

Post Stampede Rodeo August 7, 8 & 9

The 63rd Annual Post Stampede Rodeo will roll into town Aug. 7, kicking off three days of riding, roping and wrestling. Nightly shows of the "best rodeo in the west" will open at 7:45 p.m. with the grand entry. The TCRA and UPRA-approved shows, produced by T-N-T Rodeo Co. of Anson, begin at 8 p.m. Admission to the rodeo will be \$5 for adults; children ages six and under will be admitted free of charge. Sidelineing this year's event will be dances held Friday and Saturday nights, Aug. 7-8. Guy Will Zant and Blackgold will provide the music, and admission will be \$5 per person. On Saturday, Aug. 9, a rodeo parade will be held in downtown Post beginning at 3 p.m.



Bo Jackson (back) is leading the crew repairing water damage to the historic downtown street adjacent to the Algerita building. A new drain will be constructed to keep water from further damaging the bricks.

City sets lower tax rate in budget plans

City officials plan to reduce the ad valorem tax rate for the coming fiscal year. Thanks to the estimated increased revenue from an additional sales tax, the mayor and city council plan to reduce the property tax rate from 7.708 percent, the rate observed this year, to 5.878 percent, according to a report from City Hall. Funds raised from property taxes will be used to satisfy main-

tenance and operations costs and a partial payment on annual debt. A total of \$338,760 of the estimated funds raised is earmarked for maintenance and operations, while \$154,200 will go toward debt service. The 2004 annual payment on the pipeline and tanks for the city's alternative water source will be generated as follows: * Estimated property taxes for debt service — \$154,200

* Estimated sales tax receipts for debt service — \$220,000
* Funds from water and sewer operations — \$25,000
Total estimated funds for the annual debt payment amount to \$399,200, according to the report. Sales tax estimates used for the debt service include one-half percent from property tax relief and one-half percent from the 4b economic development sales tax.

Two killed in local wrecks

A pair of auto accidents in Garza County claimed the lives of two individuals during the past week. A 32-year-old Post man was killed in a one-vehicle rollover July 31 and a 45-year-old woman from Cleveland, Texas, died Friday, Aug. 1. Mark Cruz was pronounced

dead July 31 at the scene after he apparently lost control of his 2001 GMC pickup on FM 669, according to reports. The vehicle rolled and caught fire, and Cruz was ejected. Cruz, who was traveling alone, was southbound about 15 miles south of Post at about 9:14 a.m. when the accident occurred.

Peggy Dark of Cleveland died at the scene of the one-vehicle accident she and her teen-aged children were involved in Friday at about 7:30 p.m. north of Post at CR 140. According to DPS reports, Dark was the front seat passenger in the vehicle when the driver apparently fell asleep while driving the Toyota SUV, awoke and overcorrected, causing the accident. The driver and a backseat passenger, ages 17 and 16, were transported by Aerocare to University Medical Center in Lubbock where they were treated and released the following day. Dark was pronounced dead at the scene, having suffered massive head injuries.

Arson blamed for Justiceburg fire

Arson is believed to be the cause of the July 13 fire that destroyed the historic Justiceburg School building. Garza County Sheriff's Deputy David Wedeking said his office and the state fire marshal's office have determined the fire was deliberately set. The investigation into the crime is ongoing, although officials do have tire tracks and "other evidence." The fire is believed to have been started inside the building, the deputy said. No traces of an accelerant have been found. The electricity was on in the abandoned building, which was completely destroyed in the blaze.



"Rose of the Rio Grande" cast members keeping audiences entertained are (back row, left to right) Roy Willis, Charles Grair, Chris Davis, Pat Price, Emily Hataway, (front row) Debbie Burk, Shilo Fonseca, Christina Burk and Peter Contreras II. The annual Tribute to the Harley Sadler Show continues at the Garza Theatre weekends through August 16. Tickets may be reserved by calling the box office at 495-4005.

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City, county meeting airs budget issues

by Wes Burnett
No action was taken, but a lot of questions were raised at Tuesday evening's joint meeting between the Post City Council and the Garza County Commissioners' Court. Most of the time and questions, as it is almost every year about this time, centered around the sheriff's proposed budget. County commissioner Lee Norman, representing the commissioners' court in the absence of Judge Giles W. Dalby, was quizzed by council members about the 25 percent increase in the law enforcement budget. "I thought the sheriff would be here," Norman said, "this is the budget he sent to us, a lot of these questions I just can't answer." Norman had pointed out the obviously dramatic increase in

prisoner care, which is anticipated to increase from this fiscal year's \$30,000 to \$172,000. "If we lose those 10 beds at the prison," Norman explained, "we'll have to transport and pay an estimated \$30 per day to other county jails." Norman said that the county jail is consistently over crowded, and the sheriff has to house an average of eight to 10 prisoners on a regular basis at the Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility. At a special budget workshop last week, Sheriff Kenny Ratke informed the council that he had been working on contingency plans for housing prisoners if the 10 beds at the Dalby unit are lost to the county. He assured the council that the city would not incur any additional expenses due to that possibility.

City manager Fred Stephens asked Norman how much the Bureau of Prisons pays on a daily basis for prisoners at the Dalby unit. Norman said it was approximately \$52 per day. "Well, then," Stephens replied, "someone is going to make a pretty sizeable amount of income, that would be \$520 per day." Stephens also pointed out that if the prison houses only federal prisoners, then the prison management could reduce its guard force, with another big savings. With county prisoners, the prison must have one guard for every 45 prisoners, but without county prisoners, the facility would be allowed to drop that the number of guards to one for every 72 prisoners.

Norman said that the court and Judge Dalby are well aware of the consequences, including the cost as well as the loss of jobs. "We are doing all we can to work something out," Norman added. He said that Judge Dalby was out of town specifically learning about the details of negotiating a new agreement with the Federal Bureau of Prisons.

"We're just going to have to take this under advisement and study it," Mayor Archie Gill said, "it just doesn't seem reasonable to have such a hefty increase, we need to find ways to trim that cost." As part of the city-county joint agreement, the city would pay \$380,000 as its share of the sheriff's budget. At the budget workshop, the council penciled in a law enforcement budget of \$304,000.

Other joint operating agreements met with general approval of both council and commissioners. Those jointly funded projects include the airport, parks, library, landfill and community center.

In other matters, the council heard a report about the Slaton to Post backup water supply system. The tank in Slaton should be completed in two weeks, and testing of equipment will begin as soon as the paint cures on the tank. "Maybe we'll have water flowing about this time next month?" Gill asked.

The council authorized Stephens to develop cost estimates for constructing a softball field following a request by Ben Wright, representing softball enthusiasts here.

Post Notes

Church women sell taco plates Friday

The Women's Chapter of the Church of God of Prophecy, 602 W. 14th St., are raising funds for a Missionary Trip with a \$5 taco plate Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The dinner includes three tacos, rice, beans and salad. Call Lydia or Norma at 495-3644 to place orders.

Blood drive set August 7

The Post Lions Club and United Blood Services will have a blood drive Thursday, Aug. 7, from 5-8 p.m. at the Church of the Nazarene fellowship hall. Currently there is a critical need for O+ and O- blood donors. Anyone interested in donating should call Ron Miner at 495-3044 to make an appointment. Donors must be at least 17 years of age and in good health. Donors should bring a photo ID and a list of medications they are taking. Each donor will receive a T-shirt.

Church holds carport sale August 9

The Calvary Baptist Church announces a benefit carport sale Saturday, August 9 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 808 W. 6th Street. Proceeds of the sale will be used to help repair the church's sanctuary roof.

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Middle School orientation August 12

The Post Middle School will hold its annual orientation Tuesday, August 12 at 6:15 p.m. in the elementary school auditorium. Students will receive class schedules at that time.

Middle School dress code

Post Middle School students are reminded to take notice of the dress code in purchasing school clothing. Shirts must completely cover students' midsection and shorts should be at mid-thigh length. Pants may be oversized, but must fit at the waist. For many students, that will require a belt to be worn.

Computer class offered by network

Post-Garza County Network will offer an introduction to Microsoft Excel computer class August 12, 14, 19 and 21 to residents of Post and Garza County. Classes are free and will be from 6 to 8 p.m. each night. Call Shellee at 495-3343 to enroll.

Abandoned, orphaned children

Hand of Mercy Ministries will present an important message Sunday, August 10 at the Lighthouse Christian Center, 116 E. 10th Street, demonstrating the plight of abandoned and orphaned children of Romania. For more information, call the church office at 495-2237.

EMT training in O'Donnell

Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) training will be offered in September in O'Donnell. An informational meeting will be held at 7 p.m., Thursday, August 7 at the O'Donnell Community Center on Nassau Road.

Children invited for story hour

The residents of Golden Plains Care Center are inviting children ages three to 12 to a story hour and refreshments on August 12 and 15th at 2 p.m. Call Jona at 495-2848.

Thrift Store Cowboys on Lubbock t.v.

The Thrift Store Cowboys will be featured on Lubbock's Channel 34 (channel 3 on Classic Cable) at 4 p.m., Friday, August 8.

PHS cheerleaders selling KK donuts

PHS cheerleaders will be selling Krispy Kreme donuts Saturday, August 9 at the United Supermarket parking lot and at Lake Alan Henry. Those who have pre-ordered may pick up orders Saturday morning beginning at 7:30 a.m. Extra donuts will be on sale for those who missed the pre-order.

Congressman Stenholm in town today

U.S. Congressman Charles Stenholm will visit Post today from 2 to 2:45 p.m. for a "Meet and Greet" event at the courthouse. The event will be held in the second floor courtroom.

Harley Sadler Show at Garza Theatre

The Garza Theatre presents its 2003 Tribute to The Harley Sadler Show, "Rose of the Rio Grande," continues August 8, 9, 15 and 16. The comedy features "Sputters," (The Stuttering Cowboy), directed by Mickie Klafka. Cast members include Chris Davis, Peter Contreras II, Charles Grair, Christina Burk, Shilo Fonseca, Pat Price, Debbie Burk and Roy Willis.

Elementary school pre-enrollment

Post ISD classes start August 18. Parents of children not currently enrolled for Pre-K or Kindergarten or have not attended Post Elementary School should visit the school office between 8 a.m. and noon and 1 to 3 p.m. to complete necessary paperwork. Parents need to bring child's birth certificate, shot record and social security card.

Elementary school supply packs

Supply packs for Post Elementary School are available at the school office Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3 p.m. Supply packs are available for Kindergarten through fifth grades with prices: Kindergarten \$15, 1st grade \$19, 2nd and 3rd grade \$22, 4th and 5th grade \$18.

Post Middle School seeks parents

Post Middle School has set parental involvement as one of its priorities for the coming school year and is seeking two volunteers to act as parent liaisons. Ideally, at least one of the parents would be fluent in Spanish. Liaisons would plan activities that would be of interest for parents and act as link to parents in order to facilitate better communication between school and home. Call the school at 495-2874 to volunteer.

Close City-Garlynn Reunion

The annual Close City-Garlynn Reunion will be held Saturday, August 16 at the Post Community Center. The event will feature a catered meal at \$10 per person. Call Onita Gunn at 495-2009 or write to her at Rt 3 Box 201, Post, Texas 79356 or Charles Morris at Rt 3, Post, Texas 79356 or call 495-3413.

Meet the Antelopes night August 18

The Post Antelope Booster Club will sponsor "Meet the Antelopes Night" Monday, August 18 at the stadium. Homemade ice cream will be sold for \$1 per cup. More details next week.

Church offers Gorditas, garage sale

The Holy Cross Catholic Church will serve Gorditas with rice, beans, salad and tea at \$5 per plate and a garage sale Saturday, August 16 from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Meals will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Parish Hall.

2003 Antelope Season Ticket Sales

Reserved seats for the Post Antelope football season will be sold as a "season pass only" for the 2003 season. The price for reserved seats will be \$4 per person per game, which means a season pass will be \$20 for the five home games. Reserved seats will be sold for a limited time only.

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first come, first served, through August 22. No reserved seats will be sold after August 22. Contact Shellee Odom at the Post ISD business office, 501 S. Avenue K or call 495-3343 to make arrangements for reserved seats. Seats not purchased by August 22 will be available as open seating for each game.

Post Antelope football live radio

KPOS Radio will again this year offer live coverage of Post Antelope football games throughout the season. The games will also be recorded for broadcast on Saturdays and Sundays at 10 a.m., 1, 4 and 11 p.m. on Classic Cable Channel 12. Sponsorships for the live and taped broadcasts are now being accepted, call Kerri at 495-2816.

Antelope Booster Club meets Mondays

The Post Antelope Booster Club meets Mondays at 7 p.m. in the PHS commons. All parents and community supporters of Post athletics are urged to attend. Memberships are available at \$10 for individuals, \$20 per family or \$50 for businesses. A membership card at home games entitles the member to a free program. Business membership provides for a football or basketball poster of individual player, cheerleader or team.

Team Up With Schools Campaign

Wells Fargo Bank is collecting school supplies as part of its "Team Up With Schools Campaign." The campaign continues through September 13. Donations may be brought to Wells Fargo or call Jana Bullard at 495-2804.

"Dummy Roping" Saturday for ACS

A "Dummy Roping" will be sponsored by The American Cancer Society Saturday, August 9 at 7 p.m. at the Rodeo Grounds for all children ages 12 and younger. There is a \$5 entry fee that will be a donation to the Garza County Relay for Life/American Cancer Society. A buckle will be awarded to the winner. You must enter before the event to compete and may enter by calling Melissa at 629-4332 or sign up at the Rodeo Thursday or Friday night in the secretary's office.

Judy's Jabberin'

by Judy (Ballentine) Bush

Hey everyone, Well, "two-a-days" have started. I just keep hearing great things about our new coaches. I would like to welcome them and our new teachers. You've moved to a great town! Now you realize that school starts in two weeks, it's still too hot, but the calendar does not realize that. So kids, think cool. **TO OUR NEIGHBOR**



Our across the street neighbor, David Davis, has been down several days with a bad back. My whole family suffers with that occasionally, so David, we know how you feel. Hope you are up and about really soon and feeling much better.

NICE VISIT FROM A FORMER POSTITE
Last Wednesday, Allane Ammons and Linda Waldrip had a nice surprise. Marca Dean Holland Mayberry from Ft. Smith Ark. came by for lunch and a visit. It had been 20 years since Allane and Linda had seen her. They had a great visit.

JOINING CHURCH
A man went to the local church and asked to join. The preacher said, "OK, but you have to pass a small Bible test first. The first question is "Where was Jesus born?"

The man answered, "Longview." The preacher said, "Sorry...you can't join our church." Soooo...he went to another church and asked to join. The preacher said, "We would love to have you but you have to pass a Bible test first. Where was Jesus born?"

The man said, "Tyler." The preacher said you can't join our church. Sooooo...he goes to another church and asked to join. The preacher said, "That's great! We welcome you with open arms."

The man said, "I don't have to take a Bible test first?" The preacher said, "no>" The man said, "Can I ask you a question?" The preacher said, "Sure."

The man said, "Where was Jesus born?" The preacher said, "Palestine." The man mumbled to himself, "I knew it was in East Texas somewhere."

RODED TIME
Don't forget the rodeo. From what I hear it should be a really good one. Also the parade on Saturday at 3:00 pm.

FROM CYNTHIA A BLONDE JOKE

A blonde girl enters a store that sells curtains. She tells the salesman; "I would like to buy a pink curtain in the size of my compute screen." The surprised salesman replies: "But madam, computers do not have curtains... and the blonde said: Hellooooo...I've got Windows1

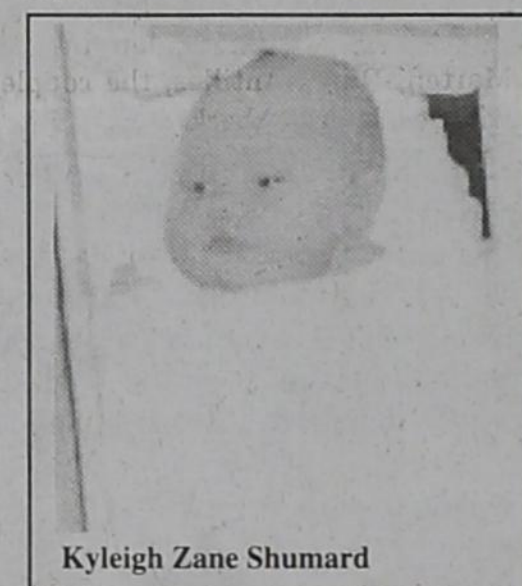
TILL NEXT WEEK
Think I will close with that one. Hope you all have a great weekend. May God bless each of you and I'll see ya next time, Judy.

Births

Kyleigh Zone Shumard
Kamron Kensley and KJenn announce the birth of their baby sister Kyleigh Zane Shumard.

She was born July 8, 2003, weighing six pounds, five ounces and was 19 inches long.

The daughter of Stacy, Kyleigh's grandparents are Billy and Doylene Shumard and Great grandmother Fry.



Kyleigh Zane Shumard

Bridal brunch honors Arimy Gradine

Arimy Gradine, bride-elect of Dean Beasley, was feted with a bridal brunch Aug. 2 in the home of the bride's parents, Ronnie and Voda Beth Gradine.

Assorted breakfast foods, including juice, milk and coffee, were served from the kitchen island. The area was decorated with a red gingham-checked tablecloth and a centerpiece of daisies.

The hostesses presented the bride with a gift certificate from Bath & Body Works.

Special guests included the bride's mother; Vondi Gradine, sister of the bride; and Jo Mullis, the bride's aunt.

Hostesses were Alexa Collier, Jana McCallister, Jane Odom and Donna Stelzer.

Christmas ornament shower

A Christmas ornament shower was given in honor of Arimy Gradine, bride-elect of Dean Beasley, July 30 at the Hotel Garza.

In following with the holiday theme, sandwiches, Christmas cookies and "holiday trash" were served from a table decorated with a gold votive tree and greenery.

The bride-elect was presented with a Willow Tree nativity set.

Special guests included Voda Beth Gradine, the bride's mother, and Vondi Gradine, sister of the bride.

Hostesses were Devin Halford, Kim Mills, Macee Mills and Deloree Redman.

CAREER and TECHNOLOGY NONDISCRIMINATION NOTICE

1. Post Independent School District offers Career and Technology education programs in Introduction to World Agricultural Science and Technology, Applied Agricultural Science and Technology, Introduction to Agricultural Mechanics, Home Maintenance and Improvement, Personal Skill Development, Agricultural Structures Technology, Agricultural Metal Fabrication Technology, Landscape Design, Construction and Maintenance, Agricultural Mechanics, Personal and Family Development, Preparation for Parenting, Child Development, Nutrition and Food Science, Food Science and Technology, Anatomy and Physiology of Human Systems, Accounting I, Business Computer Information Systems I and II, Introduction to Business, Record keeping, as well as Cosmetology. There are no requirements to be admitted into these programs.

2. It is the policy of Post ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex or handicap in its vocational programs, services, or activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

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4. Post ISD will take steps to assure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all educational and vocational programs.

5. For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator, and the Section 504 Coordinator, Mr. Marlin Marcum at 501 South Avenue K., or call (806) 495-3343.





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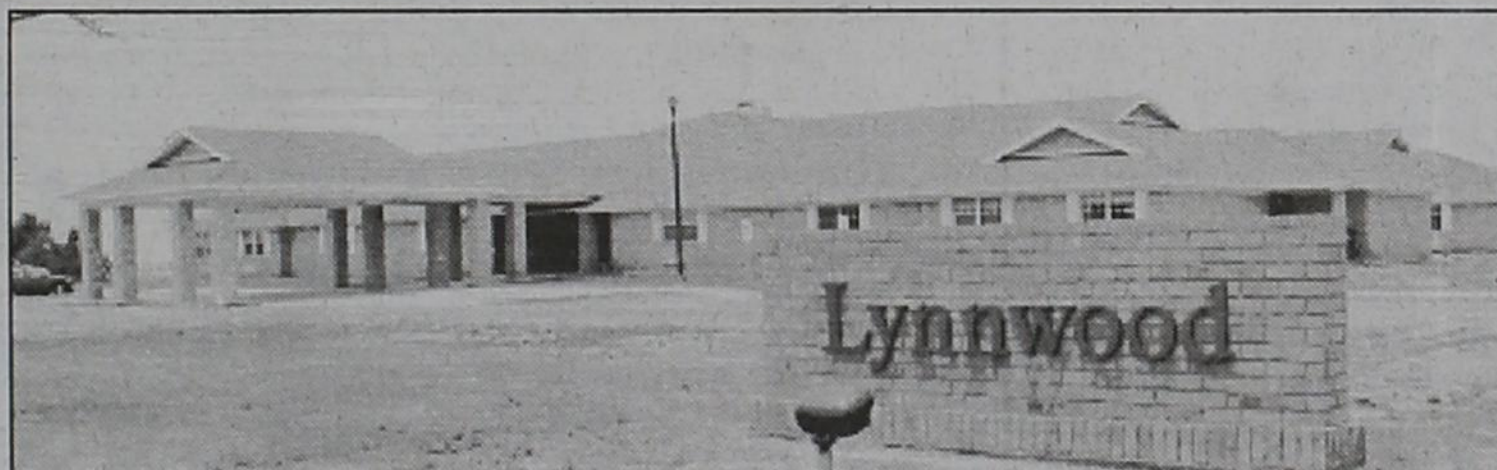
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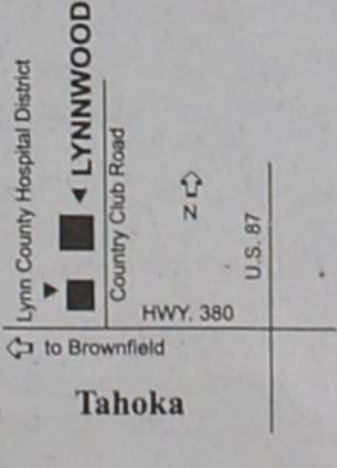
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Rodeo Concession Stand

All 4-H members and families are requested to work at least one shift at the rodeo concession stand fundraiser. We especially need workers for Friday and Saturday nights. The shifts are only one hour so please try to help. Call the Extension office at 495-4400 to sign up for a time.

Fall Fair Entries

All Fall fairs must be entered by August 12, 2003. If you plan on exhibiting livestock at Dallas, South Plains Fair, Permian Basin Fair or the West Texas Fair, call or come by the Extension office.

State & County Lamb & Goat Validation

All 4-H members wanting to exhibit goats or lambs at major livestock shows must order their state validation tags. Tag orders are due August 20, 2003. All goats and lambs must be validated to be exhibited at the county livestock show and all major shows. For more information and to order your tags, call the Extension office at 495-4400 or your Vocational Ag Instructor.

Clothing Project Meetings.....

.....have been set for August 11 and 14 at 2:00 p.m. at the Extension office. There is a \$5 fee for supplies for the August 14th meeting.

4-H Bears

2003 4-H Bears are finally here and needing a home. Pick yours up today at the Extension office for only \$10 each.

Arimy Gradine, Dean Beasley united in August 2 wedding



Mrs Dean Beasley

Arimy Jane Gradine and Dean Hesteande Beasley were wed in a 7 p.m. double ring ceremony Saturday, Aug. 2, 2003, in the First United Methodist Church. The Rev. Buddy Payne of Snyder served as officiant.

The bride is the daughter of Ronnie and Voda Beth Gradine of Post. The groom is the son of the late Doris Beasley.

For her wedding, the bride selected a gown of white matte satin by the designers of Maggie Sottero. The fully-beaded corset gown featured waves of Swarovski crystals, bugle beads and sequins. A beaded halter strap complimented the bodice and framed the bride's neckline and shoulders. The dropped waist allowed the A-line skirt to fall to the floor and sweep into a chapel-length train. The hem of the gown was beaded to echo the look of the bodice.

To complete her ensemble, the bride wore a tiara of rhinestones and Swarovski crystals. Her elbow-length veil featured an organza edge finished with scattered rhinestones and sea beads along the edge.

In traditional fashion, the bride chose a handkerchief of her grandmother's, Arbeth Voss, for something old. Something new was the bride's wedding gown. Something borrowed were her earrings from her aunt, Joella Mullis. Something blue was her handmade garter provided by friend Sue Maxey.

The bride's sister, Vondi Gradine of Lubbock, served as maid of honor. Other bridesmaids included Lisa Chavez of Lubbock, Tawny Hurst of McKinney, Macee Mills of Post and April Smith of Clovis, N.M. Macy Blair of Post was junior bridesmaid.

The groom's brothers, Michael and Jed Beasley, served as best men. Other groomsmen included Randy Glenn, John David Vaughn and Paul Briscoe, all of Abilene. The groom's nephew, Seth Farrington of Abilene, served as junior groomsman.

Bailey Beasley of Abilene, the groom's niece, and Brooke Blair of Post served as flower girls. Ring bearer for the ceremony was Vance Blair of Post.

Members of the house party included Devin Halford of Post, Becca Stelzer of College Station, Erica Castillo of Beaufort, S.C., Lindy Duncan of Lubbock and Katrina Pearson of Abilene. Ushers included cousins of the bride Michael and Matt Mullis of Missouri City, Cameron Miller of Troy, N.Y., Paxton Hurst of McKinney and Brad Stephenson of Abilene. Valet parkers were Kelli and Christin Collier and Mark McCallister, all of Post, and Matt McCallister of Lubbock.

The bride is a Post High School graduate who earned a bachelor's degree in finance and accounting from McMurry University in Abilene. She plans to continue her education at Texas Tech University School of Law in Lubbock.

The groom, a graduate of Wiley High School, is co-owner of Beasley Construction where he also is employed.

Following a honeymoon in St. Marten, Dutch Antilles, the couple will reside in Lubbock.

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Public Hearing on Rural Public Transportation

Notice of opportunity to make comments at a public hearing is announced by South Plains Community Action Association, Inc. 411 Austin Street, Levelland, Texas 79336 on the proposed continuation of rural public transportation service within Bailey, Cochran, Garza, Hockley, Lynn, Lamb, Mitchell, Terry, Yoakum and Scurry counties and the rural areas of Lubbock county. Financial assistance to continue this service is being sought from the Texas Department of Transportation under the Section 5311 grant program.

Service will be for the general public, fares will be charged for the service. Funds for additional vehicles to provide the service are not being requested in this grant application. The public hearing will be at 1:30 p.m. on August 14, 2003 at the Texas WorkSource Center - Meeting Room 2, 1218 14th Street, Lubbock, Texas. Written comments can be forwarded to SPCAA, Attn: SPARTAN, P O Box 610, Levelland, Texas 79336.

50-179 (Rev. 6-03/12)
Statement of Increase/Decrease
If City of Post adopts a 2003 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$ 0.7679 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2002 taxes by \$ 2,864

Schedule A - Unencumbered Fund Balances
The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
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Schedule B - 2003 Debt Service
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
Debt	\$ 264,200	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 264,200
<i>(expand as needed)</i>				
Total required for 2003 debt service				\$ 264,200
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A				\$ -0-
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources				\$ -0-
- Excess collections last year				\$ 19,151
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2003				\$ 245,049
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only <u>100</u> % of its taxes in 2003				\$ -0-
= Total Debt Levy				\$ 245,049

Schedule C - Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax
(For hospital districts, cities and counties with additional sales tax to reduce property taxes)
In calculating its effective and rollback tax rates, the unit estimated that it will receive \$ 1,233 in additional sales and use tax revenues. For County: The county has excluded any amount that is or will be distributed for economic development grants from this amount of expected sales tax revenue.

Schedule D - State Criminal Justice Mandate (For Counties)
The _____ County Auditor certifies that _____ County has spent \$ _____ in the previous 12 months beginning _____, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. _____ County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

Schedule E - Transfer of Department, Function or Activity
The _____ spent \$ _____ from _____ to _____ on the _____. The _____ operates this function in all or a majority of the _____. [Second Year of Transfer: Modify schedule to show comparison of amount this year and preceding year by unit receiving the function.]

Schedule F - Enhanced Indigent Health Care Expenditures
The _____ spent \$ _____ from _____ to _____ on enhanced indigent health care at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures is \$ _____.

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at City Hall 105 E Main Post Texas
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2003 Property Tax Rates in City of Post

This notice concerns 2003 property tax rates for City of Post. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate (the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	\$ 338,410
Last year's debt taxes	\$ 309,655
Last year's total taxes	\$ 648,065
Last year's tax base	\$ 84,076,933
Last year's total tax rate	\$ 0.7708 /\$100

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 644,842
÷ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 83,803,600
= This year's effective tax rate	\$ 0.7694 /\$100
x 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing	\$ 0.7924 /\$100

In the first year a hospital district or city collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, it must insert the following lines unless its first adjustment was made last year.

- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$ _____ /\$100
= Effective tax rate	\$ _____ /\$100

This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$ 336,726
÷ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 83,803,600
= This year's effective operating rate	\$ 0.4018 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$ 0.4339 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ 0.2890 /\$100
= This year's rollback rate	\$ 0.7229 /\$100

A hospital district or city that collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, including one that collects the tax for the first time this year, must insert the following lines:

- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$.0015 /\$100
= Rollback tax rate	\$.7214 /\$100

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Obituaries

Lu Fulcher Allen

Services for Lu Fulcher Allen, 58, of Graham were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2003, in the Graham Street Church of Christ in Stephenville with Paul Jones officiating. Burial followed in the Gardens of Memory Cemetery under the direction of the Stephenville Funeral Home.

She died Sunday, Aug. 3, at the United Regional Health Care Hospital in Wichita Falls.

Born Nov. 30, 1944, in Dimmitt, she attended Lubbock Christian College, Texas A&M and Texas A&M University at Commerce and received a bachelor's degree in physical education from Tarleton State University in 1976. She taught girls basketball and track in the Post Independent School District from 1976 until 1990; varsity volleyball, varsity track and junior varsity basketball in the McKinney ISD from 1990 until 1997; and basketball and volleyball at Graham High School from 1998 until the present. She was a member of the Texas High School Girls' Coaches Assoc., the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches and the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation & Dance.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Lynn and Heather Allen of Acton; two daughters and sons-in-law, Christie Allen-Johnson and Chuck Johnson of Leander and Sandy Allen and Barry Sassman of Cedar Park; her mother, Tina Mae Fulcher of Austin; one sister, Kay Johnson of Hutto; a daughter-in-law, Kim Wiley of White Settlement; and six grandchildren, Jackie Allen, Kimberly Allen, Nathaniel Johnson, Bryant Johnson, Cooper Allen and Cara Johnson.

She was preceded in death by her father, Martin Fulcher, in 1987.

The family has requested memorials be made to the American Diabetes Assoc. or the Parkinson's Disease Assoc.

Mark Anthony Cruz

Services for Mark Anthony Cruz, 32, of Post were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 2, 2003, in the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Cruz Soto officiating, assisted by the Rev. Jose Payano. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of the Hudman Funeral Home.

He died Thursday, July 31, in Garza County.

Born Oct. 19, 1970, in Liberal, Kansas, he married Silvia Sanchez June 13, 1995, in Purcell, Okla. He was a rig operator for Rocker A.

Survivors include his wife, Silvia of Post; one son, Gary Eaton of Post; his parents, Janie Garcia of Post and Raul Cruz of Adrian, Mich.; three brothers, Rudy Cruz Jr. of Post, Greg Cruz of Lexington, Okla., and Christopher Cruz of Fort Worth; and his grandparents, Ysabel Soto of Post and Mercedes Cruz of Dilley.

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Thanks for opportunity to write

I would like to thank Mrs. Valdez for her response to recent letters printed here. As so often happens, the question is also the answer.

She has asked what people like me, Mr. Propst, Mr. Tobias and the hundreds of people who have placed letters in this public forum that Mr. Burnett so graciously provides to each and all of us in this community, completely free of charge, has done for this county. We have proved that this works. That democracy is still with us. Ever though we do seem to be facing more problems than ever before.

Financially, I suppose this seems paltry in light of multi-million dollar deals flying everywhere.

Psychologically, this is all some of us have.

W.M. Bevers

Wonders about AJ editorial

Editor's note: The following letter was sent to the Lubbock Avalanche Journal.

I just completed reading the July 30, 2003 editorial in the Avalanche Journal and it is now obvious that all editorials and most news stories in the Avalanche Journal about redistricting should be preceded with the warning:

"The following is partisan political reporting and any resemblance to accurate or fair and unbiased journalism is purely coincidental."

It should be obvious to any reasonably intelligent person doing an educated review of the current congressional districts in Texas that the primary purpose of the current districts are designed to serve to keep democratic incumbents in office. The blatant gerrymandering involved in designing these districts is obvious and should be repugnant to most fair and unbiased Texans.

I wonder if the position of the Avalanche Journal would be different if the recent congressional election had been won by a resident of Midland and he was appointed to Energy Committee.

Fred N. Howell

Where's the money coming from?

After watching the last Commissioners Court meeting and reading the headlines in the Post Dispatch (7/31/03), I must say I am also wanting to know where the money's going to come from. Mineral values are down, thus creating a reduction in tax revenue for the county unless the tax rate is raised. The county's health insurance costs are going up 17 percent (75 percent in the last five years)! Maybe they should look for another insurer? And then the courthouse needs repairing!

On top of all of this, Judge Dalby tells us that our politicians in Austin are dumping a lot of programs from their budget, leaving the county to pick up the tab for them! Now I can understand that the costs should be properly discussed in the commissioners court meetings if the county will be paying the bills, but come on now, judge, we don't need for you to give a political speech in support of your Democratic friends! If you want to support them, take out an ad in the newspaper or go on TV, but let's keep the politics out of our public meetings!

Now, about those programs whose bills the county will likely be paying... if the county funds are so tight already, where IS the money going to come from? And Judge Dalby and the commissioners are STILL planning to build the emergency center at Lake Alan Henry? Maybe they should take a page out of our sheriff's budget planning book. The sheriff's office seems to be able to hold expenses down as their budget has been very lean and cost efficient for a number of years now.

And speaking of that emergency center they're planning to build at Lake Alan

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Why millions of Americans drive instead of fly

by Wes Burnett

A recent manhandling of an 88 year retired U.S. Customs officer in Lubbock's airport dramatically underscores why I, and millions of other Americans, have chosen to drive instead of fly. The story (Lubbock AJ 7/31/03) is a clear demonstration of what is wrong with today's knee-jerk reaction by government agents.

In case you missed the story, Jesse L. Sparkman was handcuffed and roughed up by security officers at Lubbock's airport (Gate 6) when he questioned the second random screening for an 8 a.m. flight to Albuquerque on July 24. He was ticketed and had a boarding pass for a planned trip to his vacation home in Montana.

Security officers say they were merely doing their duty, which requires them to arrest and hold any would-be airline passenger who dares question their decision for random searches. Ironically, Mr Sparkman, who worked for the U.S. Customs service for 40 years, retired in 1977 from a job at the agency's office in the New York World Trade Center and had attended a commemorative event there on September 11, 2002 (first anniversary of the infamous incident).

Never mind the aggressive and almost ridiculous behavior of the security personnel in this incident... in order to understand the reason I (and millions of other Americans) refuse to enter the secure area of an airport, take into consideration the facts.

When you enter the airport property... even while driving within the grounds of the property, such as the roadway that takes you to the parking area, you are under surveillance the entire time, and are under suspicion, merely for being there. Everyone on the property is considered a potential criminal (terrorist), there are no exceptions.

In Lubbock, sometimes your car will be inspected when you pull up to the parking gate. Then, when you enter the building, you come under even more scrutiny... because agents are trained to suspect every single person entering the building. If you're a passenger, after you get the boarding pass, you go through another screening process, and perhaps more once you've gotten past the first set. You could be strip searched, and you'd better not object, that could result in either being arrested or at the very least, ejected from the airport property.

What Mr Sparkman didn't realize is that the owner of the property sets the rules. He was operating under the mistaken belief that his ticket and boarding pass gave him some measure of safety against the treatment he received. Not so. Commercial airlines, even our beloved Southwest Airlines, have abdicated their responsibility for airline safety, accepting the misguided notion that the federal government somehow can do a better job.

In Lubbock, the airport property belongs to the City of Lubbock... so, that corporation (yes, the City of Lubbock, like the City of Post, is an incorporated organization) sets the rules. In this case, they have opted to accept (not that they have any choice in the matter) U.S. federal regulations concerning security.

Fear has brought us to this absurdity. Fear has replaced common sense. But it's not the fear of terrorists that keeps most of us from flying, it's the uncertainty of how we will be treated by the so-called security guards on duty at airports.

The very government which created this fear in the first place, now uses the fear to implement tyrannical measures in the name of security.

The ingredients for successful airline hi-jackings was brought about in large part by government action which disarmed airline crews. When the terrorists attacked those flights in September 2001, they were attacking completely unarmed air crews and helpless passengers, unable to defend themselves because government took their right of self defense away from them.

Airlines are at fault too... they gave up their property rights and their responsibility to defend and secure the safety of their passengers, opting for some misguided notion that government could provide adequate security.

Hogwash. If Southwest Airlines (or any other airline) wishes to reclaim the confidence and trust of its lost passengers, it needs to take these actions:

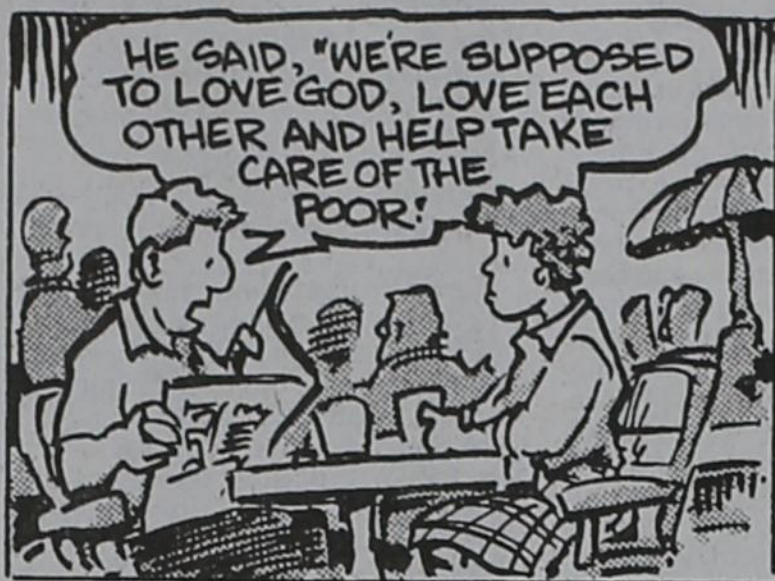
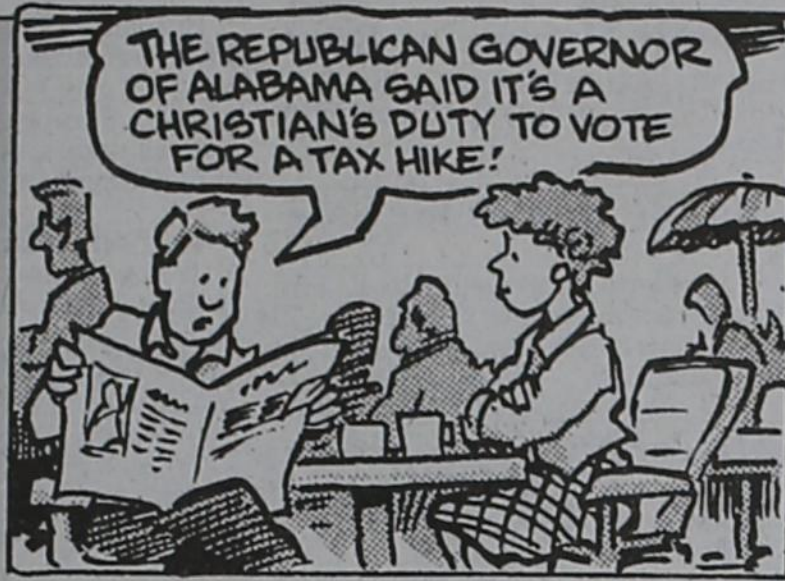
1. Take full responsibility for the safety of passengers, quit passing the buck to government.
2. Fully arm and train all crew members (not just the pilots).
3. Develop baggage screening procedures to ensure that no potentially harmful explosive devices enter the aircraft.
4. Aggressively inform would-be passengers (and potential terrorists) that all crew members are armed to defend themselves and their passengers.
5. Quit harrassing their customers with invasive, unnecessary personal searches.

Until then, I refuse to subject myself to the humiliating and degradating treatment at government controlled airports. Just as I would refuse to visit any business which considers me to be a criminal just by showing up, I will avoid as much as possible airports and airlines which behave in such ways.

What ever happened to that great ole American spirit embodied in the words, "home of the brave" in our national anthem? Seems to me it's more like "home of the fearful" these days.

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Opinions



And thereafter, Race board needed

by Walter E. Williams



The recent U.S. Supreme Court ruling in Grutter vs. Bollinger permits colleges to award a "plus" to black, Hispanic and American Indian student applications for admission. As sure as night follows day, we can expect racial fraud. You can bet the rent money that the number of white students identifying themselves on their applications as black, Hispanic and American Indian is going to rise.

Take the Michigan Law School application. It requests, in part, that you choose "one race or ethnicity that you think best applies to you. Your decision to answer or not answer this question will not influence law school's decision on admission." Thus, the only proof required of membership in a preferred race is self-identification.

People lie about many things to gain an advantage, and they'll lie about their race, too. In 1990, there was a highly publicized case of racial lying. Two Malone brothers, who are white, took the Boston Fire Department test; they weren't hired because of low scores. Shortly thereafter, the Boston Fire Department was handed a consent decree mandating racial preferences. The Malones retook the test, this time identifying themselves as black. Their scores still weren't high enough to be hired as white, but they qualified under the lower standards for blacks and were hired. They worked for 10 years, until their lie was discovered during a promotion proceeding and they were fired.

When South Africa instituted its racial spoils system, it anticipated the possibility of racial fraud and enacted the Population Registration Act of 1950, which racially classified its entire population. The Act laid down race definitions so as to thwart people, mostly "Coloureds," from faking it.

For example, it defined a white person as one who "in appearance is obviously a white person who is generally not accepted as a colored person; or is generally accepted as a white person and is not in appearance obviously not a white person."

Despite careful attempts to define race, there were difficulties. A person charged with doing something prohibited to a native might claim he had some white blood. The Population Registration Act provided that a person aggrieved by a racial determination could appeal to a tribunal known as the Racial Classification Appeal Board. The act also provided that a third party could bring complaints as to a person's racial classification, but with strong penalties for frivolous objections to another's racial classification.

The Grutter vs. Bollinger decision might require that universities not only have affirmative action, diversity and multiculturalism offices, but racial classification offices as well, with genealogical and DNA capacity.

Why? Early in our history, we had the "one drop rule" that decided one's eligibility to benefit from our racial spoils system. A person was deemed black if he had one drop of black blood. Some states had the one-thirty-second rule, whereby if you had one black great-great-grandparent, you were black. It's conceivable that genealogical and DNA evidence might be the only way that white-looking college students will be able to exonerate themselves at college racial classification hearings if charged with racial faking.

Racial faking isn't a one-way street. A study in the May 1947 American Journal of Sociology estimated that at one time approximately 2,600 Negroes became white—"passed"—each year. If these people married white people, and raised families, who knows how many white people today qualify as black.

It might be worthwhile for white parents to have genealogy studies as part of their children's college preparation. Colleges will have to specify just what percentage of black blood makes one black. For example, in my own case, I am not entirely black; there's a bit of Irish in me. Does that make me entitled to march in St. Patrick's Day parades?

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Reimporting drugs is okay, but it misses the point

by Sheldon Richman

The U.S. House and Senate have approved bills to legalize the reimportation of U.S.-manufactured prescription drugs from Canada and elsewhere. Here's a case of Congress doing something right for the wrong reason.

It's right because the U.S. government has no business telling the American people what they may and may not buy from people living outside the country. That's called freedom, something earlier Americans actually understood and valued.

But the motivation for the congressional action demonstrates a shameful ignorance of economic liberty, economic theory, and government intervention. According to the "findings" of H.R. 2427, "Americans unjustly pay up to 1000 percent more to fill their prescriptions than consumers in other countries." Unjustly? How do the authors figure that? Their response would be that since drug prices are lower in, say, Canada, only injustice can explain why prices are higher in the United States.

But that isn't the whole story. Drug companies own the drugs. They spend lots of money developing them. So they have the right to sell them at whatever price they wish. That's also called freedom.

There is a qualification to be made in this matter. Patent laws prohibit independent developers of existing drugs, or something similar, to compete with patent-holders. That's protectionist government intervention. If members of Congress really wanted cheaper drugs, they'd repeal the patent laws and all the other interventions that make drugs artificially expensive, such as the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and subsidies that increase demand. (Without patents, entrepreneurs would earn profits figuring out ways to protect "intellectual property.")

But with an exception or two, members of Congress aren't interested in freedom. They are interested in votes, which is why their only "solution" is reimportation.

There's a simple reason that some, though not all, drugs are cheaper in Canada. The Canadian government sets maximum drug prices, which is what many members of Congress would like to do here. Anyone familiar with basic economics knows that price ceilings discourage suppliers from bringing products to market. This would be especially true with pharmaceuticals, which are so expensive to develop. Why would anyone make that investment if the law

deliberately kept prices below what the market would set? The result would be a halt in the creation of life-saving drugs.

If that's so, why do American companies export drugs to the price-controlled Canadian market? They do so because the government there sets prices enough above marginal cost to make exports worthwhile. In America the companies can freely set prices (inflated by patents) and recover the immense development costs. Then they can produce additional pills and sell them for a bit more than it costs to produce them. The slight profit in Canada is sufficient only because America does not have price controls.

Note the irony. If America had Canadian-style price controls, neither Americans nor Canadians would be getting cheap modern drugs. Canada exploits our freer market.

Here's another irony. The House bill's "findings" also state, "Allowing open pharmaceutical markets could save American consumers at least \$635 billion of their own money each year." But if Canada had an open market, there would be no H.R. 2427. The market would set prices in both places, perhaps lower than current U.S. prices because development costs would be spread over more people.

Economics isn't everything, of course. Morality is important too. The people who invent and market drugs are not our slaves. They have the same right to freedom as the rest of us. If they all decided to quit and go fishing, we would have no right to stop them - even if it meant doing without life-saving drugs. And if they have no obligation to make drugs for us, they surely have no obligation to give them away or sell them at prices set by pandering politicians - who couldn't invent a life-saving drug, well, if their lives depended on it.

But we need those drugs, don't we? Yes, we do - which is precisely why we should respect the freedom of those who make them possible. Scrap the patents, government subsidies, prescriptions, and the FDA. But stop looking to Canada with envy. When Canadian socialized medicine threatens the health of Canadians they come here. Where will we go when we adopt their system?

Sheldon Richman is senior fellow at The Future of Freedom Foundation (www.fff.org) in Fairfax, Va., author of *Tethered Citizens: Time to Repeal the Welfare State*, and editor of *Ideas on Liberty* magazine. (www.fff.org)

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Thank you,
Deanna McDougle
Brad McDougle
Deke and Dusty Baxter
Karen Minter
Garlon & Evelyn McDougle and all the Wade McDougle family

Quiero tomar este tiempo para darles las gracias a todos Por Las Llamadas y Las flores y Por acomodada y Especial Mente Por Las oraciones y Por abernos Aconpanado en nuestro dolor Por La Perdida De Nuestro ser Querido Le damos Las Gracias al Rev Cruz Soto Por el servicio y A Lyn Williams y A Las hermanas de La Iglesia de Dios De La Profecia Por Los Canto tan Especial y A todos Los que nos

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Greg Cruz & family
Chris Cruz & family
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We would like to take time to thank everyone for the phone calls, flowers, and food, and especially the prayers during the loss of our loved one in our hour of need. Our thanks to Rev. Cruz Soto for a lovely service and to Rev. Lyn Williams for the use of the First Baptist Church, the ladies of the Church of God of Prophecy for the songs, and all the thanks to Rocker A, Mr. Earl Chapman, Kirt, and all the employees.

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Letters to the Editor

(Continued from Page 4)

Henry... have they thought about how or with whom they will staff it? Most of the lake population is retirees who would probably not be able to or willing to staff it. Most likely it would end up being staffed by Post folks. Unless our judge and commissioners are planning to pay them to stay on call at the center, these folks would still be driving out from town. So will the emergency center really improve response time at the lake? Or will our hard-earned tax dollars which they plan to use to build the emergency center be wasted once again?

On closing, I would like to say it is our civic duty to question authority and most especially when we feel our officials are not handling business wisely!

Charles J. Probst

Who will get those little pink slips?

Seems lately that I keep hearing more and more about the Federal Bureau of Prisons wanting to kick our local prisoners out of the Dalby unit so that they can run the place with fewer personnel.

If the feds get their way, the county taxpayers stand to pay up to \$160,000 a year more for housing local prisoners elsewhere. If I remember correctly, one of the selling points Judge Dalby used to rally support for building this prison in the first place was that it would save the county money.

A certain number of beds in the prison would be dedicated for the county's use in housing local prisoners. Now the feds want to change the rules. And what about all those jobs the prison was going to provide for Garza County people?

Judge Dalby used that to "sell" building the prison, too. Now how many will lose their jobs if the feds get their way? If Judge Dalby is so worried over the county budget and these jobs, why doesn't he insist the agreement with the feds over the local prisoners stay as is?

Or was that agreement just some more of his "talk" (without anything to back it up) when he was trying to get the place built? Really I don't understand how the federal people think they can effectively manage a prison with half as many guards as the state believes is necessary anyway.

I know I don't feel especially comfortable just thinking about it while I listen to the noise coming from the prison every evening. I didn't want them in my neighborhood to start with! Now I've got to hope the prisoners behave with only half as many guards?

Frank Tobias

More internet comments from CCA

If your readers know any of the folks that have commented on our posttexas.com Website, please ask them to mention to them or their kin that we note and appreciate their comments.

Listed below:

* Wanda Bilberry Young - Grew up in Post; amazed at the growth.

* Tabitha Camacho - Post is the best place I've lived in - Great schools and teachers. Feel like I'm abusing my children by not moving back and giving them the best education.

* Ginny Edwards Parker - Grew up in Post; think of it as home.

* Jamie Roworth - Good Web page.

* Jeane Sartain Everett - Husband and I both born in Post. Grandparents, R.M. Sartain, settled on a farm in Garza County in 1916 northeast of Post.

Husband's (Bud Everett grandparents, Charlie and Lillie Everett) pitched the second tent in Post in 1906.

* Juanita Leverton Calvin - Lived in Canyon Valley until 1961. Glad to see the improvements. Hope Post survives forever.

* Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Odom, West Fork, Ark. - Mother worked in the cotton mill during World War II. Visited this past year; enjoyed the museum. We'll be back when we have more time.

* Ab & Genella, Berger - Love your town and all the things to do and see.

* No name - I don't live in Post. I am doing a report for school and just picked your town out of nowhere. Ended up liking it. Neat town, lots of interesting things. Way cool about founder C.W. Post and Post cereals!

* Glen Peddy, Sullivan, Ill. - Looking for Peddy information for a second Peddy book. Glen Peddy, RR1 Box 30, Sullivan, IL 61951 or gpeddy2001@yahoo.com.

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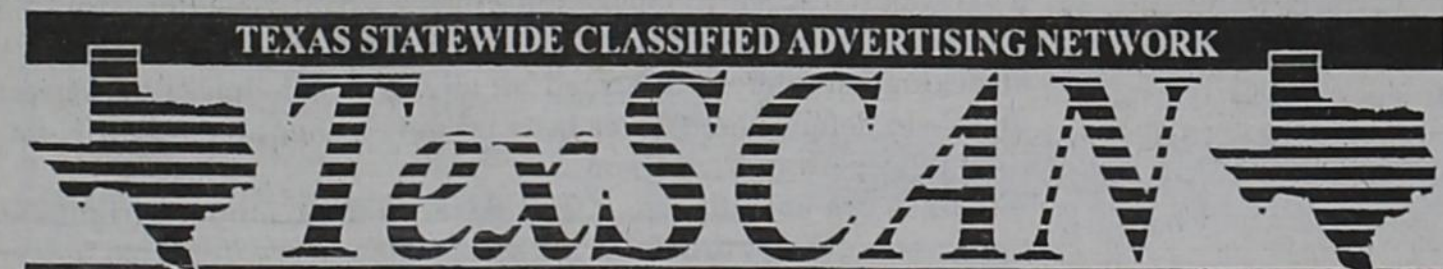
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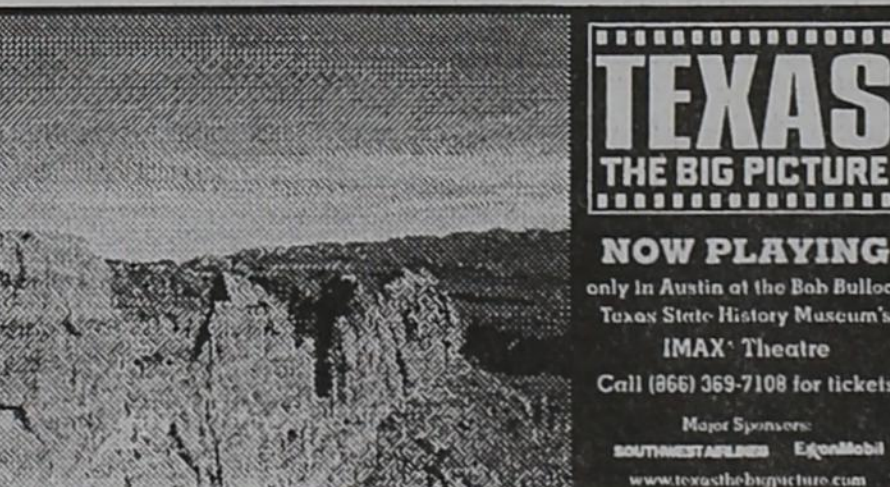
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STARS earn recognition at camp

Sixty STARS students from Post Middle School students and sponsors attended Youth Power Camp at Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls July 23-26.

Sponsored by Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) and the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, the camp's goal is to empower youth with the knowledge and leadership skills necessary to

initiate change in their communities to reduce underage drinking and drug use.

Post had the largest group at the camp.

During the four-day event, students attended educational sessions about the effects of alcohol on the body, the transition to college, conflict management and leadership building. They also designed plans

for preventing underage drinking in their communities.

"Not all teens drink alcohol or want to drink alcohol," said Karen Housewright, executive director for the Texas state MADD office. "The MADD/TABC Youth Power Camp empowers these students to become more involved with their local law enforcement and their local government to make changes to stop underage drinking. We hope that

these students will become leaders in their communities and help adults foster an environment in which underage drinking is not condoned or tolerated."

The Post STARS students plan to target elementary school students in the coming year. The goal is to heighten awareness of the dangers of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs, as well as teaching leadership skills.

"The TABC is determined to reach out to all Texans when addressing the issue of underage drinking," said Greg Hamilton, the commission's law enforcement chief. "We have found that the Youth Leadership camps have been a great venue to not only teach our Texas youth leadership skills but it also is an opportunity to solicit their help in combating underage drinking. Through these camps, our message to the youth campers is that we must stop alcohol violations early. We must do it now, not later."

Those attending included John David Boren, Paige Bullard, Ericka Cravy, Shelley Gearhart, Lauren Gonzales, Lauren Hair, Tori Hampton, Ashleigh Harris, Samantha Hoover, Meagan Howard, Lori Jones, Madison Mason, Chris Munoz, Lexi Nobles, Brenna Postell, Crystal Price, Amanda Rodriguez, Kelsey Sanderson, Jeremy Short and Call Windham.

Also, Klent Baker, Jarrett Blevins, Stacy Bocko, Marissa Bustoz, Adriana Ceja, Brandon Crawford, Jakelin Delgadillo, Jovanni Garay, Ulisis Garcia, Gaby Gomez, Alex Hart, Claudia Hernandez, Susan Littrell, Valerie Moreno, Zack Nava, Marissa Perez, Travis Rasberry, Zachary Rivera, Sabrina Sanchez, Ashley Stenzel, Gaby Vegara and Whitney Williams.

Heath Fellhauer, Rachel Gray, Preston Ortiz, Gabby Paiz, D.J. Baiza, Allison Blevins, Kylie Easterling, Edgar Garay, Jackie Hays, Wes Mason, Adrian Nava and Becca Striblin also attended.

"Post should be very proud of this group of students," said Dedra Adams, STARS sponsor. "They represented Post very well, and received many compliments at camp. I am so proud of them and we look forward to making a difference this year. Thanks from the bottom of my heart to all sponsors of these students. Without you, we would not be able to attend camp."

The Post Dispatch, Thursday, August 7, 2003

Antelopes open season with 'Midnight Madness'

The Post Bold Gold Antelope football team took advantage of the earliest possible time to begin the 2003 football season by opening "tvo-a-days" practice at 12:20 a.m. Monday, August 4.

Backed by Antelope fans and supporters, the 75 Post High School student athletes marched through warm-up drills under the lights into the wee hours of the morning.

"We're very excited about these youngsters," head coach Tim James said Tuesday, "they've got a lot of enthusiasm and they have reported to practice with good conditioning and ready to go."

James said the 75 youth will field three teams: freshmen, junior varsity and varsity. Practice continues this week with sophomores, juniors and seniors working out from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m., then 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Freshmen practice from 3-5 p.m.

Starting Friday the players will suit out in pads, with the varsity and junior varsity working from 8:45 to 10:45 p.m. and freshmen from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Saturday morning the varsity and junior varsity will practice from 9 to 11 a.m.

Next week varsity and junior varsity teams practice Monday through Thursday from 4 to 6 p.m. with freshmen working out from 5 to 7 p.m.

The varsity and junior varsity teams get their first scrimmage opportunity Saturday, August 16 against Snyder's junior varsity and freshmen teams. The scrimmage here begins at 10 a.m. with junior varsity, followed by varsity starting at approximately noon.

UFWCD offers electronic flowmeters

The Garza County Underground and Fresh Water Conservation District has an electronic flowmeter available for use.

The device measures the water flow volume of wells in gallons per minute. Also available is a drawdown gauge that measures the static water level in wells.

The equipment is available for use by anyone in the district. Individuals interested in checking out their wells should contact the district office in the courthouse at 495-4425.

The district has a program of measuring the water level of certain wells within the district on an annual basis. These measurements are taken in January of each year. Presently, about 18 wells are being measured.

For the past several years, the water level has been dropping in most wells measured. In January 2003, the decline in levels was from three inches to 3.5 feet when the wells were measured in January 2002.

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO REDUCE PROPERTY TAX RATE AND SUMMARY OF 2004 DEBT PAYMENT

By virtue of *estimated* increased revenue from additional Sales Tax, the Mayor and City Council members of the City of Post propose to reduce next year's Ad Valorem (property) Tax Rate from .7708% to .5878%.

Explanation:

.7708 % = This Year's Property Tax Rate (fiscal 2002-2003)

.5878 % = Next Year's Proposed Property Tax Rate (fiscal 2003-2004)

Estimated Funds Raised from property taxes and the purposes for which they will be used:

(a) Regular Annual Maintenance and Operations = \$338,760.00

(b) Partial Payment on Annual Debt = \$154,200.00

Detail of 2004 Debt Payment:

Source of Budget Funds for 2004 Annual Payment on pipeline and tanks for Alternative Municipal Water Source.....

Estimated Property Taxes for Debt Service \$154,200.00
*Est. Sales Tax Receipts for Debt Service \$220,000.00
Funds from Water and Sewer Operations ... \$25,000.00

Estimated Funds for Annual Debt Payment \$399,200.00

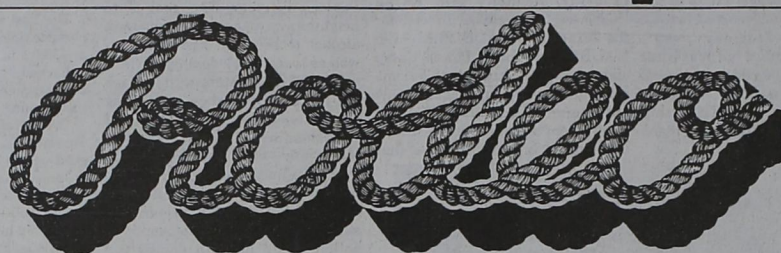
*Sales Tax Estimates used for debt service include 1/2% from property tax relief and 1/2% from 4b economic dev sales tax. Projected Sales Tax Receipts are estimates only. The current highway improvement project in Post will likely have a negative overall impact on the city's sales tax revenue during the construction period.

2003 **Property Tax Rates in** GARZA COUNTY

This notice concerns 2003 property tax rates for GARZA COUNTY. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's *effective* tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's *rollback* tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

	General Fund	Farm to Market/ Flood Control Fund	HOSPITAL Special Road/ Bridge Fund
Last year's tax rate:			
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 1,475,678	\$	\$ 396,653
Last year's debt taxes	\$ -0-	\$	\$ -0-
Last year's total taxes	\$ 1,475,678	\$	\$ 396,653
Last year's tax base	\$ 389,360,990	\$	\$ 386,677,670
Last year's total tax rate	\$.37900 /\$100	\$.5100	\$.10258 /\$100
This year's effective tax rate:			
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 1,475,678	\$	\$ 396,653
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 376,560,524	\$	\$ 373,071,110
- This year's effective tax rate for each fund	\$.39188 /\$100	\$.5100	\$.10632 /\$100
Total effective tax rate	\$.39188 /\$100		
x 1.03-maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing	\$.40363 /\$100		
This year's rollback tax rate:			
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$ 1,475,678	\$	\$ 396,653
- This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 376,560,524	\$	\$ 373,071,110
- This year's effective operating rate	\$.39188 /\$100	\$.5100	\$.10632 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$.42323 /\$100	\$.5100	\$.11482 /\$100
- This year's debt rate	\$ -0- /\$100	\$.5100	\$ -0- /\$100
- This year's rollback rate for each fund	\$.42323 /\$100	\$.5100	\$.11482 /\$100
- This year's total rollback rate	\$.42323 /\$100		
Statement of Increase/Decrease			
If GARZA COUNTY adopts a 2003 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$.39188 per \$100 of value, taxes would <u>DECREASE</u> compared to 2001 taxes by \$ 13.00			
Statement of Increase/Decrease			
If GARZA HOSPITAL DISTRICT adopts a 2003 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$.10632 per \$100 of value, taxes would <u>DECREASE</u> compared to 2001 taxes by \$ 4.00			
Schedule A - Unencumbered Fund Balances			
The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.			
Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance		
GENERAL FUND	135,503.05		
R & B #1	48,160.92		
R & B #2	39,018.20		
R & B #3	34,754.83		
R & B #4	14,260.13		
GARZA HOSPITAL DISTRICT	180,000.00		

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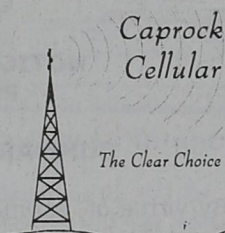
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