry Salas, Davida Gregory, Laci Williams and Jessica Garza. Meagan Mills and Tandi Humble were not available for photo.

Post Elementary School hosts Scholastic Book Fair

To encourage reading, the Post Elementary School will host a Scholastic Book Fair Monday, April 30, through Friday, May 4, from 7:30-11:45 a.m. and 12:30-4 p.m.

A special Family Night will be held Tuesday, May 1, from 6-9 p.m. Parents and grandparents are invited to attend.

Clifford the Big Red Dog and Curious George will be on hand for the event, and parents are encouraged to bring their cameras to take their child's picture with one or both of the book characters.

This year, participants also will have the opportunity to help build student classroom libraries. Teachers will select three or four books they wish to add to their classroom library. Participants may purchase any book from their selection and donate it to the child's classroom. Bookplates will be provided to acknowledge the donations.

Credit card sales will be accepted during Family Book Fair Night as one method of payment.

Additionally, a contest to see which classroom has the greatest number of parents participate in Family Night

also will be conducted. The classroom with the most parents in attendance will have an opportunity for the classroom teacher and one student to share a book certificate worth \$50 from Scholastic.

Several activities have been planned during book fair week as well.

Scholastic provides a large variety of books, which includes fiction, non-fiction, award-winning and popular series books. Students may participate in the Reading Jamboree Program.

Education experts agree that reading has a profound impact on children. It not only introduces them to facts, fables and fun, but also can increase math scores, develop thinking ability and improve vocabulary, grammar and punctuation skills.

Reading is the key to students' futures, and the love of reading begins in the elementary grades. The book fair is designed to be a place where children, parents and teachers come together to find a special selection of books.

Moore breaks school record

Post's Kelly Moore broke her own school record in the 300 m hurdles in the regional qualifiers meet held April 20 in Shallowater.

Moore and several other Lady Lopes will compete this weekend in Abilene at the regional track meet. Field events will begin at 10 a.m., and running preliminaries will begin at 4 p.m. on Friday. All running finals will begin at 2:30 p.m. Saturday.

Moore's new school record in the 300 m hurdles was a time of 45.63, which landed her a first place finish in the contest, followed by Regina Collazo in sixth place.

Dianna Williams captured first in the 100 hurdles, with Moore following up in second place.

Other Lady Lopes' results included, in the 400 relay, Williams, Yvonne Lopez, Meagan Mills and Manuela Hernandez, sixth place; in the 800 relay, Mills, Williams, Regina Collazo and Lopez, fourth place; in the 200 m, Hernandez, fifth place; in the 1600 m relay, Mills, Hernandez, Davida Gregory and Moore, fourth place; and in the triple jump, Hernandez, third place.

The Shallowater track meet had participants from across the area and into the Panhandle, representing 1A, 2A and 3A schools.

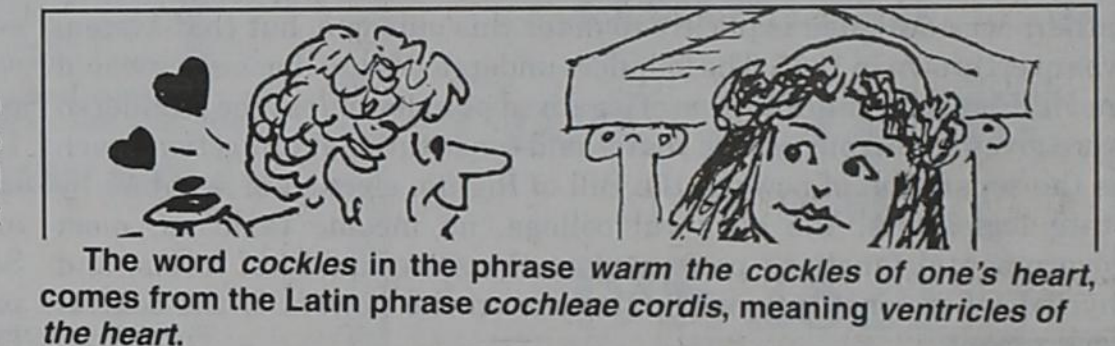
Additional track results

In last week's story on the girls' district track meet, three results were inadvertently omitted from the story. Those results include, in the 100 m hurdles, Regina Collazo, fifth place, and in the 100 m dash, Kyzandre Harper, fourth, and Yvonne Lopez, fifth. We regret the error.



Barricades are so-called from the French *barrique*, or barrel, of which barricades were made during a Paris insurrection in 1588.

If you stand with your back to the source and your face to the mouth of a river, the left bank will be on your left and the right bank on your right.



The word *cockles* in the phrase *warm the cockles of one's heart*, comes from the Latin phrase *cocleae cordis*, meaning ventricles of the heart.

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Woman's Culture Club hosts Caprock District Convention

The Woman's Culture Club played host to the Caprock District Convention March 24 in Lubbock.

President Peggy Smith, Jan Acker and Donna Hogue were on hand to distribute door prizes and receive district awards.

Smith gave the response, as well as her report on resource conservation. Acker gave a report on the GFWC President Special Project: Community Improvement Program, and Hogue gave a report on GFWC/TFWC fund raising.

Awards won by the club included first place in resource conservation; second place, Operation Smile; first place, crime prevention/violence against women and children; and second place, TFWC President's Special Project.

The group also earned 99 points in yearbook and was lauded for 100 percent participation in Texas Clubwoman subscriptions.

The project of Violence Against Women & Children also is reported under the two-year Community Involvement Program. Smith selected this as her president's project, and Hogue chairs the project. The Neff/Craig FIRST STEP Project began as an idea after Craig and former member Neff each left abusive relationships.

"I didn't even get out with my mother's doilies," Neff said. Because each had received tremendous support from Women's Protective Services, they decided to "give something back" by furnishing each woman who leaves the WPS shelter with something to take with her to signify her "new beginning."

As each woman leaves the shelter, she is given a kitchen towel, an embroidered scarf or a crocheted doily. The project, launched in August at Family Support Services in Amarillo and in November in Lubbock, has today provided more than 280 towels and doilies in Amarillo and 327 in Lubbock.

Women at a retirement center have been organized to create the kitchen towel tops, and to mend and repair doilies and donate supplies.

To further the community service project, members of other clubs and organizations of Post have been encouraged to participate. The club needs another 910 kitchen towels, dresser scarves or doilies, as well as help with the crochet work to supply WPS in Amarillo and Lubbock through May 2002.



The word bouillon comes from the French word bouillir, which means to boil.

The Post Dispatch 495-2816

Sheriff reports 7 arrests

Seven arrests were recorded in the Garza County jail log during the past week.

According to jail records, a 22-year-old male was picked up for possession of marijuana, under two ounces, on April 20. Also arrested was a 40-year-old male for disorderly conduct by language, Class C.

Three arrests were made April 21, including that of a 38-year-old male for driving while license suspended; a 27-year-old male on a warrant, possession of marijuana, and a 24-year-old female, possession of marijuana.


A 30-year-old male was picked up April 22 to be held for the Border Patrol. A 25-year-old male was jailed April 23 on a bench warrant, possession of a controlled substance.

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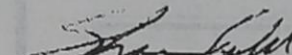
Rick Teran
Principal

APRIL 18, 2001

Dear Parents,

Each school district in the state of Texas is required to offer prekindergarten classes if fifteen or more eligible children are identified who are at least four years of age before September 1, 2001. Students may be eligible for this program if they meet one of three criteria: (1) speak English as a second language, (2) qualify for free or reduced meal benefits, or (3) qualify as being "homeless". If you have a four year old child who may qualify and are interested in him/her attending a prekindergarten class, please notify the business office by signing this paper and bringing it to the superintendent's office or by mailing it to the address above.

Sincerely,


Shane Fields
Superintendent

VOTE FOR EXPERIENCE IN HEALTHCARE VOTE FOR DANNY GUTHRIE GARZA HOSPITAL DISTRICT PRECINCT 3

INTRODUCTION: My name is Danny Guthrie and I was born and raised in Post. I began my work experience here in Post in the Postex Plant until its closing. I then worked in the oilfields of Post for a number of years. I have since changed my career due to my interest in the health care industry. I have 10 years experience in the health care industry and I am currently employed as Administrator at Golden Plains Care Center. I have been at Golden Plains since 1997.

EDUCATION: Bachelor of Science in Occupational Education-Nursing Services; Registered Nurse; Licensed Nursing Home Administrator.

GOAL: My goal, as a Post resident, is to promote the best possible health care for the citizens of Post. In conversations with many citizens, it is evident that the majority of people would like to see our hospital reopened for at least Emergency Medical Care.

At this time, it is not possible for our ambulance to take patients to the existing hospital building. However, this CAN be changed. I have spoken to the Texas Department of Health and Human Services Licensing Division for hospitals and the Architectural Division for Life Safety Code.

I was informed that a new license could be issued without any stipulations due to the fact that the Hospital District Directors surrendered the former license. The closing was not due to any regulatory deficient practices.

The Architectural Department informed me that the hospital WOULD NOT have to conform to new Life Safety Code regulations, but WOULD OPERATE under the codes that were in place when the building was built and/or in operation before its closing.

This was welcome information. As you can see, our HOSPITAL CAN BE REOPENED AND OPERATED WITHOUT HUGE COSTS as wps would have you believe.

And, we do not have to provide for ONLY indigent citizens in the county, but for ALL citizens in the county. I need your support in this years election to promote the very best health care for Garza County.

It is my promise that I will work hard for ALL citizens of our county. Thanks.

Town Hall Meeting

Post Community Center - East Entrance meeting room
Thursday, April 26, 7 p.m.
Discussion, Questions and Answers
Hosted by Danny Guthrie

Crime Victim Rights Week recognized

This week, crime victims, service providers, criminal and juvenile justice and allied professionals and community volunteers are joining together across the nation to commemorate the 21st anniversary of National Crime Victims' Rights Week.

The theme of this year's observance, "Victims' Rights: Search for the Stars," emphasizes the continued hope and aspirations for our nation to treat crime victims with dignity and compassion, and to provide them with services and support in the often devastating aftermath of criminal victimization.

The year 2001 also marks the 25th anniversary of the victim impact statement, which offers our criminal and juvenile justice system's important insights into the emotional, physical and financial effects of crime on its victims. First implemented in Fresno County, Calif., in 1976, the victim impact statement has become a vital and valued component of justice processes, providing the "voice of the victim" to promote greater understanding of victims' needs and their trauma.

For nearly three decades, the victims' rights discipline has strived to place crime victims' concerns and issues on the forefront of America's public policy agenda.

More than 30,000 laws have been passed at the federal, state and local levels that promote victims' rights and services, including constitutional amendments in 32 states. And 10,000 organizations exist today in our justice systems and communities that provide help and hope to victims of crime.

According to Jayta Cravy, the quantity and quality of victim services that exist today are a direct result of countless individuals who have dared to dream of a society where true justice is possible, and consistent compassion for victims is a reality in our homes, neighborhoods, communities and nation.

"A mere three decades ago, victims were ignored by the justice system and, for the most part, forgotten by society," Cravy said. "Today, victims have a powerful voice, not only in the criminal and juvenile justice system, but in our communities—voices that contribute to crime prevention, offender accountability, improved services and support for people hurt by crime, and safer communities as a whole."

Members of our community are encouraged to join together during 2001 National Crime Victims' Rights Week and honor those who bring honor to victims of crime. For more information, contact Jayta Cravy, victims advocate with the local victims assistance program, at 495-2479.

Kathryn Turman, director of the Office for Victims of Crime within the U.S. Department of Justice, encourages people across America to join the Justice Department in saluting the significant achievements of the nation's crime victims, service providers and justice professionals.

"Because of the work of so many dedicated individuals who have dared to dream of a nation that respects crime victims, we now have laws on the books and services throughout the country to support victims' rights and needs," Turman said. "National Crime Victims' Rights Week gives us the opportunity to thank crime victims and those who serve them, and to continue making the dream of comprehensive victims' rights and services a reality in every community."

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The "Easter Bunny" entertained children at the recent Golden Plains Care Center sponsored Easter Egg Hunt.

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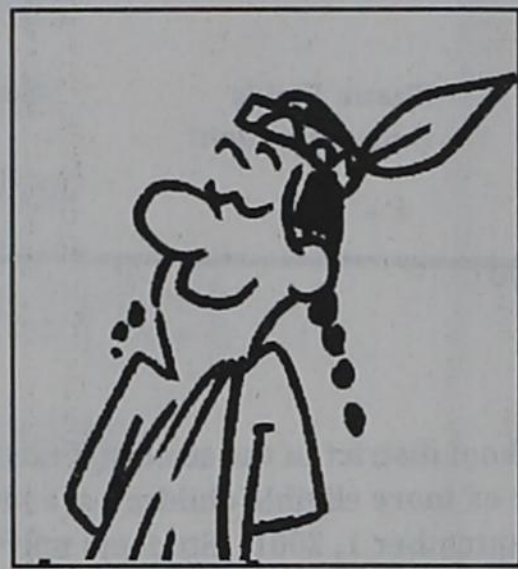
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

re: Expansion of C-2 Commercial Zone along US 84 northward from 15th Street

Current zoning ordinances provide a commercial designation outward a distance of 160 feet along both sides of US 84 from 15th Street northward to the city limits. The current depth of 160 feet is insufficient for many businesses in existence along US 84, as well as for new commercial uses.

The City Council will conduct a public hearing on May 1, 2001 at 6:30 pm at 105 East Main Street in Post, Texas for the purpose of receiving comment and testimony about expanding the C-2 (Commercial) zoning designation from an outward depth of 160 feet to a new distance of 500 feet from the right of way lines of US Highway 84. All real property within 500 feet of both sides of US Highway 84 is affected. Those properties include:

- portions of the Welch Addition
- portions of the Fred Robinson Addition
- various unsubdivided parcels

Expansion of the Commercial C-2 Zone will allow commercial enterprises to build, expand, and operate within 500 feet on either side (both sides) of US Highway 84 northward from 15th Street to the city limits.

Questions should be directed to Fred Stephens, City Manager, City of Post, 105 East Main Street, Post, Texas 79356; Pho 806-495-2811; Fax 806-495-3724; e.mail CoP@hub.of.the.net. You are invited to appear at the public hearing May 1st at 6:30 pm at 105 East Main Street in Post, Texas.

s/ Wyvonne, Kennedy, City Secretary

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Yesteryears

by Pat Burnett

May 7, 1981

20 Years Ago

Alonzo Luna and Marianne Hays were elected Mr and Miss PHS for the 1980-81 school year by the Post High School student body.

Happy Birthday today goes to James McBride, Mrs Tom Henderson, Mrs Donna Sue Wiley, Mrs L.A. Barron, Iris Howell, Mrs J.D. Tipton, Ricky Nolan and Harold Craig.

Five Post students will be going to state in UIL and Track. They are Amy Thuet, spelling; Luann Kennedy, high jump; Tim Tatum, persuasive speaking; Kevin Craig, number sense and Drew Kirkpatrick in 300 yard intermediate hurdles.

Marine Gunnery Sgt George E. Rudd receives Navy Achievement Medal.

David Murphy was honored with a surprise birthday party Monday night in his home. Those attending were Mr and Mrs Jack Gordon and Larissa, Dr and Mrs Charles McCook and Mr and Mrs Silas Short.

May 6, 1971

30 Years Ago

Funeral services Friday for Mozelle Bartlett, wife of D.H. (Durwood) Bartlett.

Arthur Kelly was honored at a surprise birthday party given by his wife, Lela.

Airman James E. Pate has completed basic training at Lackland AFB.

David Stelzer, 240 pound Post Antelope lineman, has signed for a four-year athletic scholarship at Sul Ross State College.

Sara Peek, guest soloist, is heard by Music Club members.

The sophomore boys and girls who served at the Junior-Senior Banquet were Lanny Blacklock, Jan Bilbo, Pam Feagin, Cara East, Pam Gray, Donna McBride, Tol Thomas and Pat Johnson.

Dejuana Hays wins in twirling contest.

May 4, 1961

40 Years Ago

The Babe Ruth League park will operate this year for the first time under lights.

Mrs Harold Reno assumed her duties Monday as secretary of the

Post Chamber of Commerce for the summer months, replacing Mrs Joan Stewart, who has taken a leave of absence.

R.E. Josey of Post won the double mugging championship in Tahoka's Frontier Days Rodeo held over the weekend.

Jimmy Hundley and Walter B. Holland, were members of the four-man team which won the Sweetwater Pro-Am tournament with a low ball of 59 strokes for 18 holes.

Mr and Mrs T.C. Polk, Jan, Glenn and Chip spent the weekend at Lake Thomas with her brother, J.I. Low and family of Ackerly, who were staying at their cabin there.

May 3, 1951

50 Years Ago

Forrest Moyer will give Baccalaureate address for Post seniors here.

Merle Britton and Jessie Ward attended an agriculture meeting in Childress Monday and Tuesday.

Sunday guests of Mrs I.L. Gollehon were Mr and Mrs Frank Bryan of Tahoka.

Eddie Ray Baker is top state wrestler.

Mrs Maggie Pullin of Oklahoma City, Okla., visited the first of the week with her brother, Van Gilmore and family.

Mr and Mrs W. R. Young celebrates their golden anniversary Sunday.

Mrs Elmo Bush honored her son, Jerry, with a birthday party Saturday afternoon. Children attending were James, Gene and Peggy Morris, Jerry Thuet, Linda McMahon, Jackie and Delwin Fluit, Jackie and Bobbie Beavers, Wayland and Juanella McClellan, Jerry and Lee Rogan and Jane and Neal Francis.

60 years ago this week

Funeral services were held in Post for Ray Gordon Lee.

Mr and Mrs Delmer Cowdrey of Graham are announcing the birth of a son, Delmer Clark.

Two Garza County men, David Caldwell Sims, volunteer and Henry Thomas Young, will leave Post for Fort Bliss to be inducted for one year's service in the Army.

Post Parent-Teacher Association won honors with their publicity scrapbook and yearbook at the district conference.

Mr and Mrs Joe Callis of Fort Davis and Mr and Mrs Phil Trammell and daughter of Portales, N.M. visited in Post.

Ten gallon hats, bright colored shirts and kerchiefs, riding pants and skirts and boots have overnight become the wearing apparel of a majority of the citizens of Post-in the interest of the rodeo, June 6-7.



More than three quarters of the people who get mortgages choose fixed-rate mortgages.

Secession and liberty...

(Continued from Page 5)

in the Kenosha, Wisconsin Democrat, which on January 11, 1861, wrote that secession is "the very germ of liberty" and declared that "the right of secession inheres to the people of every sovereign state."

"If military force is used," the Bangor Daily Union wrote on November 13, 1860, then a state can only be seen "as a subject province and can never be a co-equal member of the American union."

Most of the top military commanders in the war (on both sides) were educated at West Point, where the one course on the U.S. Constitution was taught by the Philadelphia abolitionist William Rawle, who taught from his own book, A View of the Constitution. What Ulysses S. Grant, Robert E. Lee, and others were taught about secession at West Point was that to deny a state the right of secession "would be inconsistent with the principle on which all our political systems are founded, which is, that the people have in all cases, a right to determine how they will be governed."

Lincoln never attended West Point, but he supported secession when it served his political plans. He warmly embraced the secession of West Virginia from Virginia, for example, and was glad to permit slavery in West Virginia (and all other "border states") as long as they supported him politically. Indeed, in a July 4, 1848 speech Lincoln said, "Any people whatsoever have the right to abolish the existing government, and form a new one that suits them better. This is a most valuable, a most sacred right." Lincoln biographers never seem to get around to quoting this particular speech.

After the war Jefferson Davis was imprisoned in the harshest of conditions but was never tried for treason, and for good reason: The federal government knew that it had no constitutional case against secession, as Charles Adams describes in his brilliant book, When in the Course of Human Events. After his release from prison Jefferson Davis wrote what would have been his legal defense of secession in the form of a two-volume book, The Rise and Fall of the Confederate Government.

The centralization of governmental power not only leads to the looting and plundering of the taxpaying class by the parasitic class; it also slowly destroys freedom of speech and the free exchange of ideas. One of the first things every tyrannical government does is to monopolize the educational system in order to brainwash the young and bolster its political power. As soon as Lee surrendered at Appomatox the federal government began revising history to teach that secession was illegitimate. This was all a part of Lincoln's "revolution" which overthrew the federal system of government created by the founding fathers and put into motion the forces of centralized governmental power. Peaceful secession and nullification are the only means of returning to a system of government that respects rather than destroys individual liberty. As Frank Choderov wrote in 1952: "If for no other reason, personal pride should prompt every governor and state legislator to take a secessionist attitude; they were not elected to be lackeys of the federal bureaucracy."

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POST MAYOR GILES MCCRARY (at the podium) shares a bit of humor with the audience during ceremonies last Friday morning at the Lake Alan Henry ground breaking. Joining in the happy moment are (left to right from McCrary) Lubbock Mayor Peck McMinn, former mayor Alan Henry, Garza County Judge Giles Dalby and Lubbock City Council member Maggie Trejo.

From The Post Dispatch, April 24, 1991



PICTURE PROBLEM SOLVERS - Post Middle School students to compete in Austin are (left to right) B.J. Hart, Jason Ty, Jeremy Ellenberger, Bitt Simms and Larry Haynes.

From The Post Dispatch, April 17, 1991

Lunch Menus

Trailblazers

Monday, April 30

Salmon patty, macaroni and cheese, broccoli, cornbread and cherry cobbler.

Tuesday, May 1

Polish sausage, potato salad, turnip greens, cornbread and peach cobbler.

Wednesday, May 2

Chicken fried steak, white gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, coleslaw, wheat roll and gelatin.

Thursday, May 3

Catfish, baked beans, okra, cabbage salad, cornbread and fruit salad.

Friday, May 4

Beef tips, brown gravy, rice, spinach, biscuits and banana pudding.

Post ISD

Monday, April 30

Breakfast: Churros, sausage link, fruit and choice of milk.

Lunch: Stew, cheese sandwich, fried okra, peaches and choice of milk.

Tuesday, May 1

Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit and choice of milk.

Lunch: Corn dog, French fries, mixed vegetables, pears and choice of milk.

Wednesday, May 2

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

Lunch: Pizza, corn, salad, peaches and choice of milk.

Thursday, May 3

Breakfast: Sweet rice, toast, sausage, fruit and choice of milk.

Lunch: Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, jello and choice of milk.

Friday, May 4

Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, orange juice and white milk.

Lunch: BBQ on bun, cole slaw, fruit cocktail, peanut butter, cake and choice of milk.

Southland ISD

Monday, April 30

Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, juice and milk.

Lunch: Ham and cheese sandwiches, chips, pickles, carrots, cookies and milk.

Tuesday, May 1

Breakfast: Bacon, toast, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Chili cheese dog, beans, salad, pudding and milk.

Wednesday, May 2

Breakfast: Breakfast tacos, juice and milk.

Lunch: Chicken strips, cream potatoes, peas, rolls, jello and milk.

Thursday, May 3

Breakfast: Cereal, Graham crackers, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Chalupas, rice, salad, pineapple and milk.

Friday, May 4

Breakfast: Muffins, bacon, juice and milk.

Lunch: Cheeseburgers, fries, H.B. salad, ice cream and milk.

ACROSS

- 1 TXism: "cold _____ outhouse in January"
- 5 TX youngster game: "_____ and seek"
- 6 some Texans have big ones
- 7 TX or Iowa town
- 8 Gov. _____ Ferguson was impeached ('17)
- 9 TXism: "within _____ shot" (close)
- 12 Amarillo is home of _____ State Fair
- 15 TXism: "covered like fur _____ cat"
- 17 TX Comanches got name from these Indians in Karnes Co. on 72
- 22 mistake made by a running back (3 wds.)
- 25 rattlesnake juice
- 30 TXism: "hard row to _____"
- 31 this Myers designed the Capitol (init.)
- 32 TXism: "put a pencil to _____" (calculate)
- 33 TXism: "got an _____" (saw a lot)
- 35 in Hidalgo Co. on hwy. 107
- 37 TXism: "stingin' stick" (cattle _____)
- 39 TXism: "that's a fine how _____ you do"
- 40 Alain Delon movie about TX (4 wds.)
- 44 latest styles
- 45 "The Eyes of Texas Upon You"
- 46 Houston has big _____ space industry

- 47 TXism: "stick-in-the-_____ retired QB Bradshaw who lives in Dallas (init.)"
- 50 Waco singer Thompson
- 52 Ft. Worth's _____ Baird's famous TX brand of Swenson Cattle Co.
- 54 TXism: "_____ enough to give a sermon" (dressed up)
- 57 TXism: "he's only got one _____ in the water" (slow)
- 58 Waco actress Gwynne
- 59 TXism: "book learned and horse smart" _____ but true"
- 61 _____ first TX woman in U.S. Congress
- 64 TX Gipsy wrote film "_____ Yeller"
- 65 TX-filmed series "_____ Blessing"

DOWN

- 1 TXism: "I'm in _____ trouble"
- 2 UT frat closed in '90 for hazing
- 3 female deer (2 wds.)
- 4 "Untouchable" Elliott between Dallas and Fort Worth
- 10 TXism: "table _____ grazed"
- 11 retired TX Adair
- 12 an earthquake message

The Original

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- 14 TXism: "two peas _____ pod" in Lamb Co. off 84
- 16 Breckenridge's county they landed near Fort Worth in 1942
- 21 Gilley's famous mechanical bull
- 23 cowboy tie
- 24 TXism: "_____abouts"
- 25 "critter" doctor
- 26 TXism: "we're seein' _____ to eye"
- 27 Conway Twitty's "_____ in Line"
- 28 Austin seal has SFA's coat _____
- 43 in Del Rio County: Val _____
- 49 Burk Burnett's "Boom Town _____ out"
- 51 "fueled" AM radio in Carthage
- 55 "Bum" Phillips
- 56 TXism: "hungry as a goat _____ concrete pasture"
- 60 _____ Stanley Gardner was an honorary TX Ranger
- 63 TXism: "it don't _____ up"

This Week In History

On May 2, 1776, France and Spain each agreed to provide one million livres in arms to the Americans ...

May 4, 1886, the Haymarket riot and bombing in Chicago was followed by bitter labor battles for an eight-hour day; seven policemen and four workers died; 66 were wounded ...

April 29, 1896, William Jennings Bryan delivered the "Cross of Gold" into Washington, D.C. ...

May 1, 1898, the U.S. destroyed the Spanish fleet in the Philippines ...

May 1, 1931, the Empire State Building opened in New York City ...

April 30, 1939, the New York World's Fair opened ...

April 30, 1948, the Organization of American States was founded ...

April 29, 1957, Congress approved the first civil rights bill for blacks since Reconstruction to protect voting rights ...

May 1, 1960, a U-2 reconnaissance plane of the U.S. was shot down in the Soviet Union, leading to cancellation of an imminent Paris summit conference ...

May 1, 1966, U.S. forces began firing into Cambodia ...

April 30, 1970, the U.S. and South Vietnamese forces crossed Cambodian borders to get at enemy bases ...

May 4, 1970, four students were killed at Kent State University in Ohio by National Guardsmen during a protest against the war ...

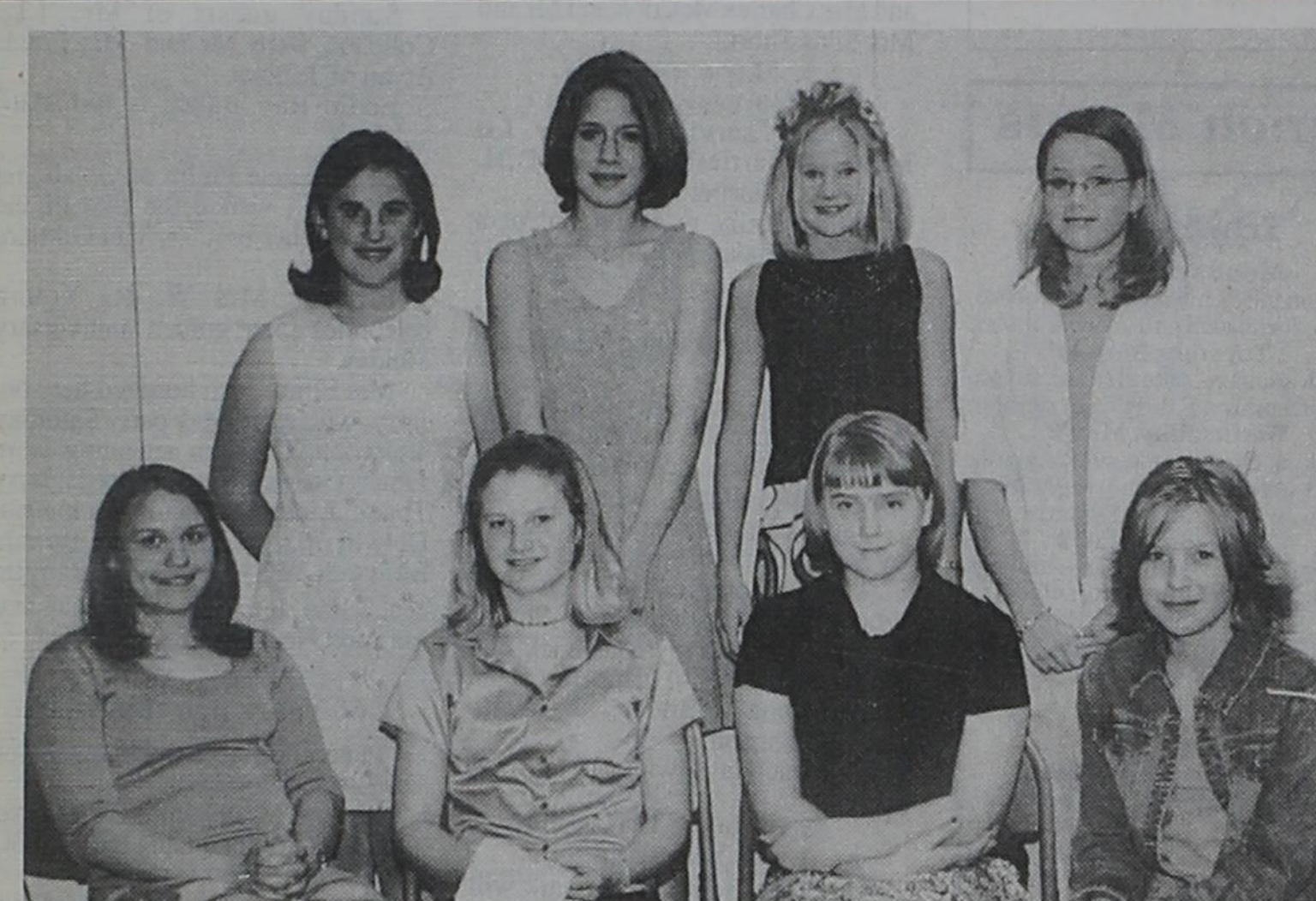
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Current members of the Post Middle School National Junior Honor Society are (back row, left to right) Patricia Hester, Christin Collier, Kaycee Gorman, Kristy Shifflett, Jett Lott, Jerrad Grisham, Sterling Smith, Colton Valdez, Cole Easterling, (second from back) Laura Ervin, Lesley Rutherford, Stephanie Gearhart, Meagan Hoover, Logan Gregory, (third from back) Jodye Rutherford, Ashley Wilson, Mendy Morgan, Kayla Dunn, (front) Vanessa Runnels and Alex Chapa.



Newly inducted to the Post Middle School National Junior Honor Society are (back row, left to right) Dionn Heckaman, Courtney Copeland, Jenee Lott, Hayley Massey (transfer), (front) K'neil Dalby, Steffi Norman, Kylie Easterling and Claire Kirkpatrick. Jonathan McGregor (transfer) was not available for photo.

PMS students excel at U.I.L. meet

Post Middle School placed fourth in the University Interscholastic League academic contest the school hosted March 6.

Middle schools participating in the meet included Idalou, Ralls, Tahoka, Sundown and Post.

A list of local winners, as provided by the middle school, included, at the sixth grade level, Jordan Payne, second place, maps, graphs & charts; Ana Macias, Cristina Lopez, Anai Saucedo and Amrita Gupta, first place, music team; Claire Kirkpatrick, Steffi Norman and Kylie Easterling, first place, spelling team; Steffi Norman, third place, dictionary skills; Wilson Cash, Adrian Nava and K'Neil Dalby, second place, number sense team; Jason Worthington, Jordan Payne and Wilson Cash, second place, maps, graphs & charts team; Steffi Norman, first place, spelling; Kylie Easterling, third place, spelling; Steffi Norman, fourth place, ready writing.

Identified as seventh grade winners were Kenneth Garay, Mariah Couch and Shannon Rasbeary, third place, listening team; Kenneth Garay, Sterling Smith, Mariah Couch, third place, maps, graphs & charts team; Ashley Wilson, third place, math; Mariah Couch, second place, listening; Colt Mason, Kenneth Garay and Sterling Smith, calculator team; Ashley Wilson, third place, spelling; Sterling Smith, second, maps, graphs & charts; Ashley Wilson, third, dictionary skills.

Eighth grade students identified with wins at the meet included Cole Easterling, Travis Hopper and Martin Garcia, second place, science team; Cole Easterling, second place, science; Jessie Soto, first place, listening; Meagan Hoover, first place, dictionary skills; Xane Mason, Courtney Short and Kayla Dunn, second place, spelling team; and Tony Apolinar, Jessie Soto and Amanda Morris, second place, listening team.

Other winners not listed by grade level included the team of Sterling Smith and Ashley Powell, second place, dictionary skills; D.J. Biaza, Jordan Payne and Josie Whisenhunt, third place, listening team; James Soto, third, dictionary skills; Dianna Ratke, third place, impromptu speaking; Kylie Easterling, third, oral reading; Alex Chapa, third, oral reading; and the team of Josie Whisenhunt, Gabby Paiz and Steffi Norman, second place, dictionary skills.

Also, Mariah Couch, sixth place, impromptu speaking; Ashley Wilson, third place, spelling; Jenee Lott, third place, spelling; Jodye Rutherford, third place, spelling; Christina Zellmer, fourth places in impromptu speaking and oral reading; Jodye Rutherford, fifth place, spelling;

Jordan Tatum, fifth, number sense; Jodye Whisenhunt, fifth place, listening; Jordan Payne, fifth place, listening; Gabby Paiz, fifth, dictionary skills; Wilson Cash, sixth place in maps, graphs & charts and fourth in number sense;

Mariah Couch, fourth place, number sense; Jerrad Grisham, sixth place, maps, graphs & charts; Kayla Dunn, fifth place, spelling; Claire Kirkpatrick, sixth, spelling; Jerrad Grisham, fourth, maps, graphs & charts; Josie Whisenhunt, sixth, dictionary skills; Jason Worthington, fourth, maps, graphs & charts;

Erin Wartes, sixth, oral reading; Cole Easterling, fifth, impromptu speaking; Christin Collier, fifth, oral reading; the team of Christin Collier, James Soto and Meagan Hoover, second, dictionary skills; Adrian Nava, sixth place, number sense; and Ashley Wilson, third place, dictionary skills.

Post Middle School competitors included Jordan Payne, Steffi Norman, D.J. Biaza, Josie Whisenhunt, Wilson Cash, Bailey Odum, Jordan Payne, Jason

Worthington, Adrian Nava, Gabby Paiz, Rebecca Stribling, Heath Fellhauer, Megan Nance;

Asa Rutherford, Wes Mason, Kylie Easterling, Shyan Todd, Amrita Gupta, Andi Saucedo, Christina Lopez, Ana Macias, Dale Spann, Zac Wither, Claire Kirkpatrick, K'Neil Dalby, Adrian Nava, Katy Nance, Sterling Smith, Miles Gray, Colt Mason, Kenneth Garay, Ashley Wilson, Courtney Copeland;

Ashley Powell, Mariah Couch, Laurel Tatum, Jace Pollard, Robert Apolinar, Shannon Rasbeary, Keith Meredith, Veronica Hernandez, Cole Easterling, Tony Apolinar, James Soto, Coco Valdez, Christen Collier, Meagan Hoover, Christina Zellmer, Dianna Ratke, Callie Smith, Travis Hopper, Amanda Morris, Jerrad Grisham, Randon Blacklock;

Roxanne Orona, Jenee Lott, Jake Fluitt, Erin Wartes, Jodye Rutherford, Donae Dalby, Patricia Hester, Keatha Palmer, Alex Chapa, Nikki Norman, Meagan Hoover, Stephanie Gearhart, Martin Garcia, Steve Rivera, Xane Mason, Kayla Dunn and Courtney Short.

Brian Brownlow, Post Middle School principal, served as contest director. Directors included, for seventh grade spelling, Pam Humble, for sixth grade listening, Willa Didway; for seventh grade life science, Carol Hester; for sixth grade dictionary skills, Marge Tannehill; for sixth grade oral reading, Nancy Vanguh; and for the seventh grade impromptu speaking, Bill Coltrane.

Sponsors included Tackitt, music memory; Pina, math; Olson, number sense; Powell, calculator; Osborn, Vaughn, Voss and Greer, oral reading; Humble, spelling; Hester, modern oratory; Coltrane, impromptu speaking; Tannehill, dictionary skills; Hester and Henry, science; Didway, listening; Adams, maps, graphs and charts; and Christopher, ready writing.

Kirkpatrick seeks reelection

Zoe Kirkpatrick has announced her bid for reelection to the Garza Hospital District board of directors.

Kirkpatrick, a candidate for the Precinct 4 position, will be challenged in the May 5 election by Charlie "Bill" Duncan.

A member of the hospital district's board of directors for more than 14 years, Kirkpatrick said she has seen many changes in the board over the years.

"During those early years, the Board worked well together to be wise and frugal with your taxpayer dollars while trying to provide the best possible health care for all who sought it," she said.

"Recently it has become more difficult to concentrate on health care issues. The board has been forced to spend taxpayer money to defend against two expensive and, in my humble opinion, frivolous lawsuits. I would not have chosen to spend your money that way."

Kirkpatrick said she continues to "fight to maintain the best medical facility and personnel possible under present day circumstances."

One of the brighter moments the board has seen recently, Kirkpatrick said, was in a Board meeting last September when Leon Miller moved to reduce the district's tax rate from 16.5 cents per \$100 valuation to 13.5 cents.

"David Tyler, Leon Miller and I voted for this money-saving motion," she said. "There was one dissenting vote, but the motion carried. Our hospital district has one of the lowest tax rates in the state."

"In seeking reelection, I assure you that if I am reelected, I will keep on working and fighting for quality health care for all citizens of Garza County and the surrounding area. I want to keep on!"

A resident of the Post area for 45 years, Kirkpatrick said she was not born in Post, but "got here as soon as I graduated from Tech." She married Jack Kirkpatrick while the two were still at Tech, and after college, the couple returned to his hometown to raise five sons on the family's ranch southeast of the city.

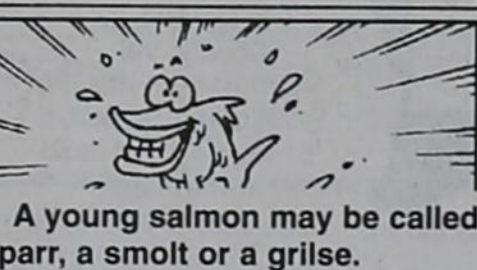
The Kirkpatricks are members of the First United Methodist Church, and Zoe Kirkpatrick has served on various church boards and committees, the Old Mill Trade Days board of directors, the Texas Tech Foundation board and the Texas Tech Ranching Heritage executive board.

Until recently, she taught swimming and lifesaving to local children, a practice she followed each summer for more than 20 years.

Early voting in the hospital district election is under way and will continue through Tuesday, May 1.



Dyland Davis brought home three medals and a state championship from Snyder last week in the trampoline for 11-12 year olds. He also won second on floor tumbling and third on the double-mini. Dylan will compete in all three events at the national competition to be held in San Antonio June 13-16. Dyland is the son of David and Kelly Davis of Post.



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PMS inducts new NJHS members

Seven new members were inducted into the Post Middle School chapter of the National Junior Honor Society during ceremonies held April 3 in the community center.

Seventh graders new to the organization are Courtney Copeland, Dionn Heckaman and Jenee Lott.

Sixth grade students inducted included K'Neil Dalby, Kylie Easterling, Claire Kirkpatrick and Steffi Norman.

Current NJHS members conducted the ceremony. They include Alex

Chapa, Christin Collier, Kayla Dunn, Cole Easterling, Laura Ervin, Stephanie Gearhart, Kaycee Gorman, Logan Gregory, Jerrad Grisham, Patricia Hester, Meagan Hoover, Jett Lott, Mendy Morgan, Vanessa Runnels, Lesley Rutherford, Kristy Shifflett, Jordan Tatum, Colton Valdez, Hayley Massey (transfer), Jodye Rutherford, Sterling Smith and Ashley Wilson. Another member, Jonathan McGregor (transfer), was unable to attend the ceremony.

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Theta Eta Chapter celebrates Founder's Day

by Pam Owen

In shades of lilac, yellow and tulip pink, the 36 members present at the monthly Theta Eta meeting in Tahoka April 2 celebrated Founder's Day.

Dr. Annie Blanton, Ruby Cole, Mamie Bastian, Dr. Anna Hiss, Dr. Cora Martin, Mabel Grizzard, Lela Williams, Dr. Hellen Hock, Ruby Lomax, Sue King, Lela Odom and Miss Ray King founded the Alpha State Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma in 1929.

Three of our wonderful sisters were the founders of the local Theta Eta Chapter—Oleta Smith of O'Donnell, Shorty King of Post and Natalie Blankenship of Wilson. All of these ladies were "Women Teachers to the Calling..." as the Delta Kappa Gamma song reminds us.

Irene Reick of Brownfield presented the chapter quilt—finished and ready for the state meeting in Lubbock June 14-16. Wonderfully bright with red and gold

panels, the quilt contains 49 blocks completed by chapter members. Each square was detailed in different media, fabrics, colors and styles so that each one reflected the owner's personal life. The quilt will make a grand addition to the hundreds of quilts to be shown at the state meeting. Thanks to all involved in this project and especially to Irene for all her work and stress as the overseer and ramrod on the project.

Following the usual ceremony, President D'Anne Bishop of Post was delighted to ask Junior High teacher Carol Hester of Post to join the Theta Eta Chapter. We will enjoy working with Carol and are very happy to add her to our growing organization.

The February Achievement Award was given to Sharon Sims of Brownfield. Nancy Harrison of Wilson was awarded the March honor.

Happy birthday, Delta Kappa Gamma!



Golden Plains Care Center residents shared in the Easter Egg hunt fun during the special event.

Guthrie seeks to reopen hospital

I am a Post native, Danny Guthrie, and I am seeking a place on the Garza County Hospital District board of directors Precinct 3. It is my goal to reopen our hospital in Garza County. My idea is to reclaim the tax base for The Garza County Hospital District and use it to reopen and operate a special hospital unit with an emergency center to provide needed health care for all citizens of Garza County.

I will bring to the board of directors my experience as a health care provider in Garza County. I am currently a licensed Nursing Home Administrator with the experience in working with state and federal regulatory entities who will also regulate the reopening and operation of the hospital. I am also a Registered Nurse with a Baccalaureate degree.

I have already spoken to The Texas Department of Human Services about reopening a small hospital unit. I was informed that this would be a relatively easy process.

I believe that Garza County will grow in the near future and it is time to furnish our county with the best health care that we can provide. An emergency system that will help us feel at ease in case of an emergency and support our EMS.

Indigent costs

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its to doctors at the clinic in March, with another 98 patients receiving other services.

The next regular meeting was set for Thursday, May 10 at 6 p.m. in the Citizens Bank community room.

The expression "hold a candle to" had to do with the method of testing eggs for freshness in Shakespeare's time.

Get Fired Up With Great Tasting Nutrition

(NAPS)—With the warmer weather finally here and outdoor fun on the horizon, now's the perfect time to begin a fitter lifestyle.

To ensure a healthier you, the Canned Food Alliance (CFA) is offering nutritious and delicious new recipes along with great tips on how to live well.

"Light and delicious foods are the perfect solution for families on the go," said Ellie Krieger, registered dietitian, lifestyle counselor and television host of "Living Better." "Quick and nutritious dishes are an ideal way to get your troops prepared for the fun and healthy season ahead."

When you'd rather be outside than in the kitchen, Krieger suggests trying these quick and healthy ideas:

- Start your morning off with a refreshing breakfast alternative. In a blender combine one banana, 6-7 frozen whole strawberries, canned pineapple chunks and orange juice for a delicious breakfast smoothie.

- For lunch, keep canned tuna and chicken stocked in your pantry to create easy tuna and chicken salads. Serve in a pita for a unique twist.

- For a simple entrée that really hits the spot, mix cooked penne pasta with canned chicken, canned garbanzo beans and your favorite vegetables. Toss with light Italian dressing and serve with a side salad.



Break out the grill! The Canned Food Alliance's delicious Pan-Grilled Salmon Steaks with Warm Fruit Sauce is a nutritious and delicious warm weather favorite. Visit www.mealtime.org for hundreds of recipes.

- To top off your meal, create tasty tropical fruit skewers with canned pineapple and Mandarin oranges. These shish kebabs will cool you off and refresh your spirits.

- While you're spending more time enjoying the outdoors, pack snacks that you can take with you. Canned nuts are a great source of protein when you're on the go.

The CFA's newest recipe, *Pan-Grilled Salmon Steaks with Warm Fruit Sauce*, is a healthy option that will really please the palate. The quick, tangy entrée is high in omega-3 fatty acids and monounsaturated fats and is a great source of protein. This recipe, along with hundreds of others, can be found on the Canned Food Alliance Web site. Visit www.mealtime.org for quick, delicious and nutritious recipes that will have your family begging for seconds.

Pan-Grilled Salmon Steaks with Warm Fruit Sauce
Courtesy of the Canned Food Alliance

Ingredients:

- 1 can (15½ ounces) sliced peaches, drained and coarsely chopped
- 1 can (8 ounces) pineapple chunks, undrained
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- 1 teaspoon grated fresh ginger
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 4 salmon steaks (about 6 ounces each)
- ¼ cup sliced almonds, toasted (optional)

Preparation:

In medium saucepan, combine peaches, pineapple with juice, sugar, cornstarch and ginger; bring to a boil over medium-high heat. Cook and stir 1 minute or until mixture thickens. Stir in lemon juice; set aside. Meanwhile, grill salmon over medium-hot coals (or broil on rack of broiler pan 3 to 4 inches from heat) 7 to 11 minutes or until fish is cooked to desired doneness, turning once. Serve salmon with sauce and sprinkle with almonds, if desired.

Preparation Time: 10 minutes

Cook Time: 15 minutes

Servings: 4

Nutritional Information Per Serving: 434 calories; 19 g fat; 100 mg cholesterol; 107 mg sodium; 32 g carbohydrate; 2 g fiber; 35 g protein.

Leon Miller announces candidacy

Leon Miller has announced he will be a candidate for the member-at-large position on the Garza Hospital District board of directors.

Miller, who was appointed to the hospital board last July to fill an unexpired term, will face another fellow board member, Carol Davies Tobias, in vying to fill the at-large seat in the May 5 election.

"I would like very much to have the opportunity to continue efforts I have proposed since coming on the board," Miller said. "These include patient education, expanded clinic hours and services, improvements to our facility and the handicapped entrances, and lowering taxes."

"I am proud that I could make the motion to lower your tax rate from 16.5 cents (per \$100 valuation) to 13.586 cents (per \$100 valuation) last September, and that this motion carried even though my opponent voted against it."

A native of Post, Miller graduated from Post High School and attended Texas Tech. He joined the U.S. Army during the Korean conflict before returning to Post to marry Jo Ann Moreman, who also is a Post native. The couple lived in Post for about four years prior to Miller's accepting a

position with the Boy Scouts of America which required the Millers to move to Midland.

Miller left the Boy Scouts in 1970 to begin a career in the VA hospital system and worked in some phase of health care administration within the system for the next 25 years. His last assignment was as administrator of the VA clinic in Fort Worth, a position he retired from in 1995.

The Millers returned to Post about three years ago.

"We are delighted to be back among friends we grew up with and the many other wonderful people we have met since returning," Miller said.

Miller is a member of the First United Methodist Church, Boy Scouts and the Rotary Club. He serves as a hospice volunteer, as well as a volunteer for Mental Health/Mental Retardation (MHMR).

"I would like very much to continue on the hospital board, working to provide quality health care for you," Miller said.

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Commissioners Court...

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long history of service provided by Garza County volunteer EMTs.

"It's getting more and more difficult to meet certification requirements," Mitchell said, "and so we're seeing a drop in volunteer numbers all over the region."

Post EMT Debbie Jenkins said that in recent weeks there have been several calls from new volunteers. "We're hoping to put together a class here in the near future," Jenkins said. There will need to be at least 10 people to

participate in order to provide training here.

"It takes about four months to get qualified," Mitchell added. She pointed out that state requirements have increased steadily, so that it makes it more and more difficult for working volunteers to continue serving.

Judge Giles W. Dalby and commissioners expressed their support for the volunteer organization.

In other matters the court approved an easement adjacent to the airport for Curtis Hudman and a right of way agreement in Precinct Two.

Dalby informed the court that the county has been certified for on-site sewage regulation, with Daniel Yarbrow to serve as the county's inspector.

A total of \$729.32 in uncollectable past due taxes from the 1984-85 tax year were removed from the rolls. Tax collector Jeanette Hodges explained that the property in question involved personal property and a mobile home that could not be located.

Sheriff Kenny Ratke informed the court of recent policy changes related to communica-

tion issues. Ratke pointed out that the state troopers do not carry walkie talkies with them when they're out of their vehicles, which has created difficulties in communicating at times.

Arnold Fry informed the court that \$52,754 has been received from federal disaster funds related to last winter's ice storm. Most of the funds were for road repairs. Commissioners praised Fry's persistence in getting the funds.

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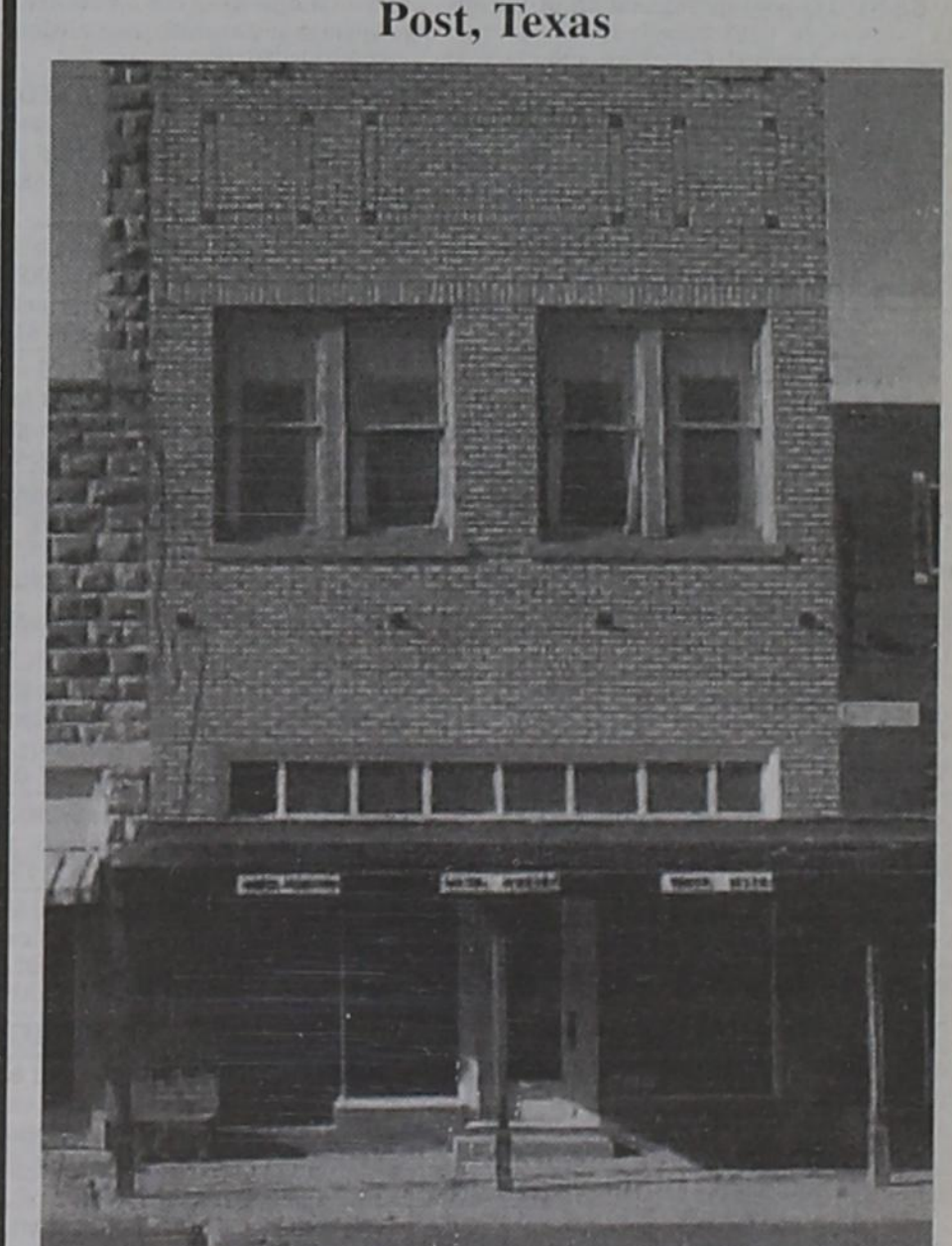
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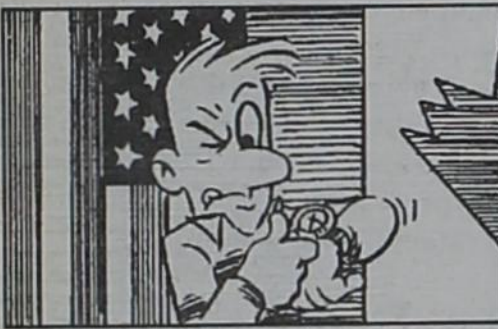
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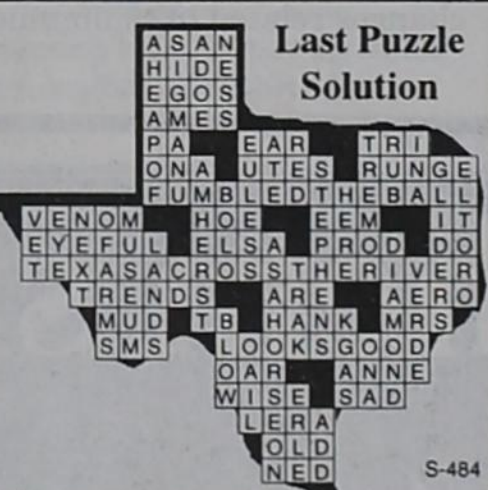


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What are deputies' duties?

On April 20th a purse was reported stolen from Allsup's on Hwy. 84 at 10:05 PM. The woman, who was traveling, had left it in the restroom. She called her credit card company and they told her that her Discover card had been used at 9:30 PM at Wes-T-Go on April 20th. (same evening)

At approximately 1:00-1:30 am on the 21st, the clerks from Wes-T-Go were contacted by the Sheriff's Office Dispatcher and told that two officers needed her at Wes-T-Go with a key.

My clerk, not knowing what was going on, rushed to the store only to be told that the officers needed her to go through the credit card receipts. After a long search, they found "NO" credit card receipts with this number on it. It was never used at this store in Post! Most likely used at another Wes-T-Go down the road before she reported it stolen.

As store manager, I should have been contacted. If I had not been available, the assistant manager would have then been contacted. It is against our store policy to open the store up during "non" business hours. Had I or my assistant been contacted we would have made sure the officers knew this, but as it was, the two young clerks were only trying to obey the officers.

When the two officers ask them to open the store what were they going to say? NO? I don't think so! I believe the whole investigation could have waited four more hours until 6 AM, when the clerk would have been on duty.

When I called Deputy Tommy Benford to get the full story on this incident, I was told the officers were not aware that it was store policy not to open after hours. I asked him shouldn't his officers know of the merchants' policies concerning this, and he said this is not something they are taught. Benford apologized for this and told me it would not happen again.

My point is this. Anyone should know that they can tell an officer no, if their employer's policy is not to open that store. (My clerks are now aware of this) especially if it is just to look at credit card receipts at 1:30 in the morning!

This is not the only time I've had to call the Sheriff about his officers. On December 24th upon arriving at work, I found a vehicle in our parking lot. I called in to have someone come out to check the car out for my safety and possibly someone in it could have been ill or dead.

I was told by officer Gerald Stafford that he would have an officer come check it out. Approximately 10 minutes later Stafford called me back to tell me that an officer named Moore said they really didn't do that sort of thing. I ask him what he meant and he said, "I'm telling you Officer Moore said he does not do that sort of thing".

I thought their job was to protect the people. After a few choice words to Officer Stafford I hung up only to call him back in a few minutes just to be sure I heard what I thought I had heard. I had!

Officer Stafford told me that he would have a day officer come check on the car, so at 7:30 a.m. deputy Melvin Britton was nice enough to come to the store. I wondered why it was his job and not Officer Moore's, so I filed a formal complaint with the sheriff's office.

Neither the dispatcher nor the officer took responsibility for the incident so it was forgotten, or at least I assume it was, since neither one ever apologized for it happening!

Convenience stores call in gas drive off's (theft). We are not given the same response as the lady who left her purse in a public restroom. I have been at Wes-T-Go for 11 years and in the last several years the only officer to take interest in bringing a driver back to pay for gas is Daniel Yarbro. Thank you Daniel.

All we are ever told is that "we went to the county line and didn't see anything". This is with a car description, plate number and description of driver! I have had other stores to call to see what kind of response we get so I know it's not just Wes-T-Go.

I realize the Officers have other things to do than take complaints, catch drive offs or check out abandoned vehicles, I'm just not sure what!! Susan Gonzales, Wes-T-Go Manager

Responding to editorial

I would like to comment on two opinions voiced in the paper last week entitled "Thou Shalt Not Steal" and "Getting tired of being harassed."

Taken from the Holy Bible (NIV), quoted from Romans 1:1-12:

1. Everyone must submit himself to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God.

2. Consequently, he who rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves.

3. For rulers hold no terror for those who do right, but for those who do wrong. Do you want to be free from fear of the one in authority? Then do what is right, and he will commend you.

4. For he is God's servant to do you good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword for nothing. He is God's servant, an agent of wrath to bring punishment on the wrong doer.

5. Therefore, it is necessary to submit to the authorities, not only because of possible punishment, but also because of conscience.

6. This is also why you pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, who give their full time to governing.

7. Give everyone what you owe him: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor.

8. Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for he who loves his fellow man has fulfilled the law.

9. The commandments, "Do not commit adultery," "Do not murder," "Do not steal," "Do not covet," and whatever other commandments there may be, are summed up in one rule: "Love your neighbor as yourself."

10. Love does no harm to its neighbor. Therefore, love is the fulfillment of the law.

11. And do this, understanding the present time. The hour has come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our Salvation is nearer now than when we first believed.

12. The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light.

James 1:26, 27 — "If anyone considers

himself religious and yet does not keep a tight rein on his tongue, he deceives himself and his religion is worthless. Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world."

Thank you, Jesus, for the peace you give me that allows me to sleep safe at night; through the authorities you have established and instituted here in this community. Bless the men and women in the Sheriff's Department and the Highway Patrol, for they place their lives on the line daily being Your servant. Help me keep a tight rein on my tongue and give me the strength and wisdom to not be polluted by this world. Amen.

I will continue to pay taxes because that's the law. And I will continue to pray, because that is my right. I will continue to vote, because that is my privilege as a citizen. And I will walk by faith that someday through prayers and voting, that God's mercy will change that law.

Rhonda Hosey

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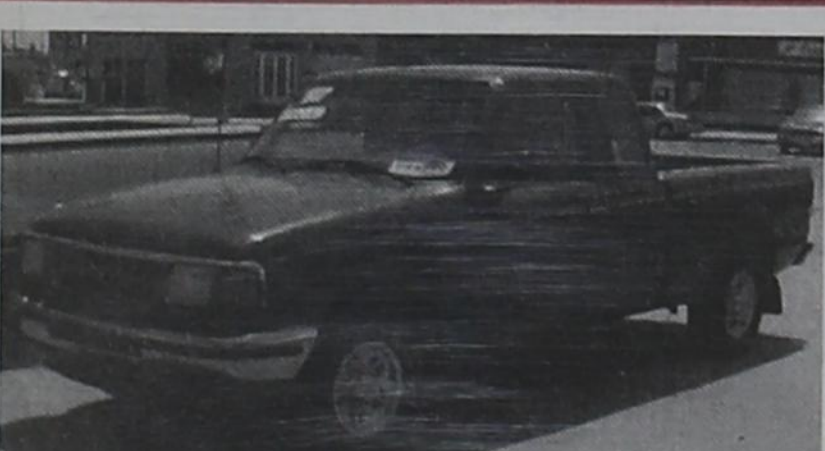
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Two Tone Blue/White Blue Interior V8 ,Auto AM/FM, Cassette, Pw/PI, A/C Cruise Control, Alloy Wheels

\$9,500⁰⁰ + TT&L

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- 1997 Mercury Tracer LS, Purple - 4 Dr Auto \$6,900
- 1994 Chevy Camaro - Blk - 5 Sp \$5,900
- 1996 Pontiac Grand Am SE - Green, 2 Dr Auto \$4,900
- 1995 Nissan 240 SX - Green, 2 Dr. 5 Sp \$5,900
- 1990 Ford Probe - Silver, 2 Dr. 5 Sp \$2,800
- 1986 Honda Civic - Blue - 4 Dr. \$1,900
- 1989 Ford Escort Station Wagon - Bug - Blue 2 Dr. Auto \$3,200
- 1968 Volkswagon - Bug - Blue, 2 Dr. Auto \$3,200