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Post Stampede Rodeo features top cowboys, parade Saturday

The 64th Annual Post Stampede Rodeo, the "Best Rodeo in the West," will open this weekend.

Nightly shows will begin at 8 p.m. at the rodeo arena Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Grand entry will be at 7:45 p.m.

Admission will be \$5 for adults. Children ages 6 and under will be admitted free of charge.

Events will include steer wrestling, one go-round, \$65; bareback bronc, go-round, \$65; calf roping, one head, \$65; saddle bronc, one go-round, \$65; barrel race, \$65; team roping, open, \$125; bull riding, one go-round, \$65; and girls breakaway roping, \$65, \$500 added to each event and Red Bluff buckles will be awarded in each event. Also, ranch bronc riding, \$65.

Rodeo producer is T-N-T Rodeo Co. of Anson.

Wells Fargo will sponsor a flag race for youths ages 12 and under. Entry fee is \$10, and flag entries will be limited to the first 10. The top five from each night will advance. Reef Chemical will sponsor mutton bustin', with a \$10 entry fee.

Event sponsors include Brady's Package Store, Cavender's, Hub City Polaris, McDonald's, Matt Hamel Ag Products, Smith South Plains and Tejas Motors.

The rodeo parade is set for Saturday beginning at 3 p.m.

Dances featuring Tommy Reed and Texas Mesquite will be held on Thursday and Friday. Admission will be \$5 per person.

Three voting boxes consolidated

by Wes Burnett

Garza County commissioners began work on the 2004-2005 fiscal year budget Monday morning, looking at a preliminary revenue base of \$1,892,348. The revenue figure is based on an "effective tax rate" of \$.46343. Estimates for property valuations show an increase of \$25 million from last year.

The current tax rate is \$.50 with a tax roll back rate for the new budget set at \$.5050. Commissioners studied individual department expenses broadly, but made no decisions about the budget.

County commissioner Lee Norman, acting as Judge ProTem, explained that County Judge Giles W. Dalby had been released from recent hospitalization, recovering from pneumonia and resting at home.

Commissioners agreed with a recommendation by Democratic Party chairman Lewis Earl to consolidate voting precincts in the November 2004 general election. The consolidation will reduce the number of voting precincts from nine to six.

County clerk Jerry Hays supported Earl's recommendation, but pointed out that changes would only be for the November election. The plan calls for moving Graham Community's voting box (Voting Precinct 6) to the Post High School voting box, combining Close City's box (Voting Precinct 5) to the First Presbyterian Church and the Lorenzo-Alexander Community Center box (Voting Precinct 9) to CitizensBank.

Hays also informed the court that state and federal law will require the county to purchase electronic voting equipment prior to January 2006. He proposed a budget of \$65,000 to cover the additional expense. Earl said that he hoped the county could continue using paper ballots, "I'm just not convinced about the security of the electronic voting," Earl said.

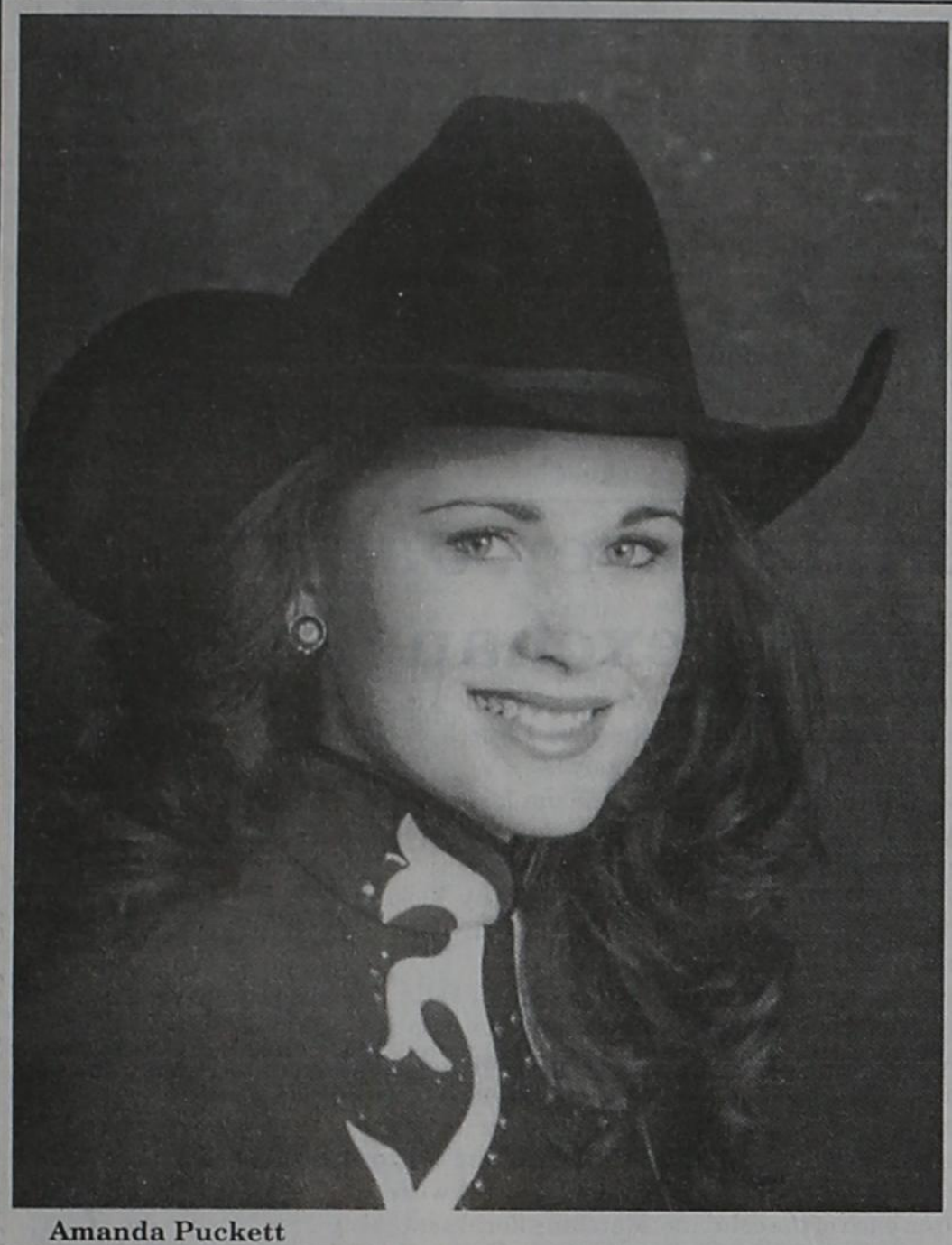
A grant of approximately \$30,000 is expected from the state to offset cost of implementing the new electronic voting system.

In other matters, the court rejected an indigent application for rent and utility assistance, due to the applicant not meeting county indigent guidelines.

Commissioners agree to a proposition brought to their attention by Norman to support legislation requiring the state to share one-half cent of the gasoline tax with counties for road maintenance. "We're not asking for additional taxes," Norman emphasized, "just that the state share some of the tax funds with counties."

A contract with Pegasus was approved for use of the county radio tower. According to Sheriff Kenny Ratke, the company agreed to a \$200 per month rental fee for five years.

Commissioners approved a renewal of health insurance coverage, using the same plan as is currently in place. The renewal is estimated to cost employees an additional nine percent in monthly premiums.



Amanda Puckett

Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas featured at this year's Post Stampede Rodeo

Amanda Puckett, Miss Rodeo Top O' Texas, will ride in Saturday's rodeo parade and during the grand entry of this weekend's rodeo performance.

Puckett, the 19-year-old daughter of Rance Puckett and Lanann Dempsey and granddaughter of Tommy and Linda Puckett of Post, was crowned June 5 at Pampa.

A student at South Plains College in Lubbock, she is a member of the NBHA and the American Association of Sheriff's Posse and Riding Clubs. Her past awards include being a 2003 honor graduate of Monterey High School; 2003 showmanship award for Boer goats; local grand champion goat; FFA vice president; district job interview champion; junior varsity cheerleader; co-captain of the Silver Sables Dance Drill Team; secretary for Chapter Conducting; MHS Press Team; 1999 National Barrel Horse District 2 champion; 1999 West Texas Raiders Sr. Sweetheart; and 2000 AASP & RC District 2 queen.

A Special Olympics volunteer, she enjoys raising money for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, giving riding lessons and training her three colts.

Following completion of her associate's degree in science, Puckett plans to continue her education at Tarleton State University in Stephenville prior to attending the Texas A&M School of Veterinary Medicine. She hopes to continue in rodeo pageantry and to eventually become Miss Rodeo Texas and Miss Rodeo America. She also intends to continue her rodeo career at the professional level, training colts and becoming what she considers to be a "respected horseman." After receipt of her veterinary degree, she plans to open an equine specialty clinic in Weatherford.

No documents found for county loan to MTC

by Wes Burnett

Garza County clerk Jerry Hays has said in reply to a citizen's request for information, that there are no records or documents in his office related to action by the Garza County Commissioners' Court in obligating the county to repay operating expenses to MTC for its first months of managing the Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility.

In response to a request for information from Jon Smith, Hays responded, "I have searched through our records and I found no information on any of the documents you requested."

Smith had requested documents showing any "special election" putting the county in debt for the facility or any vote by the commissioners' court on the matter.

During the consideration of a new management contract for the

Post ISD students back to school Monday, Aug. 16

The first day of the 2004-2005 school year in the Post Independent School District is set for Monday, Aug. 16.

New staff members reported Aug. 9, while returning staff members were asked to report for duty Aug. 10.

The Antelope Booster Club will host its annual Meet the Antelopes event Monday beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the stadium. Homemade ice cream will be sold at a cost of \$1 per cup.

On Saturday, Aug. 14, the 'Lopes will see their first scrimmage of the '04 season beginning at 10 a.m. in Floydada.

correctional facility recently, Garza County Judge Giles W. Dalby announced at a commissioners' court meeting that the balance of a loan to Management and Training Corp. (MTC) would have to be repaid if MTC was not selected for the new contract.

Dalby explained that when the prison first opened, the State of Texas

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Saving the historic Algerita

by Wes Burnett

A new push to save the Algerita Hotel building on East Main Street was outlined to the Post City Council at its regular monthly meeting Tuesday, August 3.

Respected historical preservationist and Post native Don Collier provided detailed information about the historic building, explaining that "it's not going to fall down right away," but that the building's supporting walls are deteriorating rapidly.

Collier, a professor at Texas Tech University, laid out a multi-stage plan for saving the building: (1) contract with a structural engineer for specific plans to secure the structure, (2) get adequate funding and contract for temporary repairs, (3) prepare a detailed plan for restoration, (4) determine best use and (5) develop adequate funding for the project.

"This is the oldest building in Post," Collier emphasized, "we have a small window of opportunity to save this important structure." Collier said that in 1975 he interviewed Scotty Samson about the Algerita. "He told me that they had problems with the walls because of the soil underneath and the type of mixture used to hold the stone in place."

Samson, a stone mason and builder hired by C.W. Post in the early days of building Post City, was concerned at the time, but did the best he could with what was available. In later buildings, Samson implemented new techniques to solve the crumbling effect of the mortar.

The Algerita's "falling apart" condition is most visible on the west side behind the Caprock Cultural Association's office, adjacent to the vacant lot east of The Post Dispatch. The sand stone outer wall is collapsing, one stone at a time. The south wall is also bulging near the top, and beginning to fall inward toward the roof.

"This problem is mostly related to water damage over the years," Collier added, "where the inside wall and outside wall meet, water has seeped in, separating the two walls."

He also pointed out that an estimate of \$1 million was suggested by a potential contractor for demolishing the building. One of the big expense items for either restoring or demolishing the building is an eight inch casing of asbestos around an old boiler in the basement.

"We plan to board and up and enclose that as a first step in this project," Collier said.



The sand stone outer walls of the historic Algerita Hotel building on East Main Street demonstrates the difficulties facing restoration planners. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

Post Notes

Antelope Booster Club Meeting

Antelope Booster Club will host Meet The Antelopes, Monday night August 16 at 7 p.m. at Antelope Stadium. Ice cream will be served for \$1.00 per cup at 6:30 p.m. Athletes and cheerleaders will be introduced afterwards. All parents of football players, grade 7-12 are asked to bring a freezer of homemade ice cream, and be ready to serve their ice cream until it is gone.

Meet the Antelopes Night

The Post Antelope Booster Club will sponsor Meet the Lopes on Monday, August 16 at the football field. Ice Cream will be sold for #1.00 a cup beginning at 6:30 p.m. and the Antelopes will be introduced beginning at 7 p.m. Mark your calendars for this Antelope tradition and plan to come out and meet the 2004 Bold Gold Antelopes!

Enroll Early at Post Elementary

Post Elementary is currently working on enrollment and placement of students for the upcoming school year. Pre K is currently set up for a half day school for any student that is 4 on or before September 1. To enroll your child please bring his/her social security card, immunization record, and birth certificate to the Post Elementary from 8 a.m.-12, or 1-3 p.m. Classes begin August 16. Class rosters will be posted August 6.

Back To School Dance

A "Back to School Dance" for all Post Middle School students will be held Friday, August 20 from 8-11 P.M. STARS will be sponsoring the dance at the Post Community Center Teen Room.

2004 Bold Gold Reserved Tickets

Reserved tickets for the 2004 Post Antelope Football season will go on sale beginning Monday, August 2 through Friday, August 20. Tickets are only for the home varsity football games and will be sold on a first come/first serve basis for \$20. They may be purchased during office hours at the Post ISD Superintendent's Office, 501 S. Ave. K, Post. After August 20, general seating tickets must be purchased at the gate.

Seeking OS Roping Photos

The OS Ranch Steer Roping and Art Exhibit Reunion Committee are trying to locate any one having any photographs of the 1971 OS Steer Roping and Art Exhibit. Please contact the OS Ranch Steer Roping and Art Exhibit Reunion Committee at 495-0151.

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SPAG Offering Transportation to Seniors

South Plains Association of Governments (SPAG) Area Agency on Aging has announced special funding is available to assist seniors in the rural area for transportation services. These services are offered to seniors, sixty years of age or older, who need roundtrip transportation for appointments or errands such as community physicians, pharmacies, or grocery stores. Arrangements can be made for seniors needing to travel into Lubbock for physician appointments or other important errands, too. For further information on transportation services, contact SPAG's Area Agency on Aging at (806) 687-0940 or 1-888-418-6564.

First Baptist Church

Come to the park for Mission Vacation Bible School. We will be playing games, learning about the Bible and God, and enjoying some great food each Wednesday night in July and August from 6-7:30 p.m. The First Baptist Church van will begin picking people up at 5:30 each Wednesday night, take them to the park, and drop them off at the same place they were picked up after VBS is over. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the church office at 495.3554.

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County loan to MTC questioned...

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did not proceed with an anticipated contract for housing state prisoners here. At the time, MTC had staff hired and trained or in training, and in order to keep the facility operating, Dalby said that the county obligated to "loan" MTC operating funds until the contract with the Federal Bureau of Prisons was completed, and federal government funding began.

The total amount of the "loan" has not been determined, but when negotiations for the new contract were announced, MTC offered to "relieve" the county of its obligation in the amount of approximately \$350,000 if MTC were to be selected for the contract. Interested companies for the contract were informed in the RFP (Request for Proposals) that they

would be required to pay MTC the balance of the note as a requirement for the contract.

Dalby explained to the commissioners that the "loan" has been repaid through a 50 cents per prisoner per day deduction from MTC's monthly payment to the county. Recent audit reports do not provide any detail for the amount of payments made from the county to MTC.

"I'd like to know who authorized this loan and how much has it cost county tax payers," Smith emphasized. "How could the county obligate us to pay this loan without there being some record of a vote by either the tax payers or the commissioners?"

Saving the Algerita Hotel building...

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the future. "Our goal is to approach foundations and trusts which traditionally fund these kinds of historically important projects," he said.

Although no exact figures are available, restoring the building to its original design could cost as much as \$2.5 million. "We believe this is achievable, and it is a great opportunity ... for our entire community."

In other matters, council members rejected a request by Marion Cruse for a variance to build a storage building on his residential lot. The requested variance would violate setback ordinances.

The council agreed to a regional mitigation action plan, accepted renewal of health insurance premiums with the Texas Municipal League (TML) at the same rate and instructed the city manager and city attorney to pursue potential legal remedy for replacement of a water meter at the Slaton water storage

tank.

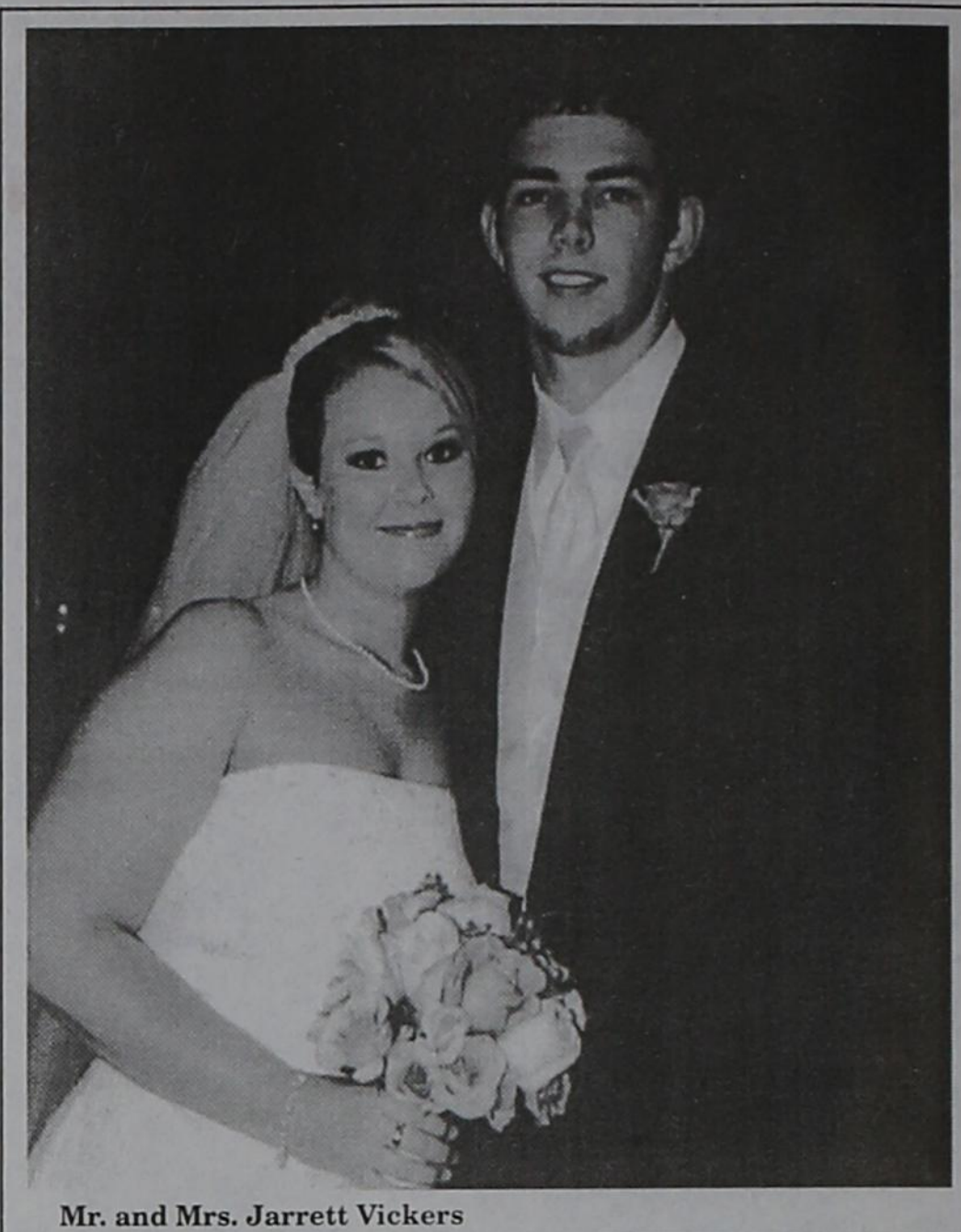
The meter at that location is apparently measuring water inaccurately, as city manager Fred Stephens explained. "This is the second meter installed, the first one was defective also, but this new one is showing 500,000 gallons more water than the two meters we have here in Post." Stephens said he had just about exhausted other remedies to have the contractor live up to the terms of the contract.

Stephens introduced a few potential budget expense items, which the council took under advisement. One suggestion that raised questions from council members was a method of funding assistance to the senior citizen organization.

Stephens suggested that the council consider a method used in Muleshoe, which has a voluntary \$1 fee on each water-sewer customer statement. Customers could "check off" on voluntarily paying the extra \$1 to support the senior citizen center. "It's worked well in Muleshoe," he said.

Concerns were expressed that other civic organizations might expect the same kind of special attention, and that would potentially create administrative burdens for the city.

The council will meet in special session later for budget discussions.



Mr. and Mrs. Jarrett Vickers

Kenda Josey, Jarrett Vickers exchange vows

Kenda Jane Josey of Post and Jarrett Dane Vickers of Port Lavaca were wed July 24, 2004, at 8 p.m. in the Post Church of Christ. Dr. Charles McCook officiated the double-ring ceremony.

The bride's parents are Kyle and Diane Josey of Post. She is the granddaughter of Rayford and Joyce Holtman and the late Sue Holtman of Childress and the late Lester Josey and Theona Josey of Post.

The groom is the son of Dane and Kathy Vickers of Port Lavaca and the grandson of Howard and Delores Jones of Snyder and the late Gene and Louise Vickers of Abernathy.

The aisles were marked with floor-length satin and organza bows accented with pink and peach roses. Matching bows also marked the pews where the couple's parents and grandparents were seated. More than 100 candles filled the church. Votive candles tied with tiny pink and peach bows surrounded the baptism area, and pillar candles accented the stairs at the front of the church. The stairs were draped with white cloth and organza and dotted with crystal rocks and were flanked by columns adorned with tulle. Lighted candles were placed on each of the columns. Matching floral arrangements of peach roses, pink roses and larkspur accented two white columns at the front of the church.

The unity couple was located at the front center of the church on an oval mirror placed on two columns adorned with tulle. The unity candle was made from candles used in the bride's parents' July 23, 1976, wedding ceremony.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore her bridal gown as something new, carried in her shoe a penny from the year of her birth as something old; wore diamond and pearl earrings belonging to her cousin, Monica Davis of Clovis, N.M., as something borrowed; and wore a blue garter as something blue.

The bride's strapless gown, by the designers of Mon Cheri Bridals, was of white Duchess satin. It featured a draped roched side accented with crystals and pearls. The double-wrap front allowed a sheer inset embellished with pearls and crystals to show from under the satin. In her hair, the bride wore a crystal garland with a double-layered veiling attached. Her bouquet was a nosegay of peach and pink roses.

Erica Curry of Lubbock, the bride's cousin, served as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Regina Collazo, Mirta Gomez and Mirna Gomez, all of Post. The bride's attendants were attired in matching dresses of a soft shade of coral. The matte satin gowns echoed the same soft roched draped side as the bride's gown. The attendants wore sandals tinted to match their dresses, and each carried a smaller version of the bride's bouquet adorned with ribbon.

Chloe Davis of Clovis, N.M., the bride's cousin, served as flower girl. She wore a white short-sleeved, full-length dress embroidered with hearts and flowers. She carried a woven satin ribbon basket filled with peach and pink rose petals and wore a floral head wreath of pink and peach mini carnations.

Best man was Derek Faught of Seminole. Groomsman were Chase Miller of Post and Ty Horsford and Tate Horsford of Abernathy, cousins of the groom. The men wore two-button-notch solid black tuxedos with lay-down shirts. The groom wore a solid white shirt, vest and tie, while the groomsman wore solid black shirts, vests and ties. All wore square-toed shoes and pink rose boutonnières.

Ushers were Cory Forbes of Abernathy, cousin of the groom, and Jeremy Josey of McKinney, brother of the bride. Candle lighter was Jay Josey of Post, the bride's cousin.

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Josey, Vickers wedding...

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The couple's parents and grandparents were seated to a recording of "I Choose You Again" performed by the ACU Alumni Choral Reunion VI (from the "With Love From A Chorus" CD). The bridesmaids and flower girl entered to "The Wedding Song" performed and recorded by the Acapella group (from the "Acapella Wedding Long Play" CD). The bride and her father walked down the aisle to "Faithful and True" (contemporary version) performed and recorded by Acapella.

The lighting of the unity candle took place to the musical backdrop of "Doubly Good to You," also by Acapella. The couple's parents and grandparents departed the ceremony to "A Whole New World" by Acapella.

The ceremony opened with a prayer by Kohen Josey of Post, the bride's uncle. The ceremony closed with a prayer by Jim Schooler of Post, another uncle of the bride.

The vestibule area featured two tables covered with matching handkerchief-hemmed white cloths. One table was decorated with an assortment of pictures representing the bride's and groom's parents, grandparents and great-grandparents, accented by the wording "We come from a long line of love." The second table was decorated with a pair of crystal candlesticks with pillar candles, the registration book and a photograph of the bride and groom in a silver-engraved frame. Assisting at the registration table was Christin Collier and Jessica Mason, both of Post. Two lighted white trees completed the vestibule area.

The reception took place in the church's fellowship hall. Arrangements of peach roses, pink roses and larkspur stood atop columns in the corners flanking the bride's table. Additional columns were wrapped in tulle, while another was adorned with tulle and pillar candles matching those used in the ceremony.

An oval white cloth and peach and pink runners covered the bride's table, which held a crystal punch bowl and a four-layer white cake topped with fresh flowers. The table also held three cylindrical vases filled with peach and pink roses.

Serving at the bride's table were Heather Norman of Arlington, the bride's college roommate; Monica Davis of Clovis, N.M., the bride's cousin; and Jennifer Josey of Post, the bride's cousin.

The groom's table was covered with a round white cloth circled with black tulle and black and white bows. Bottled water with labels featuring the bride's and groom's names along with a scripture from 1 Corinthians, Chapter 13, were served from a silver bucket. The groom's chocolate cake was fashioned like a tuxedo and featured a fresh flower boutonniere, and nuts were served from a silver dish matching the silver bucket.

Serving at the groom's table were his aunts, Kelly Jones of Dallas, Lorie Forbes of Abernathy and LaDon Horsford of Abernathy.

The house party included Patti Josey and Karla Schooler of Post, Kay Patterson of Clifton, Ranetta Thorn of Childress, Stacy Morgan of Iowa Park and Tracy Holtman of Stephenville, all aunts of the bride, and Tyshann Smith of Amarillo.

Following a wedding trip to Rio Cancun, Mexico, the couple will reside in Abilene.

The bride and groom, both 2003 graduates of Post High School, attend Abilene Christian University. She is pursuing a bachelor's degree in business management, while he is seeking a bachelor's degree in social studies for teachers.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by Dane and Kathy Vickers in the garden room at Chapa's Family Restaurant. The tables were covered with white linen cloths and adorned with black organza and variegated greenery. Clear globular votives with floating pink candles accented the tables, along with black and white photos of the couple. Columns with greenery, black organza

and pink and white pillar candles stood behind the honorees' table.

Guests were served a buffet of chicken fried steak and chicken strips. Dessert for the special occasion - pecan pie - was made by the groom's grandmother, Delores Jones of Snyder.

Special guests for the rehearsal dinner included the couple's extended family of grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins, as well as members of the wedding party.

Assisting the groom's mother with decorations for the rehearsal dinner was Pam Gorman of Shallowater and Gena Lott of Post.

The bride and bridesmaids were honored with a dinner July 20 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Tatum. Hosting the event were Joyce Tatum and Mendy Dalby, and assisting with the dinner was K'Nell Dalby and Josie Whisenhunt.

Guests were served a buffet of chicken tetrazzini, green bean casserole, salad and rolls. Pound cake with chocolate-dipped strawberries was served for dessert.

Following the meal, attendees joined in making bird seed bags for the upcoming wedding celebration.

Special guests for the dinner included the couple's mothers and grandmothers; Kelly Jones of Dallas, the groom's aunt; and Karla Schooler and Patti Josey of Post, the bride's aunts.



Crawford to Graduate from Baylor University

Billy Crawford, a 2000 graduate of Post High School will graduate from Baylor University on Saturday, August 14, 2004. Billy will graduate with a BSE in History Education. After graduation Billy and his wife Amber will reside in Palestine, Texas. The commencement ceremonies will begin at 11:00 a.m. in the Ferrel Center of Baylor University in Waco, Texas.

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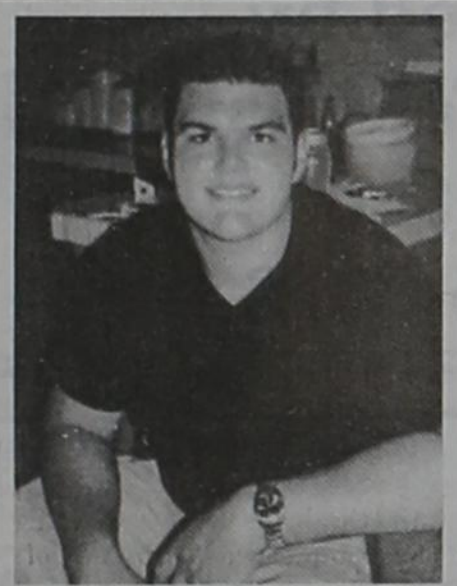
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Garrett Mason

Garrett Mason earns National Honor

Garrett L. Mason of McAllen, son of Harold and Diana Mason, was recognized in the 27th annual edition of the National Dean's List 2003-2004.

With this recognition, Mason is eligible to compete for a \$1,000 scholarship from the \$50,000 to be awarded this year.

The National Dean's List is the largest publication in the country recognizing academic excellence among college students selected by their deans.

Mason, a 6'6", 285-pound sophomore, is playing football at Duke University in North Carolina on a five-year academic scholarship. He is the grandson of Dorothy Mason and the late Harry Lee (Fuzz) Mason and nephew of Sonny, Kathy and Dennis Mason, all of Post, and Tommy Mason of Woodrow.



Mr and Mrs Bob Scarborough of Hurst visited Post Tuesday on a campaign swing through West Texas. Bob Scarborough is the Democratic Candidate for the Texas Railroad Commission. He campaigns on his goal to return control of the commission to ordinary Texans. "For too long the oil and gas industry has controlled the commission," he says, "I think it's time the citizens take charge of regulating that industry for improved development of resources and protection of our environment," Scarborough states.

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Obituaries

Phillip Crenshaw

Services for Phillip Crenshaw, 60, of Post were held at 2 p.m. Friday, Aug. 6, 2004, in the Calvary Baptist Church with the Rev. Kevin Blackburn officiating. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of the Hudman Funeral Home. He died Aug. 3 in Lubbock.

Born Aug. 13, 1943, in Chambers County, Ala., he married Barbara Freeman on Nov. 2, 1966, in Tahoka. He had worked as an oilfield pumper for the George R. Brown Partnership since 1974.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara, of Post; one son, Donald Crenshaw of Post; two daughters, Laura Williams of Denver City and Amber Byerly of Azle; his mother, Della Crenshaw of Post; one brother, Jerry Crenshaw of Post; one sister, Marie Halford of Andrews; and seven grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Archie Gill, Dennis Odom, Kurt Williams, Billy Williams, Kyle Josey, George Reece and Milton Williams.



Norman Dean Johnson

Norman Dean Johnson, 69, a retired Auditor with the US Government, died Monday, August 9, 2004. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m. Friday, at Lucas Funeral Home Chapel, 1321 Precinct Line Road in Hurst. Burial will follow at the Dallas Fort Worth National Cemetery, Lane B.

Family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Mr. Johnson, who was born in Garza County, served in the U.S. Army from 1953 to 1956. Raised on solid "old fashion" country mores and values, he was a hard working and responsible man. He had a passion for hummingbirds, he enjoyed watching and caring for them.

Mr. Johnson was preceded in death by his son, Jeffery Dean Johnson and the mother of his children, Anna S. Lawson.

Survivors include his daughter Cindie Johnson Cummings of Colleyville; Daughter-in-law Rachael Johnson of Saginaw; granddaughters Kaitlyn Johnson of Saginaw, and Hailey Cummings of Colleyville; grandson Evan Michael Young; brothers Thomas Johnson, of Carlsbad, N.M., Lathon Johnson of Altus, OK., Lee Johnson of Beaumont, Dan Johnson of Conroe; sister Eydie Capps of Post, many nieces and nephews and a host of family members.



Raymond Wagner

Services for Raymond B. Wagner, 81, of Snyder were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 31, 2004, in the Wright Colonial Funeral Home with the Rev. Bobbie Woods, retired Church of God minister, officiating, assisted by the Rev. James Rincker, pastor of the Church of God. Burial was in the Terrace Cemetery in Post.

He died July 27 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Born July 17, 1923, in Chilton, Wis., he married Irene Girard on May 15, 1953, in Chilton. She died May 24, 2000. He married Ruth Tillman on Sept. 20, 2002, in Snyder. After retiring from the oilfield, he was self-employed, working with wood and making crafts. He was a longtime Snyder resident.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth Wagner of Snyder; one son, David Wagner of Snyder; eight daughters, Dixie Kearn of Tulsa, Okla., Sherri Riedel and Susan Warren, both of Post; Jessie Dahl of Belton, Roberta Sternhagan of Waco and Nancy Youngblood of Wolforth, Neenah McCrae of Lubbock and Barbara Fuhrmann of Appleton, Wis.; one brother, Elwood Wagner of Wisconsin; two sisters, Caroline Jentsch and Esther Wagner, both of Wisconsin; several grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ferd and Alma Wagner, and one brother, Lawrence Wagner.

Mildred B. Wood

Services for Mildred B. Wood, 102, of Lamesa were held at 10 a.m. Monday, Aug. 9, 2004, in the First Presbyterian Church in Lamesa with the Rev. Don Stribling officiating. Burial followed in the Dawson County Cemetery under the direction of the Branon Funeral Home.

She died Friday, Aug. 6, at her home.

Born June 20, 1902, in Scurry County, she married Tom Walker Wood on Jan. 30, 1927, in Post. He died in December 1978. A retired school teacher who taught in both the Post and Lamesa school districts, she was a longtime member of the First Presbyterian Church and a past member of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include two nephews, James Boren and John Boren, both of Justiceburg, and two nieces, Mildred Sentell of Snyder and Carolyn Adams of Evergreen, Colo.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two sons, one sister and one brother.

The family has suggested memorials be made to the First Presbyterian Church in Lamesa

GHD board studies budget

Directors of the Garza County Health Care District met Aug. 4 to review portions of the budget, but no action was taken at the session.

The lengthy meeting included discussion of several of the budget's line items, according to administrator Tanya Boucher.

Almost all line items in this year's budget show a decrease when compared to previous year, Boucher said. After having had a year to work with PNS, operators of the local clinic, district officials have a better feel for clinic operations, which, in turn, "helps us tighten things up," Boucher said.

"Each year just gets a little more stable," she said. Board members were slated to meet at 9 a.m. Wednesday for another budget session.

The board's next regular meeting, which is expected to include approval of the upcoming fiscal year's budget, is set for 6:30 p.m. Aug. 19 at the Citizens Bank Community Room.

County approves contract with MTC

MTC once again was tapped as manager of the Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility during a Commissioners Court meeting held July 29.

Commissioner Mason McClelland made a motion to award the contract to MTC, the facility's present operator, and Commissioner John Valdez seconded the motion, according to minutes from the session. All four commissioners voted in favor of the motion. Judge Giles Dalby was absent from the meeting.

The action was taken in special session after the court, left short-handed by the absences of two of its five members, delayed its decision during its regular July 26 meeting.

MTC's initial contract for the operation of the Dalby unit ended July 31. MTC was awarded the contract in March, but in May county officials rescinded the action, citing an error in the handling of the request for proposals.

In other business, commissioners:

- Approved a change in the county's credit card company. Commissioners voted to change to Bank One, with no annual fee and a one-time \$100 membership fee.

- Approved \$5,000 in funding for Trailblazers. That amount matches the city's \$5,000 contribution, as well as SPAG's \$5,000 funding.

- Turned down the single bid received on lots from the sheriff's sale. Commissioners voted to turn down the \$2,101 bid because the amount did not cover taxes due.

- Approved usage of the county's mini van by the senior citizens and the disabled.

- Postponed action on the 2004-2005 health insurance rates for employees.
- Approved changes to the employee health insurance policy.

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On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

Receive holy spirit ... John 20:22

After God raised Jesus from the dead, He sent him back to his disciples. When he arrived they were assembled in a secret room for fear of the Jewish leaders. Without opening the door, he came and stood in the midst of their assembly with peace and gladness. He showed them his hands and side. And according to John 20:21-22 he said, "Peace be unto you. As my Father has sent me, even so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and said unto them, "Receive the Holy Ghost."

According to John 20:21-22, Jesus prepared his disciples for the day they would be sent out as witnesses and servants. There are many records of how he prepared his disciples for the ministry. But in John 20:22 he gave them instructions on how to get the spiritual authority in the first place. Anybody who reads verse 22 from the King James Bible can easily conclude that Jesus breathed holy spirit on his disciples. As they read on, they are shocked to discover that in Acts 2:4 the same disciples were filled with holy spirit. Please keep in mind that God's word never contradicts itself. Any apparent contradiction is due to error in interpretation or in translation. In the present case, the contradiction is related to the use of the word "on." The earlier known Greek texts used the word "en," which carried the same sense as the current English word "in." With this, we can see that Jesus breathed in and said, "Receive the Holy Ghost." Why did he do this?

A study of the word "receive" will help to understand why Jesus breathed in. The word

"receive" was translated from the earlier known Greek word "lambano," which basically meant to lay-hold of, seize unto or receive something. Based on its usage throughout the New Testament, it carried with it a sense of permanent ownership. The word "lambano" is also found in Acts 1:8, "But you shall receive [lambano] power." Go to Acts 2:33, "Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received [lambano] of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he has shed forth this, which you now see and hear." Jesus Christ laid-hold of the promise of holy spirit from his Father. That which he received from his Father could be seen and heard by everybody on the day of Pentecost. When we track back to Acts 2:6-11, we see that they saw and heard in their own languages the first apostles speak the wonderful works of God. They saw and heard them speak in tongues.

Now we can see clearly that according to Acts 2:33, when the first twelve apostles began to speak in tongues, they received or laid-hold of the promise of holy spirit. With this in mind, we can more perfectly understand the scripture in John 20:22. Jesus showed them what was to happen in the future. As recorded in Acts 2:1-4 that time came. Once holy spirit was poured out according to Acts 2:2, the disciples would have been filled with holy spirit after their next in-take of air. Next, they would have received or laid-hold of holy spirit when they began to speak with other languages as "the Spirit" gave the words.

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Ron Paul's Texas Straight Talk

A Weekly Column

Editor's Note: This column was written in October 2002, a valid argument today as it was almost two years ago, considering current opposition to the undeclared war in Iraq.

Two weeks ago, during a hearing in the House International Relations committee, I attempted to force the committee to follow the Constitution and vote to declare war with Iraq. The language of Article I, section 8, is quite clear: only Congress has the authority to declare war. Yet Congress in general, and the committee in particular, have done everything possible to avoid making such a declaration. Why? Because members lack the political courage to call an invasion of Iraq what it really is - a war - and vote yes or no on the wisdom of such a war. Congress would rather give up its most important authorized power to the President and the UN than risk losing an election later if the war goes badly. There is always congressional "support" for a popular war, but the politicians want room to maneuver if the public later changes its mind. So members take half steps, supporting confusingly worded "authorizations" that they can back away from easily if necessary.

It's astonishing that the authorization passed by the committee mentions the United Nations 25 times, yet does not mention the Constitution once. Congress has allowed itself to be bypassed completely, even though much is made of the President's willingness to consult some legislative leaders about the war. The real negotiations took place between the Bush administration and the UN, replacing debate in the people's house. By transferring its authority to declare war to the President and ultimately the UN, Congress not only violates the Constitution, but also disenfranchises the American people.

Why Congress will not declare war

Already the administration has sought to gain favor with the UN by pledging hundreds of millions of tax dollars to UNESCO. UNESCO is the anti-American "educational" arm of the UN, an organization from which President Reagan heroically removed us in 1984. Now we find ourselves rejoining the agency to soften UN resistance to our plans in Iraq.

I don't believe in resolutions that cite the UN as authority for our military actions. America has a sovereign right to defend itself, and we don't need UN permission or approval to act in the interests of American national security. The decision to go to war should be made by the U.S. Congress alone. If Congress believes war is justified, it should give the President full warmaking authority, rather than binding him with resolutions designed to please our UN detractors.

Sadly, the leadership of both parties on the International Relations committee fails to understand the Constitution. One Republican member stated that the constitutional requirement that Congress declare war is an anachronism and should no longer be followed, while a Democratic member said that a declaration of war would be "frivolous." I don't think most Americans believe our Constitution is outdated or frivolous, and they expect Congress to follow it.

When Congress issued clear declarations of war against Japan and Germany during World War II, the nation was committed and victory was achieved. When Congress shirks its duty and avoids declaring war, as with Korea, and Vietnam, the nation is less committed and victory is elusive. No lives should be lost in Iraq unless Congress expresses the clear will of the American people and votes yes or no on a declaration of war.

America is indeed becoming two nations

by Gary Palmer

Over the last few weeks I have come to realize that Democratic Vice Presidential nominee John Edwards is at least partially correct when he says there are two Americas. Unfortunately, his portrayal of the two Americas is nothing more than a recycling of the liberal political tactic of promoting class distinction and envy attempting to pit us against each other. But a more serious analysis of the social, cultural and political forces presently vying for their place in our nation would show that there are, indeed, two Americas. One America is still trying to hold on to Christian values and apply them not only in their personal and family lives but also in how they engage as citizens and as community members. The other America is a secular America that is growing more openly and stridently anti-Christian day-by-day. This America is being taken over by secular extremists that now openly display their loathing of traditional values and of "fundamentalist" Christians with no concern that they will suffer any consequences for their words or actions.

For example, in a recent interview with the San Diego Union-Tribune, singer Linda Ronstadt said, "It's a real conflict for me when I go to a concert and find out somebody in the audience is a Republican or fundamental Christian. It can cloud my enjoyment," she said.

Perhaps if the attacks were only coming from entertainers like Ronstadt such meanness and rudeness could be dismissed. But these positions are not just arising from entertainers and their industry; they are being echoed and argued by respected and successful members of American political and social life.

In a column he wrote for American Prospect entitled "Bush's God," Robert Reich, the former Secretary of Labor in the Clinton Administration, denounced religious zealots that give greater allegiance to God than they do to the government and labeled them as a greater threat than terrorism.

Reich said, "The great conflict of the 21st century will not be between the West and terrorism. Terrorism is a tactic, not a belief. The true battle will be between modern civilization and anti-modernists; between those who believe in the primacy of the individual and those who believe that human beings owe their allegiance and identity to a higher authority; between those that give priority to life in this world and those who believe that human life is mere preparation for an existence beyond life; between those who believe in science, reason, and logic and those who believe truth is revealed through Scripture and religious dogma. Terrorism will disrupt and destroy lives. But terrorism itself is not the greatest danger we face."

Reich is not alone in this belief. On March 6th of this year, Morris Dees, co-founder of the Southern Poverty Law Center in Montgomery, Alabama, told an audience that the so-called "Religious Right" is more dangerous than Neo-Nazis and Muslim extremists.

In other words, to the Dees and Reichs of this land, if your allegiance is first and foremost to Almighty God and not to the almighty state, you are more dangerous than a terrorist. Reich takes great offense when right-wing fundamentalists criticize him and other secularists as being moral relativists. In so doing, he said, "they confuse politics with private morality." Reich continued, "For religious zealots, there is no distinction between the two realms. And that is precisely the problem."

As secularists like Reich see it, when Christians, as American citizens, speak out against abortion or homosexual marriage or presidents having sex with interns, such expressions represent a greater threat to the well being of the nation than terrorism.

Reich called on his fellow Democrats to "mount a firm and clear counter-assault" against the Religious Right during this election and hold them, he says, "accountable for what they are trying to do in our nation's schools - promoting the teaching of creationism, demanding school prayer, pushing "abstinence until marriage" programs, and opposing sex education." "This," according to Reich, "is all about imposing their religious views on our children."

Frankly, most Christians have thought it was the other way around: that our children's Christian values have long been under assault by the secular public schools. In fact, the secular left has for years been engaged in ideological warfare against Christian values that is systematically purging our nation of the very basis of our democracy - the belief that our rights are from God and not conferred to us by a benevolent, secular government. And the federal courts have been their weapons of mass destruction.

Right now there are still two Americas, but if secular extremists such as Robert Reich, Morris Dees, Linda Ronstadt and their ilk have their way, someday there will only be one nation under their god of politically correct secularism.

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Pentagon learns about the Sixth Amendment

by Jacob G. Hornberger

The Pentagon is learning that things work differently here in the United States than they do in Iraq. In this country, when the judiciary issues an order, the Pentagon is required to obey it. That's why the government is now permitting Ali Saleh al-Marri to meet with his attorney as part of his habeas corpus proceeding in federal district court in South Carolina.

Al-Marri is one of three "enemy combatants" in the "war on terrorism" whom the Pentagon is holding in its military brig in South Carolina. The other two are Yaser Hamdi and Jose Padilla, whose cases were recently adjudicated in the U.S. Supreme Court. The Pentagon has prohibited al-Marri from consulting with his attorney, much as it did with Hamdi and Padilla and, for that matter, as it is doing with Saddam Hussein in the criminal proceedings that have recently been initiated against him by the U.S.-installed "temporary" regime in Iraq.

Al-Marri was initially indicted in federal district court, where the Justice Department was prosecuting him for terrorism. Shortly before the trial was to begin, the Justice Department secured a dismissal of the indictment and turned him over to the custody of the Pentagon for indefinite detention as an "enemy combatant" in the "war on terrorism."

If the federal prosecution of al-Marri had proceeded, he would have been entitled to all the rights and guarantees recognized in the Constitution and Bill of Rights, including being informed of the charges against him, compulsory process of witnesses, cross-examination of adverse witnesses, assistance of counsel, and a jury trial. Since he would also have been presumed innocent under our system of law, the government would have had the burden of proving his guilt beyond a reasonable doubt. If the jury had acquitted him, as juries recently did with defendants in federal terrorism cases brought

in Detroit and Boise, he would have walked away from the federal courtroom a free man.

By removing al-Marri from the jurisdiction of the federal court on the eve of his trial and placing him into military custody as an "enemy combatant," the Justice Department and the Pentagon, working together, effectively hijacked our criminal justice system and sabotaged our constitutional order. The joint scheme obviously constitutes a dangerous and ominous sham that enables the military to punish people against whom the civil authorities lack the evidence to convict of a crime. Don't forget that under its "enemy combatant" system, the Pentagon claims the omnipotent power to hold terrorist suspects, both Americans and foreigners, indefinitely and impose punishments on them without any judicial review and without having to comply with the due-process-of-law protections provided in the Constitution and Bill of Rights.

The Pentagon also claims the power to deny its detainees, both foreign and American, the right to meet and consult with their attorneys. Fortunately, however, the Supreme Court put the quietus on that position in the Hamdi case, at least insofar as detainees here in the United States are concerned. The Court's language was clear and unequivocal:

[Hamdi] unquestionably has the right to access to counsel in connection with the proceedings on remand. No further consideration of this issue is necessary at this stage of the case.

Why did the Framers consider assistance of counsel sufficiently important to include it in the Bill of Rights? The Supreme Court explained in the 1938 case of Johnson v. Zerbst,

[The assistance of counsel] is one of the safeguards of the Sixth

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Wise move: leave soon

by Christopher Preble

Editor's Note: Christopher Preble is director of foreign policy studies at the Cato Institute and a member of the Coalition for a Realistic Foreign Policy. There are three primary reasons for ending the U.S. military occupation of Iraq.

First, our military presence weakens liberal democratic forces in Iraq. It may be unfair to characterize the new government in Iraq as a U.S. puppet, but such sentiments are widespread. It will be more difficult to prove the government's legitimacy if it is seen as dependent upon U.S. forces for its survival.

Second, a military presence in Iraq is not needed to protect U.S. security interests, and such a presence is costly. The Bush administration hopes to conceal these costs — \$3 billion to \$4 billion a month — until after the November election. Meanwhile, we risk undermining the strength and credibility of our armed forces by spreading them too thin. These costs will be measured in faltering recruitment and retention rates. And then there is the incalculable cost of the dead and wounded.

Finally, the military occupation of Iraq is not merely unnecessary and costly. It is counterproductive in the fight against the terrorists who pose the greatest threat to us: al-Qaeda and its affiliated groups.

By withdrawing from Iraq, the United States would be broadcasting to the world, in particular Arab and Muslim populations, that America has no plans to seize control of Middle East oil or to suppress the peaceful aspirations of the region's population. Withdrawal would undermine the credibility of anti-American propaganda that characterizes the occupation as a vehicle for U.S. dominance in the region. In other words, the United States should leave Iraq precisely because it is what the Iraqis want and what the terrorists fear.

At the same time, the Bush administration must communicate to the people of Iraq: "We have withdrawn militarily from your country, but that does not mean that we will ignore what you do. Do not harbor al-Qaeda or other anti-American terrorist groups, or we will be back."

The message would be even simpler, and more chilling, for al-Qaeda and its ilk: "Now we are coming for you. Our ability to find and destroy you — wherever you may be — is enhanced by the elimination of our costly and burdensome occupation in Iraq."

An orderly exit by U.S. forces can be touted for what it is: a victory for the United States and Iraq, the logical conclusion to action that removed a brutal dictator.

Therefore, the Bush administration should commit to a formal plan for military withdrawal that would have all U.S. forces out of the country within one year of the handover of political sovereignty: July 1, 2005.

Military presence is too costly and fuels anti-U.S. propaganda. *This article originally appeared in USA Today, March 19, 2004.*

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"Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh His Name in vain." Exodus 20:7

Any way that you use God's Name, the Lord's Name, Jesus' Name, other than in a Holy manner, is taking His Name in vain.

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16

Acts 2:21 and Romans 10:13 indicate that, "whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." In the next verse, Romans 10:14 it says, "How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed?" Believing precedes calling upon The name of the Lord. Jesus Himself said in John 14:6 "I am the way, the truth, and the life: **no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.**" God reaffirms this truth in 1 Timothy 2:5 saying "For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus." When someone says "repeat this prayer after me to be saved" it is making people feel like they have to "do" something to be saved, other than **believing**. If someone is asked to say a prayer to be saved, the person who says the prayer is still on his way to hell, after repeating the prayer, if he hasn't believed in his heart. Nowhere in the Bible is it found that a person has to pray a prayer to be saved. God does not hear a prayer unless you go to God in the name of Jesus Christ, **The Only Mediator between God and man.** Jesus Christ is not your Mediator unless he is your Lord and Savior. So according to God, the steps are, first, you **believe in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior.** By **believing** as Acts 16:31 indicates, you are **saved!** Acts 16:30,31 is the only time in the Bible where the question is asked, "what must I **do** to be saved?" God answering through Paul said, **"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved."** By being saved, Jesus Christ is your Lord, Savior, and Mediator between God and yourself. Now you can pray to God, because you have the Mediator, Jesus Christ.

I believe that when a person "prays" to God, without being saved, his prayer goes no higher than the ceiling, and God probably says, "Who do you think you are, to think that you can come to Me, without coming to Me in the only possible way that I have set out in My Word? For you come to Me, through My Only Begotten Son, Jesus Christ, the One and Only Mediator between you and Me." You don't just pull Jesus Christ out of the air, and say today I want You to get me to God, be my go-between for God! It doesn't work that way. Jesus Christ is either your Lord and Savior, making Him your Mediator, or, if Jesus Christ is not your Lord and Savior, He is not your Mediator. I believe it is very important to stress that you are saved by **believing only.** John 3:16, probably the most quoted verse in the Bible, says that, "whosoever **believeth** in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Again, this passage clearly prescribes believing, not repeating a prayer. In John 3:4, Nicodemus asks Jesus, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?" He was asking this in regard to Jesus' statement in John 3:3, that a man needs to be born again. Jesus' answer in John 3:5 and following is "Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." Nowhere does Jesus say, pray to be saved, it is **always believe.**

Years ago, I heard Dr. Donald Grey Barnhouse say "I'm deeply offended when I hear a prayer that does not end with the idea that God must be approached only through the Name and the Being of the Lord Jesus Christ." Ephesians 1:13 says "In whom (Christ) ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye **believed**, ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise." Romans 10:9 tells us "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt **believe** in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." For with the heart man **believeth** (first) unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession (next) is made unto salvation." How many people have gone to hell or are going to hell by putting their trust in the ungodly "pray the sinners prayer" or "repeat this prayer after me", instead of **believing** John 3:36: "He that **believeth** on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him."

Luke 23:39-43 tells us "And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on him, saying, If thou be Christ, save thyself and us. ⁴⁰ But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation? ⁴¹ And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this man hath done nothing amiss. ⁴² And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom. ⁴³ And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, Today shalt thou be with me in paradise." In these verses in Luke, we see that a man was saved by believing only. The malefactor did not, and was not instructed by Jesus, to pray, to receive salvation. He said unto Jesus, "Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom." ⁴² And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, today shalt thou be with me in paradise. ⁴³ You don't fool Jesus, Jesus knew that this man **believed** in Him; that this man **believed** that this Jesus that he was talking with was the Lord, The Messiah, the Only Begotten Son of God, the Savior, and in believing, the man was saved. Now if you think that you have to pray first, repeat first, or **anything** first, before believing, why did Jesus tell him "today thou shalt be with Me in paradise?" OR if there is a need to do for anything to go along with **believing**, why didn't Jesus tell him what that was? Jesus doesn't make mistakes! God's Word is true. You don't (really you can't), add to or take away from God's Word, and it be true. Just leave His Word alone, and do what God said, **believe.** Psalm 119:89 "For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven." Revelations 22:18,19 "For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: ¹⁹ And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book." Take your Bible and check the references that we contained herein— nothing added to and nothing taken away; and when you hear "the plan of salvation" from anyone, get your Bible out and see if it is God speaking or "someone's" idea. I can't see "ten steps" to salvation, I can see only one step: **believe.** The malefactor on the cross had but one step, and he took it. You, I, we all have "one step," **believe.** Please take it, and believe in the Lord Jesus Christ for your salvation.

¹ All Scripture references are from The King James Version, (Cambridge: Cambridge) 1789.



Post Antelope linemen get encouragement as they drive quickly off the line. The Antelopes travel to Floydada for their first scrimmage on Saturday. The varsity season opens Friday, August 27 at Seminole. (Staff photo by Tim Burnett)

Notice of Effective Tax Rate (for use by counties)

50-211 (Rev. 6-01/8)

2004 Property Tax Rates in GARZA COUNTY & HEALTH CARE DIST

This notice concerns 2004 property tax rates for GARZA CO & DIST. 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	HEALTH CARE DISTRICT
Last year's tax rate:			
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 1,892,412	\$	\$ 430,529.49
Last year's debt taxes	\$ 0	\$	\$ 0
Last year's total taxes	\$ 1,892,412	\$	\$ 430,529.49
Last year's tax base	\$ 378,482,440	\$	\$ 374,993,030
Last year's total tax rate	\$.50 /\$100	\$ /\$100	\$.11481 /\$100
This year's effective tax rate:			
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 1,892,412	\$	\$ 430,529.49
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 408,348,660	\$	\$ 404,547,770
- This year's effective tax rate for each fund	\$.46343 /\$100	\$ /\$100	\$.10642 /\$100
Total effective tax rate	\$.46343 /\$100		.10642
x 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing	\$.47733 /\$100		.10961

In the first year a county 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, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$ 1,892,412	\$	\$ 430,529.49
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 408,348,660	\$	\$ 404,547,770
- This year's effective operating rate	\$.46343 /\$100	\$ /\$100	\$.10642 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$.50050 /\$100	\$ /\$100	\$.11493 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ 0 /\$100	\$ /\$100	\$ 0 /\$100
- This year's rollback rate for each fund	\$ /\$100	\$ /\$100	\$ /\$100
This year's total rollback rate	\$.50050 /\$100		.11493

50-179 (Rev. 6-04)

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If HEALTH CARE DISTRICT adopts a 2004 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$.10642 per \$100 of value, taxes would INCREASE compared to 2003 taxes by \$ 1771.01

50-179 (Rev. 6-04)

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If GARZA COUNTY adopts a 2004 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$.46343 per \$100 of value, taxes would INCREASE compared to 2003 taxes by \$ 4816.

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	\$451,353.46
R & B #1	46,716.15
R & B #2	36,316.83
R & B #3	21,421.49
R & B #4	14,185.06
HOSPITAL	151,934.66

'Lope practices look good, test skills Saturday at Floydada scrimmage

by Wes Burnett

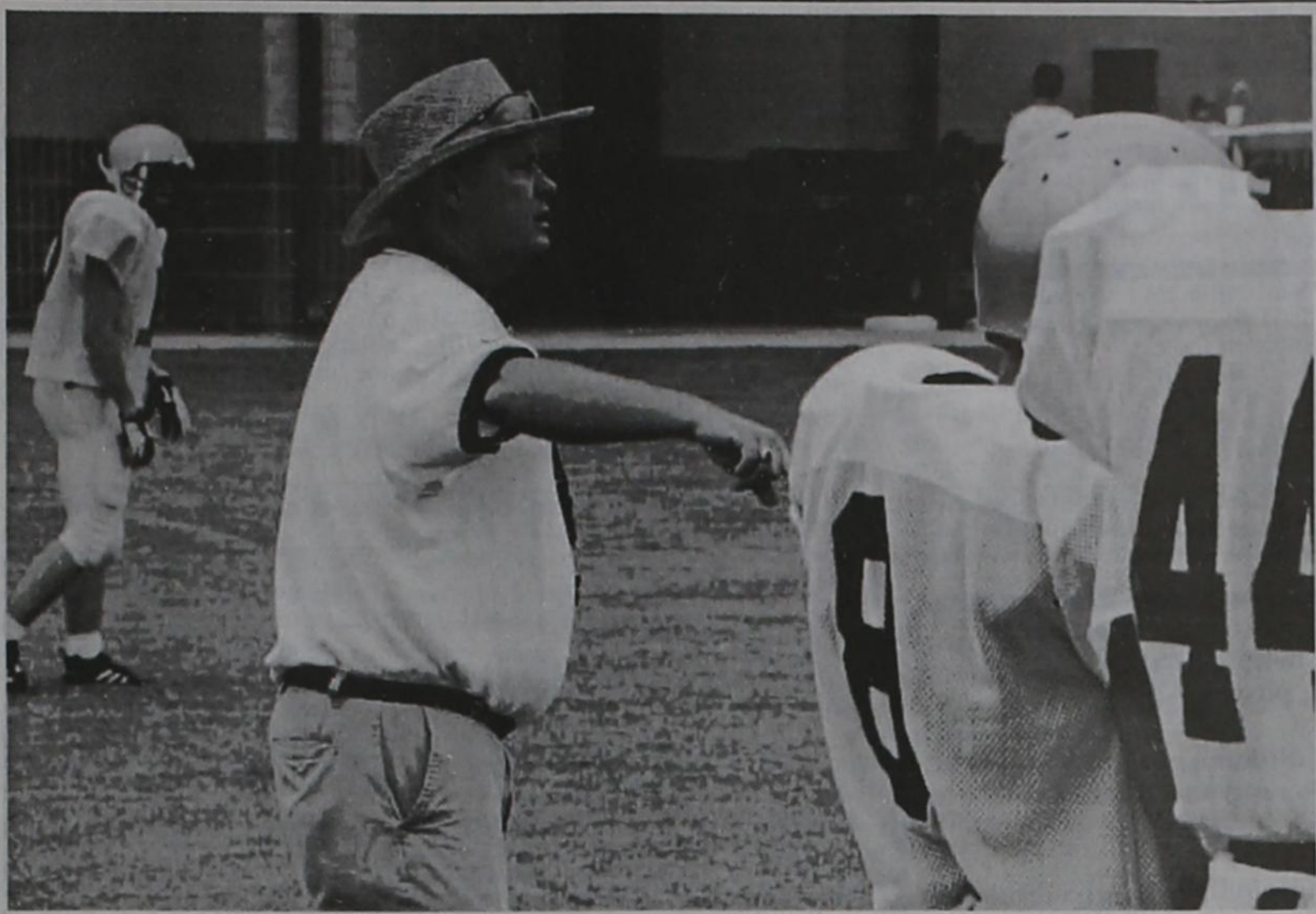
The Post Bold Gold Antelope football teams will travel to Floydada Saturday for the first scrimmage of the 2004 football season. Coach Tim James said that the freshman team will open its scrimmage at 10 a.m., followed by the junior varsity team at 10:45 a.m.

Varsity team members will test their skills beginning at 11:30 a.m. "We're pleased with the progress," coach James reports. "Players have come to practice in pretty good physical condition, and are improving with every practice."

The football teams will host Stanton for the second scrimmage next Saturday (August 19) in preparation for the season opener at Seminole on August 27.

Post City Radio will broadcast the games live on Cebridge Connections Channel 12 in Post and on the internet at www.postcityradio.com. Announcer Steve Mason will call the play-by-play action again this year.

DVD recorded video of the varsity games will be aired on Cebridge Connections Channel 12 on Saturdays and Sundays at 1, 5 and 10 p.m.



Head Coach Tim James directs the Varsity and JV football players through drills Monday as the Post Antelopes prepare for the Saturday's scrimmage at Floydada. (Staff photo by Tim Burnett).



The Post Antelope Varsity football team repeatedly ran through a number of different plays during practice Monday, getting ready for the 2004-05 season. Staff photo by Tim Burnett

La CARRERA y TECNOLOGÍA el AVISO de NONDISCRIMINATION

1. el poste la Escuela Distrito ofertas Carrera Independiente y la educación de Tecnología programa en La introducción a la Ciencia Agrícola Mundial y Tecnología, Ciencia Agrícola Aplicada y Tecnología, Introducción a las Mecánicas Agrícolas, Mantenimiento de la Casa y Mejora, Desarrollo de Habilidad Personal, Tecnología de las Estructuras Agrícola, Tecnología de Fabricación de Metal Agrícola, Plan del Paisaje, Construcción y Mantenimiento, las Mecánicas Agrícolas, Desarrollo Personal y Familiar, la Preparación para Parenting, Desarrollo del Niño, Nutrición y Ciencia de Comida, Ciencia de Comida y Tecnología, Anatomía y Fisiología de Sistemas Humanos, la Contabilidad y, los Sistemas de Información de Computadora Comerciales yo e II, Introducción al Negocio, Recordkeeping así como Cosmetology. Hay ningún requisito a ser admitido en estos programas.
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Zippy little plays delight audiences at Garza Theatre

by Wes Burnett

Three delicious and delightful plays are showing for the last two performances Friday and Saturday at the Garza Theatre in Post... and if you miss them, you've just cost yourself a bundle.

In its offering of "A Night of One Act Plays," the Garza Theatre has assembled top notch talent in three plays: "Who Murdered Who," "Goodbye to the Clown" and "Why I am a Bachelor."

Comedy, suspense and a little bit of romance ... plus some of the best overall stage performances we've seen this year ... that's what's in store for you this weekend at the Garza Theatre.

The "one-acts" open with "Who Murdered Who," a comedic "who done it" starring Marcie Johnson, Michelle Tucker, Jeff Conner, Valerie Conner, Michael Blackburn, Stan Tucker, Britney Blackburn and Roy Willis. It's definitely a hoot, as the cast lays out the twisted plot. Direction is by Michael "Mikey" Gonzales and Stan Tucker.

Then a wonderful drama unfolds with "Goodbye to the Clown," with a brilliant cast led by Madison Weaver, her father Justin Weaver, her mother Jennifer Weaver with support by David Johnson, Stacie Polozola and Charlie Holt. Lori Holt directs this beautifully portrayed story about a child working through the death of her father.

Capping off the evening is a hilarious (if not all too true) romance comedy featuring a very polished cast of Mark Martin, Kelsey Wimmer, Matthew Gallagher, Debbie Garland, Lori Holt and Taylor Garland. Directed by Chris Davis, this is a must see for all those considering marriage as well as those of us who have managed to work through the trials and tribulations of adjusting to the blissful status of "married couple." It's simply too much to explain in words ... you just gotta call for reservations and see if yourself. Performances begin at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday ... call the box office at 495-4005.

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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.

3. It is the policy of Post ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, handicap, or age in its employment practices as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

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.

FREE or REDUCED PRICED MEALS FOR POST ISD STUDENTS

Post Independent School District announces its policy for providing free and reduced price meals for children served under the National School Lunch Program. Each school and/or the central administration office has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party.

The household size and income criteria identified below will be used to determine eligibility for free and reduced price benefits. Children from households whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free or reduced price meals. Foster children that are the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court are also eligible for benefits regardless of the income of the household with whom they reside. Eligibility for the foster child is based on the child's income.

INCOME STANDARDS FOR DETERMINING NUTRITION PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

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Household size	Federal Income Chart for School Year 2004-03				
	Annual	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	17,224	1,436	718	663	332
2	23,080	1,923	961	891	445
3	28,990	2,416	1,208	1,115	558
4	34,900	2,907	1,453	1,372	686
5	40,756	3,397	1,699	1,568	784
6	46,612	3,887	1,944	1,764	882
7	52,522	4,377	2,189	2,021	1,011
8	58,432	4,867	2,434	2,217	1,110
For each add'l member add	5,883	491	246	227	114

Children from families whose incomes are at or below the levels shown above, or who receive Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or food stamp benefits, are eligible for free or reduced-price meals.

Lienan los requisitos para comidas gratis o a precio reducido los niños de familias que reciben Asistencia Temporal a Familias Necesitadas (TANF) o beneficios de estampillas para comida y los niños de familias con ingresos que no sobrepasen la cifra indicada arriba.

Adult Day Care participants whose household incomes are at or below the levels shown above, or who receive Medicaid, Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or food stamp benefits, are eligible for free or reduced-price meals.

Lienan los requisitos para comidas gratis o a precio reducido los clientes en cuidado de adultos de familias con ingresos que no sobrepasen la cifra indicada arriba o que reciban Medicaid, Seguridad de Ingreso Suplementario (SSI) o beneficios de estampillas para comida.

Application forms are being distributed to households with a letter informing households of the availability of free and reduced price meals for their children. Applications also are available at the principal's office in each school. To apply for free and reduced price meals, households must fill out the application and return it to the school. Applications may be submitted anytime during the school year.

For school officials to determine eligibility for free and reduced price benefits, households receiving food stamps or TANF only have to list their child's name, food stamp or TANF case number and an adult household member must sign the application. Households who do not list a food stamp or TANF case number must list the names of all household members, the amount and source of the income received by each household member who signs the application. If neither household member has a social security number, the household member must indicate that a social security number is not available. The application must be signed by an adult household member.

Under the provisions of the free and reduced price meal policy, principals will review applications and determine eligibility. Parents or guardians dissatisfied with the ruling of the official may wish to make a formal appeal for a hearing on the decision and may make a request either orally or in writing to the principal.

Households that list a food stamp or TANF case number must report when the household no longer receives these benefits. Other households approved for benefits based on income information must report increases in household income of over \$50 per month or \$600 per year and decreases in household size. Also, if a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases, the household should contact the school. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for benefits if the household income falls at or below the levels shown above.

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We would like to express our thanks and appreciation to the people of the community of Post for all their thoughtfulness and kindness shown to our brother & uncle, sister-in-law & aunt, our nephew and cousin and our Mother and grandmother during the tragic death of our beloved nephew and cousin, Scott Metzgar. The outpouring of love and kindness were overwhelming. God Bless you all.
Carolyn & Kenneth McClanahan
Johnny & Vivian Metzgar
Jaylee & Paul Hightower & family
Kathy & Larry Snelson & family
Glen & Nicole McClanahan
Clint & Cynthia Metzgar
Corey Metzgar

I, Dory Collazo, would like to thank everyone who came by or called when my son, Jaylon Collazo and my fiance, David Perez were involved in an accident on July 13, 2004. Thank you for keeping them in your prayers. Thank you Adrian Collazo for everything you did for them after the accident. Thank you Dad (Doroteo Collazo Jr.) for all the help. I would also like to thank Wanda Mitchell, Kim Mills, and Mary Perez for the food (it was great!) and for all the understanding.
Thanks alot,
Dory Collazo
David Perez
Jaylon Collazo

Thanks so much to all of our friends for the cards, the calls, the visits, and the wonderful food you brought

Cornerstone Programs at Garza County Regional Juvenile Center is currently seeking qualified applicants to fill the following positions:

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Leana Lopez - TV, Refrig., Stove, Telescope, Misc. Items
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during my recent surgery and recovery. We deeply appreciate all of your care and concern.
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Living on the Edge of the Caprock

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10 Years Ago August 10, 1994

The Post Varsity Cheerleading squad brought home several honors from the Wayland University National Cheerleading Association Camp in Plainview. Post's varsity cheerleaders attending the camp were Amber Cooper, Jill Stelzer, Melissa Williams, Sonya Harp, Tonya Harp and Dee Je' Estep.

The rodeo parade will form at 5 p.m. on Thursday, August 11 on West Main. Parade Marshal Bill Hedrick will lead the way through downtown Post. Bill was only a young girl when the first Stampede Rodeo was organized. However, she has managed to keep a copy of every Post rodeo program through the years since 1941. She was born Bill Kennedy and taught to ride at an early age by her father L. P. Kennedy, Jr.

Post native Dale Redman, owner and president of Reef Chemical Co., Inc. in Snyder, has been elected to the Texas Business Hall of Fame Foundation Board of Directors.

Kayla Donice Peel and Lyle M. "Skip" Slack II were married in a candlelight wedding service Saturday, July 30 in the First United Methodist Church in Bryan. Parents of the bride couple are Mrs. Janet Fowler of Lubbock; Lonnie Gene Peel of Post and Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Slack of Abilene.

Aaron Davis left his duty station along with three other seaman to assist in battling the raging fires that have destroyed thousands of acres of grass and trees in several states. Davis and his shipmates left for Leavenworth Washington this week after volunteering for the assignment. Davis, a 1992 Post graduate is the son of Leslie and Linda Davis of Post.

20 Years Ago August 15, 1984

The Garza County 4-H float was the first place winner in the float division of the rodeo parade, and the Band Boosters taken the second place honors.

Keitha White wins first place in daytime tailored wear at the District 4-H Fashion Show. She will compete at the state meet in San Angelo.

A group of senior citizens had their own space set up for the rodeo parade on Thursday. Sitting front row on Justice-Mason's lawn were Dorothy Carter, Ollie Cooper, Artie Young, Freda Harmon, Pauline Kikpatrick, Laura Mae Vaughn, Irene Wheeler, Tommie Thomas, Juanita Vasquez, Jessie Roberts and Lee Pitman.

Mrs. Frank Casey who resides on West Main grew a giant honey dew melon in her back yard garden. Tipping the scale at 10 pounds, this is her largest melon yet.

Wedding vows were exchanged between Metta Lynn Amos and Phil Tyler Saturday, August 4 in the Second Baptist Church of Lamesa.

Mrs. M. J. (Linda) Malouf will be honored with a farewell reception Sunday in the First National Bank Community Room.

30 Years Ago August 8, 1974

Fred Myers, received his saddle Saturday night after winning the Garza Ropers' contest on four head of stock at the Post Stampede Rodeo. Robbie King, the second place roper was presented a belt buckle.

Bobby Gordon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Gordon of Post, will be ordained Sunday, August 18 in the Lee Street

Baptist Church in Dimmitt, where he will serve as pastor. Bobby is a 1956 graduate of Post High School and served as assistant postmaster here for several years.

Junior Gray, horse trainer who is a former Post resident, returned to the United States in late July from a 21-day visit to Australia where he judged the largest quarter horse who ever held on that continent.

Sixteen lettermen who will head the big Post Antelope squad this year include Joe Moore, Tim Owen, Sammy Gutierrez, Grayling Johnson, Randy Babb, Mark Terry, Randy Josey, Tony Conner, Roger Taylor, Chris Wyatt, Garland Dudley, George Hester Jr., Dale Odom, Mike Shepherd, Edward Price and Bryan Davis.

40 Years Ago August 13, 1964

Dr. Margaret Russell, Post's first "lady doctor", began her medical practice here at 605 West 7th street, behind the Garza Memorial Hospital. She is associated with Dr. James G. Casey of Casey-Russell Clinic.

Daniel Wayne (Danny) Odom has been selected as the first recipient of the Maggie Mae Griffin Jones teacher scholarship of \$250. Odom was chosen for the scholarship by a committee composed of Mrs. Jones, Asst. Supt. William F. Shiver and Supt. Barry B. Thompson.

Miss Linda McMahon and Ken Rankin exchanged wedding vows Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Quanah Maxey, Route 3 of Post.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Simpson, who moved to Garza County in 1924, were honored Sunday with a reception on their Golden Wedding anniversary in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Simpson.

Friends and relatives are cordially invited to attend the wedding of Miss Donna Smith, daughter of Mrs. Bernice Smith, and the late Garth Smith, to J. W. Basinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Basinger. The wedding will take place at the Calvary Baptist Church August 18, at 7 o'clock in the evening.

50 Years Ago August 10, 1944

The following boys have been selected to attend the District 4-H Club Encampment at Ceta Glen from Garza county: Alvin Davis, Joe Stokes, D. G. Potterfield, Harley Martin, Max Chaffin, Carter Gene White, Frank Thomas and Emery Stevens.

These boys were selected upon the basis of their club work during 1943.

Rev. Austin Moore, pastor of the Post Church of the Nazarene is announcing a revival to begin at that church on August 15. Rev. J. L. Woolman, Ponca City, Oklahoma, will do the preaching. There will be good singing, everyone is invited.

Symptoms are plentiful that the

South Plains grower of grain sorghums will have a whopping headache this fall. Facilities for moving his grain are expected to be even shorter than last year. There won't be enough tires for trucks and railway cars for such hauling will be scarce. An ODT representative told the gathering that one railroad which usually has 1,500 cars on sidings this time of year for moving the grain crop now has less than 200 available.

Cpl. and Mrs. John L. Sutton are announcing the arrival of a 7 1/2 pound baby girl, Donna Kay, on August 3 in a hospital at Big Spring. Mrs. Sutton will be remembered by her friends here as June Bowen. Cpl. Sutton is stationed at Fort Bliss.

60 Years Ago August 12, 1954

"There is only one Democratic candidate in this runoff campaign for governor," Judge Ralph W. Yarborough told a large crowd here during a "whirlwind" visit to Post, where he appeared in the parade opening at the seventh annual Southwestern Championship Junior Rodeo. He was introduced by County Attorney Pat N. Walker.

Voting began Tuesday in the Junior Rodeo queen contest with six candidates in the running. Competing for the title are Sherry Taylor, Hazel Lancaster, Jeanette Storie, Minnie Lee Mathis, Janie Gossett and Jeannie Redman.

A son, Joel Dane, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Warren in Garza Memorial Hospital on August 6. He weighed six pounds and three and one-half ounces.

Two Post men are now taking basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, after enlisting in the U. S. Air Force. The Post enlistees are Robert L. Hays and Donald L. Moore.

Up and Down Main Street: Bob Poole, who is Paul Jones' right hand man at Piggly Wiggly, gave us a new

Robinson family visits Post

The family of E.J. Robinson were visitors in Post over the Fourth of July weekend.

Lt. Col. E.J. Robinson, a native of Post, was a pilot in the Marine Air Corps for 23 years and fought in World War II and the Korean War. He died in November 2001 and was buried in Terrace Cemetery with both a Masonic and Marine Corps funeral, including a 21-gun salute and playing of "Taps."

Visitors included Maxine Mullican Robinson of Dallas, his wife since 1947 and a teacher at Post High School from 1939 to 1942; their three children, Jennie Clemett of Coppell, Vonne Battistini of Sedona, Ariz., and Eugene J. Robinson of Dallas; and grandchildren Alanna Clemett of New York City, Ashley Clemett of Coppell and Tianna Battistini of Sedona.

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August 16- Breakfast-Donut, sausage, fruit, milk
Lunch-Corn dog, french fries, mixed vegetables, cobbler, milk

August 17- Breakfast-Breakfast pizza, fruit, milk
Lunch-Pizza, salad, corn, peaches, milk

August 18- Breakfast-Oatmeal, toast, bacon, fruit, milk
Lunch-Chicken fried steak, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, gravy, jello, milk

August 19- Breakfast-Cowboy bread, sausage link, fruit, milk
Lunch-Burrito, salad, pears, snicker bar, milk

August 20 - Breakfast-Cereal, toast, fruit, juice, milk
Lunch-Manwich, onion rings, salad, pears, milk

Southland ISD

August 16 - Breakfast-Cheese toast, sausage, fruit cup, juice, milk
Lunch-Corn dogs, oven fries, green salad, baked beans, mixed fruit, milk

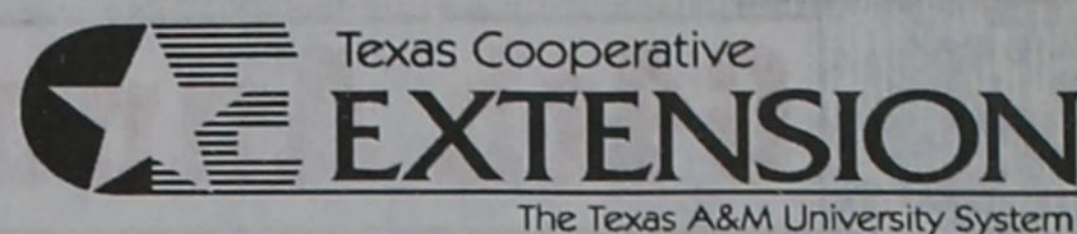
August 17- Breakfast-Scrambled eggs, toast, sausage, juice, milk
Lunch-Flour tacos, lettuce, tomatoes, cheese, rice, pinto beans, fruit cup, milk

August 18 - Breakfast-French toast, applesauce, sausage, juice, milk
Lunch-Spaghetti, tossed salad, garlic bread, corn, apples, milk

August 19 - Breakfast-Cereal, toast, mixed fruit, juice, milk
Lunch-Pizza, green beans, salad, cookies, orange, milk

August 20-Breakfast-Bisquit w/gravy, sausage, fruit, juice, milk
Lunch-Cheese burgers, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, chips, chocolate pudding, milk

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All 4-H families are asked to help at the concession stand at least 1 hour. Please call Nita Jo Heckaman to sign up for a shift. Thanks!

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- 8 this Houstonian was among 1st black legislators in TX
- 17 "one" south of the border
- 18 "24 slogan: "Me for ___"
- 21 TX Joan Crawford: Lucille ___Sueur
- 22 military service of TX Chester Nimitz
- 23 endangered TX fish: "Fountain ___"
- 24 TXism: "tame ___ dog"
- 29 this Geraldine starred in TX Horton Foote's "Trip to Bountiful"
- 30 TXism: "sidekicks"
- 31 Dallas has a ___ hospital
- 32 body of water on TX-LA boundary
- 34 "sweet taters"
- 35 TX rock 'n roller: "The ___ Bopper"
- 36 TXism: "it's a ___ cinch"
- 37 TX McMurry novel: "Dead ___ Walk"
- 38 Plainview is seat of this county

- 39 TXism: "___ a hot horseshoe"
- 41 TX Jim Reeves hit: "Welcome to My ___"
- 42 Grand ___ Opry
- 43 train tracks
- 44 Lake El Sal ___
- 45 U.S. pres. at '36 TX Centennial (init.)
- 46 TXism: "tear jerker"
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11 8-time bull riding champ, TX Donnie health provider at TX hospitals (abbr.)

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13 liquid containers

14 TXism: "still wet behind the ___"

15 TXism: "___ a spell"

16 this Brand was Reese on "Laredo"

17 Branch Davidian event near Waco

18 TXism: "___ plucked chicken"

19 TX Roy Orbison's "Pretty ___"

20 window glass

21 TXism: "he couldn't lick his upper ___"

22 TXism: "runs off at the mouth"

23 TX actor Corbin "false alarm" (2 wds.)

24 rasslin' grips

25 TXism: "more of them than ___ in Texas"

26 "We ___ Soldiers"

27 sub command

28 So. TX Indian tribe

29 Ranger Frank who got Bonnie & Clyde

DOWN

- 1 TX Ginger Rogers married him at 17
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