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Program would provide help during times of crisis

by John Cordsen

Imagine if you will, a group of teenagers, far from home on a school trip when they are involved in an accident that claims the life of one of their classmates and friends. The scene then shifts to a small hospital with a limited staff. Medical personnel are working feverishly to treat the accident victims while a number of the walking wounded wander the halls trying to cope with what has happened. They desperately need someone to talk to, someone to lend a shoulder to cry on, but the doctors and nurses and other emergency personnel have their hands full treating the physical wounds of the survivors forcing these teens to deal with their hurt alone.

While this may sound a bit far-fetched for Post, this scenario played out here last April 29 following an accident involving a school van from Amarillo that rolled near Justiceburg killing a 15 year female passenger.

"The doctors and nurses had their hands full treating the injuries," said Garza County Sheriff's lieutenant J.W. Jolly. "We had a number of young people there who also had emotional needs, but because there weren't enough hands to go around many, had to deal with these by themselves until family or friends could make it down from Amarillo."

Dealing with such emergencies, having a number of volunteers equipped to step in to the void and offer emotional support for short periods of time during a time of crisis, is just one of the goals Jolly and the sheriff's department hope to begin at a special December 30 meeting at the SPS Reddy Room.

Persons interested in volunteering for a local crisis intervention program are invited to attend the special information meeting December 30 at 7 p.m. in the Reddy Room. Local crisis intervention would work with such groups as the Women's Protective Services and local law enforcement agencies to assist them when needed. This first meeting is just an information gathering and distribution opportunity for the Garza County Sheriff's department in its efforts on organizing the local group. If interest is great enough, volunteers would have the opportunity to attend a number of special training classes on crisis intervention techniques.

Members of the Ladies Auxiliary (VFW) are some of the individuals who have expressed interest in a crisis intervention program for Post.

Providing emotional support for accident victims is just one of the services that a crisis intervention team would provide. Depending on the need, some volunteers would be part of a rape crisis intervention program. These volunteers would have extensive training programs available to help them acquire the tools needed to provide support for rape victims. They would work with the Women's Protective Services out of Lubbock, providing local support for victims until a professional from the Women's Protective Services could make the trip down from Lubbock.

The success of the program hinges on the interest shown by Post and Garza County residents. Organizers say the qualifications are simple and the rewards are great.

"We just need some passionate people here to listen," said Jolly.



Dispatch Photo by John Cordsen

Christmas Eve fire damages business

A quick response by the Post volunteer fire department kept a Christmas Eve fire at H&M Construction here in Post from completely destroying the company's headquarters on the Clairmont Highway. As it was though, the mid-morning fire gutted the front office and reception area and caused extensive smoke and heat damage in other parts of the building. H&M owner Jack Hair examines some of the damage in the reception area of the business. According to Hair, the fire started sometime around 10:30 a.m. December 24.

Filing deadline Monday

Persons wishing to file for political office have until Monday, January 3, 1994 to do so. A number of local races will be on the March 8 primary election including County Judge, commissioners from precincts two and four, County Treasurer, both Justice of the Peace seats, County and District Clerk and County Attorney. Persons interested can file by contacting either Lewis Earl, County Democratic chair or Marie Neff, Republican chair.

Norwest Bank group announces initiative for West Texas lending institutions

Norwest Corporation and First United Bank Group recently announced a \$300 million five-year Texas Community Lending Initiative, including \$20 million in mortgages to low and moderate income residents, for Texas markets Norwest will enter when it completes its acquisition of First United.

Upon completion of the acquisition,

a number of Texas banks, with a total of \$2 billion in assets and 19 locations, will become a part of Norwest and begin the lending initiative. First National Bank of Post is among the First United Banks that will become part of the Norwest family once the acquisition is completed.

"We're announcing this commitment even before the acquisition is

completed to demonstrate our intention to meet the full range of financial needs of the communities we will serve," said Ken Murray, Norwest executive vice president. "We believe it's simply good business to aggressively seek out the needs of our communities, working closely with the community organizations and local governments."

The Texas Attorney General's office recently endorsed the combination of Norwest and First United, after originally questioning First National Bank of West Texas' commitment to fair lending. Murray said the attorney general's office originally was evaluating inaccurate data concerning the bank. The Federal Reserve Board has approved the merger of Norwest and First United. A close in early 1994 is anticipated.

"Norwest will build on First United's community commitments, particularly with the addition of the Norwest Community Home Ownership Program," said Tom Nichols, Chairman of First National Bank, Post. "Norwest also will continue and add to the support First United has given small businesses and agriculture, which drive our economy."

Based on preliminary evaluation of the 10 west and central Texas communities, Norwest is pledging to:

- Lend \$75 million in home

mortgages, including \$20 million to low to moderate income households;

- Implement a Norwest Community Home Ownership Program, which includes several features to help low to moderate income residents become home buyers. For example, the program has lower down payment requirements, allows higher debt-to-income ratios, offers relaxed credit standards and waives the requirement for private mortgage insurance. It also provides education to prospective home buyers on the mortgage process and home ownership.

- Lend \$175 million in small business loans, farm and ranch loans;

- Commit \$50 million to a federally insured student loan program;

- Provide a low-cost, non-interest bearing checking account to provide bank access to low and moderate income households;

- Conduct feasibility studies for branches and ATMs in neighborhoods with high concentrations of low income

- and minority households;
- Conduct on-going needs assessment sessions with local organizations;
- Establish a Community Advisory Board, comprised of a diverse cross-section of local residents and business owners;

- Provide grants to qualified non-profit organizations through the Norwest Foundation;

- Implement community education programs teaching personal money management at the elementary, middle school and high school level and for adults.

Norwest also will introduce practices that have helped Norwest banks in other markets better serve their customers, Murray said.

To reflect the diversity of communities served, Norwest actively recruits people of color for employment and for service on boards of directors and advisory boards. Efforts also are

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LOCAL participants in the Bethel Studio Christmas program include: bottom row; (l-r) Jerica Tyler and Matthew Leininger. Top row; Bryony Martin, Maggie Flanigan, Sondra Leininger and Abby Flanigan.

Area youth participate in Christmas program

A number of Post youths participated in the Bethel Studio of Music "A Candyland Christmas" presentation December 16 at the First Baptist Church Chapel in Snyder. Those from Post included Jerica Tyler, Matthew Leininger, Bryony Martin, Maggie Flanigan, Sondra Leininger and Abby Flanigan.

The First Baptist Chapel was transformed into a candyland delight for children. The Christmas Stars and Yuletide Singers sang Super Special Christmas and It Must Be Christmas.

The 2 piano and organ concert featured from two to five performers playing all the favorite Christmas carols.

Parents performing on the program included: Mrs. Thomas Brozovich, Mrs. Larry Thompson, Mrs. Robert Cox, Mrs. Rex Thackerson, Mrs. Warren Sanders, Dr. Larry Leininger, Mrs. Robert Sayger, Mrs. Robert Greenlee and Mrs. Jim McKamie. Each performing group were named after their favorite candy.

Assisting during the special evening were Jack Gorman who served as the

narrator during the evening with the master of ceremony duties for the dinner being performed by Warren Sanders. Dinner music was given by harpist Kim Gorman, Mari Clark, flute and Jenise Judah, flute. Entertainment during the dinner that followed the performance was provided by the families of Dwayne Riggs, Randy Feaster, Thomas Brozovich, Jim Petty, Rex Thackerson, Nathan Hoyle and Warren Sanders. Lights and sound technicians were Max Drum, Rick Hopper and Larry Thompson.

Pair sentenced following plea agreement

by John Cordsen

Justice was swift for two of the suspects involved in the December 17 drug raid in Post. Following a plea agreement on December 22, Irene Mendez was sentenced to 10 years in prison and Gregoria M. Soto received a 15 year sentence. Both pleaded guilty to possession with intent to deliver charges. They remain in custody in the Garza County jail waiting for room to open up in the state prison system.

The two were arrested in a no-knock raid at a home on 12th Street. Over \$500 in cash along with several foil wrapped packages of suspected cocaine with a street value of another \$500 were seized in the early evening raid by local law enforcement officers. Two others were also arrested in the raid. The second male suspect was not a part of the plea agreement. The fourth suspect, another female was not taken into custodial arrest because of her cooperation.

The raid actually encompassed two homes here in Post. According to Garza County Sheriff Ratke, one female suspect who was at the residence of the first raid volunteered information

that led officers to the second home where they found an additional 18 quarter gram foils of suspected cocaine. The second residence was believed to have served as a warehouse for the drugs. Ratke declined to release the location of the second house because of the suspect's cooperation.

Mendez was also arrested back on October 26 in a similar raid. At that time officers seized another large quantity of cash and suspected cocaine. At that time, the female suspect was held on a \$25,000 bond. According to Sheriff Kenny Ratke, she made bail after three days and information provided to the sheriff's department indicated the sale of drugs allegedly resumed not long after.

Sgt. Tommy Binford of the Garza County Sheriff's office received a tip concerning the sale of cocaine by the suspect. He reported this information to Chief Deputy Maurice Herridge who asked Binford to confirm the information. Once the information was confirmed, the search warrant that led to the raid was issued.

"We had been getting tips almost from the next day that the lady got out

of jail," Ratke said last week in the Post Dispatch.

The raid netted at least 21 suspected quarter gram packages of cocaine and the cash. Some of the suspected cocaine was found in a corner of the trailer house, apparently thrown their by the suspects when law enforcement officers broke down the door. Some of the money was found hidden under a mattress in a baby crib.

Ratke and Herridge said the success of the raid was a direct result of efforts by deputies in the sheriff's office and tips provided by the public.

"Without the tips and information coming from the public, things like these arrests would not be possible," added the sheriff.

Ratke said persons offering information to officers can be assured their identities are kept in the strictest confidence.

Officers taking part in the raid included Binford, Lt. J.W. Jolly, Clifford Laws, dispatcher Jackie Gonzales, reserve officers (volunteers) Patrick Herridge, Jim Foster and Memo Ortiz and DPS officer Jerry Cannon.

Post Notes

Evening of Gospel music planned

The Tahoka Gospel Opry is singing in the new year with a gospel music party Saturday, January 1, 1994 beginning at 7 p.m. at the opry hall at 2001 Lockwood in Tahoka. The free evening of gospel music features the talents of such area singers and groups such as Amarillo's Gospel Heirs Quartet; Lubbock's Fred Goldsmith; Plainview's The Lighthouse; Slaton's Terri Sue Caldwell and Tahoka's well known West Texas Praise Team. There will be door prizes.

Sheriff asking for cooperation near schools

With school scheduling to restart next week, Garza County Sheriff Kenny Ratke is cautioning motorists to obey all traffic laws, especially when they are in the school zone. One of the biggest areas where infractions are taking place is parents double parking when they drop students off at school. This situation creates an extreme hazard as younger children run between the parked cars. Ratke has promised to step up enforcement near the schools, including issuing citations to violators.

WPS offers support group

Women's Protective Services support group for victims of domestic violence is held every Tuesday from 9:30 a.m. until 10:30 for adults who have been emotionally, physically or sexually abused by a spouse, relationship partner or family member. The group meets at the WPS' office located at the Postex, Mill. For more information call 1-800-736-6491.

Fund established to help Post family

A special fund has been established for Chet Warren at the First National Bank of Post. The special savings fund will be used to help off set costs incurred by the family following Warren's hospitalization due to illness.

Garza County Service Officer

The Garza County Service officer will be available the third Saturday of each month from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. at 130 E. Main (upstairs in the old bank building). For an appointment or information call Ann Stelzer at 495-3645 after 6 p.m. or at 495-2444 on the third Saturday of the month.

Xi Delta Rho establishes scholarship fund

The Xi Delta Rho Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi has established a memorial fund to be used for scholarships for local graduating high school seniors. For more information call Karen Palmer at 495-2023 or Jaynie Dickson 495-3422. Both can be reached during the evening hours.

Commodities distribution

The commodities distribution are held on the third Monday every month at the Service Center on the Snyder Highway. The center will be open for the distribution from 9 - 12 and from 1-3 p.m. The commodities distribution will continue at the Service Barn until further notice.

Homerooms show heart during holiday season

by Amanda Cordsen

Homeroom classes at Post Middle School showed their Christmas spirit when they sponsored a needy person during this holiday season. Students helped those less fortunate than themselves by collecting boxes of canned goods, paper towels, toilet paper and cleaners.

The project started when teachers asked students to bring canned goods and simple household items. The

colored decorated boxes and signed colored pictures on the boxes add to the holiday cheer.

On December 16 and 17, homeroom classes boarded buses and delivered their boxes personally to the doors of needy individuals here in Post. Some classes had extra boxes delivered to persons who would pass them on to someone who could use them.



Dispatch Photo by John Cordsen

Drawing benefits residents

NOAH GUTIERREZ draws a name for a \$150 gift certificate at United Supermarkets. The drawing was a fund raiser with the proceeds going to Daniel and Melodie Yarbro. Jeanie Cowdrey won the gift certificate

Whitehead calls for constitutional amendment to abolish treasury

Texas Treasurer Martha Whitehead recently announced that she will run for election in 1994 based on her support for a constitutional amendment that would abolish the Texas Treasury.

Whitehead said that her goal as Treasurer is to oversee the downsizing and ultimate merger of the Treasury into the State Comptroller's Office.

"I am convinced that we can save three out of every four dollars we currently spend--in any way, shape or form--on Treasury operations," Whitehead said. "I also think that the state of Texas is at a point where we can operate a high-yield investment system and a cash management function without the tax burden of an entire state agency to go along with it."

Whitehead said her plans are to run for election in November, 1994, then draft and support legislation in the next regular session to do away with the Treasury.

Any final action on the Treasury

would come as a result of a constitutional election. Whitehead said she was hopeful that the legislature would pass a proposed amendment to be sent on to the voters.

"I feel very strongly that this is the right decision," Whitehead said. "I believe that we can do something here in Austin that really hasn't been done before. I think that the people of this state are desperate to see this kind of thing actually happen, so that's what I'm going to do."

Menus

Trail Blazers

Thursday, December 30
Brisket, potato salad, turnip greens, hot rolls, peach cobbler, choice of beverage.

Friday, December 31
Hot dog on a bun, cheese, onions, relish, pork & beans, marinated vegetables, pineapple gelatin, choice of beverage.

Monday, January 3
Oven fried fish w/tartar sauce, baked beans, turnip greens, cabbage salad, cornbread.

pineapple gelatin, choice of beverage.

Tuesday, January 4
Hamburgers, hash browns or tater tots, broccoli, lettuce, tomato, onions, pickles, gelatin, choice of beverage.

Wednesday, January 5
Chicken fried steak, hominy, green beans, tossed salad, hot rolls, apricots, choice of beverage.

Post Schools

Monday, January 4
TEACHER WORKDAY - NO SCHOOL!

Tuesday, January 5
Breakfast: Oatmeal, bacon, toast, fruit, milk.

Lunch: Chili dogs, French fries, mixed greens, cookies, homemade bun, milk.

Wednesday, January 6
Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, sausage, fruit, milk.

Lunch: Enchiladas, pinto beans, Spanish rice, fruit, milk.

Thursday, January 7
Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls, fruit, milk

Lunch: Tacos & sauce, lettuce salad, corn, fruit, milk

Friday, January 8
Breakfast: Dry cereal, toast & jelly, fruit, milk.

Lunch: Chicken fried steak & cream gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, jello, hot rolls, milk.

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Curtis completes basic training

Army Pvt. Damon D. Curtis has completed basic training at Fort Jackson in Columbia, S.C.

during the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

Curtis is the grandson of Johnnie and R. C. Curtis of Post.

Students tour art gallery

Sand Creek Fine Arts Gallery played host to 21 students grades 6 through 8, and four adults from Patton Springs on Thursday, December 9. After a tour of the gallery, Buster Jones demonstrated the art of bronze and paper casting. Jones also encouraged the students to expand their own artistic and creative abilities as a way of building good self esteem, and also to open a door to a world of learning enjoyment.

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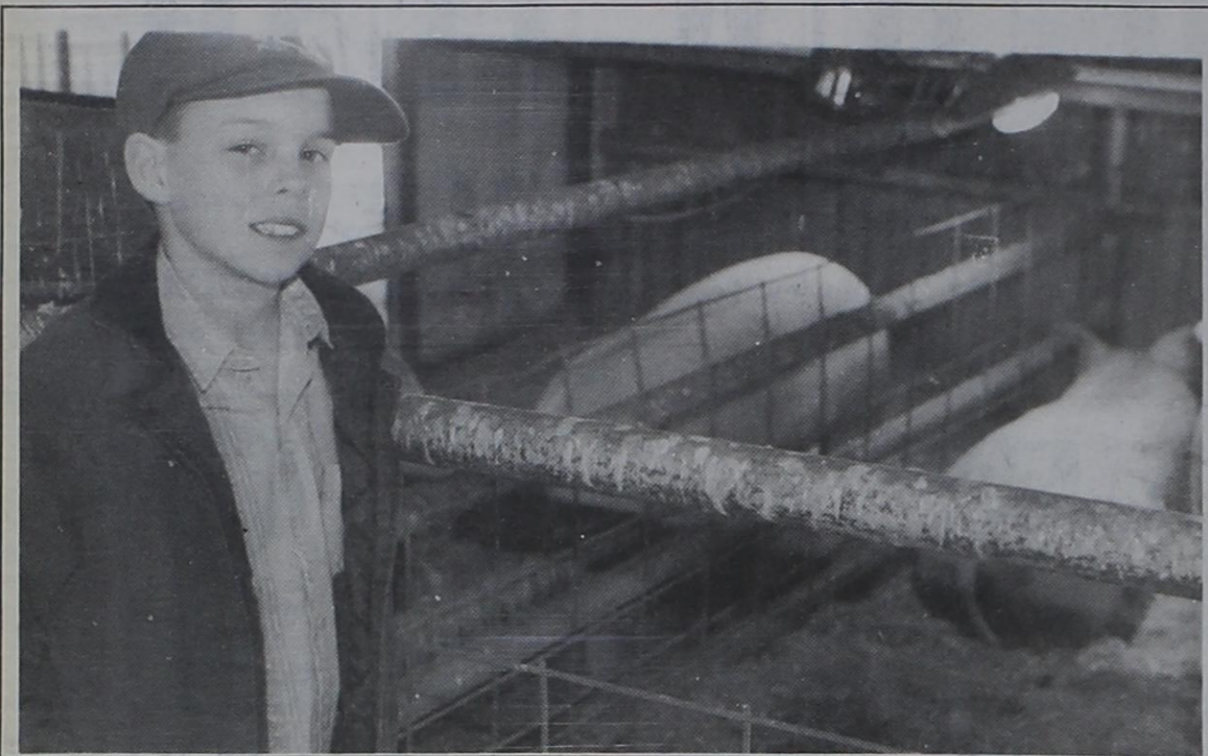
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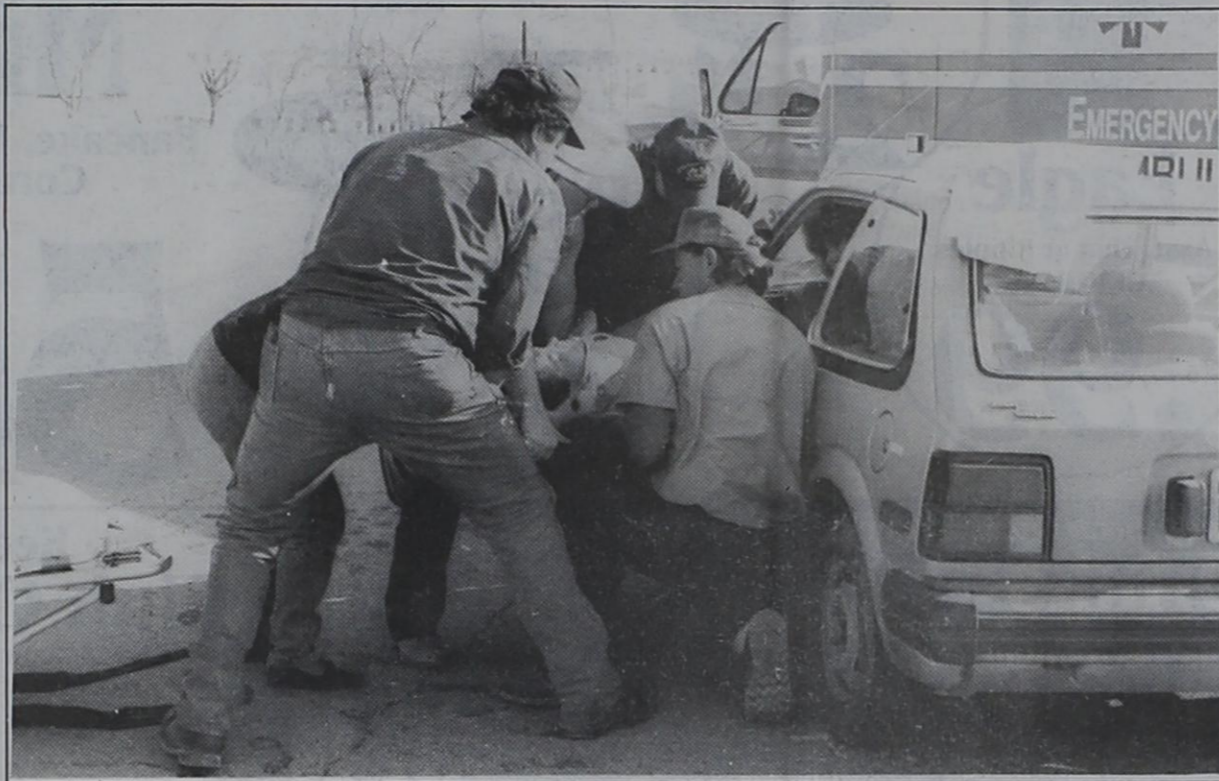
RYAN WULFJEN looked to the future last January as he prepared his swine project for the annual Garza County Junior Livestock Show.



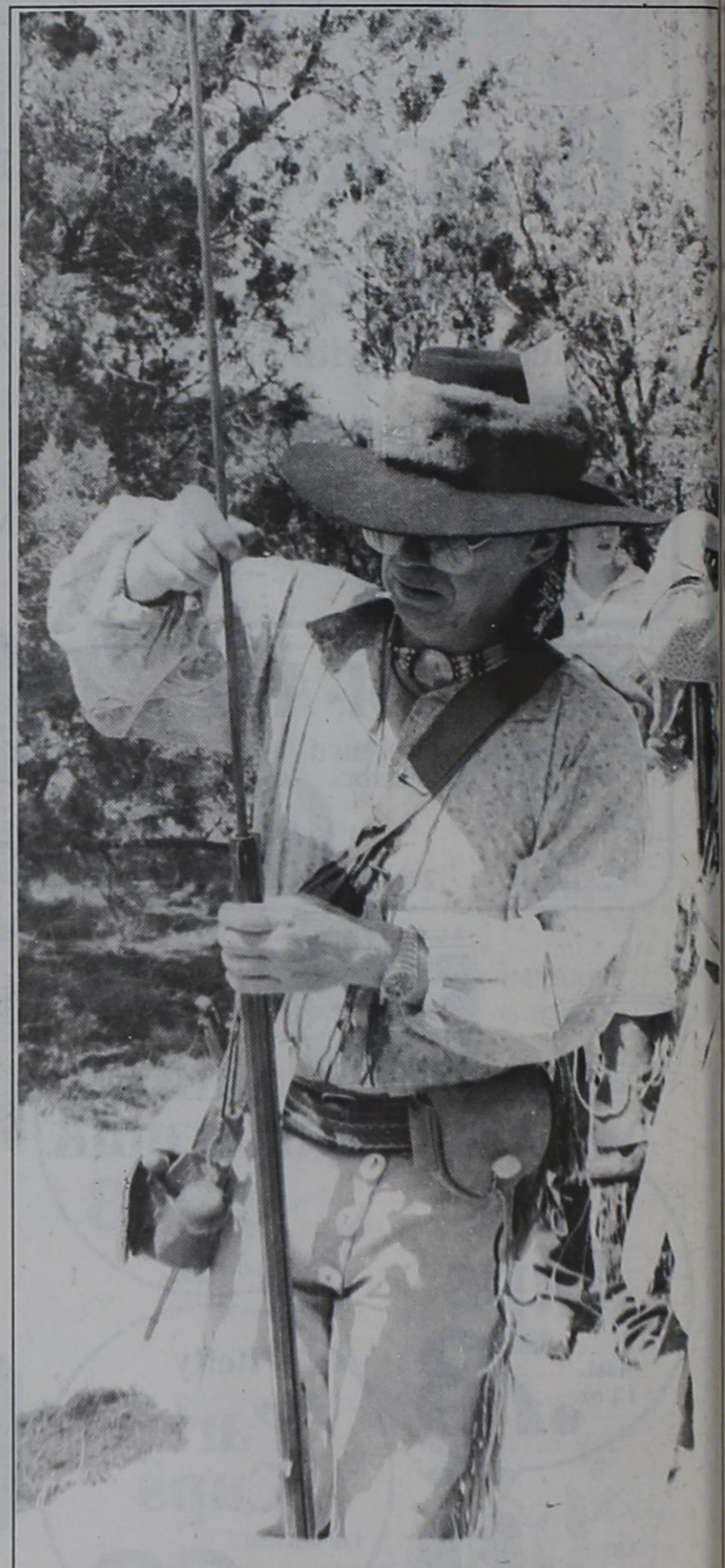
HOTEL GARZA owners Jim and Janice Plummer (outside) were recognized for having the 1992 "Business of the year". Making the presentation at the Post Chamber of Commerce Banquet last January was 1991 winner Bo Jackson.



TONYA HARP was named the 1993 FHA Sweetheart at the annual contest held in February.



POST EMERGENCY CREWS removed Tracy Don Clemmons from his wrecked vehicle on South Highway 84 near Holly's. Clemmons was the only injury in the March accident that involved three vehicles, one of which was parked.



JOE POSTON of Lubbock was among a large contingent of Plainsmen Muzzleloaders who took part in a rendezvous in Fluvanna last April.



POST HIGH SCHOOL'S triple jump record fell twice during the 1993 track season. Both times, Antelope senior Ricky Jefferson, had the honor of setting the new standard for future 'Lopes to shoot for.



GRAND CHAMPION mare honors went to J.C. Stelzer with this first place young mare in the May Garza County Junior Livestock Association Horse Show.



SARA HODGES (right) earned a bronze medal in spelling in the May UIL meet held in Austin. Fellow student Brad McDonald (left) was right behind Hodges, finishing fourth. Pictured with the two top spellers is their coach, Doris Giddens.



BILL MUELLER won two top awards during the May Post Art Guild Spring Art Show held at the Algerita Art Center.



POST MAYOR Jim Jackson (standing right) presented national qualifying members of the High Rollers a proclamation honoring them for their accomplishment. Pictured with Mayor Jackson are, back row (l-r) High Rollers coach Amy Thuett, Meagan Mills, Barrett Scrivner. Front row; Aimee Martin, Shay Baldrige.

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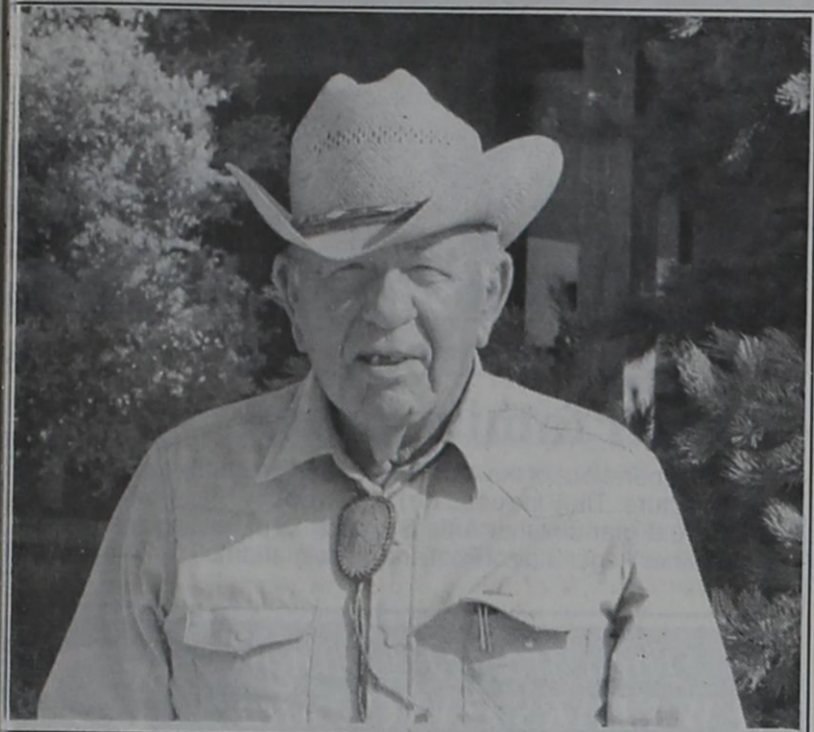
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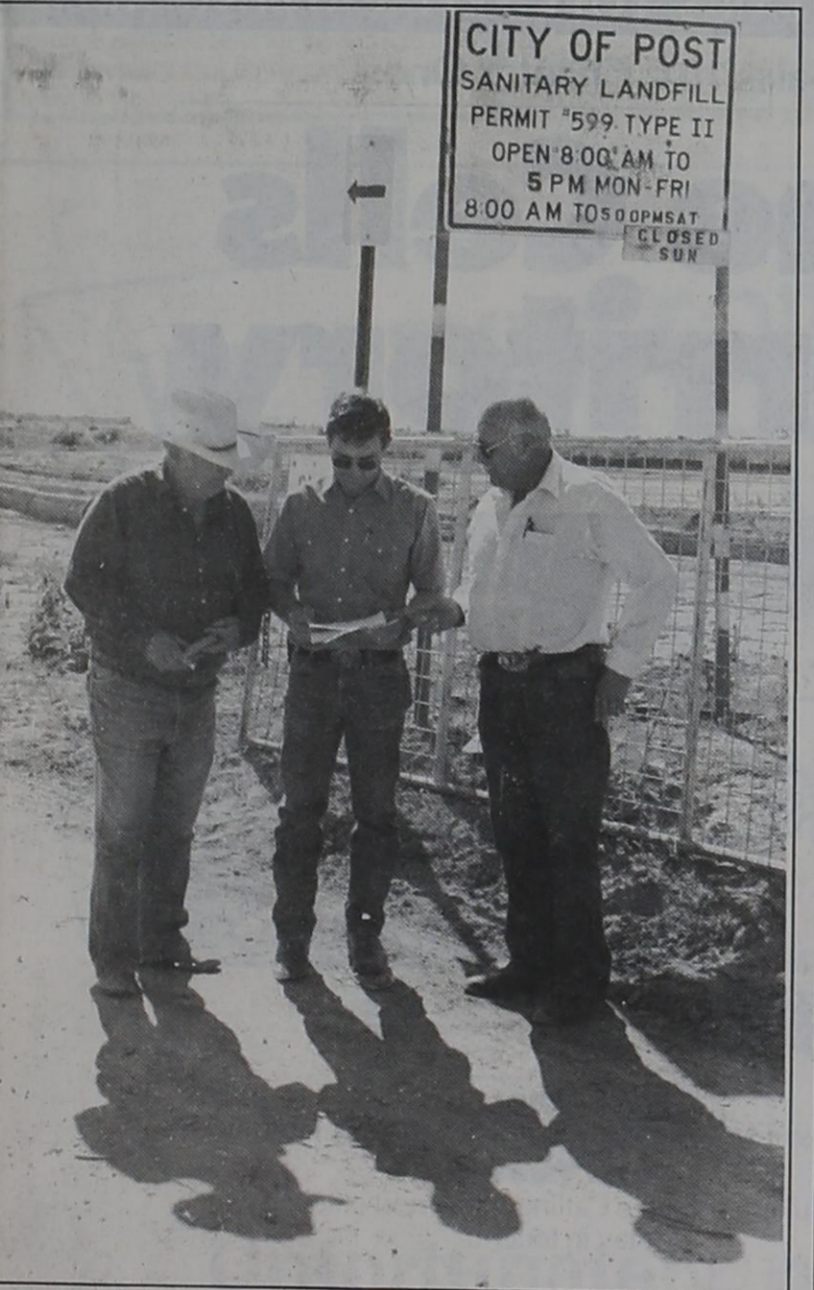
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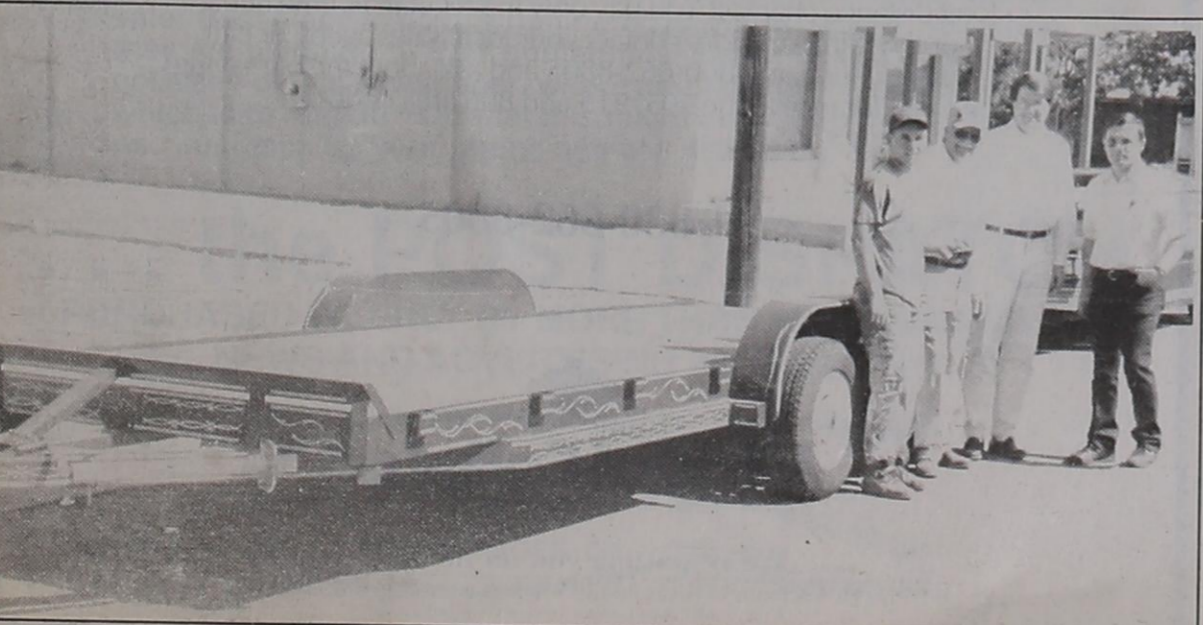
LONGTIME supporter of the Post Stampede Rodeo Harold Cass was announced in July as the Grand Marshal for the August Stampede Rodeo Parade.



CLOWN CONTESTANTS in the 1-7 year old age group last August during the annual Post Stampede Rodeo included (not in order and some not pictured) Rachel Foster, Lorenzo Soto, Stace Norman, Aston Smith, Jordon Smith, April Cordsen, Stephanie Norman, Jason Smith, Mitch Holly, Dustin Cramer and Joseph Cramer.



POST MAYOR JIM JACKSON (right) and Garza County Commissioner Herb Walls (left) inspect the boundary map of the new Post/Garza County landfill last September with Post City Manager Delbert Rudd. The new landfill was opened in October.



POST'S RECYCLING EFFORT began to take shape last October with the arrival of this custom built trailer



SEVERAL MEMBERS of the Journey of Hope bicycle ride across America posed for a picture during their stay in Post last July. Pictured are: (l-r) Chris Garrett, Thomas Pool, Alex Scott, Jay Holder, Kenny Bateman, Loren Halverson and Seth Klondar.



A VICTIM of an early morning semi/puckup accident last August is loaded on a helicopter for a flight to a Lubbock hospital. Members of the Post Volunteer fire department, Garza County Sheriff's office and Post EMT's assist in evacuating the accident victim.



RONNIE METZGAR took over as the new Post Volunteer Fire Department Chief in November. He replaced Delbert Rudd who had served in that capacity for 11 years.



1993 saw the Post Bold Gold Antelopes advance to the playoffs after a two year hiatus. The 'Lopes won seven games while losing only three including a playoff loss to Springlake-Earth. A major reason for the 'Lopes success was the rushing of senior tailback Tim Bell (in white). He was named a unanimous District 42A runningback.



BODIE SIMPSON was a two way first team all-district member. He was named to both offense and defense in Dist. 42A.



LONGTIME George R. Brown local manager Neal Clary ended a 46 year career with the company in December



THE MIDDLE SCHOOL 'Lopes enjoyed success this past September and October on the football field



GARZA COUNTY JUDGE Giles Dalby (seated), is surrounded by area 4-H members as he signs a proclamation declaring October 3-9 as National 4-H week in Garza County. Pictured with Judge Dalby are (l-r) Shawn Pennell, Barrett Scrivner, Lorry Ledbetter, Callie Johnston, Auburn Hammond, Kelli Collier and Labeth Jones.

Rep. Counts seeks reelection

State Representative David Counts, a Knox City businessman, announced today that he will seek reelection to the Texas House of Representatives, District 70. Counts will be seeking his third full term in the State House. He currently serves as Chairman of the House Natural Resources Committee and also serves as a member of the Insurance, Redistricting Committees and Sunset Advisory Commission.

"I have appreciated the opportunity to serve the people of the 12 rural West Texas counties that make up District 70 and look forward to continuing to do the job for the hard-working families of our district," Counts said.

"I may not have always pleased all the Austin insiders, but I took this job to work for the people of District 70," Counts continued. "Being able to work closely with my good friend and fellow rural, conservative West Texas Democrat, Speaker Pete Laney, as been a great advantage to us in addressing the needs of our district and region."

"I have enjoyed working with the entire legislature as we have worked together to solve problems facing all Texans, but as a conservative from rural Texas, I've found that the Democratic Party addresses our specific needs more aggressively and

more effectively and I'm confident the voters of District 70 will want to continue that kind conservative Democratic representation," Counts said.

Counts said the most important issues facing the next legislature will be insurance reform, water quality, environmental safety, improving the quality and strengthening the local role in our education system, and continuing his successful effort to toughen the penal code to keep violent criminals off the streets.

Counts said he considers working on issues of specific interest to the people of the district to be the most important job of a representative. "For example," Counts noted, "it's very important in our part of the country that we get the boll weevil eradication program off the ground successfully."

"Finally, I hope this announcement will once and for all put to rest all the talk coming out of the Austin rumor mills that I am considering running for another office. I enjoy serving the people of District 70 in the House and I'm asking the voters to grant me the opportunity and the responsibility to continue in that important job, Counts concluded.

BBB encourages consumers to check out authenticity of organizations

The Lubbock Business Bureau has recently heard that the chain letter to help Craig Shergold make the Guinness Book of World Records is making the rounds again here in the South Plains. Although this appeal to help Craig collect the most business cards is a touching one, it is outdated and is now presenting problems for the boy's family as well as the charity that started it, Children's Wish Foundation of Atlanta, Georgia.

In 1989, Craig Shergold was diagnosed as having a brain tumor and given little chance of survival. It was his wish to make the Guinness Book of World Records as the individual who received the most get-well cards. His case was brought to the attention of Children's Wish Foundation, a non-profit organization which tries to

fulfill requests of terminally ill children.

The Foundation publicized Craig's request and, as a result, his goal was surpassed. At last count, Craig had received more than 33 million cards from well-wishers. In April 1990, the Foundation informed the BBB/Atlanta that the campaign had concluded and requested that NO more be sent. Craig underwent surgery in March 1991 resulting in the successful removal of a brain tumor and he is now in good health.

The BBB/South Plains encourages businesses and consumers to check on the authenticity of any charitable appeal before making a decision to give. Call the BBB at 763-0459. In the case of Craig Shergold, save yourselves some time and postage. It's time to break the chain!

•Bank

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made to represent ethnic diversity in published advertising. In other markets, Norwest offers Spanish language ATMs and telephone banking services and seeks out employees who can converse with customers in their native languages. In addition, Norwest has corporate-wide fair lending and diversity training and routinely conducts secondary reviews of loans denied to minorities.

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Five generations of Artie Baxter family gather

FIVE generations of the Artie Baxter family recently gathered for a family picture. They included (l-r) father Bobby Blair from Lamesa, great great-grandmother Artie Baxter who is holding Macy Blair, grandfather Roger Blair of Post and great-grandmother Zula Partlow of Post.

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Back when . . .



10 years ago
December 14, 1983

Derrick Dunn and Curt Greer, both of Post, won the Mesa District FFA talent competition during the district banquet. Dunn, a freshman at Post High, plays a banjo, and Greer, a junior, plays guitar. They performed three country-bluegrass numbers to win.

The City Of Post was the recipient of a \$94,000 grant for water and sewer improvements by the Texas Department of Community Affairs.

A standing ovation was given to both performances of "Carousel" presented by the Post high School. In the Oscar Hammerstein and Richard Rogers musical, the All School Plan cast did an outstanding job under the direction of Candace McConnell.

20 years ago
December 13, 1973

In front page feature picture, Mrs. Sincross of Justiceburg, who gave Garza County's new history book its name, "Wagon Wheels" was shown autographing Mrs. Harold Voss' copy of the book at an introductory party.

Two Post Antelopes, Jerry Pollard and Jerry Taylor, were selected on the Class AA All-South Plains team. Pollard, a senior, was selected at a guard position on the offensive unit, while Tyler also a senior, was named to the secondary on the defensive unit.

Beginning after the Christmas vacation, Post schools began dismissing at 2:30 p.m. each school day as part of the school system's efforts to conserve energy.

30 years ago
December 12, 1963

12 floats, carrying out the parade theme of "Christmas Through the Ages", three marching bands, ten antique automobiles dating as far back as 1914, and the 1963 state champion twirler formed the line of march for the highly successful Christmas Opening Parade.

Honeycomb, a paint mare owned by the Ed Sims family, was named grand champion of her class at the Paint Stock Horse Show held in Lubbock. Also placing from our area were: Riley Miller's mare, Naylon, reserve champion in her class and Floy Richardson's Balmly L. Mac, who was named reserve champion in his class.

Miss Linda McMahon, a senior in Post High School, was elected sweetheart of the Mesa District of Future Farmers of America by voting delegates from the 17 chapters at the annual district FFA banquet.

40 years ago
December 10, 1953

John F. Lott of Post was elected vice-president of the South Plains Boy Scout Council during an annual business meeting in Lubbock.

Jack Kirkpatrick of Post, quarterback on the Texas Tech Red Raider football team, was named the Border Conference's most valuable player in a poll of coaches.

Hot new movies playing at the Tower were: "Island in the Sky" with John Wayne, "The Great Jessie James Raid", which was filmed in new Anasco color, and "It Came From Outer Space", a great new horror film.

50 years ago
December 16, 1943

Dan Odom, well known trapper of Post, was a winner of a Daily Award for correct pelt preparation in the 15th National Fur Show conducted by the Raw Fur Marketing Service of Sears, Roebuck and Co.

With the tremendous drain on the medical profession in response to the needs of the armed forces, there was a greater necessity in 1943 than ever before for maintaining good health and avoiding any risks which might result in needless calls for the services of doctors.

The mercury shot downward to 18 degrees at 7:00 a.m. for the lowest mark of the season.

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Deferred v. - delayed, postponed.
Gratification n. - indulging in pleasure.
Passé adj. - outmoded, out of date.

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With the unfortunate introduction of credit cards, **deferred gratification** is considered by many people as **passé** - until the credit bureau takes your car, your house and your dog.

Rep. Sarpalius coming to Post this Thurs.

U.S. Congressman Bill Sarpalius will be in Post this Thursday, December 30 from 4 to 4:30 p.m. at the Post/Garza County Airport. The Congressman is flying in as part of his official reelection campaign kickoff.

Two athletes receive All-State recognition

Two Post Bold Gold Antelopes from the tri-district champion football team received honorable mention All-State honors. Offensive lineman Ray Perez and linebacker Lemuel McDonald from the 7-3 Lopes were honored with selection to the All-State list.

Advertising deadline is 5 p.m. on Monday

Travelers should drive defensively and beware of intoxicated drivers

As 1994 approaches, people are beginning to make plans and resolutions for the coming New Year. Unfortunately for some people, those plans and resolutions will never be observed. The reason is that an automobile accident will change their lives forever.

Trooper Joe Clement, Safety Officer with the Texas Department of Public Safety says that this can be avoided, if drivers will simply take a few precautions.

It is a fact that drunk driving continues to be one of the nation's most serious health and safety problems. Many people have the misconception that as long as they remain under the legal limit of intoxication, they are not impaired as drivers. NOTHING COULD BE FURTHER FROM THE TRUTH. Even small amounts of alcohol

begin to slow a person's ability to make quick, accurate judgments and reduces their reactions, both of which are vital to the safe operation of a motor vehicle.

Include, in your plans for this New Year's Eve, a resolution not to drive if you are going to have anything alcoholic at all to drink. Use the designated driver and check with your local officials to see who might be offering a free ride home program. These programs are generally available, but may vary from year to year.

It is recommended that if you are going to host a party, that soft drinks be available for your guests so they will have a choice. Introduce people to one another and plan activities. A good host is not just a bartender. Don't rush refills and don't double up because it's not

generous. It's rude. Attempt to have a meal or snacks available throughout the evening. Above all, if someone drinks too much at your house, you are responsible. Provide lodging or get them a safe ride home.

Trooper Clement says for those who think that it will never happen of them, "the Department of Public

Safety, along with other local law enforcement agencies, will have stepped up patrol and DWI enforcement over the New Year's Eve holiday to provide you with a ride to the bars - Jail Bars.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:
I have read your headline story in the December 15, 1993 edition of The Post Dispatch, and want to commend you on the thoroughness and accuracy of your reporting in regard to the rollback election.
I also want to take this opportunity to explain to the public that it was not Mrs. Laura (Chita) Hataway who attempted to disqualify approximately 280 signers of the rollback petition. Mrs. Hataway had no responsibility for validating or invalidating the petition. All she could do and all she was required to do under the law was to certify to the commissioners court (governing body) whether or not a signator to the petition was a registered voter. She could not even certify whether or not the signator was a "qualified voter" for the reason that she had no way of knowing if a person had died, moved from the county, or become incapable of casting a ballot.
What has really happened here is that the commissioners court, in an effort to duck and dodge their responsibility in this matter, has set a huge trap for Mrs. Hataway and she naively stepped in it with both feet.
Article 26.07(c) of the Tax Code states as follows: "No later than the

20th day after the day a petition is submitted, the 'governing body' shall determine whether or not the petition is valid and pass a resolution stating its finding. If the 'governing body' fails to act within the time allowed, the petition is treated as if it has been found valid." This petition was presented to Mr. Sonny Gossett (who is not a commissioner but who is a member of the commissioners court) on November 19, 1993. Not counting the date that the petition was filed, the 20 days in which the commissioners court had to act on the petition, or otherwise it became valid as presented, expired on December 9, 1993. When the commissioners court (governing body) met on December 13, 1993, they had no authority to certify or reject any part of the petition because it had become valid and final under Article 26.07 (c) of the Tax Code. While it is true that the election code requires that the statement of the proposition be at the top of each page of a petition, our courts have held that this is a discretionary matter for the governing body to waive or insist upon, not the tax assessor. In the minds of most attorneys who have studied the election code, there is

almost unanimous agreement that the proposition must be stated on every page does not apply to a rollback election, because there is a special article (Section 26.07 of the Tax Code) that is in conflict with the general election code. Under our form of jurisprudence, when there is a conflict between a specific statute and a general statute, the wording of the specific statute controls. I am afraid that all the "governing body" has done, despite their efforts to pass the buck to Mrs. Hataway, is to fill approximately 280 signers of the rollback petition with a terrible resolve to see that this rollback election carries.
I regret that anyone has seen fit to try to use Mrs. Hataway or make her look inept in any manner, because Mrs. Hataway is in my opinion one of the fairest, most effective, and competent public servants this county has ever had. If she has any fault in this matter at all, it is in not seeking legal and political advice that was so readily available locally. I remain a staunch friend and supporter of Mrs. Hataway.
Respectfully,
Pat N. Walker

Keeping progress record can lead to success of New Year's resolutions

Thinking about making New Year's resolutions? Then, get a notebook.
According to Dr. Francis J. Pirozzolo, a neuropsychologist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, a notebook can be your best friend when trying to keep 1994 resolutions.
Pirozzolo says that changing things about ourselves—whether it is losing weight, quitting smoking, starting an exercise program—is more easily accomplished with a well-defined, four-part plan.
That is where the notebook fits in. First, give careful thought to your goal.
If it is losing weight, exactly how many pounds and in how much time? If it is quitting smoking, by what date will you have quit or at least cut down on the number of cigarettes?
Be specific. Write it down.
Second, set realistic, attainable goals.
Trying to lose 20 pounds in two weeks or to quit smoking in one day is an unrealistic goal that guarantees failure.

Third, keep a written record of your progress.
"I encourage people to think about what causes them to fall into the behaviors they want to change," Pirozzolo said. "The cause can often be anxiety or a low-mood state."
Every time you eat or light up, record your emotional state at the time, who you were with and the

setting.
"You need to know what triggers your eating or what prompts you to reach for a cigarette," he said.
After a few days, look at your notes and search for patterns that seem to trigger the behavior.
Record how you are progressing toward your goals.

Post Marine restores hope in Somalia

by Jay Elinson
Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Timothy J. Prather, the 24 year old son of Rexton Prather of Post, is participating in Operation Restore Hope in Somalia. Prather is attached to the 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit embarked on the tank landing ship, USS Comstock. The Marines, hitting the beach in amphibious landing craft, provided a secure environment for medical personnel to open a clinic and treat approximately 1,000 Somalis in

four days. The sailors and Marines in Operation Restore Hope are key components of the Navy's "...from the sea" strategy, which emphasizes Navy and Marine Corps operations in littoral and regional areas in response to contingencies or crises. Naval expeditionary forces are now shaped for joint operations close to shore overseas and tailored for national needs at home. Nearly half of the U.S. fleet is underway, either training or deployed overseas, as any given time.

Around Town

Clubs and Organizations in and around Garza County

Woman's Culture Club

by Katharine Cathcart
The Woman's Culture Club met Wednesday, December 8 in the Women's Clubhouse. Ruth Hall and Jan Crawford were hostesses.
Club members brought children's books for the day-care centers of the community.
David King played several piano selections for the enjoyment of the ladies present.
Katharine Cathcart read several short Christmas articles, ending with a Christmas prayer.
The serving tables were beautifully decorated in the Christmas motif.
Delicious refreshments were served to guests David King, and to club members Donna Craig, Nona Lusk, Mary Neff, Iva Hudman, Maxine Earl, Lillian Potts, Dezzie Torrance, Doll Haire, Ruby Kirkpatrick, Dorace Wilson, Ruth Hall, Jan Crawford and Katharine Cathcart.
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The Woman's Culture Club met in November in the home of Ruby Kirkpatrick with Dorace Wilson as co-hostess.

Roll call was answered with interesting facts about America and its history.
Maxine Earl reviewed the history of the American flag, its growth and the changes that have been made as more states were added to the union.
Francis Scott Key wrote a song about our flag in 1814: "The Star Spangled Banner". Mrs. Kirkpatrick read a tribute to "Old Glory".
Mary Neff told about the proper way to display the flag and flag etiquette.
David King played a medley of American songs.
The serving table was beautifully decorated with the patriotic theme in remembrance of Armistice.
Delicious refreshments were served to guests: Beebee Boren, Peggy Smith, Dezzie Torrance, and David King; and to members, Earl, Neff, Nona Lusk, Doll Haire, Lois Cook, Donna Craig, Ruth Hall, Kirkpatrick, Wilson and Katharine Cathcart.

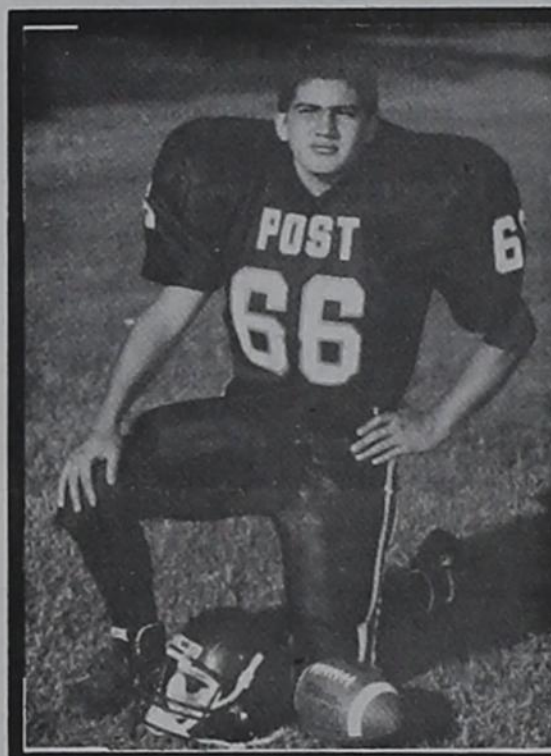
Fun Time Club

The Fun Time Club met December 20 at the Senior Citizens building for the club's annual Christmas party. There were treats and an exchange of gifts for those present. Attending the party were Mary Welborn, Winona Ward, Nona Lusk, Marietta Pruitt, Hooter Terry, Inez Ritchie, Jean Tipton, Jewell White, Pansy Smith, Opal Rudd, Ruby Carpenter and Johnnie Francis.

The club meets the last Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. where members share in a salad supper, visiting and games. All ladies who live alone are invited and welcome to attend.

Lucky Clover 4-H

by Amy Mason
The Lucky Clover 4-H club met December 20 at the show barn. Kelci and Kevin Hart introduced Lillie Hart who gave an interesting program over the history of the violin. She also entertained the club by performing a few numbers on the violin.



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Tax 'n Facts
by Terri S. Cash, CPA

Making the right choices of an inherited IRA
It's not unusual when working couples name each other as primary beneficiaries of their Individual Retirement Accounts. But it is rare that they plan in advance how to make the most of that money.
There are two choices: the inheriting spouse can take the account as a beneficiary or can roll over the fund into a new account in his or her own name. There's a big difference in the outcome.
If the spouse takes the money as a beneficiary, he or she must continue to take distributions as the IRA owner did even if the owner was more than 70 1/2. When the surviving spouse dies, the money remaining in the account is distributed and subject to income tax.

ROLLED over into the survivor's own account, the money can be distributed according to the combined life expectancy of the spouse and a new (possibly much younger) beneficiary. A grandchild is a likely choice. Result: the money remains, tax-deferred and growing, for many more years.
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The secret? Clean drains don't run slowly. The "slows", or periodic clogs, are signals that a thick layer of "gook" is choking your pipes. Just like the "ring" that sticks to the side walls of your bathtub, this gook sticks to the inner side walls of your pipes.
Old-fashioned drain openers cannot remove this build up. They run along the bottom of your pipes. Even a small tunnel in the gook lets them flow out to the sewer, leaving the gook behind!
Now you can make your pipes run like new with **Plumb Clean**. Not a drain opener, it's an advanced plumbing cleaner. Its revolutionary one-of-a-kind formula attaches and penetrates into the waste. Then, in just one to three weeks, it liquefies years of build up that drain openers can't even reach. Cleans from sink to sewer, not just the trap. **Plumb Clean** is so effective it is money-back guaranteed!
SAVE MONEY. Because drain openers can't reach the gook on the sides of your pipes you have two choices. Call a plumber and spend \$60-\$120, or save money and use **Plumb Clean**.
Now don't be fooled by look-alikes. Their label has safety cautions instead of a guarantee. And since they aren't as strong, their directions have you use twice as much. So, if your drains have the "slows", get safe, guaranteed **Plumb Clean** today!

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Public Service
Most Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets every Thursday night at the First Presbyterian Church, 901 West 10th at 8 p.m. Closed meetings are held except on the last Thursday night of the month, which is an open meeting. We have supper at 7 p.m. and the speaking starts at 8 p.m. Anyone who wishes to talk or ask about an alcohol problem, call 495-3667 or 629-4393.

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A non-profit service organization to assist with treatment placement, referrals, and confidential counseling for the substance abuser, alcoholic or family members concerned about their loved ones drinking or drug addiction. For information or appointment call office 95-3173, a 24 hour number. All call strictly confidential. We Care. Director Colleen Tyler, B.S., C.A.D.A.C., C.D.C. Assistant Johanna Waterhouse, M.S.

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Notice is hereby given that the original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of CHRIS CHARLENE NELSON, deceased, were issued on October 7, 1993 in Cause No. 1556, pending in the Probate Court of Garza County, Texas to: ARLE E. NELSON AND STEVE COOPER

The residence and business addresses of each Executor is in Garza County, Texas. The address of each executor being Arlie E. Nelson, Rt. 2, Box 93, Post, Texas, 79356 and Steve Cooper, Box 93, Post, Texas, 79356.

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Radishes, Roots & Rosebuds

by Deanna Lee
Garza County Extension Agent
Home Economics

I don't think these youngsters realize what an influence they can have on us. I told the 4-H'ers that because of my kids educating me, I started to wear my seat belt years ago...and also quit smoking. Our children are a mighty force to be reckoned with. We parents all know that once they make up their mind to do something, they usually do it!



I know this is "after the fact" of Christmas credit card spending, but I want to introduce you to a "Smart Credit Quiz" for consumers. Take this quiz to test your credit know-how.

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3. What are my costs for owning and using a credit card?
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5. How should I handle an unauthorized charge if I see one on my credit card bill?
6. How can I protect myself from credit card fraud?
7. Under law, what information must a credit issuer disclose to me?
8. Do I have legal rights when I use credit?
9. Why should I care about maintaining a good credit history?
10. What should I do if I find myself becoming financially overextended?

This quiz should highlight some of the important things you should know about credit...about your credit. Each of us has the right and the responsibility to learn as much as possible about our credit to plan for the future.

If you didn't fair too well on the quiz, then get out your credit card contract and look up some of the answers. We can't do anything about yesterday, but we can do something about tomorrow.

Walls reports for duty

Marine Lance Cpl. Clifford R. Marine Corps Base, Camp Walls, son of Donald R. and Annie Pendleton, California. R. Walls of Post, recently reported. The 1991 graduate of Post High School joined the Marine Corps in February 1991.

Obituaries

Mary M Collins

Services for Mary M Collins, 74, housewife and a member of the First Baptist Church. Survivors include one son, Roy F. Collins of Pleasanton; three daughters, Laura Jean Huber of Kenedy, Mary Helen Collins of Cotulla and Ruby Jones of Post; five brothers, Walter Lindsey of Ed Couch, TX, Willie Ellington of Mathis, Frank Ellington of San Antonio, Robert Ellington of Havana, FL and Russell Ellington of Austin; two sisters, Bessie Ralston of San Antonio and Nancy Shilling of Donna; six grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Arrangements are under the direction of Hearn-Peters Funeral Home in Cotulla. Local arrangements are under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

She died December 26, 1993 at her residence. Collins was born October 1, 1919 in Spicewood, TX to Henry Lindsey and Labertha Baker. She married Elmo F. Collins November 16, 1940 in Harlingen. He preceded her in death in January 1990. She was a

Bessie May Longshore

Services for Bessie May Longshore, 95, were held Tuesday, December 28, 1993 at the Hudman Funeral Home chapel. Rev. Billie Smith officiated.

Burial was at Terrace Cemetery under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

She died December 26, 1993 at Golden Plains.

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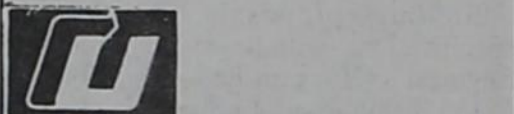


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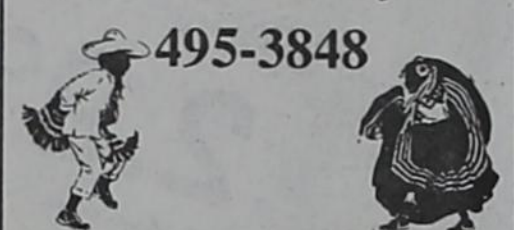
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Find a local church that looks like His church. Get in, take the kids, get involved in the work, be part of the ministry, and drive the Devil crazy by kicking those excuses back in his face.

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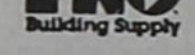
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