

# The Post Dispatch

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## Summer recreation program gets high marks from commissioners

by Wes Burnett

Regardless of what Congress may or not may do to funding of the summer recreation program, the Garza County Commissioners Court has put itself on record as supporting the project. The discussion at the regular meeting Monday morning centered around Judge Giles Dalby's report to the court concerning potential loss of federal funding for the summer program, which last year served 200 Garza County youth with a wide range of activities, field trips and "healthy breakfast and lunch," Dalby added.

Sheriff Kenny Ratke added his support by commenting that there has been much less youth related problems since the program was started. The county provided one third of \$8,300 for the program last year, with the City of Post and Post ISD providing equal funding. The program relied on federal funding for the remainder of costs, mostly through JobSource+ and agricultural commodities programs for meals.

In other action, commissioners approved \$1,000 funding for Protective Women's Services, following an explanation of need by assistant director Fritz Cates. She informed commissioners that there were 57 women from Garza County who were provided services last year, "and the case load is heavier and is increasing," she added. The organization provides protective shelter, clothing, family counseling and other services. "We would like to be in Garza County two or three days a week," Cates added, "instead of the one day we now offer. This would alleviate affected women from coming to Lubbock for help."

Judge Dalby informed the court that recent communications with Corplan Inc. indicates a total of 119 beds committed by area counties for the proposed juvenile detention center to be built here. "There are still a few counties we haven't heard from," he said, "and it looks like we will exceed the 125 bed need." Dalby said that Corplan is preparing land and building costs in preparation for its private funding of the facility.

Commissioners took no action on a resolution supporting amendments to the "Whistleblowers' Act" which will restrict punitive damages for claims.

The court did, however, approve unanimously a resolution supporting the Texas Association of Counties (TAC) effort to eliminate counties from new regulations about worker's compensation pool funds. "We have in excess of \$66 million in our reserve," Dalby explained, "and we feel our system has been managed extremely well and we don't need another level of bureaucracy." Commissioners agreed and signed the resolution.

County agent John Senter reported on recent success by 4-H members in stock shows. He told commissioners that 40 youth participated in shows at El Paso, San Angelo, San Antonio, Fort Worth and Houston. "They earned good prize money and Brooks Conner was in the top three showmanship at San Antonio, that's a big honor," Senter added. He also informed the court that interviews

will be conducted in the next two weeks for three applicants for the home economic agent position.

Sheriff Ratke reported that the recent jail inspection was successful, with the county passing all the standards. "We are on the border line of overcrowding," Ratke added, "and we have to watch that every day." He said that when the jail gets near the saturation point he transfers prisoners to other area jails. "That may seem expensive," he explained, "but it is much cheaper than building another and bigger jail." Judge Dalby added that the commissioners court has traditionally allowed the sheriff the authority to transfer as needed to keep the jail from exceeding state standards on overcrowding.

Attending the meeting were Judge Dalby, commissioners Royce Josey, John Valdez, Mason McClellan, Lee Norman, clerk Sonny Gossett and treasurer Ruth Ann Young.

## Traditional Taba'na Yuan'e ceremony marks future

Next Wednesday "Chief" Frank Runkles, assisted by Kenneth LeBlanc, John Corley, Zoe Kirkpatrick and Linda Puckett, will solemnly recreate the traditional Plains Indian ritual Taba'na Yuan'e... and test the winds at sunrise to predict crop success for the coming year.

The ceremony will begin early, and those interested in observing the full preparations should be at the southside of South Lake no later than 6:30 a.m. Entrance and parking is at the County Service Building just off the Snyder Hwy south of town.

Breakfast will be served at the Hotel Garza at 302 E. Main St. following the ceremony. The breakfast menu includes sausage, biscuits, gravy, orange juice and coffee, at \$4 per person. Proceeds from the event will benefit programs of the Post Chamber of Commerce.

The Taba'na Yuan'e tradition is taken from Plains Indians practice of testing the winds at sunrise on the day after the sun reaches the halfway point on its journey from south to north. It is said that if the wind is out of the east or northeast, it would mean a "very good year." If it is from the north or northwest it translates into an "average year" and from west or southwest a "poor year." If the wind at sunrise whips the smoke from the south or southeast, a prediction of a "very bad year" marks the event.

The ceremony begins before sunrise with preparation rituals, including the building of a small fire. Following the singing of a tribal prayer of thanks for the fire, the Chief performs a Four Winds dance, in which a pipe of peace is presented to the four directions. The pipe is then presented to Mother Earth and to Wakantanka, the Great Spirit Above, to seek their blessings.

Chief Runkles has been performing the ceremony since 1973. He is a longtime student of Indian lore.

The event is sponsored by the Post Chamber of Commerce.

## Council approves repairs to Main Street dips at Avenues H and I

by Wesley W. Burnett

Post City Council members took emergency action to begin repairs to the deteriorating condition of the roadway at two Main Street intersections following action at the regular meeting Tuesday, March 7.

City manager Rick Hanna was authorized to proceed with a plan to pour concrete at the intersections of Avenue H and Avenue I, where water drainage has damaged the brick roadway. Hanna explained that the Texas Department of Transportation had planned to use asphalt to repair the street, which is also known as U.S. Hwy 380. The asphalt was to be poured on top of the bricks. Hanna and council members prefer the concrete due to its durability. Hanna estimated the cost at \$6,300, with the state to provide limited assistance. The concrete would be purchased by the city through the state purchasing process, "which will give us a much better rate," Hanna explained, "but we need to take action before this current ordering period ends April 8."

Mayor Jim Jackson excused himself from the discussions, "I want to make sure everyone understands that I am not involved in this in any way," he emphasized. Hanna told the council that he had contacted Bo Jackson about doing the work. The item is not required to be bid due to it being less than \$10,000.

After a discussion about the budget, council members agreed to amend the budget to cover the street repairs.

Prior to the action, the council had entered into an executive session at the opening of the meeting. The stated purpose of the closed meeting was to discuss duties of the mayor and council members. City attorney Harvey Morton and Hanna attended the executive session. No action was taken on items discussed behind closed doors.

The council approved the appointment of Mike Sanchez, Donald Windham and Thresa Harp to the Post Housing Authority. The council requested Hanna to ask Harold Lucas to continue serving on the zoning board until a replacement could be named, and approved Mayor Jackson's recommendation of Marion Mathews to serve on the board.

Jackson then opened a discussion about the economic development committees, which are designed to study the best approach to implementing a one-half cent sales tax for economic development. Jackson named Lewis Earl, Pat Walker, JoAnn Mock, Jim Plummer and Marita Jackson to serve on the mayor's committee.

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## Hoefler "walks" away with "Willies"

by Wes Burnett

When Christi Morris, last year's Best Actress, went to the microphone to announce this year's Best Actor award, she drew a big laugh as she proclaimed, "thanks a lot for inviting me to appear on the Alison Hoefler Show..."

Christi's light touch was in response to Hoefler's domination of the annual awards during the Garza Theatre's Ninth Annual Willy Awards. The balloting by theatre patrons named Hoefler Best Actress for her role as Olive in the female version of "The Odd Couple," Best Supporting Actress in "Trail of the Lonesome Pine" as Susie and Best Cameo Actress for her part as Elaine in "Arsenic and Old Lace."

Sharing honors at the awards event were:

Steve Sever as Best Actor as Rick Steadman in "The Nerd,"  
Jon Steele as Best Supporting Actor as Jonathan "Arsenic and Old Lace,"  
Rick Gilbert, Best Cameo Actor as Officer O'Hara in "Arsenic and Old Lace,"  
Jane Prince Jones as director of Best Play, "The Nerd."

Jones presented the Women's Division of the Post Chamber of Commerce with the Cultural Awareness Award. She also recognized Milton and Connie Cox for the Volunteer Award, Jayson Fry and Kenneth Schronk for the Youth Achievement Award and Most Valuable Participant (MVP) went to Mattie Perez.

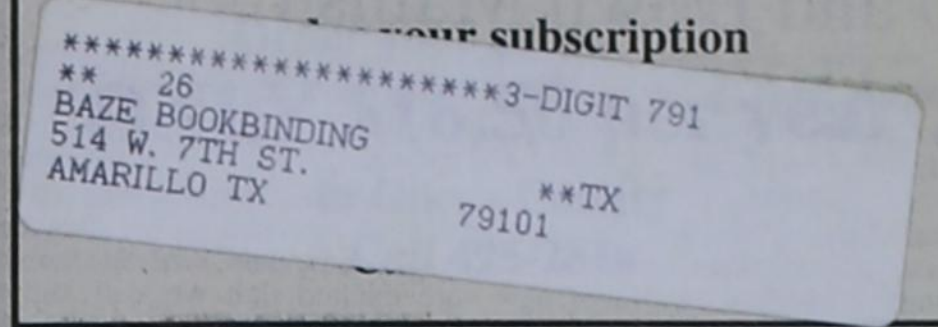
Giles McCrary presented the Garza Theatre Board award to Jim and Janice Plummer for their continued support to the theatre and the improvements related to their business, the Hotel Garza.

Best Program cover and Best Set Design awards went to "Trail of the Lonesome Pine."

Entertainment during the event was provided by Emily Hataway in a rousing rendition of "Cabaret," which the late Will McCrary established as his opening "theme" song for the Willy Awards. Others taking the stage included Jenny Jones and Marci Hill and a duet by Cherri Brooks and David Long. Mildred Stewart led the closing traditional "Auld Lang Syne."

Music was provided by The Full House Band. Members of the band are Bill

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## Post Notes

### Family support group meets today

The family support group, sponsored by the Garza County Mental Health Center, will meet today (Wednesday) from 5:15 to 6 p.m. at the Mill Conference Room, Postex Mill, East 7th and Ave. C. The subject of this month's meeting will be symptom management. For more information call Sheri Cannon at 495-2813.

### Summer baseball league sign-up

The Post Summer Baseball Program will hold sign-ups for boys and girls Thursday, March 23 from 5 to 9 p.m. and Friday, March 24 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Norwest Bank community room.

Registration fees are \$20 for one player in a family and \$50 for three or more players in one family. All players must bring a birth certificate for the sign-up.

The Post Summer Baseball Program has a Senior League, Little League, Minor League, T-Ball, Girls' softball and Girls' coach-pitch.

There will be a meeting for managers and coaches at 8 p.m., March 24 following the sign-ups. All current managers and anyone interested in coaching a team must be present at this meeting.

### Used CDs sought for downtown music

The Main Street music system downtown is seeking used CDs. Those interested in contributing should contact Mattie Perez at the Garza Theatre, 495-4005, from noon to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Country and western or folk music is preferred.

### 'Brush Arbor' meeting at Senior Center

An air conditioned "Brush Arbor" meeting will be held March 27, 28 and 29 at the Trailblazers Senior Citizen Center with services to begin at 12:45 p.m. each day. Retired Methodist minister Jordan Grooms of Amarillo will be the guest speaker. Music will be provided by Art and Gracie Stuckey of Spur. The program is sponsored by the Post Christian community.

### Bicycle safety course offered April 1

The Garza County Sheriff's Department, in cooperation with the Texas Department of Public Safety and Blue Knights of Texas IX, will conduct a free bicycle safety program for area youngsters. The program will begin at noon April 1 at the middle school gymnasium and will include information on the 911 system, inspect, register and photograph bicycles. Youth will also be provided reflective tape for bikes.

Drawings will be held to give away helmets and a BMX Schwinn bicycle. For more information contact the Sheriff's office at 495-3595.

### Jean Badger 'Artist of the Month'

The featured artist of the month at the Algerita Art Center is Jean Schofield Badger. Her work will be on display through March. The center will be open weekdays from 2-4:30 p.m.

### Recycling center open Wednesdays

The Post recycling center is open Wednesdays from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. and is now accepting aluminum, tin cans, cardboard, newsprint, computer paper and white paper. The center is located in the old scale house at 216 S. Ave. H.

### April 6 deadline for voter registration

The final day to register to vote in the May 6 election will be April 6. Registration for the election is at the Garza County Tax Assessor's office at the courthouse. The May 6 election will include city, schools and hospital positions.

### Heirloom Egg Auction April 7

The third annual Heirloom Egg Auction, style show and luncheon will be held April 7 at the Algerita Art Center. Tickets for the event are \$5 per person and may be purchased from any member of the Post Art Guild, Caprock Cultural Association or at the Algerita Art Center. The Spring Day at the Algerita features an early and late lunch. Lily Dale's and La Posta will participate in the style show at the luncheon.

Eggs will be on display at different businesses for preview.

### 'Fiddler on the Roof' at the Garza

A stage extravaganza, "Fiddler on the Roof," will open at the Garza Theatre March 24 and continue weekends through April 16. Friday and Saturday performances begin at 7:45 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2:30 p.m.

The musical, based on the book by Joseph Stein, is directed by Jane Prince Jones and features a cast of more than 40 on stage and musicians.

The musical stars Tim McIntire as "Tevye" and Emily Hataway as "Golde."

Tickets for the production are \$10 and may be ordered by calling the box office at 495-4005 or 800-846-3706 Monday through Friday noon to 4 p.m.

### Service officer helps veterans Mon-Fri

Beginning today (March 1) the Garza County Veterans Service Officer is available by appointment Monday through Friday after 6 p.m. She will also be at the Courthouse the third Saturday each month from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. For more information call Ann Stelzer at 495-4541 after 6 p.m. for an appointment.



Amber Cooper (left) and Christie Oden received All-District honors for their basketball contributions. Amber was named to the All-District team and Christies honorable mention.



Giles McCrary (right) congratulates Rex Cash on his wood sculpture, "Freeloader," which is on display at the O.S. Museum. Cash said the sculpture, which represents an eagle with wing spread, took about a year to finish.

## Dispatch introduces "Grandparents' Corner"

by Wes Burnett

Beginning this week The Post Dispatch introduces "Grandparents' Corner," a spot set aside for photographs of grandparents with their grandchildren.

The idea was first presented to me by Jim Voss last December. I thought that was a good idea, but other projects kept me from following-through. Then last week Jaquita Blevins was in the office working with us on our Salute to Girl Scouts. I showed her my favorite photograph of me with our two granddaughters. She politely complimented me and then told me about her hometown newspaper's weekly photo feature. She said the Eunice, N.M. Press calls it, "Grandparents' Corner."

I couldn't resist the urge any longer, and hope our readers will find this as much fun as we do.

Of course, to get it started, I looked around for the best example I could find, and guess what? It was sitting on my desk.

So, grandparents, bring us your favorite photograph of you with your grandchildren, we'll publish them one per week, and they will be selected for publication as they arrive. We will mark a date and time, and they will be published in the order we receive them.

There is no charge for this service. It's just another way of expressing our appreciation to our loyal readers and advertisers.

We are looking forward to seeing your favorite in our "Grandparents' Corner."

## Don Caldwell's "Country Classics" set at Tower

An evening of rollicking popular country music is in store for area music lovers as Don Caldwell presents his "Country Classics" at the Tower Theatre Saturday evening. The show begins at 7 p.m. and features Rex Thomas, J.R. Quilantan, Terri Caldwell, Danny Dukatnik, Mark Padden and Lubbock Texas Rhythm Machine.

Reserved seat tickets for the event are \$7.50. For reservations or information call 495-3461 or 495-3854.

## Up and Down Mainstreet

by Wanda Mitchell  
Post Chamber of Commerce  
It is fruit basket turn over downtown this week. Lily Dale's is moving into the Frame Shop building and the Frame Shop is moving to the Danish Import building. You will see new faces, new merchandise and new surroundings at these two stores.

Delores Redman is the new owner of Danish Imports and we wish her

success in her new endeavor. Delores will also be doing custom framing at Danish with Julia Childs and Billie Hackney. As you know, Billie worked for the Frame Shop in the past. Delores will be expanding her services to include a Brides Corner at Danish. We are excited that we will still have Danish Imports with the same quality of gifts that we have always had. Patty and Delores have just returned from the Dallas Gift Market and I know

Delores is ready to get started. Delores told me that she bought some new lines. One is a line of collector Santas called Crinkle Clauses that she is so excited about. She also will be handling Fiesta Ware, Badash Crystal and Nippet Games for boys. She felt there was a real need for gifts for boys from 8-13 and she has addressed this with some new things for that age group. You will still be able to visit with Ora Beth White and Linda Lewis as they will be staying with Delores at Danish.

Donna Smith will now be at Lily Dale's. I am excited to have Donna and I think she will be thrilled to see all her customers shop with her at Lily Dale's. We really have some exciting new things there, too. The most exciting is our new line of custom girls clothes by Wee Gee. We can fit any size with whatever designs you choose. We call this corner of our shop, Lily's Little Ladies so be sure to come in and browse.

The Tower Theatre has a big show planned for this weekend. Saturday night, March 18th at 7 P.M. Don Caldwell will be presenting "Country Classics" and will be featuring: Rex Thomas, J.R. Quilantan, Mark Padden, Danny Dukatnik, Teri Caldwell and the great "Lubbock Texas Rhythm Machine". Be sure to come out and

hear some of the great classics of country music. They will be featuring the music of Hank Williams, Marty Robbins, Jim Reeves and other great country music legends.

Handy's has some new surprises in store, too. We will tell you more about that as soon as Jay gives me the O. K.

Don't forget Tabana Yuane on March 22nd at sunrise. The ceremony will be held at the same place as the last few years on the south side of the city park by the Spartan building. A new twist this year will be a wonderful breakfast served at Hotel Garza consisting of sausage, biscuits, gravy, orange juice and coffee all for only \$4.00 per person with proceeds to go to the Post Chamber of Commerce. It is suggested that you be at the park no later than 6:30 a.m. for the ceremony.

Don't forget to wear your green Friday March 17th and don't forget to ..... TAKE PRIDE AND TAKE PART IN POST!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



Girl Scouts from Troop 294 and 35 demonstrate "Be Your Best" in their community service project last week at Golden Plains Care Center. Scouts (left to right) Naomi Gonzales, Shalana Reed, Shara Egbert, Lakisha Gilbert and Amber Hernandez visit with Ruth Head. (Photo by Becky Warren)

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## Births

Korlee Rose

Carruthers

Kristi and Cody Carruthers of Sanderson, Tx wish to announce the arrival of their daughter Korlee Rose Carruthers born March 8, 1995. Korlee weighed 2 lbs-6 oz. at birth.

Maternal grandparents are Carolyn and Jerry Stone. Paternal grandparents are Joy and Pinkie Carruthers.

Maternal great grandparents are Gwen and Bill Carlisle and Imogene and Albert Stone of Post.

Paternal great grandmother is Sue Rose and maternal great great grandmother is Mary Adams.

Korlee will be in the Harris Hospital in Fort Worth, Texas for 2 to 3 months.

Kaylyn Elaine Dean

Robby and Kerri Dean would like to announce the birth of their daughter, Kaylyn Elaine Dean, born February 28, 1995 at 12:24 p.m. in Methodist Hospital. She weighed 8 lbs. 13 oz.

Maternal grandparents are Ricky and Judy Bush and Ray and Margaret Crispin.

Paternal grandparents are Bobby and Janet Dean.

Maternal great grandparents are Fannie Ballentine and Edith Crispin.

Paternal great grandparents are Rusty and Juanita Dean.

Paternal great grandmother is Betty Pierce.

Allison Paige Massey

Dustin and Amber Massey of Dyess AFB are proud to announce the birth of their daughter Allison Paige. Allison was born Jan. 31, 1995 at Abilene Regional Hospital. She weighed 3 lbs. 9.6 oz. and was 17 inches long. After a month long hospital stay, she was welcomed home Feb. 25, by her big sister Ashlee D'Shea.

Proud grandparents are Jacky and Thessa Harp and Dickey and Mildred Massey all of Post.

## Beauty Tips

by Leslie Tatum

Women all want to look sharp. To do so we must consider our body shape. There are styles to flatter each figure type, the trick is finding out what is right for you.

The first body type is the hourglass with generous curves on top and bottom accented by a small waist. The important strategy is to play down the curves and make your torso appear longer. Choose outfits with vertical accents such as a row of gold buttons, no waist shapes (for trimming hips), and anything long or slim styles.

Pear shaped is small on top and much bigger on bottom. The strategy is to maximize about the waist and to minimize below. Tailored clothing with emphasis on the upper body looks great. A boxier blazer and shirtdresses will look nice as well.

The straight body type is boxy or boyish with very little waist definition. Choose styles that add curves. Try a sweater dress cinched with a narrow belt or a long shapely jacket over a short pleated skirt.

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### Grandparents' Corner



"Pappy Wes" is what his grandchildren call him, and Wes Burnett is content to be the grandfather of Alyssa Joy and Cailee Morgan Dolberry. "They live in Lubbock," Burnett says, "and that makes a grandparent mighty happy to be close enough to see the grandchildren on a regular basis. Alyssa and Cailee are the children of Kimberly (Burnett) and Allen Dolberry."

Bring your favorite grandparent photo to The Post Dispatch to be included in this weekly feature. Photos will be published "first come, first served."

### Grandparents

Don't forget to come by the Post Dispatch to pick up your grandchildren's Valentine pictures.



Celebrating world cultures last week at the Post ISD cafeteria on Mexico day were (back row, left to right) Joyce Siewert, Opal York, Nova Gordon, Ingrid Boteler, Debbie Line, (front row) Mercy Sanchez, Alma Espinoza, Jo Ann Reed and Carmen Walls.

### Woman's Culture Club

The Woman's Culture Club met Wednesday, March 8, at 2 p.m. in the Women's Clubhouse. Joyce Strubhart and Katharine Trammell were hostesses.

Maxine Earl, vice-president, presided over the business meeting. Jaquita Blevins was introduced by Mrs. Trammell. Mrs. Blevins reported on the Girl Scout program in Post.

There are ninety girls enrolled in Daisies, Brownies, Troops, and Cadettes. They have 15 adult leaders, and in great need of others to volunteer to help in the local council.

Donna Craig introduced Dedra Adams. Mrs. Adams told of the activities and influence of the STARS program and the impact and influence it has had on our youth in the area of substance abuse. She plans to take another group of intermediate school students to Lubbock in July to attend a seminar of youth leadership in fighting substance abuse.

### Green Thumb Garden Club

"Square Foot Gardening" sound interesting or impossible? There really is a way to cut the drudgery from regular gardening and still have a bountiful home garden.

The Green Thumb Garden Club members were shown a film Thursday night in the home of Edna Owen. The "hostess with the mostess" was assisted by Maurine Hudman and Marion Wheatley in serving delicious sandwiches and cake with all the trimmings along with hot spiced tea and coffee.

Four steps explained for successful square foot gardening were: one, there are not many weeds; two, good planning; three, keep things going and; four, good results are seen.

Would you believe the meeting ended with many stories as "would you believe what my 'grandchild's name' did? All the stories and tales were very interesting.

Members enjoying the meeting were: Sybil Cockrum, Annie Laura Francis, Alma Williams, Ida Jones, Louella Bilberry, Edna Owen, Thelma Epley, Gladys Blair, Marion Wheatley, Maurine Hudman and Shorty King.

Delicious refreshments were served to guest: Blevins and Adams, and to club members: Bebe Boren, Iva Hudman, Ruby Kirkpatrick, Nona Lusk, Dorace Wilson, Earl, Craig, Strubhart and Trammell.

### Susie Brown celebrates 100th birthday

Susie Brown, grandmother to Becky Warren and great-grandmother to Dwayne Warren, celebrated her 100th birthday February 7 in Whitney. Mrs. Brown, who had formerly lived in Chico and Bowie, was joined in the celebration by friends and relatives.

Mrs. Brown was raised in Burton Springs, Texas. She was one of 14 children born to Jacob Zuber and Elizabeth Nelson Zuber. Mrs. Brown's father came to America from Switzerland in the 1800s.

## Questions raised about Texas education reform

State Representative David Counts (D-Knox City) recently announced his reservations over Senate Bill 1, a revision of the Texas Education Codes. Counts noted that although he is in favor of revising the codes to help eliminate unnecessary unfunded mandates and give local communities more control over their schools, he feels there are some real problems with Senate Bill 1.

"The intent behind Senate Bill 1 is good," said Counts. "But the elimination of the small school formula, as well as, changes in the transportation funding could be devastating to small rural districts, which comprise the majority of our schools here in West Texas."

Counts cited that a small school is defined as a district with an enrollment of 1600 or fewer students. "We all realize that we spend a little more per student in our smaller schools, but its an expenditure that is well worth it."

Counts stated better control of students and discipline and the ability to provide more individualized attention to the needs of students as a few of the benefits for small schools. "Small schools really reach out to students and help bring about a feeling of pride in our students and our communities."

"It comes down to a matter of choice," said Counts. "All the folks I have spoken to have indicated to me that its a choice they want to keep."

Counts also stated that the House should be releasing its own version of a code revision bill in the very near future. "I think the House Bill will be able to accomplish the goals of revising the education codes while better providing for the needs of all schools."

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Mike Sanchez recently retired following 28 years of service with the City of Post. He is spending time with his family and plans to travel. (Photo by Chip Morris)

## Mike Sanchez served City of Post in wide range of duties

by Chip Morris  
Texas Tech  
School of Mass Communications

Mike Sanchez has come a long way from his humble beginnings in Southern Texas as the son of migrant workers. In 1937, Sanchez, along with his parents and eight siblings, embarked on a journey that spanned three days and four nights in a Model T pick-up that originated south of San Antonio and terminated in Floydada.

It was the middle of the summer and "every hill we'd come to, all of us kids would have to jump out and push that Model T up that hill," Sanchez recalls with a laugh.

After the journey was completed, having never gone faster than 18 m.p.h., Sanchez said his family began to plant their roots in the soil of the South Plains.

Sanchez, always the hard-worker, made a personal commitment at the age of 20.

"By the time I was 29 I was going to own my own farm. I didn't own one at 29, but I was already living on one and was making payments on it," Sanchez said. "Eventually, I did, in fact, own it."

Sanchez began working as a mechanic for private businesses for 15 years prior to being employed by the city of Post for 28 years beginning in 1967. Initially, he was given a job as a mechanic for the city. But, after just one year he was transferred to the dump ground.

"I started the sanitary landfill. Nobody buried it (trash) back then," Sanchez said. "They just dumped it, so I started pitting it with a dozer the city manager had bought for me."

Ever the man of all trades, Sanchez was transferred back to the Street Department, then back to the Sanitation Department, before becoming the water superintendent in the Waste and Water Department in 1980.

"We used to hire all of our main waterline installation, as well as overhauling our fire plugs and installment," Sanchez said. "When I became water superintendent we started doing all of that ourselves, so we saved the city a bit of money."

In addition to helping the city out monetarily, Sanchez also had quite a bit of physical labor wrapped up in his position.

"There was a main (waterline) that busted at 8th Street and Avenue R that must have been at least six feet deep in the middle of the winter back in 1979," Sanchez said.

The city manager, Pete Maddox, and Sanchez traded turns holding each other down under the water while one would attempt to screw the valve shut. After several attempts each at trying to

plug up the main that was releasing 80 to 90 pounds over a surface roughly three inches, Sanchez was finally successful in sealing it, he said.

After Maddox quit, Sanchez served as city manager for two years, returning in 1982 as water superintendent, in addition to duties as director of public works, plumbing inspector and herbicide application supervisor. He continued to serve in these positions until his retirement this year.

Sanchez says he hates leaving because he'll miss his second family, who are his field employees.

"I hope the best for them," Sanchez said. "They're young, energetic, knowledgeable people and I wish them the best of luck."

"I love working for the city. I love this little town. I love the people of this town, I just love people. I'm kind of like Will Rogers. I've never met a stranger, I'm friendly to people and they're friendly to me," Sanchez said.

One achievement Sanchez gladly boasts about is the effort he undertook for the community with Doc Edwards back in the 1950's to construct South Lake Park.

"It used to be just a gully and a dump yard with trash thrown all about," Sanchez said. "But, after two years Doc Edwards and myself had turned it into a park."

Although Sanchez is a self-proclaimed workaholic, he also loves reading about history. He has left on a vacation to Southern Texas where he is to visit family and famous historical sites, namely the Alamo and the town of Goliad.

Sanchez, though only briefly retired, has already been asked to serve on the Board of Directors for the Post Housing Authority. He's also thinking about going in to business for himself. Even with three grown daughters and seven grandchildren one thing is for sure, you won't see Mike Sanchez basking in the glory of retirement.

"I'm a workaholic. I just love to work."

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#### ¿Cuál es la hora del cierre?

Si su terreno nunca ha tenido una valoración productiva, Ud. debe solicitarla a su distrito de valoraciones antes del viernes, 1 de mayo, para recibir el beneficio en sus impuestos de propiedad de 1995. Puede recibir hasta 60 días más si tiene una buena razón y si solicita el tiempo adicional antes del 1 de mayo. Si pasa de esta fecha, es posible que todavía la podrá obtener, pero pagará una multa. Pregunte en la oficina de su distrito de valoraciones.

#### ¿Debo solicitarla cada año?

Por lo general, si su propiedad ya recibe una valoración productiva agrícola o maderera, no hay necesidad de pedir una nueva cada año—al menos que se le pida su jefe de valoraciones. Si su oficina local del distrito de valoraciones le mandará un aviso por correo.

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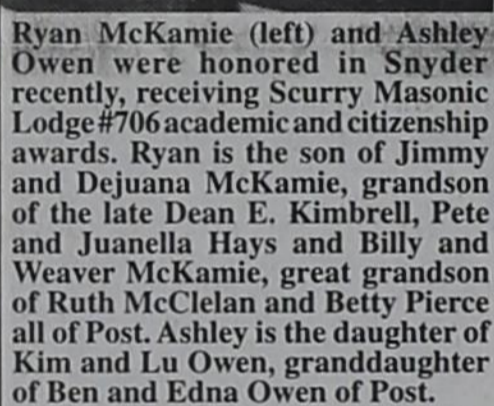
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Ryan McKamie (left) and Ashley Owen were honored in Snyder recently, receiving Scurry Masonic Lodge #706 academic and citizenship awards. Ryan is the son of Jimmy and Dejuana McKamie, grandson of the late Dean E. Kimbrell, Pete and Juanella Hays and Billy and Weaver McKamie, great grandson of Ruth McClellan and Betty Pierce all of Post. Ashley is the daughter of Kim and Lu Owen, granddaughter of Ben and Edna Owen of Post.

## Tax 'n Facts

by Terri S. Cash, CPA

### Who's Paying Taxes?

Agreed, that every individual feels that he or she is paying too much in taxes—but where's the money actually coming from? Here's the breakdown, from IRS data on 1992 personal returns. Their figures are based on the total of 1040s, whether filed by singles or couples, and reflect adjusted gross income. AGI does not include interest on tax-exempt instruments, the untaxed portion of Social Security benefits, payins to IRAs, Keoghs, 401(k) or similar retirement vehicles nor other above-the-line adjustments to income.

Taxpayers with AGI of \$75,000 or more—the top 7 percent of filers—paid 51 percent of the total personal income tax for the year, kicking in some \$242 billion.

In the more rarified strata, 3.3 percent of returns indicated an AGI of \$100,000 or more for 1992. Those filers paid about 40 percent of the total personal income tax, or some \$191 billion. Those with incomes over \$200,000—the top 1 percent—paid more than \$123 billion.

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### "Protect your rights!" "Render" your taxable property by April 14th.

A "rendition" is a report to the appraisal district that lists all taxable property you owned or controlled on January 1st of this year. The rendition form is available at your local appraisal district office... or you may draft a similar form.

#### Who must file a rendition?

You must file a rendition if you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income—such as the inventory and equipment used by a business.

#### Are there any advantages to you?

The advantages of filing a rendition are:

- You give your opinion of your property's value. If the appraisal district believes the value is higher, it must notify you in writing of the higher value and explain how you can protest that value to the appraisal review board.
- You record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes on time or paying extra charges for late payments.
- You can also file a "report of decreased value" to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 1994. The district will look at your property before assigning a value in 1995.

#### What's the deadline?

The last day for filing or postmarking 1995 renditions is Friday, April 14. You can get an extra 15 days if you ask for it in writing by the April 14 deadline.

#### Where do you file?

File renditions with your local appraisal district at:  
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### A variety of homestead exemptions could lower your property taxes!

A homestead exemption lowers the property taxes on your home by lowering its taxable value. If your home is valued at \$50,000 and you receive a \$5,000 homestead exemption, your home will be taxed as if it were worth \$45,000.

#### Who qualifies for an exemption?

Anyone who owned a home on January 1st (and used it as their primary residence on that date) is entitled to a \$5,000 homestead exemption to lower their school taxes this year... and it doesn't matter if your home is a house, condominium or mobile home. (County, city and special taxing districts may also offer homestead exemptions.)

#### Are there other exemptions available?

If you're disabled—or if you're 65 years old or older—you are entitled to an additional \$10,000 school tax exemption on your home. And if you qualify for the over-65 exemption, you're also entitled to a permanent "locking-in" on the school property taxes on your home. (The ceiling does not apply to county or city property taxes, and those entities may offer other exemptions.)

#### Do I have to apply each year?

No. If you had a homestead exemption on your home in 1994, you won't need to reapply for 1995 unless your chief appraiser requires it. However, if you haven't received an exemption on your present home—or if you've moved to a new home—you'll need to file for an exemption for 1995. And if you turned 65 or became disabled during 1994, you need to file for the additional exemptions.

#### When and where should I file?

File applications by May 1 at your appraisal district office. If you need more time, contact us at:

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### ¡"Protega sus derechos!" "Rienda" su propiedad antes del 14 de abril.

Una "rendición" es un reporte al distrito de valoraciones en donde Ud. lista toda la propiedad que poseó o controló el día 1 de enero, 1995. El formulario para la rendición se puede obtener en su oficina local del distrito de valoraciones... o puede imprimir una forma parecida.

#### ¿Quién debe hacer una rendición?

Debe hacer una rendición si Ud. es dueño y gana ingresos de una propiedad personal—por ejemplo, el inventario y equipo utilizado en un negocio.

#### ¿Que ventaja me da?

Las ventajas de hacer una rendición son las siguientes:

- Ud. registra su opinión sobre la valoración de su propiedad. Si el distrito opina que el valor es más grande, deber avisarle por escrito y explicarle como protestar el nuevo valor a su junta de revisión.
- Registra su dirección correcta para que le puedan mandar sus avisos de impuestos. Según la ley, Ud. es responsable por pagar sus impuestos sin demora o de pagar cualquier multa que resulte por haberlos pagado tarde—aunque la tarifa se haya mantenido a una dirección equivocada.
- También puede someter un "reporte de valoración disminuida" para avisar al distrito de cualquier reducción significativa en la valoración de su propiedad en 1994. El distrito examinará su propiedad antes de designarle un valor en 1995.

#### ¿Cuál es la hora del cierre?

El día viernes, 14 de abril es la última fecha para mandar sus rendiciones para 1995. Puede obtener 15 días adicionales si los pide por escrito antes de la hora de cierre.

#### ¿Dónde hago mi rendición?

Haga su rendición con su distrito local de valoraciones en:

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### ¡Varías exenciones de residencia pueden rebajar sus impuestos de propiedad!

Una exención de residencia reduce sus impuestos de propiedad. Por ejemplo, si su residencia tiene un valor de \$50,000 y Ud. recibe una exención de \$5,000, su residencia será calculada como si el valor de su residencia fuera \$45,000.

#### ¿Quién califica para una exención?

Cualquier dueño de una residencia principal el día 1 de enero tiene derecho a una exención residencial de \$5,000 este año para rebajar sus impuestos escolares... y no importa si la residencia es casa, condominio o casa móvil. (Las condadas, municipios y distritos especiales de impuestos también pueden ofrecer exenciones de residencia.)

#### ¿Hay otras exenciones?

Si Ud. es incapacitado—o si tiene 65 años o más—tiene derecho a una exención adicional de \$10,000 en sus impuestos escolares de propiedad. Y si Ud. califica para la exención para los que ya cumplieron 65 años, también tiene derecho a un "bloqueo permanente" en sus impuestos escolares de residencia. (El límite máximo no tiene que ver con impuestos de propiedad de los condados o municipios, y esas entidades pueden ofrecer otras exenciones.)

#### ¿Debo solicitarla cada año?

No. Si Ud. recibió una exención de residencia en 1994, no hay necesidad de solicitarla de nuevo en 1995—al menos que se le pida su jefe de valoraciones. Sin embargo, si no ha recibido una exención en su residencia actual—o si ha cambiado de domicilio—podrá que solicitar una exención para 1995. Y si cumplió los 65 años o resultó incapacitado en 1994, tendrá que solicitar las exenciones adicionales.

#### ¿Dónde y cuando debo solicitar mis exenciones?

Su solicitud debe llegar en su oficina local del distrito de valoraciones antes del día 1 de mayo. Si necesita más tiempo, favor de ponernos en contacto con nosotros antes:

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## Willy Awards

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and Dell Gray, Jeremy Danial, Bill Lyon, Todd Caldwell and Jimmy Exline. Jane Prince Jones served as master of ceremonies. Introductory remarks were presented by State Representative David Counts and Garza Theatre Board of Director member Giles McCrary.



Mildred Stewart led the Willy Award attendees in the traditional "Auld Lang Syne" at the close of the event Saturday evening. (Photo by Charles Wallace)



Janice and Jim Plummer and their daughter Marlee accept the Garza Theatre Board special award for support to the theatre. (Photo by Charles Wallace)



Marci Hill entertained those at the Willy Awards with one of her favorite tunes. (Photo by Charles Wallace)



Alison Hoefler won three Willy Awards. (Photo Charles Wallace)



Jayson Fry accepted the Garza Theatre youth achievement award at the Willy Award ceremony Saturday evening. (Photo by Charles Wallace)



Connie and Milton Cox were named Volunteers of the Year at the Garza Theatre. (Photo by Tim Burnett)



Steve Sever won Best Actor in this year's Willy Awards.



Mattie Perez was awarded the Most Valuable Participant during the Willy Awards Saturday evening. (Photo by Charles Wallace)



Jenny Jones (right) presents the director's Cultural Awareness award to Maxine Earl on behalf of the Post Chamber of Commerce Women's Division. (Photo by Tim Burnett)



Girl Scouts hoisted the official Girl Scout flag at city hall last Friday in celebration of Girl Scout week. Participating in the flag raising were (left to right) Alison Blevins, Latricia Martin, Naomi Gonzales, Ebony Gonzales, Kelli Martin, Hayley Massey and Torri Gonzales.



Jon Steele gives his thanks for the Best Supporting Actor award. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

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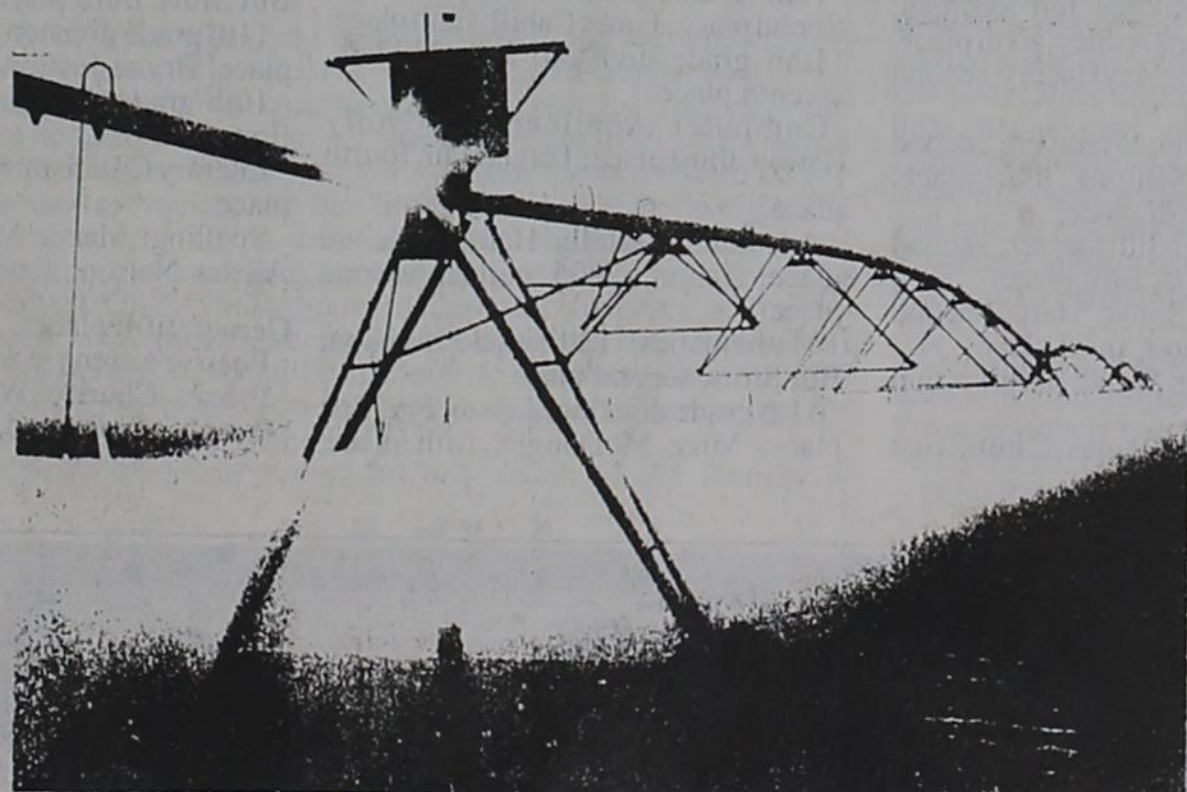
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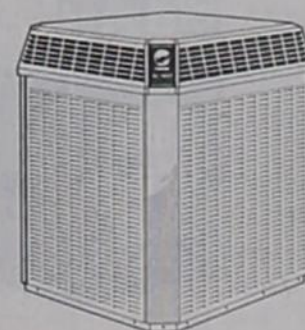
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## 'Lopes take first place in Antelope Relays

The Post Antelope varsity track team took first place with 126 points at last Saturday's Antelope Relays here.

"We're really proud of the way our kids competed," coach Lane Tamehill commented. "We're going to three more invitational meets and then get ready for the district meet April 13."

Taking first place at the relays were Ignacio Martinez in the 3200 meter run with a time of 10:58.56 and the 1600 meter relay team of Corey Cruse, Javier Saldivar, Orlando Castillo and Brad Lawson with a 3:39.52 time.

Second place finishes went to the 400 meter relay team of Anthony Flores, Cruse, Freddy Pena and Lawson, coming in with a 45.61 time. Saldivar took second with the 800 meter run at 2:10.98; Josh Grisham in the 110 meter high hurdles at 18.03; Lawson with a 52.16 in the 400 meter dash; Saldivar at 43.88 in the 300 meter hurdles and Martinez with 5:12.81 in the 1600 meter run.

Third place winners were Jerry Crawford with a 109' 6" discus throw; B.J. Hart with a 11:53.71 in the 3200 meter run and Cruse with a 23.98 in the 200 meter dash.

Fourth place went to Saldivar in the triple jump at 39' 7 1/4"; Lawson in the long jump at 18' 6 1/4"; Sam Woods in the 110 meter high hurdles at 19.15 and Grisham in the 300 meter hurdles at 44.56.

Travis Hair took fifth in the 3200 meter run at 12:07.28 and Hart finished with a 5:34.00 in the 1600 meter run.

Sixth place went to Crawford in the shot put with a 38' 11 3/4" throw and Jamie Hernandez with a 19.53 time in the 110 meter high hurdles.



Tammy Jefferson (left) takes the baton from Tiffany Steel in the 800 meter relay. (Photo by Tim Burnett)



Felicia Jefferson takes off for the Lady Lopes in the 800 meter relay. (Photo by Tim Burnett)



Tiffany Steel leaps during the long jump event last Saturday.

## Lady Lopes place second in Antelope Relays

The Post Lady Lopes took second place in last Saturday's Antelope Relays here with 144 team points. Brownfield won the meet with 146 points.

**Meet Results**  
**First Place**  
Amber Cooper, high jump, 5-0.  
Christie Oden, shot put, 33' 9 3/4".  
Chelissa Williams, long jump, 15-10.

Amber Cooper, Tiffany Steel, Angela Jefferson and Chelissa Williams, 400 meter relay team, 51.83.  
Katina Davis, 100 meter hurdles, 17.85.

Chelissa Williams, Tammy Jefferson, Felicia Jefferson and Tiffany Steel, 800 meter relay team, 1:55.7.  
Chelissa Williams, 200 meter dash.

**Second Place**  
Alidia Marin, 3200 meter run, 13:44.10.  
Tiffany Steel, 100 meter dash, 13.44.  
Angela Jefferson, 200 meter dash, 28.09.

**Third Place**  
Nikki Pollard, discus, 92-1.  
Amber Cooper, Jodi Hawkins, Felicia Jefferson and Angela Jefferson, 1600 meter relay team, 4:40.23.



Amber Cooper won first place in the high jump at last Saturday's Antelope Relays here.

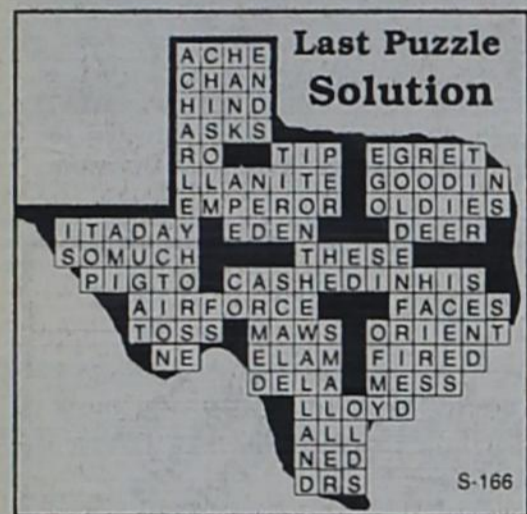


Jamie Hernandez clears the hurdles in the 100 meter event. (Photo by Tim Burnett)



Steve Gonzales stretches out near the finish line for the varsity track team. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

**Sgt. Albert Promoted**  
Marine Sgt. Jimmy Albert, a 1987 graduate of Post High School, recently was promoted to his present rank while serving with Marine Attack Squadron 513, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Corps Air Station, Yuma, Arizona.



### Last Puzzle Solution

The wise learn many things from their enemies.  
—Aristophanes

### weekly sports schedule

Monday, March 13 thru Friday March 17  
Spring Break  
**Tuesday, March 21**  
High School girls golf at Post 5 p.m. baseball, New Deal at Post  
**Thursday, March 23,**  
High School boys golf at Post  
**Friday, March 24**  
High School boys track at San Angelo  
High School tennis boys and girls at Lubbock  
Junior High 7th and 8th boys and girls at Roosevelt  
5 p.m. Baseball Post at Slaton  
**Saturday, March 25**  
High School track at San Angelo  
High School tennis boys and girls at Lubbock  
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**Sundown U.I.L. meet results**

Recently Post High School students competed at Sundown in the U.I.L. practice meet.

**Meet Results:**  
Persuasive Speaking: Jeff Redman, second place; Chris Ashley, sixth place.  
Editorial Writing: Jayson Fry, second place.  
Headline Writing: Jayson Fry, second place; Kenneth Schronk, third place; Holly Hardin, fifth place.  
Ready Writing: Jill Stelzer, second place; Eric Hanna, fifth place.  
News Writing: Sonya Harp, second place; Cassie Short, third place.  
Feature Writing: Sonya Harp, second place.  
Current Events: James Cahill, first place; Post Current Events Team, second place.  
Science: 12th grade division; Brant Windham, ninth place.  
11th grade division; Jayson Fry, second place; James Cahill, sixth place.  
10th grade division; Jay Childers, seventh place.  
Computer Applications: Holly Hardin, third place; Travis Hair, fourth place.  
Accounting: Holly Hardin, second place; Team w/805 points, second place.  
Mathematics: 12th grade division; Bitt Sims, second place.  
11th grade division; Jayson Fry, first place; Mike McDougle, fifth place;

Travis Hair, sixth place; Bryan Justice, eighth place.  
9th grade division; Tim Martin, sixth place.  
Lincoln Douglas Debate: Secret Bilbo, third place.  
Number Sense: 12th grade division; Bitt Sims, third place.  
11th grade division; Jayson Fry, first place; Bryan Justice, fourth place.  
10th grade division; Nikki Pollard, first place.  
Literary Criticism: Sharla Cruse, fifth place.  
Spelling: Macee Mills, third place; Alisha Nelson, fourth place; Kathy Gerner, fifth place.  
Poetry: Lorena Voss, first place.  
Prose: Charity Williams, second place; Nikki Pollard, fifth place.

Participating in the U.I.L. competition practice meet at Sundown recently were (back row, left to right) Cameron Miller, James Cahill, Travis Hair, Chris Ashley, Nikki Pollard, Sonya Harp, Alisha Nelson, Amanda Hair, Sharla Cruse, (front row) April Leary, Macee Mills, Natalie Pollard, Lorena Voss, Amanda Bush, Beth Murray, Jenifer Hubble, Kathy Gerner and Ariny Gradine.

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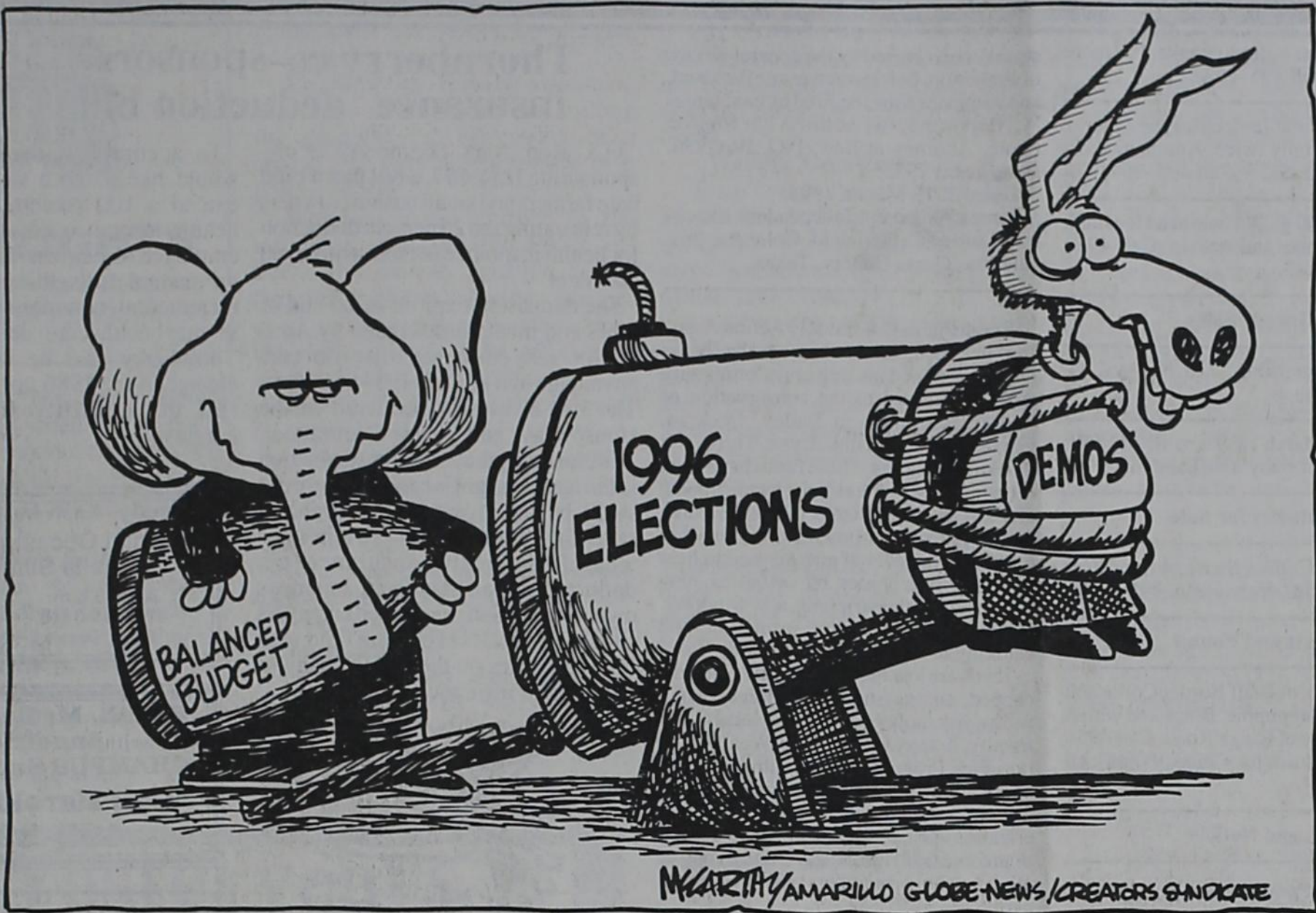
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# Opinions



## Flag-burning amendment would singe the constitution

by Stephen Chapman

The balanced budget amendment is dead for the moment, but the ongoing constitutional convention on Capitol Hill is not about to adjourn. While the Senate was deliberating over the painful choices involved in taxing and spending, a group of lawmakers held a rally last week to unveil another amendment—which can be approved without requiring any sacrifice from voters or creating any political danger to members of Congress. It would ban desecration of the flag, and only our liberties are at risk.



It was just six years ago that flag-burning suddenly erupted as a major political issue. Practically on the eve of the Fourth of July in 1989, the Supreme Court struck down a Texas law that made it a crime to mistreat Old Glory so as to offend people. The justices viewed it as an infringement of First Amendment freedoms.

Congress responded to the ensuing public uproar by passing a federal law meant to protect the flag without running afoul of the justices, but the attempt failed. The court scratched that law as well. A constitutional amendment to consecrate the flag was the only option left, but though it won majorities, it fell short in both houses of the two-thirds vote needed for passage.

At the time, Republican Leader Bob Dole vowed to use the issue against Democrats in the fall campaign. In the interim, though, Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait, half a million American troops were dispatched to prepare for war against Iraq and suddenly, flag-burning didn't seem quite so urgent a problem.

But 89 organizations, including the American Legion, the Knights of Columbus and the Fraternal Order of Police, refused to give up the fight. They have joined together to form the Citizens Flag Alliance, whose purpose is to help enact the same amendment that failed in 1990.

With a new Republican majority on Capitol Hill, resolutions of support from 46 state legislatures and high public approval ratings, the measure obviously has a good chance. On the side of the Citizens Flag Alliance is a clout-heavy list of GOP lawmakers. Dole is on board again; so is Newt Gingrich; so is Texas Sen. Phil Gramm.

Nor is Bill Clinton likely to be an insurmountable obstacle. The last time around, when he was governor of Arkansas, he managed to come up with one of his comically over-clever compromises that are designed to appease everyone

but end up satisfying no one. He proposed to make flags property of the government and then protect them from destruction as we do mailboxes and currency. But he urged voter understanding of representatives who voted against the amendment.

The onset of a presidential campaign, when shameless pandering is at a premium, obviously won't hurt the flag measure's chances. But shameless pandering is what it is. The Citizens Flag Alliance can cite only three incidents of flag-burning since the last amendment failed, which hardly seems enough to justify all the trouble and expense of pushing a constitutional amendment through Congress and the states.

A constitutional amendment does get around the problem that political censorship violates the guarantees of the First Amendment. It enshrines the fetching proposition that when the flag is involved, the First Amendment is null and void. This would be the first time that a provision of the Bill of Rights was repealed.

The flag is supposed to embody our freedoms, but protecting it by suppressing those freedoms suggests that we value the symbol more than the substance. The only reason to constitutionally protect the Stars and Stripes is to curtail a particular form of political protest that we detest. Any laws passed under this amendment will surely allow (as the 1989 law did) flag-burning when it is done, as prescribed by tradition, as a respectful form of disposal.

The point is not to protect the flag from destruction but to protect it from destruction carried out with unpatriotic purposes. So why not outlaw unpatriotic purposes? Because it is not the American way to put people in jail for their opinions. Supporters of the flag amendment, however, would have us believe it is the American way to put people in jail for expressing their opinions in the wrong way.

Flag fetishists seem to believe that burning a token of American democracy is the equivalent of burning down the Capitol. That makes about as much sense as thinking that shredding a photograph of Bob Dole is the same as assassinating him. A flag perishes when a protester burns it — but (SET ITAL) the (END ITAL) flag endures.

"Punishing desecration of the flag dilutes the very freedom that makes this emblem so revered, and worth revering," said the Supreme Court in 1990. A lowlife who burns the flag is not a threat to the liberties it represents. Those who favor this amendment are. COPYRIGHT 1995 CREATORS SYNDICATE, INC.

## Here's some books you won't find on the NY list

by Robert Fulghum

SEATTLE — Psst. Wanna buy some interesting little books? Books that aren't on the New York Times Bestsellers List or reviewed in your local paper? Books that may appeal to your private peculiarities? I offer you three.

Here are the criteria for my choices:

— The book must be a real book, available on the shelves of most large bookstores.

— The book must be a serious book, containing well-researched facts, even if the subject matter seems a bit taboo.

— The book must be one I've personally bought and read from cover to cover.

The three books I'm reviewing are ones I have found so informative and useful that I've passed them on to friends with the best critical commentary I know: "You must read this book." And, no, I'm not selling the books or realizing any gain from recommending them.

I admit the titles are a little suspect, but the contents are serious.

First: "How to Disappear Completely and Never Be Found," by Doug Richmond. A Citadel Press Book, Carol Publishing Co., New York, 1994. Paperback: \$6.95

Ever run away from home when you were a child? If you had known then what's in this book, you would never have been caught. Or maybe you're just tired of who you are and really like to fantasize about getting a brand new life. Or, if you are married and just want to get some attention from your spouse, this fact-filled book will do it. You should have seen the expression on my wife's face when she saw me reading this little manual in bed one night. "Is there something you want to tell me, dear?" I gave her the book to read. Now, when we're out walking in the evening, we make a game of plotting our escape together. As she explained, "If you're going to leave me, I'm going with you."

When I consider the material in this book, I see how trapped I am by the broad evidence of my existence. It would be difficult to get away from myself. Besides, I'm too old to run away and never be found. I don't like running, for one thing, and for another, I like being found.

"How to Disappear" made me reflect on how much of my identity is



accidental and circumstantial — out of my control and not my choice. Now I realize how many places in the world my name, social security number, fingerprints, photograph and all the other evidence of my identity exist. I'm stuck with me, I guess. Still, it's interesting to imagine who else I might have been.

This next book will also get attention around the house.

"How to Embalm your Mother-in-Law," by Robert T. Hatch, another Citadel Press Book, Carol Publishing Co., 1993. Paperback: \$8.95

I found this one while searching the reference sections of bookstores for material about the rituals of dying for a book I was writing.

"How to Embalm" is written by an undertaker. He describes in sober detail the actual process of embalming a corpse prior to burial, including all the artificial devices used to make the body appear "natural." Nothing ghoulish or macabre or sensationalistic about the information — just the facts. I promise that when you get through reading the details, you will never allow yourself, or anyone you love, to be embalmed.

My final review: "How to S— in the Woods," by Kathleen Meyer. Ten Speed Press, Berkeley, Calif., 1989. Paperback: \$5.95

There are too many of us using the great outdoors these days. And too few sanitary toilets. So, we do it in the woods. With grim consequences. There's no surface water in our country that's not polluted by Giardia and other fecal carried microbes, germs and diseases — which can make you very sick or even kill you. Drink unfiltered or untreated water at your peril. This well-written little manual deals factually and honestly with all the problems of personal sanitation in the out-of-doors. Hundreds of thousands of copies have been sold, and it's required reading by many organizations that conduct wilderness hiking and rafting excursions. It's an extremely sensitive and useful treatment of a dangerous subject. Read it, and when you go into the woods, mind your own business thoughtfully and carefully — for the sake of all of us.

Any and all contributions to Robert Fulghum's columns are welcome. Please send him your stories, complaints, suggestions, factoids and interesting lies. Write to Robert Fulghum care of this newspaper.

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## Save the children

by Walter Williams

While hosting for the vacationing Rush Limbaugh in December, I interviewed several distinguished guests. One of them was Nobel Laureate Milton Friedman. Friedman reminded us that one of the most serious problems confronting Americans is the disgraceful state of government education, particularly that received by black youths. The only way out, Friedman argued, is privatization.



Professor Friedman, one of history's greatest economists, has a way with examples that makes his arguments stand out in stark relief. He asked Rush's millions of listeners to compare services delivered by the U.S. Postal Service to those delivered by Federal Express and United Parcel Service. The conclusion: We're far more pleased with services provided by Federal Express and United Parcel Service. Plus, it's cheaper and better. Of course, the Postal Service will argue it can deliver first-class mail cheaper than anyone else. But just ask, if that's the case, why is it necessary for the Postal Service to have a law prohibiting others from competing with it?

The reason private carriers do a more pleasing job isn't because Federal Express and United Parcel workers are inherently better and more caring than government postal workers. It's all in the incentives. If Federal Express doesn't please enough of us, it's out of business. If U.S. Postal Service workers don't please us, they get higher budgets, higher pay and easier working conditions, and we pay higher postage.

Identical analysis is applicable to private schools vs. government schools. Private black-owned and -operated schools such as Ivy Leaf (Philadelphia), Marva Collins Preparatory School (in both Cincinnati and Chicago) and Marcus Garvey (Los Angeles) do a far superior job of educating low-income black kids than government schools in the same neighborhoods. In the wake of

the education establishment's many excuses for why black kids are not being taught, private schools are successfully teaching. What's more, they're doing it today while the education establishment gives promises about what we'd get tomorrow if only we'd increase its budgets and raise its pay. Its tomorrow story has played for decades with no dawn in sight.

The education white kids receive is not that great, but the average American has no idea of the disgraceful fraud perpetrated against black students. Often, black kids, with high school diploma in hand, cannot read a bus schedule, write a comprehensible paragraph or make the simplest of computations. This can't be blamed on poverty and racism unless an argument can be made on why poverty and racism exempt black kids who attend black private schools.

The answer is simple. Private schools must please parents, and they have the program flexibility to do so. Like the post office, government schools stay in business and get larger budgets whether parents are pleased or not. In fact, the poorer the job they do, the greater the resources put at their disposal. Black politicians, civil-rights organizations and the education establishment have delivered black youngsters into the educational equivalent of a Jonestown massacre. Their victims have been made virtually useless for the high-tech world of the 21st century. The tragic history of blacks has been that of no or few opportunities. Today, there are opportunities galore, but many black youngsters are ill-equipped to take advantage of them.

More black youngsters should have educational opportunities available at schools like Ivy Leaf and Marcus Garvey. That can be done by putting education resources into the hands of parents instead of the educational establishment through vouchers, tuition tax credits or property tax rebates. The changed political scene at the state and local levels of government just may provide an opportunity to rescue black kids from the educational establishment's massacre. COPYRIGHT 1995 CREATORS SYNDICATE, INC.

## Let's declare energy independence

by Barry Williamson

Chairman, Texas Railroad Commission

"Growing concern about the environment and our country's dependence on petroleum from unstable areas of the world have hastened the development of new domestic sources of power for vehicles and new vehicle technologies."

So begins a chapter in "Taking an Alternative Route," a U.S. Department of Energy publication on alternative fuels. The importance of alternative vehicle fuels to reducing air pollution is clear. What isn't clear is that other aspect: "dependence on petroleum from unstable areas." Over-reliance on fuel sources not under U.S. control threatens national security, contributes to our nation's trade imbalance and harms our domestic energy industry.

It's a problem we need to face—and soon. American Petroleum Institute figures show that in 1994, for the first time, oil imports exceeded 50 percent of the petroleum consumed in the United States. This is no surprise. Texas energy producers have known for years this day was coming.

Like most Texans, you may assume the Lone Star State is energy-independent. Unfortunately, that's not true. If current trends continue, by the year 2000, Texas will import more fuel than it produces. We already import coal. Petroleum and natural gas are next.

Unless we make a change. Today is a good day to start.

March 2 is Texas Independence Day. As chairman of the Texas Railroad Commission, the state's chief energy agency, I'd like to declare this day Texas Energy Independence Day.

Unfortunately, it usually takes the threat of war in the Middle East to make us focus on our country's efforts to become more energy independent. I hope Texas Energy Independence Day will do the same job in a peaceful way. I encourage the oil and gas industry to continue to pursue energy independence, including seeking new sources and investing in technology that will enable us to get the most from known sources.

Part of the commemoration of Texas Energy Independence Day is the grand opening of a unique filling station in downtown Austin. The station is sponsored by the state primarily for public fleet vehicles. It's special because it dispenses only clean-burning, Texas-produced propane and compressed natural gas.

We also launch today prime-time television spots to inform viewers across Texas about the environmental benefits of alternative fuels for cars, trucks, and buses. Alternative fuels can cut emissions of smog-forming substances dramatically. Alternative-fueled vehicles are now exempt from public emissions inspection across the nation.

What can a consumer do to bring energy independence closer? One way is to choose domestic fuel alternatives whenever possible, including natural gas or propane. Natural gas is nature's cleanest fossil fuel, with the added benefit of reduced vehicle maintenance. It's half the price of gasoline, and supplies are stable. Better yet, virtually all natural gas used in the U.S. is produced here.

More than 95 percent of the propane consumed in the United States is domestic or produced by our trade partners Canada and Mexico. About a third of the U.S. production total is produced in Texas, and we haven't tapped our full capacity. Propane has been used for generations in home heating, cooking, agricultural weed control, camping and a host of other applications. Unlike some fuel alternatives, propane has a well-established refueling infrastructure and exhaustively tested safety standards. As we search for ways to effectively use all our domestic energy resources, clean-burning propane deserves fresh consideration.

When you fill your tank with gasoline or use electricity produced by burning coal or oil, you can't be sure whether the energy came from Texas, Wyoming or Iran. Whenever you use propane or natural gas to fuel your vehicle, you can be virtually certain that every dime you're paying for it goes back into the U.S. economy.

Dependence on foreign oil threatens the very freedom we Texans celebrate today.

### Wisdom

"We have staked the whole future of American civilization, not upon the power of government, far from it. We have staked the future of all of our political institutions upon the capacity of mankind for self-government; upon the capacity of each and all of us to govern ourselves, to control ourselves, to sustain ourselves according to the Ten Commandments of God... Religion (is) the basis and foundation of government."

James Madison, Architect of the Constitution

### We the People

of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.

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## Thornberry co-sponsors insurance deduction bill

U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry is co-sponsoring H.R. 697, a bill that would help farmers and small business owners by reinstating the 25 percent deduction for health insurance for self-employed tax filers.

The deduction expired at the end of 1993 and must be reinstated by April 15 for self-employed filers to take advantage of it on their 1994 tax return. The bill is being considered in the House Ways and Means Committee.

"Reinstating the 25 percent deduction is the least Congress can do to help out small business owners," Thornberry said. "It's simply not fair to eliminate what little health insurance tax deductions farmers and business owners have. Self-employed taxpayers should be on a level playing field with big companies on the deductibility of their health insurance costs."

To accomplish that, Thornberry would like to go a step further and extend a 100 percent deduction on health insurance costs to the self-employed. Congress likely will take up several bills this year to make incremental, common-sense changes in the health-care delivery system. Thornberry said he will support a change in the 1986 tax code to allow full deductibility for the self-employed.

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State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling  
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**AUSTIN** — The Senate Education Committee voted 7-2 to cut to three weeks the amount of time first-time failing students would be barred from participating in extracurricular activities.

The amendment to the "no-pass, no-play" rule also would allow first-time failing students to rehearse or practice with their teams during the suspension. Under current law, secondary students who fail a class must earn a passing grade at the end of the next six-week grading period to return to participation.

Sens. John Whitmire, D-Houston,

and Mario Gallegos, D-Galena Park, who carried the amendment, say the change is needed because the six-week rule spurs gang activities and increases the dropout rate.

Sen. Greg Luna, D-San Antonio, who voted against, claimed the amendment was offered in the name of athletics, not education.

Reacting to Luna's statement, Whitmire said he was not making the proposal "at the urging of a coach. I'm here at the urging of a police officer."

Whitmire was referring to the testimony of a Houston Police officer, who recently told the Senate Criminal Justice Committee that no-pass, no-play turned students into the street and cut them off from a crucial source of discipline.

The amendment still faces votes by the full Senate and House.

**Term Limits Not for House?**

A term-limit bill backed by Gov. George W. Bush, Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock and Texans for Term Limitations is expected to gain Senate approval this week, but the measure may be amended to exclude state representatives.

The bill would limit statewide officeholders to 12 years in one office and would take effect in 1997.

House Speaker James E. "Pete" Laney, D-Hale Center — now in his 12th term — said last week he hoped

the bill would not apply to the House, adding, "I'm not a proponent of term limits, being here the time I've been here."

Rob Mosbacher, head of the 250,000-member Texans for Term Limits, told the *Dallas Morning News*, "Voters want term limits." Mosbacher also said he hoped House members would not "play games with an issue as popular as term limits."

**Welfare Cuts Forewarned**

Texas would be the worst-hit of all 50 states if funding plans proposed by House Republicans become law, according to Texas Comptroller John Sharp.

In a letter to state leaders, Sharp, a Democrat, wrote that Texas would lose \$1 billion in federal funds for the 1996-97 state budget if the Republican proposal for block grants to states replaces current funding methods.

State Sen. John Montford, D-Lubbock, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, also said the block grant proposal would bring about cuts that might force the Legislature into a special session to rewrite the state budget.

Republican Gov. Bush, however, supports the federal block-grant approach and "is committed to working with our Texas congressional delegation . . . to make sure any final funding formula is fair to Texas," said Bush's spokeswoman, Karen Hughes.

**Abortion Bill on Hold**

While abortion-rights activists lobbied in Austin last week, Sen. Mario Gallegos stalled action by the Senate Health and Human Services Committee for at least a week.

Gallegos, D-Galena Park, used his legislative privilege to "tag" a bill which proposes that the parents of a girl under age 18 be notified by a physician before she could have an abortion.

In postponing the bill, Gallegos told the *Dallas Morning News* he did so to give "everyone, especially in my district" time to read the bill and testify if they want.

Gallegos and other opponents of the bill say it would cause pregnant minors to seek unsafe abortions rather than tell their parents.

Bill Frenhem of Operation Rescue, who supports the bill, told the *Houston Chronicle*, "We think it's a fundamental right for moms and dads to know what is going to happen to their children."

**Drug Agency Under Scrutiny**

State Rep. Pete Gallego, D-Arlington, has recommended the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse be placed in conservatorship because of gross fiscal mismanagement.

Gallego made the motion in a House Appropriations Committee meeting. Committee Chairman Rob Junell, D-San Angelo, left the motion pending and instructed a subcommittee to review the agency's \$463 million budget proposed for 1996-97.

The agency's board would be

removed and a new one named if the agency, which was created in 1991, is placed under conservatorship.

**Bill Would Restrict Riders**

The Senate voted 20-9 to prohibit passengers under age 18 from riding in the open beds of pickup trucks.

The bill, sponsored by Sen. Greg Luna, D-San Antonio, is now up for approval by the House.

Current law prohibits children under age 12 from riding in the open beds of pickups traveling more than 35 miles per hour.

**Other Highlights**

■ Texas Mental Health and Mental Retardation records show eight people died within two weeks of receiving electroshock therapy for severe depression over a recent 15-month period.

■ World heavyweight boxing champion George Foreman, 46, of Houston appeared before the Legislature last week and was officially recognized as a Texas hero.

■ Tear gas and water hoses were used to quell a March 7 riot involving 800 inmates at the Dolph Briscoe state prison unit near Dilley. Property damages were estimated at \$65,000 to \$100,000. Three inmates were hospitalized.

**Channel 31 schedule**

**Wednesday, March 15**  
8 a.m. - Gospel Music  
10 a.m. - Commissioners Court  
Noon - First Baptist Church  
2 p.m. - Antelope Relays  
4 p.m. - Antelope Relays  
6 p.m. - Gospel Music  
8 p.m. - Post On Patrol  
10 p.m. - Nazarene Church

**Thursday, March 16**  
8 a.m. - Gospel Music  
10 a.m. - Amity Study Club  
Noon - Voice of Salvation  
2 p.m. - Tower Theatre  
4 p.m. - Woman's Culture Club  
6 p.m. - Gospel Music  
8 p.m. - Antelope Relays  
10 p.m. - First Baptist Church

**Friday, March 17**  
8 a.m. - Gospel Music  
10 a.m. - Antelope Relays  
Noon - Woman's Culture Club  
2 p.m. - Bell Choir  
4 p.m. - Sweetheart banquet  
6 p.m. - Gospel Music  
8 p.m. - Varsity boys golf  
10 p.m. - Lighthouse Christian Center

**Saturday, March 18**  
8 a.m. - Gospel Music  
10 a.m. - Tower Theatre  
Noon - Pikes Peak country, Palo Duro Canyon  
2 p.m. - Bicycle Safety  
4 p.m. - Varsity Girls Golf  
6 p.m. - Gospel Music  
8 p.m. - Varsity Golf  
10 p.m. - City Council meeting

**Sunday, March 19**  
8 a.m. - Gospel Music  
1 p.m. - Church of Christ  
2 p.m. - Nazarene Church  
3 p.m. - Voice of Salvation  
4 p.m. - First Baptist Church  
5 p.m. - Lighthouse Christian  
6 p.m. - Gospel Music  
8 p.m. - Music makes the difference  
10 p.m. - Gospel Music

**Monday, March 20**  
8 a.m. - Gospel Music  
10 a.m. - Varsity Girls Golf  
Noon - Nazarene Church  
2 p.m. - Trade days  
4 p.m. - Post City Council  
6 p.m. - Gospel Music  
8 p.m. - Post ISD trustees  
10 p.m. - Church of Christ

**Tuesday, March 21**  
8 a.m. - Gospel Music  
10 a.m. - Commissioners Court  
Noon - Church of Christ  
1 p.m. - Lighthouse Christian Center  
2 p.m. - Woman's Culture Club  
4 p.m. - Varsity Golf  
6 p.m. - Gospel Music  
8 p.m. - Varsity girls golf  
10 p.m. - Voice of Salvation

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**Yesteryears**

by Barbe Bevers

10 Years Ago  
March 20, 1985

Mondays ribbon cutting ceremony for the recently opened Danish Imports was held in the newly remodeled Double U building.

Mr. and Mrs. R.B. Perrin celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary.

Barbara and Felton Gatlin of Broken Arrow, Ok. announce the birth of their daughter Tara. Grandparent are Bess Gatlin and Mr. and Mrs. D.H. Bartlett all of Post.

Gina Denece Justiss became the bride of David Becker of Southland, March 9th.

20 Years Ago  
March 13, 1975

Tony Conner show the Grand Champion steer for the second year in a row. Joy Jean Basinger shows Grand Champion barrow and Nedra Myers shows the Grand Champion lamb.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Tubbs and daughter Karen are moving from Post to Garland, Texas where the doctor will be opening a new practice.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Davies were honored on their 40th wedding anniversary with a covered dish dinner at the Post Church of Christ.

Some happy birthdays this week are Jerry Conoly, Dillard Morris, Bruce Ledbetter, Bart Mason, Jimmy Norman, Louise Green and Dana Babb.

30 Years Ago  
March 18, 1965

Ricky Welch and Ronnie Pierce have been elected president and vice-president of the Student Council at PHS for the 1965-66 school year.

Anthony Perkins and Janet Leigh star in Alfred Hitchcock's "Psycho"

starting Sunday at the Tower Theatre. Mr. and Mrs. David McCampbell and Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Reep spent the weekend visiting their parents Mr. and Mrs. Howard McCampbell of Post.

40 years ago  
March 17, 1955

R.H. Tate was elected president of the Texas Water and Sewage Works Association.

E.J. Maddox, son of James S. Maddox of Post received official notification of his promotion to the rank of Commander, Medical Service Corps., U.S. Navy.

Rosemary Gaymon is the "Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow" contest winner in Post High School. She Along with prizes won she will now be entered in the statewide competition.

Mrs. Joseph E. Davies, daughter of the late C.W. Post was granted a divorce from the former U.S. Ambassador to Russia. This was her third marriage.

Local resident W.A. Gray displays a six ounce, six and one-fourth inch around by eight and one-half inches long way around egg laid by one of his hybrid hens he owns.

50 years ago  
March 15, 1945

Mrs. Carl Clark announce the wedding of her daughter Marquerite Clark to Clifford Hotaling.

A.O. Rosenbaum and Mrs. Mary Caywood were complimented with a birthday dinner hosted by Mrs. Rosenbaum and her daughter, Geneva.

Pvt. Gerald Norman has been visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E.M. Norman of Post. Gerald has completed his basic training and is waiting to report to Fort Ord, Ca.

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**ACROSS**  
1 crowd sound at Fri. night football game  
5 Hidalgo Co. on 107  
6 TXism: "he's \_\_\_ to ride the river with"  
7 chain \_\_\_ fence  
8 DFW International arrival guess  
9 Jeb Bush was \_\_\_ laude from UT  
17 TXism: "gave me a \_\_\_ and a dance" (runaround)  
19 rotted grain  
20 TXism: "I can dance \_\_\_ that tune" (agree)  
21 arm bone  
22 cowboy's lid  
24 separation of tacklers & blockers after a football play  
30 TXism: "he can even \_\_\_" (efficient)  
34 this Hackman was in TX-made "Bonnie & Clyde" (init.)  
35 offense: misde\_\_\_  
36 TX John Wesley Hardin had a legendary quick-\_\_\_  
37 \_\_\_ Tree Farm in Hunt County  
39 Spanish colonel who allowed Austin's TX settlement: \_\_\_ Martinez  
43 TXism: "it costs \_\_\_ and a leg"  
44 TXism: "\_\_\_" (two tails)  
45 former Cowboys GM Schramm (init.)  
46 TX Trevino sand pit

**DOWN**  
1 royal roads in TX: "caminos" \_\_\_  
2 Cameron Co. on 77  
3 TXism: "short \_\_\_ eyebrow"  
4 Aggies had a # 6 \_\_\_ in '92 season  
9 Strep of TX-made "Silkwood" (init.)  
10 TXism: "happy as \_\_\_" (two tails)  
11 Trevino's sport  
12 Columbus ship replica that sailed to TX in '92

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47 TX Audie Murphy film: "\_\_\_ A Long Shadow"  
48 France's fleur-de-lis once flew over Texas  
50 mule & donkey publisher in Denton: Hee \_\_\_  
53 this TX Tyler recorded "Deck of Cards" (init.)  
54 TX Jim Reeves hit: "I Losing You?"  
55 TX Steve Miller hit: "Living in \_\_\_"  
56 TXism: "touchin' hot"

13 TX Johnny Horton hit: "North to \_\_\_"  
14 Gov. \_\_\_ Culberson  
15 expression of disgust  
16 TXism: "\_\_\_ a lizard-eating cat"  
18 prize for TX Morrow at '56 Olympics (2 wds.)  
23 specific military cops (2 wds.)  
24 behind the plate in Astrodome: \_\_\_ pire  
25 organ, for some TX teachers (abbr.)  
26 labored breath  
27 Cowboys were not left \_\_\_ after '92 Super Bowl season  
40 TX-sized electronics company (abbr.)  
41 TX Roy Orbison's "Pretty Woman"  
42 TXism: "weak \_\_\_" (gather)  
49 TXism: "round \_\_\_"  
51 Dr Pepper: "just \_\_\_ the doctor ordered"  
52 TX hwy. speed: 55 miles \_\_\_ hour  
57 TXism: "restless as a \_\_\_ church" status of Texas in the USA  
58 status of Texas in the USA

# Obituaries

## Gladys Fayteen Mullings Wright

Private funeral services were held in Post for Gladys Fayteen Mullings Wright, who died February 24, 1995 in Mesa, Ariz. Mrs. Wright was born in Red Springs, Tex. and is survived by her daughters Rita Wright Craig of Tempe, Ariz. and Sally Beck of Elk City, Okla.; sons Dr. William Frank Wright of Apache Junction, Ariz. and Frankie Doyle McGill of Phoenix, Ariz.; sister Iva Mae Obrey of Post; 11 grandchildren, 20 great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.



Archie Gill (left) and Casey Zachary (right) extinguish an engine fire Tuesday, March 7 one half mile off U.S. Hwy 84 on FM 211. The pickup truck suffered extensive damage but no one was injured. The truck is owned by Bill and Mittie Braddock of Post. (Photo by Becky Warren)

## City Council

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Council member Archie Gill named Sherri Reidel, Teresa Doggett, Alma Williams, Gladys Blair and Janie Robert Lopez to serve on the Ward Three committee.

Council member Marion Cruse named Noah Gutierrez, Keith Bullard, Wayne Thomas, Lisa Gutierrez and Mike Tomlinson to serve on Ward Two's committee. Other council members had yet to name committee members.

Post Chamber of Commerce manager Wanda Mitchell reported on a meeting held with State Comptroller representatives Bob Bearden and Susan Roberts. The meeting, held Tuesday morning, March 7 at city hall, outlined the various ways economic development funds could be used. Mitchell provided a booklet and information to each council member to study.

The council took under advisement the poor condition of the carpet at the Community Center, and agreed to place a budget item in next year's planning for overall and regular maintenance of the facility.

Surplus equipment was identified by Hanna to be placed in the March 21 auction of government equipment. Among the items is a 1977 Mac truck with trailer, "which hasn't been started since I came here," Hanna explained. "We just don't need it anymore."

The council appointed election judges for the municipal election to be held May 6. The election judges are Betty Striblin, Ward One, Lorenzo Alexander Center, Ida Mae Wilks, Ward Two, Post High School Library; Trevah Bush, Ward Three, Post Middle School Library; Donna Craig, Ward Four, First Presbyterian Church and Paul Jones, Ward Five, Trinity Baptist Church.

Council members entered into a discussion about the potential safety hazards of the burned out George's Restaurant building at the corner of 8th St and Broadway. Morton explained that the city could be subject to a law suit if it took preemptive action. He recommended a concerted effort be made toward contacting the owner and proceed with proper legal action.

Hanna reported that work at the cemetery is progressing on schedule toward opening a new section. He also informed the council about the installation of the new computer equipment. Hanna said that the sanitation facility is in excellent condition, with the building complete and that there were no violations during the recent inspection. He praised the work by Paul Perez and was joined in the compliment by Gill.

Attending the meeting were council members Bill Pool, Cruse, Gill and Dan Lamb, Mayor Jackson, city manager Hanna, city employee Mary Neff and city attorney Morton.

## Lunch Menus

### Post I.S.D.

- Thursday, March 16  
Spring break
- Friday, March 17  
Spring break
- Monday, March 20  
Breakfast: Pancake and sausage on a stick, fruit, 1/2 pint milk.  
Lunch: Tacos, Lettuce and tomato, buttered corn, fruit, 1/2 pint milk.
- Tuesday, March 21  
Breakfast: Ham and gravy, biscuits, fruit, 1/2 pint milk.  
Lunch: Roast, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, peaches, hot rolls, 1/2 pint milk.
- Wednesday, March 22  
Breakfast: French toast sticks, fruit, 1/2 pint milk.  
Lunch: Chili beans, fried okra, slaw, Reece's Cup, corn bread, 1/2 pint milk.

### Trail Blazers

- Thursday March 16  
Pizza Pie, Italian Vegetables, cucumber and onion salad, garlic bread, pear crisp, choice of beverages.
- Friday, March 17  
Meatloaf, corn, green beans, tossed salad, wheat roll, dry jello salad, choice of beverage.
- Monday, March 20  
Pork Chop, baby lima beans, beet and onion salad, hot roll, pumpkin crunch, choice of beverage.
- Tuesday, March 21  
Baked chicken with mushroom sauce, blackeye peas, zucchini, grapefruit sections, wheat roll, snickerdoodles, choice of beverage.
- Wednesday, March 22  
Hamburger steak with brown gravy, new potatoes, okra and tomatoes, apricots, cornbread, oatmeal cookies, choice of beverage.



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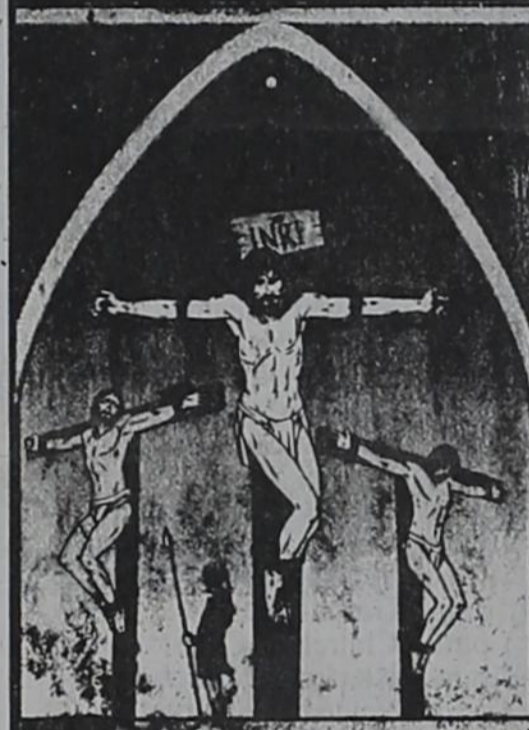
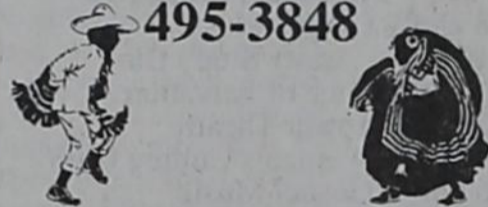
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## Presbyterian

Presbyterian Church .....910 W 10th, Post 495-2135

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## From the Pulpit

by Paul D. Jones

Jesus

Do you know Jesus? What has He done for you? When you think of him, what do you think about? A Savior? A Redeemer? The perfect sacrifice? Would you like to know him better? Let's take a look at the gospel of John and see John's portrait of the Lord. This will help us in our understanding of Christ. John 20:31. "these have been written that you may believe that Jesus in the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name."

We will look at a thought in each of the early chapters. We encourage you to take the time to read John and get the full force of this short study. We see Jesus pictured in many ways, each giving us a broader picture of His person and work.

Chapter 1:1 "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." His deity is stated in the beginning of the book. He is God! That is the basis for our need to learn more about Him. We must listen to Jesus, for he is God! We are here to do His will. Therefore, we need to study John's gospel to get to know Jesus.

Chapter 2: The Son of Man. Not only is He God, He is also man and associates with people in social activities. He is concerned about others. His social needs were like ours. He also works a miracle, turning water into wine.

Chapter 3:2 The Divine Teacher. Nicodemus said, "Rabbi, we know that You have come from God as a teacher; for no one can do these things that You do unless God is with him." Being the Teacher, he gives lessons that can change us into His image. He is the greatest teacher. Are we listening to Him?

Chapter 4: The Soul Winner. He gives light to the woman at the well. He cares about the soul, not just water for the body. He takes time to impart truth to a person, then a community, that needed his message. He cares for people.

Chapter 5: The Great Physician. Yes, He cares for souls. He also cares for physical needs. All of this is calculated to prove His claim that He is the Son of God. The proof is in the pudding. His miracles prove He is from God. No illness was more powerful than the power of Jesus. He could and did heal all kinds of sickness.

Chapter 6:48 The Bread of Life. "I am the bread of life." The real need of man is spiritual bread. Jesus is that bread. We take of Him, and our hunger is satisfied. We do not eat Jesus, but we do make His words a part of our lives. He is the only thing that satisfies. He is the real thing. Are we hungry? Jesus is the answer.

Chapter 7:37 The Water of Life. "If any man is thirsty, let him come to me and drink." We know bread and water are the basis of life. These items sustain us. Jesus is the same to us spiritually. He sustains us. Read Matthew 5:6 for another thought on this topic. Are we thirsty? Jesus is the answer.

Chapter 8: The Defender of the weak. He defends a woman that many would not defend. He does not give His approval of her sin, but forgives her and tells her not to sin anymore. He does the same for us, if we allow Him that opportunity. We are guilty of sin, maybe not the same sin, but sin is sin. We all need a Defender. Jesus is available and willing to help us.

Chapter 9:5 The Light of the World. The world is in darkness. In fact, the world is darkness, as opposed to light. Jesus came to dispel the darkness. When we let Him in, we come into the light.

Space will not allow us to look at each chapter in John's gospel to get the overall picture of Jesus. We would do well to study the book. The portrait of Jesus is for us, that we might see Him more clearly. God loved us enough to give us the Bible that we might get to know His SON. It is up to each of us to learn about him and then really know HIM.

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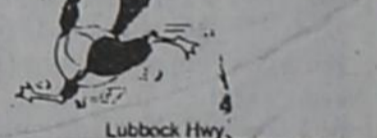
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