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# The Post Dispatch

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## Post Notes

### GCJLA Meeting

The Garza County Jr. Livestock Association will meet Tuesday, June 25, 7:30 p.m. at the show barn. Anyone interested in joining please come.

### Dispatch features summer baseball

Next week's edition of The Post Dispatch (6/27/02) will feature photos of Post Summer Baseball teams and all-stars. The 2002 season ended last week, capping another successful program. Hundreds of youth participated.

### Church youth car wash Saturday

Church of God of Prophecy youth will offer a car wash Saturday at United Supermarket parking lot from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (weather permitting).

### Holy Cross Church enchilada plates

The Holy Cross Catholic Church is offering enchilada plates, with rice and beans, Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Plates are \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children.

### July 4th volunteers needed

Volunteer workers are needed for the big July 4th celebration, sponsored by MAD DADS, Inc. Organizations or individuals interested in setting up booths or bands willing to provide music, please call Diana Poe at 495-3069.

### Open House June 24 at My Special Place

My Special Place Christian Preschool and Daycare will be holding an open house Monday, June 24 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. The public is invited to tour the facility and enjoy the refreshments.

### Class of '62 reunion June 29

The PHS Class of 1962 will hold its reunion Saturday, June 29 beginning at 10 a.m. at CitizensBank community room. Classmates from as far away as Washington and Connecticut will be here to reminisce. If you remember who we are, please drop by for a visit. We all want you to see us!

### Country Showdown August 24th

Contestants interested in performing at the August 24 Colgate Country Showdown should visit KPOS Radio website [www.postcityradio.net](http://www.postcityradio.net) for application information. The show is hosted by KPOS Radio (Classic Cable Channel 12 and 97.7 FM), to be held at the Garza Theatre with The Classics band returning by popular demand. Tickets for the event are \$5 each for reserved seats and may be ordered by calling the Garza Theatre at 495-4005. "Last year was a sellout," KPOS Radio manager Wesley Burnett emphasizes, "it would be a good idea to order your tickets early. The theater only seats 200."

### Class of '92 seeks classmate contact

Plans for Post High School Class of 1992 reunion are being made for the weekend of September 20, 2002. Organizers are seeking addresses and phone numbers of classmates. Class of 1992 classmates should call Sandy Allen at 512-797-8757 or Tamra Gerner at 817-426-5257 or e-mail: [phs92rules@hotmail.com](mailto:phs92rules@hotmail.com).

### "Charlotte's Web" opens Friday

The Garza Theatre's production of "Charlotte's Web" opens Friday at the theatre. The play continues June 22, 28, 29, 30 and July 5 and 6. Call the box office at 495-4005 for reservations.

### Public swimming pool hours

The Post public swimming pool is now open Tuesday through Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m. Family nights are Tuesday and Thursday from 6 to 9 p.m. For information about party reservations, water aerobics and swimming lessons, call 495-1066 or 780-2333.

### OS Ranch Museum opens Ryan exhibit

A photography exhibit by western artist Tom Ryan depicting the life of working cowboys during roundup time is on display at the OS Museum. Viewing hours are Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon and 1-5 p.m. The museum is located at 201 E. Main St., and an elevator is available for use by museum guests.

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## Recent storms hit farmers

Estimates indicate that about 10 percent of the cotton crop in Garza County was affected by recent hailstorms and heavy rains.

Garza County routinely has about 44,000 acres of cotton planted per year, said Victor Ashley, county executive director of the Farm Service Agency. Surveys indicate that approximately 4,400 acres of cotton, most of it in the Pleasant Valley area, were damaged by inclement weather conditions.

"They had some significant hail," Ashley said, noting that even the day after the June 4 hailstorm, piles of ice remained in the area's

bar ditches.

The FSA continues to receive crop damage reports, and additional reports could come in, he said. Some fields have been or will be replanted, while others have been salvaged.

"As long as the terminal - the top part of the plant - was not damaged, it should be OK," Ashley said. "It's early in the season, and there is time to recover."

"Several guys had to replant with those hard rains and hail," said County Agent Greg Jones. "We've got cotton all the way from in the ground to seven true-leaf stage."

But even those ag producers who are able to salvage their cotton crops may pay a price for the weather damage.

"It could have a bearing on their yield at the end of the year," Ashley said.

Overall, the rains were more beneficial than harmful, but Ashley said rain-swollen playa lakes on top of the caprock might have cost some farmers a few acres of cotton.

FSA reports indicate the Post reporting station recorded only traces of rainfall during the month of May. To date, the month of June has provided three opportunities for rain, netting totals of 0.60, 0.17 and 0.40.

"Right now, if we'd have a good general rain and no wind, everything would be a lot better," Jones said.

## New teachers, coaches at Post ISD

Trustees of the Post Independent School District hired a dozen new employees earlier this month, all but completing the slate of teachers and coaches needed for the upcoming school year.

Superintendent Dr. Bobby Bain said one English teacher's position remains vacant following the hiring authorized by school board members during their June 6 meeting.

New employees include Kathy Grissom, junior high girls' coach; Lisa Horton, high school math teacher; Leslie Tatum, junior high language arts teacher; Ed Singleterry, high school Spanish teacher; and Aaron Rathbun, band director.

Also, Max Kattwinkel, high school coach and English teacher; Nick Dickson, junior high boys' coach; Eva White, high school English teacher; Amber Corzine, elementary school teacher; Robert Coers, Alternate Education Placement (AEP) teacher; James Tarter, high school coach and teacher; and Jerry White, high school social studies teacher.

In other action taken during the regular monthly meeting, trustees accepted the resignations of coaches Darrell Daily, Christy Daily, Billy Kelso and Kristi Lowe.

The board also handled monthly informational items and regular monthly business.

## Post ISD holding line on tax rate

A public hearing on the proposed 2002-2003 Post Independent School District budget will be conducted Monday beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the district's administrative office building.

Following the hearing, trustees will look at adopting the budget proposal.

Action on the upcoming school year's budget is being taken earlier this year than in the past. Several weeks ago, trustees moved to alter the school district's fiscal year to begin July 1 rather than the traditional Sept. 1.

The purpose of the change, Superintendent Dr. Bobby Bain said, was to enable the school district's fiscal planning to coincide with that of the federal government. Parallel fiscal schedules will make it easier for the school district to handle its federal funding.

The tax rate for the 2002-2003 school year will not be set until sometime around Sept. 1; however, Bain said trustees are looking at maintaining the existing \$1.39 per \$100 valuation rate.

"We've been here (at \$1.39) a while," he said. "We're going to hold on if we can."

Property valuations within the school district are expected to drop, Bain said, with estimates putting the decrease at anywhere from \$15 million to \$20 million. A \$20 million drop figured at the \$1.39 tax rate would cost the school district about \$278,000 in tax revenues.

"We're still trying to hold the line," the superintendent said.

## FSA announces EQIP signups

Earlier this month, John Fuston, state executive director for the Farm Service Agency (FSA), announced a second signup period for conservation funding under the Environmental Quality Incentives Program.

The new signup period will run through Friday, June 28.

The 2002 Farm Bill signed into law May 13 further extends the USDA's allocation of monies targeted for conservation practice application on private lands.

"Interested producers are encouraged to act quickly if they wish to make application during this second chance opportunity for federal financial and technical assistance provided through EQIP," Fuston said.

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## Tom Ryan photography featured at OS Museum

A photography exhibit by western artist Tom Ryan depicting the life of working cowboys during roundup time is on display at the OS Museum.

"The Brotherhood of Man" and the Cowboys of the 6666's Ranch will be on display through Sept. 1, courtesy of the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum in Oklahoma City, Okla.

Additionally, the OS Museum is offering an "Art of the World" exhibit, which showcases the significance of artistic culture through works from various countries.

Items included in this exhibit are Chinese and Japanese ivory and jade, chess sets, Lladro sculpture, Fabergé eggs, bronze sculpture, Swarovski crystal, wood sculpture, Native American art, Anri sculpture and an array of other pieces.

The "Art of the World" exhibit will run through Sept. 28.

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

The museum is located at 201 E. Main St., and an elevator is available for use by museum guests.



## Washington, D.C. visitors...

Post Middle School students visiting Washington, D.C. earlier this month are (back row, left to right) Hayley Massey, Claire Kirkpatrick, Alisha Reiter, Ashley Wilson, Becca Striblin, Courtney Copeland, Erin Wartes, Eric Reyna, Kassie Parrish, Colter Creech, Shawn Merritt, Wilson Cash, Kylie Easterling, Jeneé Lott, Kayla Morris, (front row) Gabby Paiz, Josie Whisenhunt, Wes Mason, Zachary Witcher, Diann Heckaman, Colt Mason, K'Nel Dalby, Clarissa Gomez and Kelly Martin. Sponsor and trip coordinator Dedra Adams is at rear.

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D.M. and Eddie Lockaby of Tahoka announce the engagement of their daughter Jacqui Lockaby of Lubbock, to Lee Haygood of Canadian, Texas. Ms. Lockaby is the granddaughter of the late Clarence and Esther Carpenter of Post. She has a doctorate degree from Texas Tech University and is an assistant professor there. Mr. Haygood is the son of Wayne and Gayle Haygood of Canadian. He is a graduate of Oklahoma State University and is managing partner of Indian Mounds Ranch. The wedding is set for August 3, 2002 at Tahoka Church of Christ.

## Golden Plains happenings...

by Christy Rutherford

Well May is over and done and June is already upon us. We had a lot of fun in May with a lot of things happening. We celebrated "National Nurses Week" May 6-12. Each day the nurses received a gift and the week was made complete with a prime rib dinner. Our nurses work very hard for us so the next time you see one just reach out and give them

a pat of gratitude on the back.

Then the week of May 13-18 we celebrated "National Nursing Home Week." On Monday we started out the week with a fabulous balloon lift off and a pet parade. Tuesday we broke the piñata and were there ever a lot of excitement around that. Wednesday we had the cow roping and horse races. Thursday we played a game of baseball and had

wheelchair races. Friday we rapped it all up with a sweet ice cream social. Boy what a fun week we all had. On the 10th of May we honored all of our mothers with an extra special tea party and gifts. Thank you so very much to all our mothers.

Well things didn't slow down a bit in May. We celebrated some birthdays. Residents' birthdays included Anna Byrd, Tony Ortiz, Ella Mae Jones, Rosco Moulton and Mary Stanford. Employee birthdays included Ruby Parrish, JoAnn Perez, Betty Curtis and Linda Bell. A very happy birthday to all of these people.

We also get to welcome some new faces into our extended family. A super special welcome to Mrs. Sullivan and Glenda Janres.

This month also brought in some sadness, as we had to say good-bye to Juanita Smith and Buena Bouchier. Special dates to remember:

- Birthday party June 11, 2:30 p.m.
  - Family meeting June 18, 5:30 p.m.
- Dr. Farthing will be our guest speaker.

Please make plans to join us. "National Nursing Assistant Week" is June 6-13 so remember to give each of our nursing assistants a gentle pat of gratitude on the back because they too do so very much for our residents and they deserve it too. Stay tuned in to see what next month will bring.



Ida Jones, Wanda Blalock and David Norton prepare hamburgers and hot dogs donated by Zip Auto Glass at the Garza County Trailblazers fundraiser last Thursday. (Photo by Rebecca Sturgeon)

## Health Trends

### Blood Supply Drops Along With Economy

(NAPS)—A faltering economy affects much more than jobs and savings. In fact, the current economic climate is adversely affecting our nation's blood supply.

"About 50 percent of the blood we collect comes from corporate blood drives," said Lisa Bloch, director of communications, Blood Centers of the Pacific. "With the economy as it is, we've been hit

hard here in the San Francisco area. Many companies are canceling their blood drives and focusing their priorities elsewhere."

Blood centers across the country depend on companies to conduct blood drives; corporate blood drives yield a substantial portion of the blood collected in the U.S. With businesses focusing on restructuring efforts, corporate blood drives aren't occurring as often as they had been. When the drives do take place, fewer employees are participating.

"We are seeing fallout from the current economic troubles, and have lost several donor chairpersons (organizers for the drives) with little or no notice due to layoffs, downsizing, etc.," said Nikki Outhier, director of mobile recruitment, Michigan Community Blood Centers, Grand Valley. "Because so many people are worried about keeping their jobs, donating blood is probably not a priority for them at this time. Right now we're affected, but I think the impact could be tremendous if the economy doesn't pick up quickly."

The American Association of Blood Banks (AABB), in conjunction with America's Blood Centers (ABC), kicked off a national campaign to address the need for blood donations. Television and radio public service announcements featuring celebrities Dennis Franz, Coolio and Rita Moreno are airing nationally, and blood centers are promoting the campaign on a local level.



Marie Lewis, Ruth Reno, and Nell Matthews (left to right) collect money for the bake sale at the Garza County Trailblazers fundraiser sponsored by Zip Auto Glass. (Photo by Rebecca Sturgeon)



Garza Theatre audiences enjoyed deciding the ending of the murder trial in the recent production of "The Night of January 16th." Members of the cast are (back row, left to right) Jim Plummer, Patrick Ryan-Jones, Jeff Conner, Scott Makussen, Roy Willis, Stan Tucker, Jay Young, Rick Fay, Steve Berry, (front row, left to right) Valerie Burelsmith, Blair Thacker, Kindyl Keeton, Emily Hataway, Patrice Marshall, Christy Morris.

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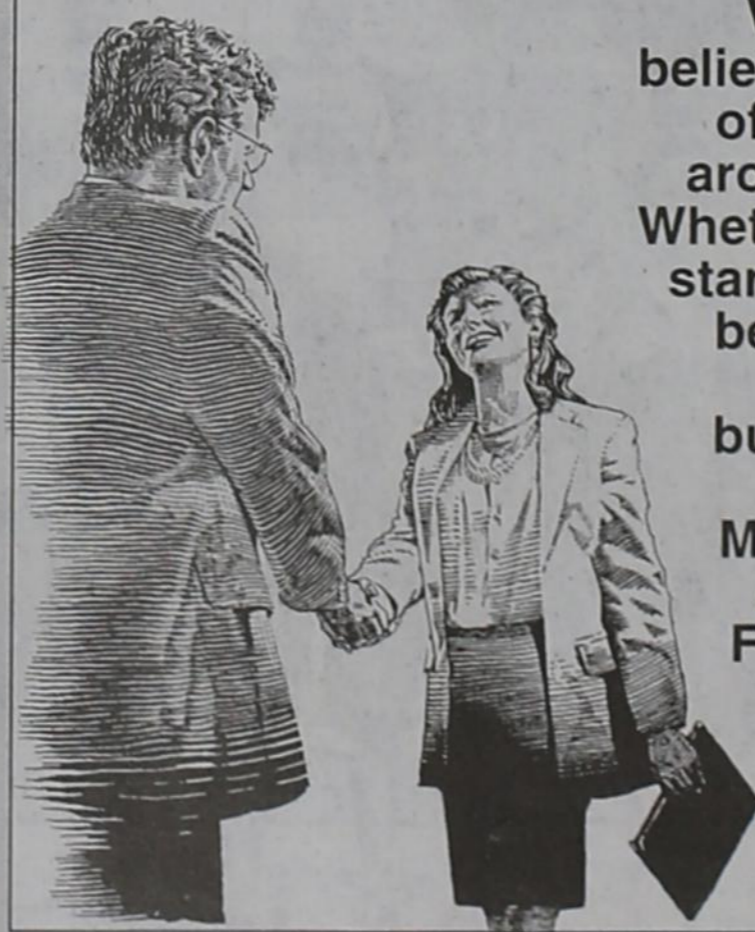
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# Middle school students take in D.C. history

by **Debra Adams**

History once again came alive for a group of 24 Post students and their tour guide, Debra Adams. This is the 17th group that Mrs. Adams has taken to tour the Nation's Capitol. The group spent the first part of their summer vacation touring the Nation's Capitol and surrounding area.

The students left for Washington, D.C., during the pre-dawn hours on Tuesday, June 4, 2002. While in D.C., they stayed at the Ramada New Carrollton in Maryland. They toured the D.C. area and returned to Post in the late evening hours of June 7. Parents of the students helped shuttle the travelers to and from the airport.

The group flew American Airlines and met up with groups from California and Dallas to tour. The group from Los Angeles were international students from Korea, China and Thailand. The Post group had fun learning about their culture and languages.

They began their tour the minute they landed at Reagan National Airport in D.C. They took the subway to Pentagon City to meet the other groups and then boarded their tour bus. The first stops were the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, Vietnam Women's Memorial and Korean Memorial. They went to the Ballston Commons Mall for their dinner and

then were dropped off at their hotel to check in.

The second day of their tour began early with a drive up Embassy Row to the National Cathedral. This site was enjoyed by all. After leaving the Cathedral, the group headed to Arlington Cemetery.

The Arlington Cemetery visit was a very special one for the entire group. They toured the Kennedy gravesites, the Challenger memorial and various other grave sites, as well as watching the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers. The Post group took part in a wreath laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers. Those representing Post were Courtney Copeland and Shawn Merritt and Dionn Heckaman. These young people represented not only the Post group, but all of Post, Texas, in laying the wreath.

Next stop on Wednesday was the Smithsonian Complex. The group toured the Air and Space Museum, the American History Museum and the Natural History Museum. Upon leaving the Smithsonian Complex, the Post group had a group picture taken with the Capitol in the background. The group had dinner at the Reagan National Trade Center. After arriving back at their hotel,

the group enjoyed swimming, visiting with other students and a dance.

Thursday saw the group leaving their hotel extra early to go to breakfast at the ESPN Zone. They

enjoyed breakfast and games there. The group stopped at the White House for a picture stop.

Next stop was the Holocaust Museum. While there, they viewed

Daniel's Story and the three floors of the museum. The museum presents a narrative history using more than 900 artifacts and 79 video monitors and four theaters that include historical film footage and eyewitness testimonies. The exhibit is divided into three parts: "Nazi Assault," "Final Solution" and "Last Chapter." While on the tour, each person took on the identity of someone that was actually there by using a passport of his or her life.

The group ate lunch at the Old Post Office Pavilion. This building is very historical and was the site of the first post office in D.C. After lunch, they boarded their bus for a drive to Mount Vernon-Home of George Washington and a tour of Alexandria. They toured the house and grounds of George Washington's beautiful estate.

After dinner at Fresco's, the night tour began of the D.C. area. Some of the stops were the Jefferson Memorial, the Lincoln Memorial and the FDR Memorial.

The last day of their tour again started early with the group leaving the hotel at 7 a.m. Their first stop was the Iwo Jima Marine Memorial.

The group went to Capitol Hill. A group picture was taken in front of the Capitol and then the group enjoyed a tour of the Capitol. A picture stop was made at the Supreme Court and the Library of Congress. Lunch was the group at the Union Station. Union Station is the original train station and is still being used today and shares a lot of history with the D.C. area.

Union Station was the last stop for the Post group, as they were picked up and taken to Dulles Airport to return to Post.

While on tour, the groups enjoyed the bus driver, Dale Barksdale, who was a great help pointing out sites to the group.

Those touring from Post were Wilson Cash, Courtney Copeland, Colter Creech, K'Neil Dalby, Kylie Easterling, Clarissa Gamez, Dionn Heckaman, Claire Kirkpatrick, Jenee Lott, Kelli Martin, Colt Mason, Wes Mason, Hayley Massey, Shawn Merritt, Kayla Morris, Gabby Paiz, Eassie Parrish, Alisha Reiter, Eric Reyna, Becca Striblin, Erin Warts, Josie Whisenhunt, Ashley Wilson, Zachary Witcher and Debra Adams.



Post Middle School students at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Washington D.C. are (back row, left to right) Shawn Merritt, Courtney Copeland, (front row) Dionn Heckaman.



Post Elementary School students successfully completing levels in the CEI Reading Lab during the second semester of the 2001-2002 school year are (back row, left to right) Samantha Ortiz, Gina Mendoza, Kaylem Perez, Martin Vera, Mysty Ayala, (front row) Dylan Huffman, Tanner Hadderton and Katie Hair. (Photo by Peggy Graves)



Post Elementary School students successfully completing levels in the CEI Reading Lab during the second semester of the 2001-2002 school year are (back row, left to right) Kimberly Rivera, Edgar Garcia, Jordan Curtis, (front row) LaNette Perry, Skylar Jones and Rebekah Horton. LaNette Perry and Destiny Price received the End of the Year Awards for Outstanding Achievement in the CEI Reading Lab. (Photo by Peggy Graves)

## Post students earn TTU degrees

Three Post residents received bachelor's degrees from Texas Tech University during commencement exercises held May 11 in the United Spirit Arena in Lubbock.

Alisha Jane McKim, daughter of Dan and Meg Nelson, received a Bachelor of Science in multidisciplinary studies. She graduated magna cum laude.

Nancy Carol Morris, daughter of Jack Morris, received a bachelor's degree in agriculture and applied economics.

Earning a Bachelor of Science degree in animal science was Brandon Lynn Patschke, son of Mike Patschke.



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#### AGENDA:

1. The board will hear and determine taxpayer and taxing unit appeals on all matters permitted by TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE.
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  - (2.) Certification of 2002 Appraisal Roll
  - (3.) Certification of Supplemental Records for 2001

This notice is given in pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code.

## TTU Honors list includes Post students

Three Texas Tech students from Post were included on honors lists for the spring 2002 semester.

Melissa Rene McCleskey, Mary Ann Nolan and Luke Aaron Williams were listed on the Dean's List. McCleskey is a sophomore multidisciplinary studies major, while Nolan is a freshman in multidisciplinary studies. Williams is a sophomore English major.

To qualify for the Dean's List, a student must carry 12 or more qualifying hours with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9.



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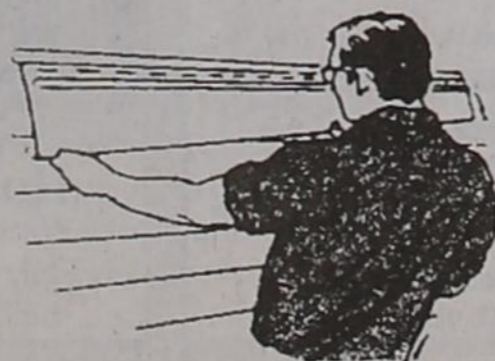
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# Obituaries

## Florence Opal Alvis Williams

Funeral services for Mrs. Florence Opal Alvis Williams were held June 17, 2002 at the First Baptist Church in Post. Charles Coulter and Forrest Coulter, grandsons of Mrs. Williams, officiated with Bo Jackson as honorary minister. Burial was Terrace Cemetery under the personal care of Justice-Mason Funeral Home.



Mrs. Williams died June 15, 2002, at Homestead Nursing Center in McKinney, Texas. She was born January 3, 1910, in Hemphill County to Rufus and Hettie Alvis. She married Tom Williams on January 17, 1927 in Amarillo.

She was a member of First Baptist Church of Post where she served for over 50 years.

Mrs. Williams is survived by daughters, Jackie Faye Bowden and husband, Horace, of Big Spring, Texas; Tommie Jean Coulter and husband, Jack, of North Richland Hills, Texas; Mary Ann Dowell and husband, Joe, of McKinney, Texas; son-in-law and wife, Jody and Marilyn Mason, of Post, Texas;

Her brother and his wife, Clarence and Doris Alvis of Placerville, California. She is also survived by her grandchildren and great grandchildren, Mark & Donna and Tom, Curtis and Tiffany Bowden of Midland; Joe & Melinda

and Heather, Ashley and Colt Mason of Post; Kelly & Tammy and Rachel, Sarah and Aaron Mason of Lubbock; Keith & Gina and Caroline Coulter of London, England; Charles & Serena and Austin, Morgan and Harrison Coulter of San Antonio; Forrest & Jenney and Caden Coulter of Splendora; Sheila Bowden of Midland; Jeff and Jacob Dowell of McKinney; David & Damara Dowell of Alexandria, Virginia; and Jodi Dowell currently in Mali, West Africa. Two great great grandchildren, Carson Wayne and Dylan Kade of Post; several nieces and nephews also survive her.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Tom Williams, her daughter, Helen Mason, her parents, Rufus & Hettie Alvis, and her sisters, Edna Banks and Naomi Medford.

Grandchildren Mark Bowden, Joe Mason, Kelly Mason, Keith Coulter, Charles Coulter, Forrest Coulter, Jeff Dowell, David Dowell, Sheila Bowden and Jodi Dowell served as pallbearers.

Memorials may be made to the Memorial Fund of First Baptist Church of Post.

## Lela Mae Smith

Graveside services for Lela Mae Smith, 98, of Post were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 18, 2002, in the Terrace Cemetery with the Rev. Les Atkins officiating. Hudman Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

She died Wednesday, June 12, at University Medical Center in Lubbock. Born March 25, 1904, in Montague County, Texas, she married C.V. Smith Nov. 5, 1921, in Tahoka. He died July 27, 1987. She was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sons, C.V. Smith Jr. of Slaton and Kenith Smith of Turkey; one sister, Christine of California; 18 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two sons, Jimmy Smith and Billy Smith, and one daughter, Ruth Little.

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## Welfarism paralyzes charity

"And what of the old-fashioned idea of Christian charity? Once, it was a function of the church to minister to the needs of the genuinely poor and sick. One of the worst by-products of state welfarism has been the paralysis of our impulse toward charity. For not only has the state usurped this function of the church, and seized our means to be charitable, it has stolen our will to be charitable, too."—Anna Dillenberg, *The Freeman* November 1979

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## Bush rejects 5th Amendment

It pains me deeply to see U.S. government officials so casually reject the basic principles of justice guaranteed by our constitution. Like other "war time" presidents of the past, the U.S. president justifies the detainment of individuals, even U.S. citizens, on mere accusation, without any recourse for due process, all in the name of the necessity of war.

The Fifth Amendment to the U.S. constitution is no protection for any American citizen, as long as government makes the claim that national security requires secrecy. Supporters of this travesty against our liberty cite a 1942 U.S. Supreme Court decision for precedent.

There is a big difference, in 1941 the U.S. Congress made a declaration of war. Only congress has the power and authority to declare war. The president may recommend such action, but does not have the authority to make the declaration... that is a basic, fundamental American principle, put in place by the founders of this nation specifically to restrain the unbridled power of the executive.

In the meantime, the president announced proudly that the U.S. is now holding over 2,400 individuals without trial or due process, most not even charged with any crime, all in the name of the "war on terrorism."

Through this unchecked power, government officials may suspect a person of being associated with terrorists, arrest them and detain them for an indefinite period of time. Such persons are denied even the ability to talk to a lawyer. They are being held in military confinement, although they may not have had any military connection.

This dangerous power to arrest without formal charges and without due process of law is not limited to "foreign agents"... it can just as easily be applied to anyone, in fact, there is no limitation on who could be a target. Every American who cares about liberty should be outraged at such pitiful disregard for our constitution and our individual rights. If you become a target, all the government has to do is declare in a news conference that you are suspected of associating with a terrorist, or known terrorist organization, and that's it.

No one holds the government accountable for whether or not you actually are guilty of committing any crime. "In war, you know, we can't be bothered with such technicalities," is the song of the tyrant.

You will not be able to call a lawyer, nor will you be allowed to face your accusers in an open court. You will be demonized by the government propaganda machine, and no one will step up in your defense. "He (she) must be guilty, or else they wouldn't have arrested him," is the common response to such matters.

Sadly, most Americans think this is okay. Our American ancestors who gave their fortunes and lives to establish a republic based on individual and specified liberty would be ashamed. It was this very action by the King of England which spurred them to revolt against their own government in the 1760s and 1770s.

Today it may "Jose Padilla," known Puerto Rican gang member and "shoddy" would-be terrorist... but there is no guarantee that government will limit its "detainment"... and there apparently is no organized political or legal effort to slow down this attack on our liberty.

In fact, it would not surprise me to see government attack writers such as myself for expressing opposition. "How dare you challenge your government in time of war. You must be consorting with the enemy!"

The enemy, in this case, is not a foreign terrorist... it is a government gone mad with its own power. These are dangerous times for liberty lovers.

## And thereafter, we need to profile

by Walter E. Williams

Imagine you're a munitions manufacturer, and you manufacture hand grenades for the military. Your contract requires a guarantee that 99 percent of the hand grenades delivered are not duds. What do you do?

If you assumed there was an equal probability of every hand grenade being a dud, you might test them by pulling the pin and tossing each hand grenade to see if, in fact, it explodes. You'd be certain about whether the hand grenades were duds or not, but you'd have none to deliver. A more intelligent method would be to test a representative sample to make inferences about the population.

You say, "Williams, what's the point?" Let's look at our Department of Transportation (DOT) and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) mandates for air security. By their actions, they assign an equal probability that anyone who boards a plane is a potential hijacker, and that includes pilots and crew, the aged and infirm, and children and babies. That's why they do body scans, make people take off their shoes and confiscate scissors, fingernail files, cork screws and other items on their "prohibited" list.

This vision of anti-terrorism is both stupid and costly. Are there more effective means? How about taking a test? At the 1972 Olympics, who kidnapped and murdered Jewish athletes? In 1979, the U.S. Embassy in Iran was taken over by whom? During the 1980s, who kidnapped Americans in Lebanon?

In 1983, the U.S. Marine barracks in Beirut was blown up by whom? In 1985, the Achille Lauro cruise ship was hijacked and a 70-year-old, wheelchair-bound American was murdered by whom? In 1985, TWA flight 847 was hijacked in Athens and a U.S. Navy diver was murdered by whom? In 1988, Pan Am flight 103 was bombed by whom?

In 1993, the World Trade Center was bombed by whom? In 1998, U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania were bombed by whom? On



Sept. 11, four airliners were hijacked and used to destroy the World Trade Center and the Pentagon; who were the murderers?

U.S. military action in Afghanistan is against whom? Earlier this year, Wall Street Journal reporter Daniel Pearl was kidnapped and murdered by whom? We all know the answers to these questions. The perpetrators were not the people who are routinely harassed and inconvenienced at our airports: businessmen, women, children and babies.

The terrorist murderers have been Muslim male extremists between the ages of 17 and 40. That fact suggests that there are gains from ethnic profiling — namely, having security personnel on hand who'd be able to pull aside passengers who closely fit the profile of terrorists. Why isn't this done? There are several possibilities. First, the DOT and FAA don't want to risk offending the politically correct among us.

Second, it doesn't cost them anything to harass and inconvenience millions of passengers. The third, which should never be excluded, is that the people who run the DOT and FAA are just plain stupid. The latter is surely the case in terms of their decree not permitting pilots to carry weapons. For the most part, commercial airline pilots are ex-military men trained in weapon use.

If randomly assigned sky marshals carry weapons, there is absolutely no reason, at least an intelligent one, why pilots should not be permitted, as well.

But here's something for us all to think about: If the time ever comes when a commercial airliner is hijacked and headed toward a nuclear power plant, a bridge or a dam, and F-14s have to be scrambled to shoot it down, will the DOT and FAA bureaucrats be able to assure us that armed pilots would not have made a difference?

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## Rights belong to individuals

by Sheldon Richman

If you want insight into the mentality of the intellectual elite, observe the hysterical reaction to the Bush administration's declaration that the right to keep and bear arms is — horror! — an individual right.

In two U.S. Supreme Court briefs filed by the Justice Department on May 6, Solicitor General Theodore B. Olson wrote: "[The] current position of the United States is that the Second Amendment more broadly protects the rights of individuals... to possess and bear their own firearms." What is so outrageous about this?

True, this has not been the government's position for the last several decades. But that doesn't make it invalid. Maybe the former position, that the Second Amendment refers to the states' right to arm their national guards, was wrong. You'd think Olson and Attorney General John Ashcroft had just legalized the mugging of old ladies.

According to Michael Barnes, president of the Brady Center to Prevent Gun Violence, "This action is proof positive that the worst fears about Attorney General Ashcroft have come true: his extreme ideology on guns has now become government policy." Is he kidding? It's extreme to believe that rights belong to individuals?

If that's extreme, the Declaration of Independence must be the most extreme document ever written. Barnes's organization continued: "The Department's new policy weakens the federal government's defense of gun laws..." (Unfortunately, it doesn't. The government believes the right may be legally limited.) This is the real issue for the anti-self-defense lobby.

It's not concerned with the soundness of any argument. All that matters is its agenda. Anything that works to restrict and outlaw gun ownership is good. Anything that promotes it is bad. Objectivity and honest discourse are irrelevant — if not dangerous.

Here's another example. New York Times columnist Bob Herbert is alarmed that the administration's position will put "more guns into the hands of more people." (Surely we all know several hardened criminals who put off buying guns until the Justice Department's position was clear.)

Even if true, that does not prove that the administration's position is wrong. Herbert also claims there was "no need for the government to take a position on the Second Amendment in the two cases for which the briefs were submitted." Even if that's right, so what? The issue is whether Ashcroft and Olson's position on this important issue is valid. But all the anti-gun lobby cares about is its agenda. Truth and falsehood don't matter. That's demagoguery.

If you look objectively, you readily see that Ashcroft and Olson have done nothing radical at all. Obviously, gun rights belong to individuals. There's no one else for them to belong to. And the Supreme Court has never said otherwise. On the contrary, the Court has said "the

people" in the Bill of Rights means "individuals."

Could a right belong to a collective? What nonsense! A collective is composed of individuals. It can have no right not possessed by its members. What does it mean to say the group has a right if no individual has it? The "collective right" position is absurd. Bear in mind that the Second Amendment does not say that "the people shall have a right to keep and bear arms." It says, "the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed."

The Amendment does not create the right—it recognizes it. This is important because it puts the Amendment's preamble — "A well regulated Militia being necessary to the security of a free State" — into perspective. The anti-gun lobby says this means only that states may arm their national guards. But the Framers did not attribute rights to states, only to persons.

The one reference to the states in the Bill of Rights is about powers, not rights. The militia is mentioned in the Amendment only to explain that a citizen-based defense (the militia) will be effective only if people know how to use guns, and that proficiency with guns depends on individuals' being free to possess them.

Hence, "the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed." Twisting this right against tyranny into a state power cynically insults the intelligence of every American.

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## Thought for the week

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Sixty years ago I knew everything; now I know nothing; education is a progressive discovery of our own ignorance.

—Will Durant

### Puzzle Solution

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NEW Curtis Hudman, future and Hudman his father, Victor From the Post Dispatch

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# EQIP program

(Continued from Page 1)

EQIP was established under the 1996 Farm Bill to address significant agricultural natural resource concerns through the application of select practices that were determined to be beneficial to the overall protection of the tract of land being treated. Participants entered into long-term contracts and agreed to treat all conservation issues identified by using a "whole farm" approach to planning. "EQIP now has a more flexible approach," Fuston said. "Producers can treat specific resource concerns without locking their entire farm into a long-term contract. This gives them options to address new or unforeseen conservation problems as they arise."

EQIP remains a voluntary, competitive program. The new Farm Bill outlines significant changes in program provisions pertaining to length of contract and payment limitations.

The bill eliminates Geographic Priority Areas (GPAs) and the "bid-down" option that enabled producers to make their applications more competitive by shouldering a higher percentage of the total cost of practice implementations. For Texas, cost-share is set at 75 percent.

"To date, Texas FSA has allocated \$60.2 million in cost-share assistance and incentive payments," Fuston said. "Proactive producers statewide used these funds to treat the most environmentally sensitive farm and ranchland, voluntarily reducing soil erosion, improving water quality and quantity, preserving wildlife habitat and insuring the sustainability of Texas agriculture."

An additional farm bill provision was made with the creation of the Ground and Surface Water Conservation Area under EQIP. Funding for this special emphasis area is spec-

fied for the purpose of water conservation on land above the Ogallala Aquifer.

The projected ground and surface water funding for this special area in Texas is approximately \$6 million. The focus will be on water conservation showing primary concern for water quantity. Farmers and ranchers will have the opportunity to install more efficient irrigation systems through cost-share contracting.

Producers interested in making an EQIP application for the Ground and Surface Water Conservation Area should contact their local NRCS field office for the application period beginning June 17 through July 12, 2002.

For more information regarding the EQIP process, conservation practices and eligibility requirements, contact the local USDA Service Center or visit the FSA Web site: <http://www/fsa/usda.gov>.

## Menus

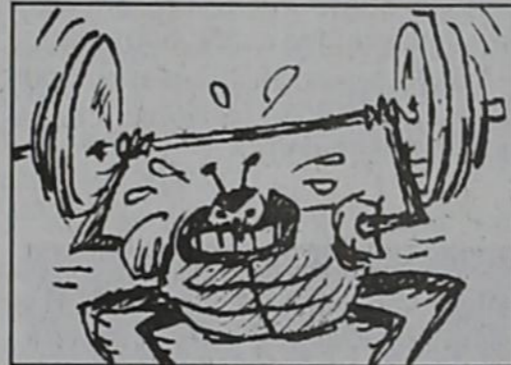
**Garza County Trailblazers**  
June 24- Chicken patty on a bun, macaroni salad, broccoli, peach cobbler

June 25- Brisket, okra, new potatoes, sliced tomatoes, biscuit, apricots, chocolate cake

June 26- Liver & onions, chicken strips, cream gravy, macaroni & cheese, green beans, coleslaw, hot roll, brownies

June 27- Baked ham, black-eyed peas, brussell sprouts, sliced tomatoes, cornbread, cherry cobbler

June 28- Chicken fry, cream gravy, green peas, corn, carrot salad, hot roll, pineapple cake



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## Birthdays This Week

- June 20-Cassandra Rae Perez, Joe Poe IV
- June 21 -Becky Sturgeon, Dominic Pequeno
- June 22-Roxanne Osborn, Delores Redman, Terrell Jarrett
- June 23-Dustin Poe
- June 24- Pam Aguilar, Keylin Merritt, Leah Tackitt, Haley Poe, Bradley Benham
- June 25- Amy James, Quinton Yarbro, Clinton Yarbro

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**ACROSS**

- 1 TX Motor Speedway event
- 5 TXism: "fits like ugly \_\_\_ ape"
- 6 TXism: "worthless as a four-\_\_\_ flush"
- 7 Midland AM radio stat for Ranger Rick Helling
- 9 home of Dyess Air Force Base
- 16 Boot Hill inscription: "\_\_\_ in Peace"
- 18 prosecuted one Tarrant or Taylor (abbr.)
- 22 TX Dabney film: "\_\_\_ to Five"
- 23 TX "Ike" signed treaty with Chinese on \_\_\_ wan ('55)
- 24 TX George Jones' "Things Have Gone to \_\_\_"
- 30 noncombatants: conscientious
- 34 Traveling Wilbury Petty (init.)
- 35 spend money to make money
- 36 TXism: "como \_\_\_ (How are you?)"
- 37 TXism: "\_\_\_ from the horse's mouth"
- 39 TXism: "write slow 'cause he \_\_\_"
- 43 TXism for stupid person
- 44 TXism: "do-right boys" (2 wds.)

**DOWN**

- 13 pep
- 14 Bismarck's state (abbr.)
- 15 TXism: "could \_\_\_ through a crowbar" (hot chili)
- 17 TXism: "put \_\_\_ a shovel" (bury)
- 19 "N" of NRA
- 20 walked quietly
- 24 math pastry?
- 25 TX corp. abbr.
- 26 \_\_\_ Marie Saint
- 27 TX oil in 1902: 3 \_\_\_ barrel
- 28 "Texas Carnival" actress swimmer Williams
- 29 TXism: "talked a blue \_\_\_"
- 31 this "Rip" was mayor of Austin & Brownsville, & TX Ranger capt. (init.)
- 32 Love Field abbr.
- 33 flew high
- 38 Six Flags Over TX is a \_\_\_ park
- 40 Santa's helper
- 41 Commerce high school class
- 42 in Milam Co. on 79
- 48 lopsided Friday night victory
- 50 TX high school sports org.
- 51 TX singer Orbison
- 56 former Dallas Mav coach Dick
- 57 TXism: "you're buying oats for \_\_\_ horse"



### NEW BUSINESS GENERATION

Curtis Hudman, right, has stepped into the Hudman Furniture and Hudman Funeral Home businesses as a partner with his father, Victor. His wife, Julie, is shown above left.

From the Post Dispatch, June 15, 1972

# Yesteryears

June 17, 1992  
10 Years Ago

The Post Independent School District board of trustees approved superintendent Bill Shiver's recommendation of hiring Marita Jackson to serve as principal at the Middle School, replacing Bud Davis, who announced his retirement.

Sara Alexander and Brandon Bird, this year's Miss and Mr. PHS were recognized at the junior-senior prom recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesus M. Martinez are proud to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Christina, to Lane Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Jones.

Natalie and Nikke Pollard of Post were selected to the all-star teams in their age groups at the Texas Tech Lady Raiders basketball camp.

PHS senior Marlin Valdez, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Valdez was killed early Saturday morning while riding in a vehicle which crashed in the 400 block of West 11th Street.

June 17, 1982  
20 Years Ago

Donna George a native of Post, has been named to the 1982 Spring Semester Dean's List at Hardin-Simmons University.

Kathryn (Kathy) Louise Kirkpatrick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K. W. Kirkpatrick was graduated from the Hockaday School of Dallas on May 29.

Miss Mara Lee Jones, 10-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Jones of Post, has been selected as a finalist in the 1982 Miss Northern Texas National pre-teen pageant to be held at the Quality Inn in Amarillo.

A miscellaneous wedding shower honored Donna Massey, bride elect of Kelly Baker, Sunday, June 13 in the bank community room.

A potluck supper honored Betty Pierce on her 83rd birthday Saturday night, June 12 in the Post Community Center.

June 15, 1972  
30 Years Ago

Sherell Guichard of the Post High School band received a Division II rating in flute solo at the state UIL competition in Austin.

Mrs. Cora Fleming has retired after 29 years in the teaching profession, 25 years of that time as a teacher of commercial subjects in Post High School.

Jim and Bo Jackson's Saturday morning open house at the Jackson Bros. Food Locker will have a whole bunch of meat specials and open house prizes you can either sign up for or buy.

Curtis Hudman, son of Victor

Hudman, has purchased the partnership interest of his uncle, Marvin Hudman, in the Hudman Furniture store and the Hudman Funeral Home and has gone into business with his father here.

County Agent Syd Conner will present the check that the Close City community won recently in the community improvement contest at the regular meeting Saturday night. Everyone is welcome.

June 21, 1962  
40 Years Ago

School trustees last night called a special election for Monday, July 2, to give voters the opportunity to decide whether or not they want to intergrade schools of the PISD. Action came after the trustees accepted petitions asking for the election signed by 327 eligible voters.

Faye Cockrell and T. V. Hampton are two of the Post Archery Club members who helped stage an archery exhibition Sunday afternoon for interested spectators at the 4-H building here.

Mr. and Mrs. Otobiano Basquez are the parents of a son, Marcous born in Garza Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. James Stone of Post have announced the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Leta Jo Stone, to Elwyn Pierce, son of Mrs. Evelyn Pierce of Floydada.

Ed Sims, rodeo manager presented Walter Arnold of Post a saddle awarded the best all-around roper at this year's Post Rodeo.

June 19, 1952  
50 Years Ago

A son, Bill Alvin, was born to Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Vardiman in Slaton Mercy hospital, June 7.

Carolyn Edwards of Post, is among the nine hundred students enrolled for the summer session at Hardin-Simmons University.

Bobby and Jackie Beavers were honored recently with a birthday party. Games were played and enjoyed by all. Those attending were Sherry Lynn McAfee, Loyce and Royce Baker, Judy Poole, Brenda Kathryn Ward, Betty and Sammy Watson, Vicky Sue and Sherryle Martin, Windell and Larry Johnson and Judy and Kay Balentine.

Southland Baptist church was the setting for the marriage of Miss Emma Lou Basinger and Pat Taylor.

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## Nine arrested here last week

Nine arrests were recorded in the Garza County Jail logbook during the past week, according to records provided by the sheriff's department. On June 8, a 37-year-old male was arrested for driving while intoxicated/second offense. Two arrests were made June 11, including that of a 53-year-old male on a Nolan County warrant and a 22-year-old male on a bond forfeiture. Two more arrests were made June 12. A 54-year-old man was picked up for driving while license suspended, while a 45-year-old man was arrested for Class C assault. A 29-year-old male was arrested June 13 on a warrant. On June 14, a 48-year-old male was arrested for BWI - boating while intoxicated. Two more arrests were made on June 16, including that of an individual, sex and gender not recorded, for failure to identify and speeding, and a 23-year-old male picked up on Dallas County and Tarrant County warrants.

## City studies rate increases for water supplies

According to a proposal being reviewed by the Post City Council, Post residents may have to dig deep in their pockets to help the municipality maintain its water supply.

Increases in the city water and sewer rates, as well as the tax rate, are needed to cover costs associated with providing water to local residents. A water rate hike is required to cover the increase in the White River Municipal Water District's rates, and increased sewer and tax rates are needed to pay for the Canadian River water project that will bring water in from Slaton, according to city officials.

Today, City of Post water customers who use 5,000 gallons of water per month pay \$23.75. Under the proposed rate increase, that amount would climb to \$34.30.

The proposed minimum water rate is \$29.50 for 3000 gallons per month. The current sewer rate is one of the lowest on the South Plains, with Post residents paying \$3.50. The plan is to jump that rate up to \$8.75.

And while nothing is definite yet, taxes, too, appear destined to take a climb. According to a comparative rates release provided by the city, taxes on a \$50,000 home in the city would, under the proposal, climb from \$189 to \$387.50.

While none of this may come as welcomed news to local residents, city officials point to rates paid by residents of other municipalities. The necessary rate increases may be uncomfortable, but they would move

the City of Post more in line with the rates paid by citizens of other area municipalities, according to figures provided by the city.

Even with a sewer rate of \$8.75, Post would still have one of the lowest rates on the South Plains. Residents of many communities - Morton, Tulia, Floydada, Abernathy, Hale Center and Ralls - pay a rate of less than \$10 per month; however, there are several cities that pay closer to \$20 per month. Tahoka residents pay \$19, Idalou subscribers pay \$18.50 and residents of New Deal pay \$22.25 for sewer services.

Residents of Perryton appear to enjoy the lowest water rates in the area, paying \$7.28 for 5,000 gallons of water. But residents of nearby Jayton pay top dollar for their water - \$60 per 5,000 gallons. Most rates on the South Plains are clustered between \$17-25 per 5,000 gallons, putting the Post proposal on the high end of the comparative overview.

Post taxpayers have been fortunate in the past to have had one of the lowest tax rates in the area; that, too, would change under the proposal. While taxes on a home valued at \$50,000 previously would have been \$189 in Post, the taxes on that same home in New Deal would have cost \$330; in Shallowater, \$254.40; in Tahoka, \$380.25; in Sudan, \$490; and in Anson, \$525.

Current rates paid by residents of two of the three White River Municipal Water District partner cities are as follows:

- Ralls - \$7.25, sewer, \$18.30, water (5,000 gallons); and \$363 (taxes on a home valued at \$50,000).
- Spur - \$10.75, sewer; \$25.21, water (5,000 gallons); and \$540 (taxes on a home valued at \$50,000).

In a recent comparison of rates compiled by the Texas Municipal League, Post had one of the highest water rates - \$23.75 per 5,000 gallons of water for residential customers and \$32.50 for 10,000 gallons - in the year 2000. Those rates, well above the averages of \$16.12 and \$25.26 respectively, were topped only by rates in three other West Texas cities - Floydada, Lockney and Slaton.

The lowest residential water rates were afforded residents of Dimmit, where the 5,000-gallon fee was \$8.25 and the fee for 10,000 gallons was \$13.25.

Perhaps balancing the scales a bit, though, were Post's low rates for residential and commercial sewer fees. Post boasted the lowest residential sewer fee in fiscal year 2000, charging \$3.50 for 5,000 gallons and the same price for \$10,000 gallons. Dimmit edged Post out slightly in the commercial sewer fee, offering an across-the-board rate of \$4.75, but local businesses enjoyed a below-average cost of \$6.50 per 5,000

gallons or 200,000 gallons.

The average West Texas sewer rates, residential, were \$10.16 for 5,000 gallons and \$11.71 for 10,000 gallons. Commercial rates averaged \$30.98 for 50,000 gallons, and \$95.41 for 200,000 gallons, according to the TML data comparing water and sewer rates of communities with populations of between 2,000 and 10,000 individuals.

### Check Out These Web Sites:

Here are a few Web sites you may want to watch: The "Survive and Succeed" rheumatoid arthritis campaign at [www.surviveandsucceed.com](http://www.surviveandsucceed.com). The Arthritis Foundation at [www.arthritis.org](http://www.arthritis.org). The National Association of Child Care Professionals at [www.naccp.org](http://www.naccp.org). The Council on Family Health at [www.cfinfo.org](http://www.cfinfo.org). CoverBlend by Exuviance Corrective Leg and Body Makeup at [www.coverblend.com](http://www.coverblend.com).

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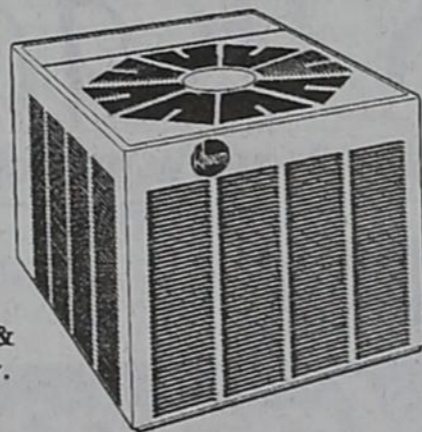
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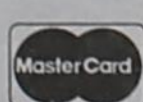
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### State & County Steer Validation

FFA and 4-H members planning to exhibit steers on the state and county levels, need to validate their steers Tuesday, June 25 at Syd Conner's pens. Steers will be weighed in for Rate-of-Gain competition also.

### 4-H Records Due Date Changed

July 1, 12 Noon, is the new due date for project forms and record books to be completed and turned in to the office. If you need assistance with these come by the Extension office.

### District 4-H Horse Show.....

..... will be held June 24 at the South Plains Equestrian Center at Wolforth.

District Trap & Skeet Shoot..... will be June 28 and 29 at Lubbock.

4-H Bears & T-Shirts  
The 2002 Centennial 4-H bears and Garza County 4-H T-shirts are available in the Extension office if you would like one. The bears sell for \$10 and the T-shirts sell for \$7.50.

### Texas Country Cleanup

If you missed the Texas Country Cleanup in Post, there is one scheduled July 25, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., at Max Lee Crop Spraying Service in Slaton. If you have used oil, oil filters, lead acid batteries or empty and triple-rinsed plastic pesticide containers, bring them for recycling.

## Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit by Tumbleweed Smith

### Going Past on Bicycles



I injured my leg early this year and the doctor suggested I ride a bicycle as part of my therapy. Our supply of bicycles was poor: a tiny sidewalk bicycle, a well used MongOOSE trail bike and a girl's bike with a cockeyed wheel.

I went down to my local Harley-Davidson dealer, which used to sell Schwinn. We bought some there when our boys were growing up. "We don't sell bicycles anymore," says the sales lady.

"We have a few parts. I don't think they make Schwinn bicycles anymore." So I went to Wal-Mart and looked over the supply there. They were all shiny and colorful. I consulted with my son in San Francisco who is into bicycles in a big way. He suggested I go to a bike dealer.

Have you priced bicycles lately? You don't just buy a bike. You invest in one. The young man at the bicycle store told me to straddle the model I was considering.

"That's a 19 inch," he said. "You need a 17 inch. Your crotch should be two inches above the crossbar when you're standing with your feet on the ground."

He had to special order it. I was glad when it finally came in. I love it. The brand name is GIANT. It is silver. Beautiful. Nothing rattles when I ride it. It has shock absorbers on the front fork and on the seat.

Back in the days when you braked a bicycle with a pedal I was a bicycle riding whiz. Nothing like the bicycle daredevils you see on TV today, but pretty good for the time. When I was a cub scout, growing up in Fort worth, my reputation as a bicycle rider was well known.

One of the great events back then was a Scout Circus. All ages of scouts performed tricks and stunts at the Will Rogers Coliseum. They asked me to ride a bicycle through a hoop of fire. I was flattered. They darkened the coliseum for that. The applause was stimulating. I felt like the star of the show. I used to ride my bike a lot.

I had a speedometer on it and loved to go down hills to see if I could make the speedometer go past fifty miles an hour, which is all the speedometer would register. Once going down Burton Hill Road I went past fifty. I'm sure had there been a sixty on there, the needle would have reached it.

That was a crowning achievement in my bike riding career. I lost control of the bike at that speed and ended up crashing into a barbed wire fence. But heck, it was worth it. I had gone fast. I got up and pedaled off. A bit achy and bloody, but proud.

Back then we carried passengers on the handlebar or back fender or on the crossbar. It was known as pumping. "Pump me," friends would say. And they would climb on. I had a hill in front of our house. One day when my parents were gone, I decided to try something new.

At the top of the hill I climbed on the handlebar and sat there the way a passenger would. I came down that hill lickety-split and had trouble steering the bike. I slammed into a fire hydrant at full speed.

Ouch. I'm much more conservative these days. Even though my new bike has no fenders and I brake with a lever, it's still fun to ride. I love to go down hills.

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