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United Way campaign gets lift with \$1,000 Citizens Bank gift

by Wes Burnett

Last Friday Citizens Bank contributed \$1,000 to the Garza County United Way campaign, giving a generous boost to this year's drive. The total contributions through Tuesday stands at \$5,610. According

to United Way chairman Carol Peppers, the average total at the end of November is \$9,000... "so, we have a ways to go yet," she comments. "We appreciate very much the generosity of our local businesses, and especially to Citizens Bank for recognizing the importance of our campaign," Peppers added.

"Without the support of our community, we will be unable to fully fund all those organizations which depend on us to operate for the next year," she continued.

Participating organizations this year and budgeted funds are the Garza County Mental Health, \$275; Garza County Trailblazers, \$400; South Plains Boy Scout Council, \$2,325; Garza County Child Welfare, \$800; Post Junior Girls' Basketball, \$200; Meals on Wheels, \$1,000; My Special Place, \$250; Salvation Army, \$700; Summer Baseball, \$3,000; American Red Cross, \$200; Women's Protective Services, \$500; Post Satellite School, \$600; and Post Girl Scouts, \$2,550.

Peppers is joined by board members Rheba Propst, Jerry Tyler, Cathy Murzyn, Judy Massey, Jacky Harp and Wes Burnett.

The fund raising drive continues through November 30. Donations may be mailed to P.O. Box 425, Post, Texas 79356, or by contacting any member of the United Way board of directors.



Citizens Bank chairman of the board E.W. Williams Jr. (second from left) presents a \$1,000 donation to Garza County United Way director Jacky Harp. Joining in the presentation last Friday were Citizens Bank Post branch president Fred Myers (left) and Citizens Bank president Jeff Wilson (right).

Norman to arrange meeting for commissioners court with Plains Co-Op

by Wes Burnett

The Garza County Commissioners court approved a recommendation by commissioner Lee Norman to arrange a meeting with Plains Co-Op Mill president Wayne Martin to explore issues related to the proposed Lubbock company expansion and interest in Garza County.

"We really aren't able to say much until we meet and find out more about what they are needing," Norman said.

In other action, commissioners agreed with a request from Post Chamber of Commerce vice president Pat Bilbo for increased attention to Christmas decorations for the courthouse building. "It is so important for our seasonal efforts," Bilbo emphasized, "because the courthouse is the prominent building on Main Street and a focus for many of our visitors."

Commissioners also heard a report from Post Chamber of Commerce president Jim Plummer, who explained difficulties for merchants on Main Street with recent vandalism. Plummer complimented Sheriff Kenny Ratke and the sheriff's department for taking quick action and putting foot patrols at work during late hours. "We are encouraging business people to walk the streets with the deputies," Plummer added, and he invited commissioners to take their turn volunteering. "Just call me, I'll set up the time at your convenience," Plummer continued.

In other matters, commissioners heard a report from Texas Association of Counties representative Sarah Wirt regarding proposed health insurance coverage. She presented a proposal for joining TAC's coverage through Blue Cross/Blue Shield. "It is a PPO, and you save by choosing physicians and hospitals from the approved list, but you are allowed to go outside the list, it just will cost you more individually," Wirt explained. Commissioners agreed to study the proposal.

The court also heard a report from County and District Retirement System executive director Joe Pro on the condition of the program and details about how counties maintain proper levels of funding. Garza County is on a fixed rate system, sending seven percent of payroll to the program every month. Pro explained that if the fund gets too low, the rate could go as high as 11 percent. "Garza County is, and always has been in really good shape," he added. He complimented the long time service of Judge Giles Dalby to the retirement system, saying, "You are fortunate to have such a leader as Judge Dalby serving this county."

Pro reminded the court that every year the county's method of funding can be changed to a variable rate, based on a monthly review. "If you have high turnover, your fund balance will always reflect lower liabilities," Pro explained, "but if you have little turnover, your fund balance may need additional funding."

Ron Schultz, who manages the fund through investments, reported to the court about the soundness of investments, emphasizing that the return has consistently been higher than industry standards and "all of our investments are backed by U.S. securities."

The court instructed clerk Sonny Gossett to take appropriate action to insure that the Garza County underground water district election for verification be conducted at the earliest possible date. Confusion from the water district board in coordinating with the clerk resulted in the issue not being included on the November 7 ballot.

Commissioners voted to authorize Judge Dalby to issue a letter instructing Garza County's two constables to return their vehicles to the sheriff's

department. "We've had a lot of complaints that these vehicles are sitting and not being used," Dalby said, "and I think they should be put to use." The court requested the sheriff to provide vehicles for the constables as they are needed.

The court also approved Dalby's suggestion to purchase an additional vehicle for the sheriff's department. The budget will be amended if the Post City Council also approves the change. Dalby pointed out that several of the sheriff's vehicles are over 80,000 miles, with one at 120,000 miles. The possibility of higher prices next year was also a consideration.

Dalby informed the court that the Texas Department of Transportation has requested permission to drill irrigation wells on the right-of-way on U.S. Hwy 84 from Justiceburg to Snyder. The roadway is to be completely rebuilt and will require a lot of water.

The judge also informed commissioners that a community service supervisor position for the probation office is open, and interviews will be conducted in the next few weeks.

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

Tower Theater hosts 'Polly's Follies' Saturday

Music by Doug Stone, The Magic of Jeramiah & Company, music of "On Our Way" and comedy, ventriloquists and much more await Tower Theater fans Saturday for "Polly's Follies." The show begins at 7 p.m.

"There's a little something for everyone in this show," Ruth Lewis comments.

Tickets are on sale at Lily Dale's, Norwest Bank, the Hotel Garza and at the door.

Reservations may be obtained by calling 495-3461 or 495-3854. Admission for the show is \$7.50. Special rates for groups of eight or more are \$6.50 and \$5.50.

The Tower Theater board of directors is seeking public support to purchase sound and projection equipment. One of the fund raising projects is the \$25 donation, which names a seat for the donor. Call 495-3461 or 495-3297 to assist in this project.



Sidewalk repairs continue downtown with work completed last Friday in front of the Algeria Art Center on East Main Street. Sidewalks and curbs are being replaced through a city contract, with individual property owners paying for their share of the work.

Less than 10 percent of Garza County voters cast ballots

With 2,752 registered voters in Garza County, only 9.5 percent took the trouble to vote in last Tuesday's (November 7) election on proposed Texas Constitutional amendments. A total of 262 voters cast ballots here.

Voters here rejected proposition two, four, nine and 13, approving all others.

Garza County clerk Sonny Gossett prepared an expense accounting, showing the total cost to taxpayers here of \$2,607. The average cost of the election per voter was \$9.45.

"We really should hold these constitutional elections when local or national elections are held," Gossett said.

Post Notes

Antelope booster club to meet

The Antelope Booster Club will meet Monday, November 20, at 7 p.m. in the high school library. Business will be discussed, along with plans to support the Lopes and Lady Lopes basketball teams.

"Magic of Christmas" coming to Post

The "Magic of Christmas" show will be in Post at the Elementary school auditorium at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, December 10th. The show is being sponsored by the Post EMT Club to raise money for training equipment.

The show runs approximately 90 minutes and will have clowns, singers, magician, Frosty, Rudolph and, of course, Santa who will give some lucky boy or girl a tv of their very own!

There will, of course, be other prizes and every child attending the show will receive candy and gum. Christmas may never be more magical!

The show is family entertainment at prices a family can afford. Advance tickets are \$4 and will admit either children or adults and will be \$1 higher at the door. Make your plans now to attend this fantastic show!

"Christmas may never be more magical!"

Ladies Auxiliary to hold bake sale

The Ladies Auxiliary of the VFW Post 6797 will hold a bake sale all day Monday, November 20th at United Supermarket.

Gamma Mu Sorority to hold bake sale

The Gamma Mu Sorority will hold a bake sale on Saturday, November 18th from 9 a.m. to ? at United Supermarket.

District One-Act play November 18th

The public is invited to attend the U.I.L. District One-Act Play Contest for middle school in the Post Elementary Auditorium, Saturday, November 18th. Plays will begin at 9:30 a.m., and run throughout the day with six school competing. Post Middle School will perform "The Small World of Millie McIvor" at 1:30 following lunch break. Audience will be only admitted between plays. No one will be admitted once the performance has begun. Admission is free.

State swine validation

The state swine validation for major state shows will be held Wednesday, November 22nd, 8 a.m. til noon, at the show barn. All youth interested in showing swine at major stock shows must be at the validation.

Libertarians discuss candidates Nov. 20

A discussion about the 1996 election campaign and candidates will be the focus of the monthly Liberty Forum Monday evening, November 20. Garza County Libertarians Party chairman Wes Burnett will also report on the recent Libertarian Party of Texas executive committee meeting and plans for the 1996 convention. Anyone interested in learning more about the third largest political party in America is invited to attend the meeting, which begins at 7 p.m. at the Chaparral Restaurant.

Graham supper Nov. 18

There will be a community supper at the Graham Community Center, Saturday, November 18th, at 7 p.m. to give a progress report on work at the Community Center and to elect two board members.

Commodities cancelled for November

South Plains Community Action Association's Temporary Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) will not be receiving any commodities for the month of November 1995. We have distributed everything that was stored in our warehouses. For the month of November we will not be distributing any commodities at all. We will let you know sometime in November if we will receive anything for the month of December 1995. Thank you for your time and attention. If you have any questions please call Frank Hernandez at (806) 894-3800.

Tribute to late Cecil Caldwell

Mr Johnny Gimble, America's favorite fiddler, will headline a "Tribute to the late owner-producer Cecil Caldwell, on Saturday, November 18, at 7 p.m. in the Lubbock Municipal Auditorium. The show will feature an all-star cast of Opry alumni. All seated are reserved. The cost is \$6.50 for lower floor and \$5 for balcony. Advance tickets are available at Luskys Western Wear. The show will feature Jane Prince-Jones and Rick Gilbert as hosts and Emcee's. For further information call Maxine Caldwell at 791-4806.

Constitutional Studies November 18

The National Center for Constitutional Studies will present "The Making of America" at Lubbock Christian University's Fine Arts Theater on Saturday, November 18. The program, designed as a learning experience for families, opens at 8:30 a.m. and continues until 4:30 p.m., with a 45 minute lunch break at 11:30 a.m.

The seminar explores the Founding Fathers' rediscovery of the creation of a free nation in modern times and is based on the work of historian and teacher Dr. W. Cleon Skousen. For additional information contact Lydia Acuff at 795-0788.

Christmas parade entries

The Chamber of Commerce is taking entries for the Christmas parade to be held Saturday, December 2, 1995. Prizes for floats will be \$200, \$100 & \$50 for 1st, 2nd & 3rd places. For more information call Wanda at 495-3461.

Windbreak seedlings for sale

The Garza Soil and Water Conservation District now has Windbreak Seedlings for sale. Come in and place your order today. There is a limited number of these trees and they go fast! February 29, 1996 is the last day these trees can be ordered. We also can take your order for a Submatic drip system for your trees or your garden. Come by the NRCS (SCS) office at 210 West Main to place your order for Windbreak Trees and Submatic drip system today! If you have questions call 495-2056.

Christmas at the OS Museum

You are invited to view A Unique and Unusual exhibit of nativities, creche's and sculpture from around the world and a special exhibit of rare Victorian Art Glass, c 1880's from the Lois Watson Herring collection. Also from the House of Fabrege a Russian nativity. The exhibit will open Friday, November 3rd from 10-12 a.m. and 1-5 p.m. Monday thru Saturday. The museum is located at 201 East Main Street or call 495-2051 for more information.

Adventists show vegetarian eating

The West Texas Adventist Ministry will present Danny Vierra on Saturday, November 18 at the Lonestar Room at the La Quinta Inn in Lubbock located at 19th and Brownfield Hwy. Four lectures will be held with the first one starting at 9:30 a.m. Vierra will teach you how to enjoy the vegetarian life.

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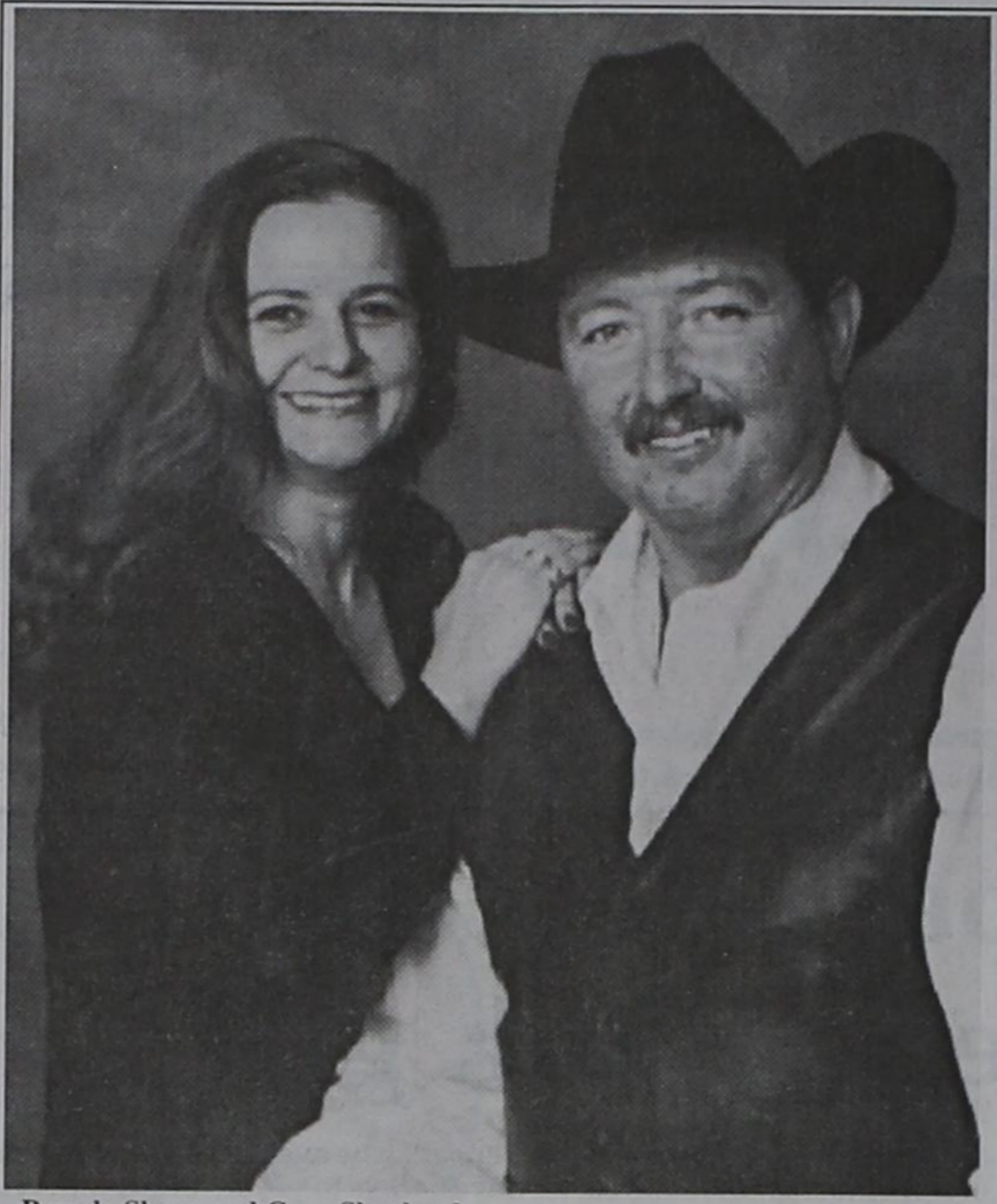
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Pamela Sharp and Gary Shepherd

Pamela Sharp, Gary Shepherd III to wed December 2, 1995

Mr and Mrs Henry Speyer, of Wyoming, Michigan, are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Pamela Ann Sharp of Lubbock, to Otis Gary Shepherd III of Lubbock.

Gary is the son of the late Jr and Lorene Shepherd of Post.

The couple plan to exchange wedding vows on Saturday, December 2, 1995 at the Water of Life Outreach.



Jacie Kimmons, daughter of Mr and Mrs Bo Kimmons of Post, won first place in the recent Beauty and City Supreme Princess contest in Lubbock.

Jenifer Fumagalli, Todd Irato exchange wedding vows on Saturday, September 23, 199

Jenifer Lea Fumagalli and Todd, James Irato were united in marriage on Saturday, September 23, at 3:00 p.m. at the Haynie Grange in Custer, Washington. The Reverend Thomas Blumberg officiated the double ring ceremony.

Jenifer is the daughter of Jim and Susan Fumagalli of Ferndale, Washington, formerly of Post. Grandparents are Hazel Gary of Post and Bill and Patsy Fumagalli of Langley B.C., Canada. Great-grandparents are A.D. and Ida Lea Exum of Bellingham, Washington.

Todd is the son of George and Windy Irato of Lynden, Washington. Grandparents are June Seip of Milwaukee, Wisconsin and Lazar and Almas Irato of Turlock, California.

The wedding was performed before a bridal archway designed and built by Jim Fumagalli, father of the bride. The archway was decorated with ivy and rose garland accented with burgundy tulle. The pews were accented with big satin bows of burgundy.

Given in marriage by her father, Jenifer wore a white satin gown. The open sweetheart neckline was complimented by off the shoulder sleeves. The bodice of the gown was adorned with embroidered lace embellished with pearls. The fitted basque waistline allowed the full skirt to fall softly to the floor and sweep into a mid-length cathedral train. She carried a cascade of white silk roses, lilies and gypsophila in shades of burgundy with ivy made by Susan Fumagalli, mother of the bride. She carried two heirloom handkerchiefs, one given to her by her grandmother, Hazel Gary, and the other belonging to her great-great-grandmother Seargent.

She borrowed her Aunt Debra Cullinane's lace doily worn behind her bouquet. Her garter was made of lace with a blue ribbon and she had a penny in her shoe.

The groom was attired in a black tuxedo with tails. He wore a white paisley printed vest and tie.

Serving as maid of honor was Melissa Miller of Ferndale, Washington. She wore a full length straight dress of Hunter green velvet with spaghetti straps and matching Hunter green shoes. She carried a bouquet of silk roses, stargazer lilies, and gypsophila of shades of burgundy with ivy accents.

Serving as best man was Adrian Arques of Palmdale, California. Ring bearer was Thomas Irato, brother of the groom. Ushers were Troy Irato, brother of the groom, and Will Fumagalli, brother of the bride. The best man, ring bearer and ushers all wore black tuxedos with Hunter green paisley printed vests and ties.

The father's of the bride and groom wore matching black tuxedos with black paisley printed vests and ties.

Following the ceremony a reception was held in the fellowship hall at the Haynie Grange.

The wedding table featured a three-tiered cake accented with burgundy rose buds.

The guests were served a buffet of assorted meat, cheese, breads, vegetables, fruit and sweets. Punch, iced tea and coffee were also served.

Following the reception the couple left in a limousine. They honeymooned at Semiamhoo Resort in Birch Bay, Washington.

They are making their home in Lynden, Washington.



Mr and Mrs Todd Irato

Up and Down Main Street
by Wanda Mitchell, Post Chamber of Commerce

Surprises are in store for everyone this weekend. Polly's Follies is shaping up to be one of the most entertaining and funniest evenings to be spent in Post in a long time. If you are in the public eye, I suggest you be there to see your character being depicted on stage. It may surprise you how much attention people pay to your little moves and comments. We have lined up some great musicians, comedians, singers, magicians, ventriloquist and other entertainers.

If this one is successful, and I don't know why it won't be, you will see more Polly's Follies in the future. We want to try to involve more and more citizens of Post in the Tower Theatre and give our young people a place to perform and develop their talents. One of the highlights of the show will be "The Twelve Months of O.J." complete with Judge Ito. Ruth Lewis is the coordinator of this show and if you have any suggestions or want to help in any way, please call Ruth at 495-3297 or Wanda at 495-3461. We need prep people and stage help pretty bad so please if you can, volunteer.

Meet the Lady Lopes and Lopes was really good last night. Linden Weese, assistant to Marsha Sharp at Tech, was the guest speaker and he gave some good advice to both players and fans alike. The Antelope Booster Club did a great job of putting this together and it was very enjoyable.

Tonight, Tuesday, the season opens with Rotan. Friday night, the 17th we will be playing Smyer here so let's get out and support the basketball program. Next Tuesday night, the 21st, we will be playing Lorenzo here and then its off until after Thanksgiving holidays.



Don't forget, too, that the PIP program will be performing at halftime during the Varsity girls and Varsity boys games. I have not seen this group but I am looking forward to it because I hear they are really coming along great. Thanks to Gena Lott for getting this program started and for the many volunteers who are helping with the program.

Plans are being made now for our Lighted Christmas Parade that will take place Dec. 2nd at 6 p.m. Letters have gone out to the people who have participated in the past and to merchants about floats. Prizes are: 1st Place—\$200, 2nd Place—\$100 and 3rd Place—\$50.

We urge you to get busy and get your float ready for the Parade. We have so many things going on in Post that weekend so invite all your out of town friends to come down for the fun.

Santa will be here along with Surrey rides and shows at the Tower Theatre at 4 and 7 p.m. The 4 p.m. show will be a Childrens show and will feature "Hoot and Annie" from Las Cruces, NM. Citizens Bank is sponsoring this show and Moms and Dads can shop while the kids are being entertained. Then at 7 p.m., Don Caldwell's Christmas Show will be presented at the Tower.

If this doesn't put us in the Christmas spirit, nothing will. Lots of people are working very hard to keep things going in Post so that all of us can continue to.....TAKE PRIDE AND TAKE PART IN POST!!!!!!

Tax 'n Facts
by Terri S. Cash, CPA

Forget The Garage Sale

So you've cleaned out the basement and the attic and found lots of stuff you don't need, so you're planning a garage sale to turn it into cash. Forget the garage sale; there's a better way. Instead of selling your used clothing and household items at giveaway prices, give them to a charity -- and get more.

The charity makes use of your belongings and you get a tax deduction, if you do it right. That means you must document your deduction with a detailed list of donated items and get a receipt for the gift. If the total value is more than \$250, you'll need a written acknowledgement from the charity including a description.

The law also requires a reasonable valuation for donated property. Household goods can generally be deducted at 20 to 35 percent of original cost, depending on condition and age. To avoid tax challenges later, get an independent appraisal for donated items such as art work or antiques with a value of \$5,000 or more.

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Janet and Leslie Acker

Leslie Acker opens law practice here

Leslie Acker, a 1962 Post High School graduate, has returned to Post to open a law practice. His office is located at 122A E. Main Street.

"The title company I was with sold an interest to attorneys from Odessa, who decided to move their practice to the Midland office," Acker explained, "as a result, I decided to leave and thought an opportunity might exist for an attorney in my home town."

After visiting with several people in Post, Acker and his wife, Jan, decided that "we wanted Post to be our new home, and as soon as we sell our Midland home, Jan and I will be looking for a home here." They have three daughters and five grandchildren.

Woman's Culture Club

by Katharine Trammell

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

Mary Neff, club president, presided over the business meeting. She reported on the recent board meeting of the Caprock District of TFWC, GFWC.

She showed two certificates of award which were presented to the Culture Club. One was to Donna Craig for second place, District Chairmans Resume as Public Affairs

Acker left Post after high school, graduating with a BBA degree from the University of Texas in 1967 and a jurisprudence degree from the University of Texas Law School in 1970.

His legal experience includes serving as assistant attorney for the City of Midland from 1970 to 1972; assistant county attorney for Midland County from 1972-75; Midland County Attorney from 1975-80; real estate closing attorney for Lone Star Abstract & Title Company from 1980-88 and title attorney for Advance Title Company from 1988 to 1995.

He has 25 years experience in real estate law, family law, criminal law, juvenile law and probate.

Coordinator. The other was to the Woman's Culture Club, Second Place, Projects Category I, Public Affairs Coordinator!

Donna Craig has accepted the nomination for Caprock District president for the 1996-97 and 1997-98 term. The election of district officers will be at the spring convention, in Lubbock, March 23, 1996.

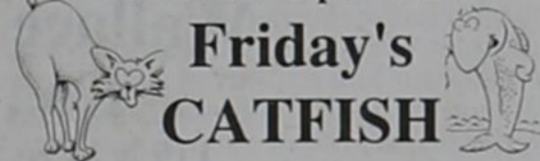
Delicious refreshments were served to: Donna Craig, Bebe Boren, Nona Lusk, Ruth Hall, Ruby Kirkpatrick, Joyce Strubhart, Mary Neff, Peggy Smith and Katharine Trammell.



Obie Kelley (left) visits with Jimmy Apel concerning potential grants for the Garza County Historical Museum. Apel, executive director of the Big Country Resource Conservation and Development Area Inc., toured the museum and is assisting the museum board of directors in grant applications for preservation of artifacts. Apel met Tuesday with museum board members Kelley, Jack Ault, Freda Kelly, Sara Ault, Linda Puckett, Lewis Earl, Maxine Earl and JoAnn Mock.

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Be sure to make your reservation NOW for the "Calligraphy for Beginners" class to be held Monday, November 20th, 6-8 p.m.

Reservations are required!
Call 495-3356 to reserve your space!

Grandparents' Corner



Kim and Rusty Bradbury help their granddaddy Dayle Nelson in the making of wooden banks. Kim and Rusty are the children of Pat and David Bradbury of Guthrie.

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

Riley Feagin wins big in dirt bike racing

Riley Feagin is no stranger to a dirt bike.

The 17 year old son of Robert and Sally Feagin has been riding since he was five years old.

He began Motocross Racing this year in the 250 Beginner class, and he has a number of trophies to show for his 1995 season.

He has won two first place trophies from Tumbleweed Raceway in Snyder, a first place trophy from West Texas

Motocross in Midland, a second place trophy from Clovis, New Mexico, and numerous second and third place trophies from TNT Raceway in Idalou. This past summer he brought home a second place from the Pepsi Summer Night Series in Idalou.

Brice Feagin, Riley's eight year old brother, competed in his first race on November 5th in Snyder in the Beginner 50 class, and brought home his first trophy.



Riley Feagin completes a jump in competition at Midland.

Dispatch offers free classified ads to subscribers

The Post Dispatch is offering free, personal classified ads to its subscribers. The offer is strictly for non-commercial, private party classified line advertisements and is limited to 25 words per ad. Additional words will cost 25 cents per word, payable in advance. Classified word ads that are to repeat will be charged at the regular rate for additional runs.



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Neighbor to Neighbor

by Kelly Ahrens, CEA-FCS

Getting ahead of the holiday rush...

Thanksgiving is just around the corner. A time to celebrate the Fall season, spending time with family and friends, showing appreciation for the years' accomplishments, and of course, EATING! I decided to devote this week's column to the careful planning of the buffet table that takes place during the upcoming holiday festivities.



Whatever kind of turkey you buy, make sure you get the right size to feed your hungry crowd. Turkey can go a long way when prepared as a casserole or other nontraditional dish. Make sure you save the bones to use in a hearty soup or chowder after the big day.

A popular way to celebrate holidays or any special occasion is to invite friends and family to a buffet. However, this type of food service where foods are left out for long periods leave the door open for uninvited guests—bacteria that cause food-borne illness. Food-borne bacteria are everywhere but a few types especially like to crash parties. Bacteria can be found on people's hands and steam tables, and unlike microorganisms that cause food to spoil, harmful or pathogenic bacteria cannot be smelled or tasted. Prevention is safe food handling. If illness occurs, contact a health professional and describe the symptoms.

Turkey has been a staple of Thanksgiving and Christmas festivities for years and years. Often the cook is faced with the dilemma of what kind of turkey to buy. An understanding of the following terms which often appear on labels of various birds may help make your choice of a turkey easier. Before use, all labels must be approved by USDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service. These labels are indicators of quality or nutritional value, which is about the same for all turkeys. *Kosher—may be used only on the labels of meat and poultry products slaughtered and processed under rabbinical supervision.

*Natural—may be used only on labels if products contain no artificial ingredients or added color and are only minimally processed.

*Free range—means the birds are permitted free access to an outdoor yard or other outdoor facilities.

*Fresh—never stored at or below 0 degrees Fahrenheit. Raw products never frozen can be labeled "fresh" even though they may feel slightly crusty when you touch the surface.

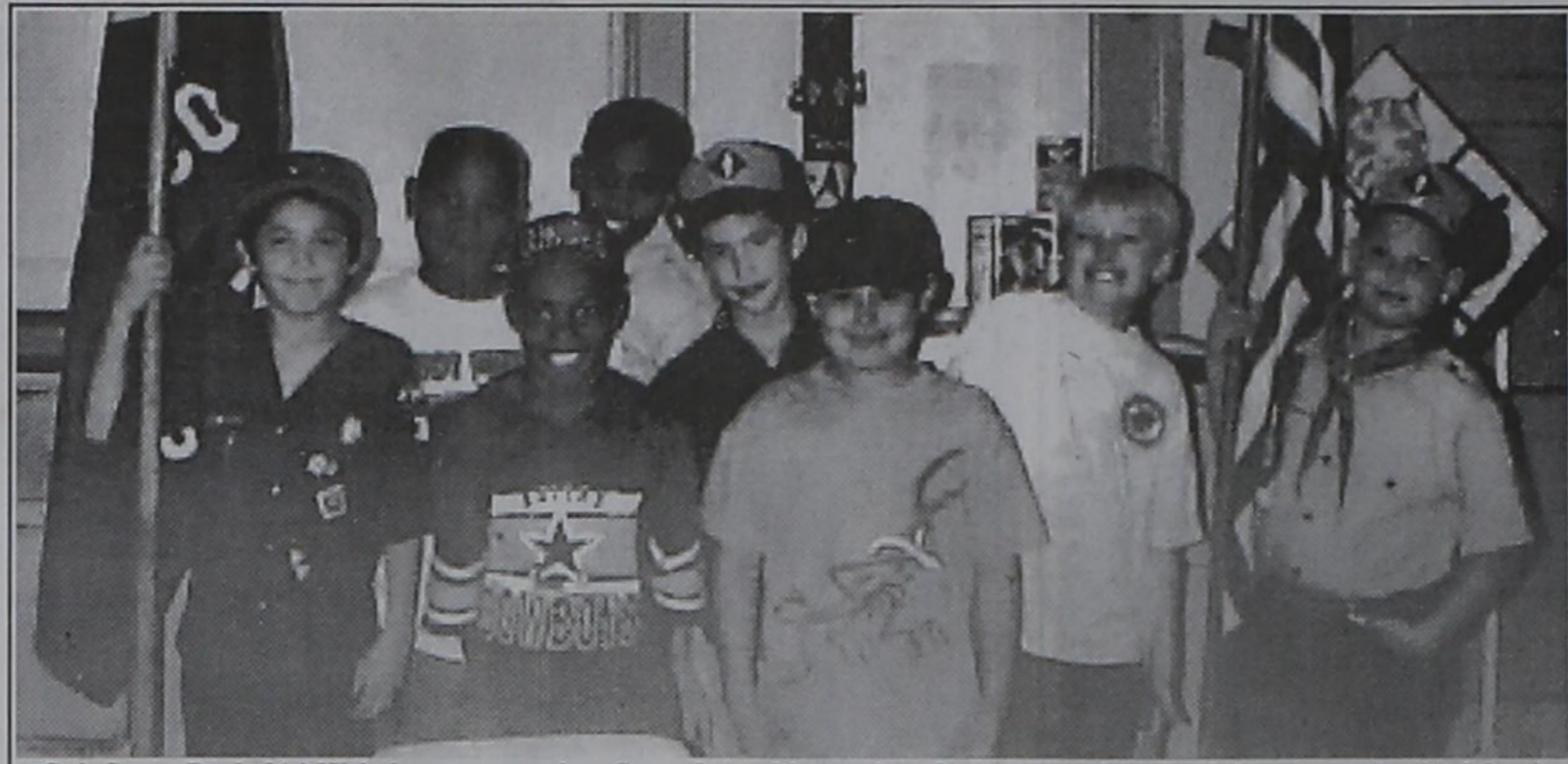
*Frozen—temperature of poultry is 0 degrees Fahrenheit.

*Basted or self basted—solution may be a butter or other edible fat, broth, stock or water plus spices, flavor enhancers or other approved substances.

When purchasing foods for the holidays, always carefully observe "sell by" and "use by" dates on processed products, and thoroughly reheat frozen or refrigerated processed meat and poultry products before consumption. Safe food handling tips include washing your hands before and after handling food. Keep your kitchen, dishes, and utensils clean also. Always serve food on clean plates—not those previously holding raw meat and poultry. When serving, keep HOT foods hot and COLD foods cold.

If you take the time to plan and make a great meal, just remember to take the time to make sure your food and family are safe from any uninvited guests!!!! Have a great Thanksgiving.

Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, sex, color, religion, or national origin.



Cub Scout Pack 314 Webelos were out last Saturday taking orders for popcorn in one of the two authorized fund raising events for the year. The Boy Scout program is supported by the Garza County United Way. Pack members are (left to right) Frankie Arona, Christopher Cruse, Brandon Bell, R.C. Curtis, Kenny Ratke Jr., Pablo Perez, Mitch Holly and Ronnie Parish Jr. (Photo by Barbe Bevers)

Youth Compete at 4-H Food Show

Garza County will join other 4-Hers in the South Plains 20-county area to compete at the District 4-H Food show on Saturday, November 18 at Levelland High School.

Contestants will demonstrate skills learned in food and nutrition projects by preparing a dish and completing an interview about nutrition.

According to Kelly Ahrens, County Extension Agent—Family and Consumer Sciences, among the many objectives for the project are learning

the interrelationships between food preparation, science and nutrition, developing appropriate eating habits, and learning to select and purchase food to get the most nutrition for the money spent.

4-H members also develop management skills to plan, prepare and serve nutritious meals and snacks. The divisions include Junior I (ages 3rd grade or 9 years of age); Junior II (ages 11-13) and Senior (ages 14-19).

Food show classes are main dish,

fruits/vegetables, breads/cereals and snack/desserts. Winners will be announced at the 1 p.m. awards program at Levelland High School.

Ahrens states that "through participation in the foods and nutrition project the 4-H member develops skills and abilities for lifelong use. They also practice leadership and work skills to enhance personal growth and citizenship. The 4-H foods project teaches members to understand the social and cultural roles of food in daily living."

Energas crews from throughout West Texas assist in relighting 1,600 homes after pipe damaged

Energas Company called in crews from throughout West Texas to assist in restoring natural gas service to approximately 1,600 homes in Post and Southland in the Lubbock area, after a transmission line was damaged by a third-party excavating in the area.

A Westar Transmission Company six-inch transmission line supplying gas to the two communities was damaged Tuesday afternoon when a country road crew was working in the area. The line had to be shut down for about seven hours to repair the damage, leaving the residents without gas. Energas Company had more than 60 service technicians working

throughout the night Tuesday to restore gas service to each home. Replacement crews were brought in Wednesday to complete the relight.

"By Wednesday night, service had been restored. We appreciate our customers' patience as we conducted the relight in an orderly and safe fashion. Energas brought in crews from our Midland, Odessa, Littlefield, Lubbock, Plainview, Big Spring and Amarillo operating districts to restore service as quickly as possible," said Eugene Ehler, president of Energas Company.

In restarting the gas system in the two towns, Energas service technicians

had to do a pressure test on each home or business, and then relight all gas appliances. Since a resident had to be at home in order for the relight to be completed, service technicians tagged homes where no one was at home and returned at a later time.

"Energas has the resources and manpower to handle an emergency like this outage. We are pleased to have been able to return service to our customers as quickly as we did," said Ehler.

Energas Company, a division of Atmos Energy Corporation of Dallas, provides natural gas service to more than 310,000 customers in West Texas.

Christmas parade

The lighted Christmas parade will be held in downtown Post on Saturday, December 2, at 6 p.m.

It will start at the courthouse and come down both sides of Main Street. Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place for floats.

A special show will be featured at the Tower Theatre at 4 p.m. for the kids. This will give Mom and Dad time to shop for those special gifts while the kids are being entertained at the Tower by "Hoot and Annie." The special show is sponsored by Citizens Bank.

Let's make this a special day for Post merchants by being a part of the Post Historical Main Street Christmas.

If you need more information or to place your entry for the parade call Wanda Mitchell at the Post Chamber of Commerce at 495-3461.

Merchants to light up Post

The Post Chamber of Commerce and Post Main Street office is asking all the merchants of Post to light up their building for Christmas.

"If at all possible, you need to have your lights on your buildings by November 25," states Wanda and Barbara.

If you don't have the time, or if you'd rather not have to get on top of your building, we have names of people who would do your lights for you in the Main Street and Chamber offices. Just call 495-4157 or 495-3461 for the names.

You can find red replacement bulbs and strings of outdoor lights at Handy Hardware. Both Family Dollar and Dollar General have smaller lights if you need them.

If you have any questions about Christmas lighting or decorating please contact one of the offices listed above.



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County-Wide 4-H Family Night

All 4-H families are encouraged to attend the November county-wide 4-H Meeting and Hot Dog Supper tonight at the G.C.J.L.A. show barn starting at 6:30 p.m.

Major Stock Show Swine Validation Set

The date for validation of all hogs for major stock shows has been set for Wednesday, November 22, from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon at the G.C.J.L.A. show barn. Cost per tag will be \$2.50 due at time of validation. This is for major shows only and will be the only time scheduled.

The universe is full of magical things patiently waiting for our wits to grow sharper.

—Eden Phillips

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The properties listed herein were the subject of TAX FORECLOSURE and are now available for resale pursuant to TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE §34.05(b).

CAUSE 2463: 510 North Avenue H
Lots 13 and 14, Block 24, Post, Garza County, Texas

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South 26' of East 67 1/2' of Lot 5, Block 157, Post, Garza County, Texas

CAUSE 2800: South end of Jasper on right, North of alley
Lot 39, Block 2, Clarence Hart Addition, Post, Garza County, Texas

CAUSE 2801: 411 Henry
Lot 24, Block 1, Bingham Addition, Post, Garza County, Texas

CAUSE 2816: 503 Jasper
Lot 36, Alexander Addition, Post, Garza County, Texas

CAUSE 2835: 607 Oak
Lot 34, Lorenzo Alexander Addition, Post, Garza County, Texas

CAUSE 2850: 410 North Avenue F
Lot 14 (pt), Block 1, Bingham Addition, Post, Garza County, Texas

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West 67.5' of Lot 5, North 14' of Lot 6 and South 67.5', Block 144, Post, Garza County, Texas

CAUSE 4405: 510 South Avenue H
South 26' of West 67.5' of Lot 6 & North 26' of West 67.5' of Lot 7, Block 144, Original Townsite, Post, Garza County, Texas

CAUSE 4443: 630 Pine
Lot 7, Block 0, Alexander Addition, Post, Garza County, Texas

CAUSE 4512: 603 South H
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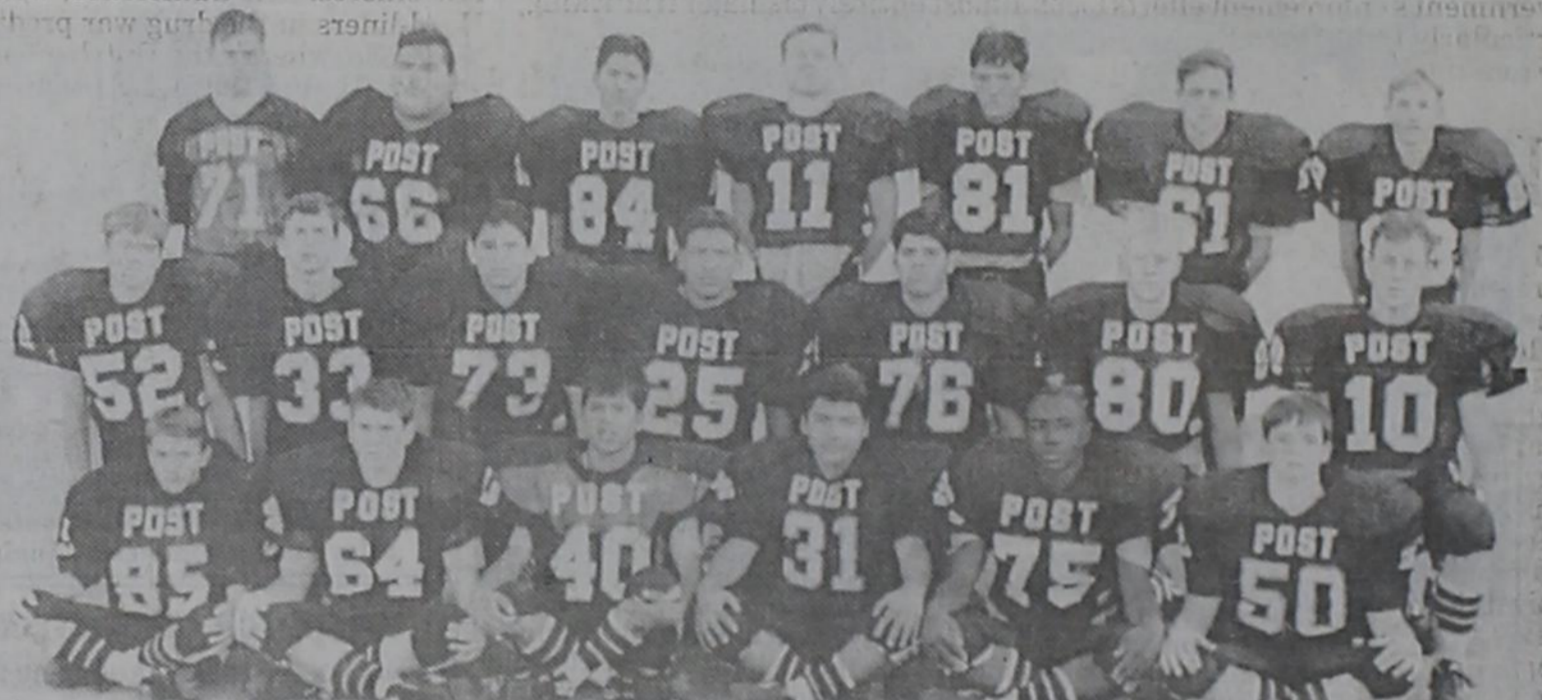
CAUSE 4533: 506 West 4th Street
Lot 11, Block 137, Original Townsite, Post, Garza County, Texas

CAUSE 4893: 614 North Avenue F
North one half of Lots 15 and 16, Hart Addition, Post, Garza County, Texas

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All sales are without warranty express or implied. If you are interested in purchasing any of these properties, please submit a written bid to Mr Shelburne J. Veselka, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 26990, Austin, Texas 78755. Satisfactory bids must be approved by all governmental bodies which have taxes on the property. Any or all bids may be rejected. Questions should be directed to Mr Shelburne J. Veselka at 512/451/9000.

Congratulations Antelope Junior Varsity



Junior Varsity team members (back row, left to right) Brandon Patecke (71), Eric Lopez (66), Roland Basquez (84), Shawn Henderson (11), John Paul Perez (81), Ty Haney (61), Slade Bevers (88), (second row from back) Scott Metzgar (52), Derek Guthrie (33), Michael Sanchez (73), Anthony Gomez (25), Johnny Collazo (76), Chad McDougal (80), Sam Woods (10), (front row) Cameron Miller (85), Wayne Line (64), Javier Ramos (40), Joseph DeLosReyes (31), Tory Gilbert (75) and Brandon McDonald (50).



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Congratulations Antelope Freshmen



Freshmen Antelopes (back row, left to right) Joey Ward (12), T.J. Gaydos (53), Matt Cooper (70), Josh Loper (86), Michael Felts (75), Tyler Wimmer (87), J.C. Stelzer III (76), (second row from back) Andy Martinez (41), Adrian Marin (84), Charlie Bell (20), Clay Ashley (67), Steve Ayala (80), Michael Collazo (18), Andrew Martinez (81), Roy Soto (66), (third row from back) Isaac Perez (40), Jeremy Abraham (72), Josh Bustoz (85), Joe Don Schoonover (74), Jeremy Aguilar (73), Michael Ulm (88), Daniel Fluit (64), (front row) coach Fred Postell, Frank Reyna (32), Terry Foster (25), Tim Quintana (42), Monty Humble (60), Joseph Abraham (58), Derrick Cowley (59) and coach Bart McMeans.

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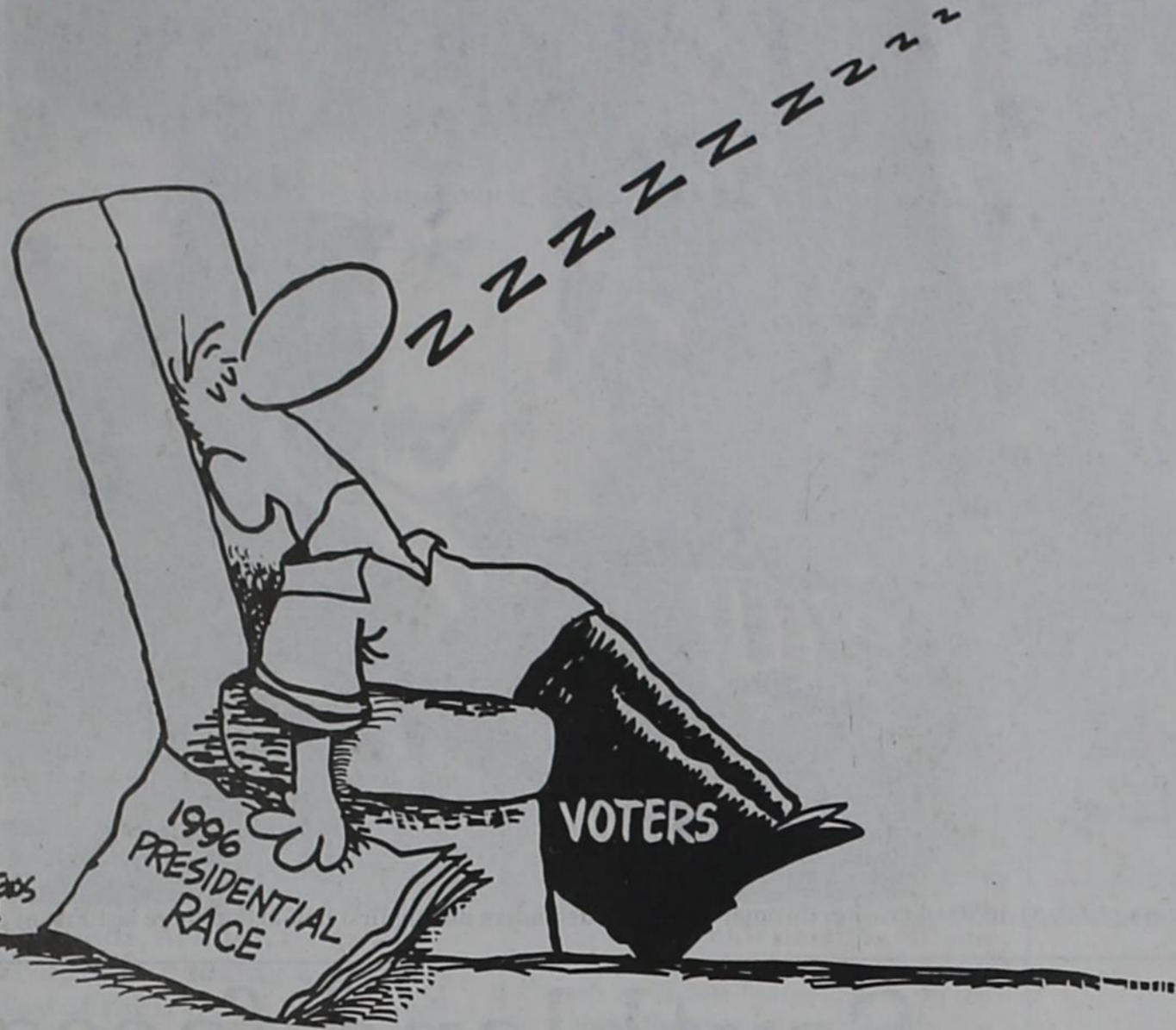
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Drug legalization a disaster? look again

by Stephen Chapman



AMSTERDAM — Reijer Elzinga is a 43-year-old Dutch entrepreneur, a former hairdresser who now runs a company that sells air-cleaning systems and the president of a national trade association. He is also a drug dealer. A successful and prosperous one, too. On this autumn evening, we are sitting amid a dozen or so of his customers in a smoky room in the city's canal district. He cheerfully shows me a drawerful of his stock, made up of 24 different kinds of marijuana and hashish. He points out the list of prices on the wall. He is even kind enough to offer me the use of his hash pipe to sample the stuff, on the house. I decline — but not because I'm afraid of going to jail. All this is taking place with the full knowledge and consent of the authorities. In the Netherlands, the sale and possession of cannabis have been effectively sanctioned by the law for two decades. Americans tend to react with stark, raving terror to the idea of legalizing drugs. They could profit from considering what has happened where it has already been tried. The storefront in which Elzinga and I are seated is known here as a "coffee house," one of some 1,500 establishments around the country whose main attraction is not coffee. Their owners even have an organization, the Union of Cannabis Retailers. These businesses, licensed and regulated by the government, are permitted to sell a customer up to 30 grams of cannabis at a time. Patrons are free to smoke it on the premises or take it home. (They're also free to consume nothing more mind-altering than a soft drink.) It remains technically illegal to sell or possess marijuana and hashish, but the government has decided that the ban is futile and that since people are going to use these drugs, it's better to have the business out in the open rather than in the shadows. The custom of looking the other way doesn't apply only to pot: Dutch police generally don't make arrests for possession of hard drugs, and small-scale drug dealing is ignored as long as it doesn't create a nuisance. The government's enforcement efforts focus almost entirely on major trafficking, particularly from abroad. From the lurid rhetoric of the American drug war, you would expect the

results to be catastrophic: broken families, worsening poverty, rampant crime and violence. And the Netherlands is a scary place. A visitor is in ceaseless mortal peril from runaway bicyclists and second-hand tobacco smoke. Otherwise, however, Amsterdam is a peaceable, prosperous and orderly metropolis conspicuously lacking the intractable social ills and widespread blight found in American cities. Even after dark, its red-light district feels about as dangerous as Disney World. The homicide rate in the United States is six times higher than in Holland. The Dutch have learned what Americans have not: Most of the problems associated with drugs stem not from drugs but from laws against drugs, which foster violence and property crime among people involved in the trade — just as Prohibition did. They have also learned that tolerating drug use doesn't even seem to have any effect on drug use. (This we could have deduced on our own since alcohol and tobacco have grown less popular with Americans despite being legal.) The percentage of people in the Netherlands who use cannabis in a given month has been stable since 1987, according to scholar Pieter Cohen of the University of Amsterdam; likewise for cocaine. Pot-smoking is about half as common among Dutch teen-agers as it is among American kids. Heroin addiction is less common here than in the United States. Crack sales are almost unheard of in Holland, and drug-related deaths are rare. The Dutch system has its unfortunate side effects, like the involvement of organized crime in supplying drugs. But that is not the result of tolerance. It's the result of maintaining enforcement efforts against large suppliers. Elzinga operates in the legal world when he sells cannabis at his three coffee shops, but he has to get his product from people who operate outside the law. Not surprisingly, much of the Dutch cannabis supply comes from un congenial people with ominous ties to organized crime. That's no different from the rest of the world. What is different here is that cannabis use has been made a matter of individual choice — to the benefit of law enforcement authorities, who are free to worry about serious crime. Hard-liners in the drug war predict disaster if the United States legalizes drugs. So, where's the Dutch disaster? COPYRIGHT 1995 CREATORS SYNDICATE, INC.

The gathering racial tragedy for this nation...

by Walter E. Williams



Pretend we could resurrect the black and white Americans, now dead, who fought the struggles yielding Brown vs. Board of Education, which ended de jure school segregation, and later won the moral battle yielding the Civil Rights Act of 1964. There is no doubt they'd be shocked by what has happened in matters of race — shocked because they had every reasonable expectation that racial problems would have been solved some four decades later. Today's racial climate affirms the success of race hustlers and the failure and capitulation of decent people who should know better. Failure and capitulation have allowed race hustlers to use their venomous brew of lies, misrepresentations and demagoguery to mislead large numbers of black people into believing that white racism is their paramount problem. This concoction serves the financial and political interests of the race hustlers, but it has produced disaster for large and increasing numbers of black people. No doubt America's history is blemished by slavery and gross discrimination. But it's a history also featured by the fact that our nation has expended large amounts of resources in an attempt, often misguided, to redress the injustices of that history. Since 1965, over \$4 trillion has been spent on the War on Poverty. Trillions have been spent in housing and education. Courts and administrative agencies have legislated thousands of decrees mandating one form of racial preferences or another. Despite these efforts, the lifetime prospects of a large percentage of blacks are just as bleak, if not bleaker, than in periods when racism was at its worst and opportunities severely limited. That outcome sets the stage for many black people to fall prey to race charlatans and quacks who can sell their message of racial victimology. After all, when trillions upon trillions of dollars have been spent and thousands of court decisions made, one program promise failure after another makes the race charlatan's message an appealing explanation of today's bleak prospects. Race hustlers convince black youngsters that college is barred to them because of racism. The fact that black students score low on standardized tests is seen as irrelevant or just another sign of racism. No evidence is ever produced that colleges deny admittance to black students scoring 1,100 on the SAT. Race hustlers see quota programs, instead of better academic preparation, as solutions to black education problems. What's most criminal

is they've led black people to think quotas have perpetual political stability. Race hustlers preach that the daily nightmare of robbery, rape, murder, property destruction, family breakdown and illegitimacy and other forms of social meltdown is caused by racism and the solution is more federal money going to them and bureaucratic poverty pimps. No mention is made of the fact that black neighborhoods had far greater social stability and more intact families and were far safer back in the '30s, '40s and '50s, at a time when there was codified discrimination and far fewer opportunities. If all white people were morally rejuvenated tomorrow morning, it would matter not one iota in the lives of black people locked into a pathological environment. Racial discrimination is not even close to being their main problem, which is not to say discrimination and victimology are non-existent. As long as race hustlers can preach the discrimination and victimology message to the exclusion of the necessary structural changes, I have every confidence that race relations will continue to go south, and what's already a seemingly permanent underclass will become even more permanent. COPYRIGHT 1995 CREATORS SYNDICATE, INC.

Wisdom

"If we were directed from Washington when to sow and when to reap, we would soon want bread." Thomas Jefferson

Preamble to Amendments

The conventions of a number of the States having at the time of their adopting the Constitution, expressed a desire, in order to prevent misconstruction or abuse of its powers, that further declaratory and restrictive clauses should be added: And as extending the ground of public confidence in the Government, will best insure the beneficent ends of its institution.

ARTICLE XV

Section 1. The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude. Section 2. The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Repeal Social Security

Part Two of Two by Jacob Hornberger

Then, each succeeding generation, after having had their money stolen from them to fund the previous generation, has taken the position that it is okay for them to steal from the younger generation. But everyone knows—and has known—that one generation cannot bind future generations into accepting the same type of political system. Thus, everyone knew that as each year and decade went by, there was always a possibility that some generation along the way would say: "We reject the socialist welfare state of our parents and grandparents. We have decided to move toward the principles of liberty on which America was founded. As a first step, we have decided to repeal the Social Security Act." Thus, even those who deceive themselves with "promises" and "contracts" realize that an implicit condition of the "promise" and "contract" was that a future generation has the right to repeal a law founded on principles of stealing. Any generation has the right to form new government founded on principles of liberty and property—and the right to reject political schemes erected by their predecessors. What would happen to the elderly if Social Security were simply repealed? Some would live off their savings. Others would depend upon their children. Others would look to their neighbors, churches, or other forms of charity. "But there would not be enough money to handle all of this," the critic exclaims. But of course there would. After all, the Social Security tax would also be repealed. And so the money that is currently transferred from the young to the old would remain in the pockets of the young—for savings, spending, or charity—and all of the money currently wasted on running the Social Security system would be saved. Bastiat writes: You say: "There are persons who have no money," and you turn to the law. But the law is not a breast that fills itself with milk. Nor are the lacteal veins of the law supplied with milk from a source outside the society. Nothing can enter the public treasury for the benefit of one citizen or one class unless other citizens and other classes have been forced to send it in. If every person draws from the treasury the amount that he has put in it, it is true that the law then plunders nobody. But this procedure does nothing for the persons who have no money. It does not promote equality of income. The law can be an instrument of equalization only as it takes from some persons and gives to other persons. When the law does this, it is an instrument of plunder. How do we know that people would do the "right" thing with their money? We don't—that is what liberty is all about. But we do know that whatever they do with it—save it, spend it, or give it away—someone else is benefited. And we also know that U.S. bureaucrats are not the only caring people in American society. Today, people say that it is politically impossible to repeal Social Security. Thus, they argue for halfway measures. For example, one popular scheme is to allow people to set up their tax-deductible retirement accounts. But notice that implicit in this and all other reform schemes is the concept of force. Through income taxation, the government essentially claims ownership of each person's income. It either takes it from you by force to provide for other people's retirement (and ostensibly will do the same to others when you get old) or manipulates you, through income-tax deductions, to use "your" money in an approved fashion. America's welfare-state way of life that was adopted in the 1930s is in shambles. Everywhere you look—Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, public schooling, welfare, public housing, regulation, government debt, income taxation—the welfare state is in crisis. Yet, the proponents of control, central planning, and socialism refuse to let go of their beloved system. They are fighting desperately to save the legalized plunder to which they have become accustomed. But they can never overcome one basic moral principle: Stealing is stealing, regardless of the label placed upon it. More and more young people are discovering this fundamental principle and are moving toward ending, not saving, Social Security. And as more and more elderly people come closer to the end of this life and the beginning of the next, they are beginning to reflect on the moral (and economic) consequences of supporting Social Security; hopefully, before they die, many of them will advocate ending, rather than reforming, this political evil. But regardless of how other Americans choose to go, the advocate of liberty must not assist the advocate of socialism with "freemarket proposals" to save socialism. The advocate of liberty must advocate liberty. And this means, quite simply, the repeal, not the reform, of Social Security. Mr. Hornberger is founder and president of The Future of Freedom Foundation.

How do we attract new industries here? by Wesley W. Burnett I read with interest the report in Tuesday's Lubbock Avalanche-Journal (11/14/95) that Hale Center and Hale County are preparing a grand giveaway to lure Plains Co-Op Mill to their county. I am surprised that I have not heard demands locally for the same kind of government gift, "if they do it, we've got to do it." But of course, you see, no one would choose to relocate a production facility in our little ole town, unless we give them some great financial incentive. I disagree. I disagree strongly. I believe that our community, founded by perhaps this nation's greatest personal example of faith in the free enterprise system, is already a beacon of common sense and government sensibility on the South Plains. We have shown that we can stand on our own... we do not grab for the government hand-outs... we are hard working people, and we take great pride in our survival during some really tough times... look back 13 years ago and remember what we faced when Burlington shut down the Postex Plant... and oil prices dropped from \$20 to \$30 per barrel to a meager \$9 or \$10. There were no government handouts to pull us through that ordeal... and our future will not be decided by how much taxpayers are willing to give away in order to attract new industries. We welcome new industries and businesses... and we will do all we can to make them feel at home and happy... and by our example of working together to make things happen, they will find this little piece of ground ideal for folks who enjoy the "small town" life, and the family values that we share. I am happy that I do not live in Hale County, or Lubbock County... for I would be embarrassed by their fawning over this potential "taxpaying" industry. I rather prefer to live in Garza County, where our elected leaders look for ways to cut taxes and regulation, rather than seek more and more of both. I am excited about our future... for I believe that the fine folks at Plains Co-Op Mill, when they study and evaluate the various locations for their expansion, will see that we are different. Instead of looking for more taxes, our mayor and city manager have been studying a plan to eliminate property taxes entirely. Rather than steal tax money from one group and give it to another (in the way of tax abatements), we could offer businesses (including those of us currently enjoying the good life here) no property taxes. Now, wouldn't that be a hoot? How could we do that? It's simple, really, by adjusting fees of city services to match the actual cost, and by taking advantage of our increasingly important sales tax revenues. But more importantly, and especially to those businesses seeking relief from over regulation and over taxation... Post is a great place to do business... we can actually have a friendly conversation with our political leadership, who understand exactly what we face from day to day. That's a big difference. And no city on the South Plains has that to offer. When it comes time to decide about where to do business... I believe we have the edge, because our local government leaders still believe that government doesn't solve problems, government doesn't create jobs... people solve problems, people with ideas and visions create jobs. And the strength of this community continues the heritage of free enterprise that drove C.W. Post to invest millions of his own money to see his dream come true. The dream is still evolving... and this is an open invitation to all those beleaguered businesses in Lubbock or Plainview or Dallas or Abilene or Midland or wherever, yearning for freedom to create and be left alone... join us as we head into the 21st century making our dreams and visions come true, without interference from government.



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Sports

Eagles marr 'Lope Season

by Brent Ross

The Post Antelopes came to the end of the road Friday night as they lost 32-6 at Seagraves. The 'Lopes ended the season with a record of 2-8.

For 10 Antelopes it was their last high school football game in the black and gold. Seniors David Perez, Israel Perez, Saul Martinez, David Quintana, Alvin Reed, David Norman, Robert Kilmer, Lance Goen, Corey Cruse and Jake Loreda suited up for the final time.

Unfortunately for the Bold Gold, the game was not a good farewell gift, as the team could only muster two long drives on the blustery and cold night.

The first effective drive started at the Post 33 in the first quarter. After two consecutive first downs, the 'Lopes were forced into a fourth and seven at the Seagraves 26. Sophomore quarterback Jaime Hernandez took the ball and rolled to his right on a "naked bootleg" for 19

yards and a first down. However, the drive stalled as Reed was stuffed at the line, leaving the ball inches short of paydirt near the goal line on a fourth down effort.

The Bold Gold defense, led by Josh Grisham, came up for the task and forced the Eagles to punt.

That started the 'Lope lone scoring drive at the Seagraves 30. With a combination of Grisham's running and Hernandez' passes to Seth Pennell and Steve Gonzales, Post moved the ball to the Seagraves 15 yard line.

On third and seven, Hernandez took the snap and rolled left on a bootleg, making an excellent fake handoff to the middle, fooling defenders and racing past would-be tacklers to the end zone. The two point conversion failed, and the 'Lopes trailed 13-6.

That was it for the offense. The Eagles scored another 19 unanswered points enroute to the 32-6 victory.



Post Antelope running back Alvin Reed crashes through Seagraves defenders during first half action there last Friday night.

Seagraves runs over J.V. 'Lopes

by Brent Ross

The Post junior varsity team finished its season with a 21-8 loss to Seagraves. The Bold Gold ended the season with a record of 5-4.

"We did not end on a winning note," Post coach Mitch Rasberry said. "But we had a good year."

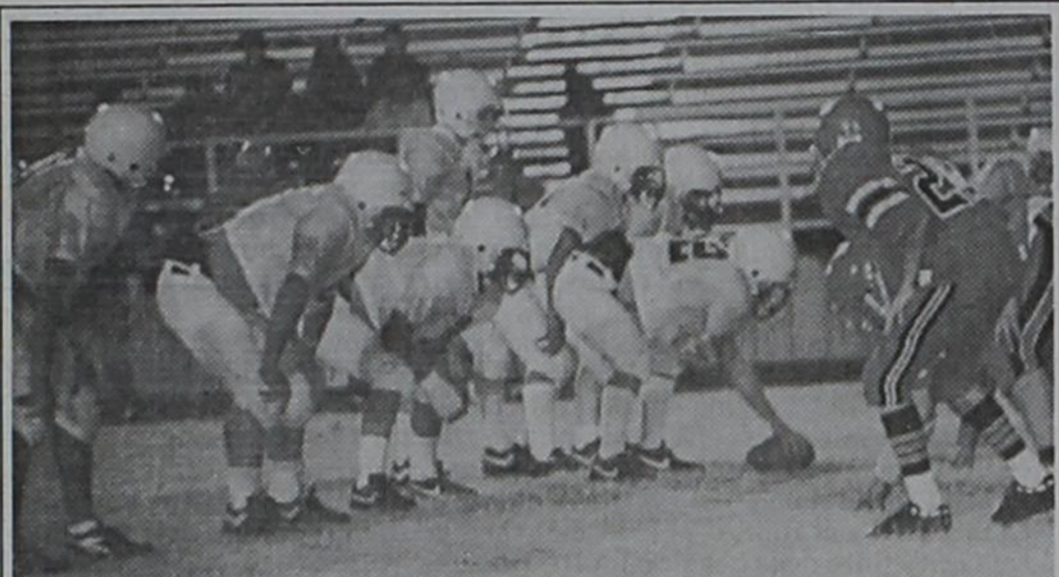
Anthony Gomez handled the majority of the running chores as he rushed 14 times for 19 yards and a two-point conversion. He was followed by Sam Woods who had seven carries for 29 yards and Derrick Guthrie who had two yards on three carries.

Woods, the 'Lopes quarterback, had a completion percentage of 42.1 percent as he went eight of 19 for 80 yards and one touchdown.

Joseph DeLa Rosa had a big game in the season finale. He caught six balls for 51 yards and a touchdown. Roland Basquez and Slade Bevers each had one reception.

The 'Lopes defense stopped Seagraves' passing game, but could not stop their running attack. The Eagles were three of seven for 22 yards through the air, but the Eagles had 201 yards on 36 carries.

The manner of giving is worth more than the gift.
—Peter Corneille



Post 8th grade football offensive team members line up against Seagraves last Thursday. Team members are (left to right) Louis Leos, Ruben Gomez, Adrian Gonzales, Matthew Ledbetter, Chris Saldivar, Luke Williams and quarterback Braden Conner. (Photo by Bruce Ledbetter)

Southland faces Jayton in play-off game here

by Brent Ross

The football season might be over for the Post Antelopes, but there will still be a game in town Friday night. Six-man football will invade Post as our friends from Southland will be in Antelope Stadium for a district play-off game against Jayton at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

Southland enters the game with a record of 7-3 having lost to Whitharrel, Three-Way and Meadow. Jayton enters the game with a record of 9-1. Southland Coach Jerry Windham said this week's game will be a battle.

"It's certainly going to be a tough ballgame for us," Windham said. "If we play them well, I think we have a chance."

Southland is returning to the playoffs for the first time since 1984. Last year the Eagles posted a record of 1-9. Windham said the main reason for that poor record was the youth of the team.

Windham said maturity and a larger squad were factors in his team's improvement this season. He said once the team got some wins, their confidence began to grow.

"We started off the first half against Whitharrel and we looked just like we did last year," he said. "We came out and played a little better in the second half and from then on, I think their confidence has gotten better each game."

Windham said the team's steady improvement has made this year a fulfilling one for him.

"It was very satisfying for me to watch those young men improve like that," he said. "They finally decided they could win and it kind of snowballed."

Windham said Jayton's offense could be a problem for Southland, but the Eagles are going to try to keep it simple.

"They run a spread and our pass defense has been suspect all year. So that will obviously be a concern," he said. "We try to do what we do well, but we don't do a lot. I felt like all year that as young as we were, the simpler we could keep it, the better off we would be."



Texas Tech assistant girls' basketball coach Linden Weese joins Post High School coaches Mitch Rasberry (left), James Easterling (second from right) and athletic director Dewayne Osborne (right) during "Meet the 'Lopes" basketball team Monday night. (Photo by Barbe Bevers)

8th grade drops final game to Seagraves

The Post 8th grade football team closed out the season with a 32-26 loss to Seagraves. "This was a wild one," coach Darryl Radle comments, "we moved the ball well on offense, but were unable to stop Seagraves when it counted."

"We are very proud of our kids' effort all season," the coach added, "this group has a chance to be very good in high school, if they will stay with it."

The first scoring drive against Seagraves came in the first quarter on a four play, 45 yard effort. Billy Crawford got the final 15 yards and Raymond Jefferson took the ball in for the two point conversion.

The young 'Lopes were stunned on the opening play of the game, when a pass attempt was intercepted by

Seagraves and returned for a touchdown.

Later in the first quarter Rocky Gomez caught a pass from quarterback John Radle for a 26 yard touchdown play. The two point conversion failed, Post led 14-6.

In the second quarter Seagraves ran off an eight play drive, then Post returned with a three play drive with Raymond Jefferson going 59 yards. The Post team led 20-12 at halftime.

Seagraves scored in the third quarter, then the 'Lopes came back again, with Jefferson going 55 yards and led 26-18.

Fourth quarter action hurt the young 'Lopes who lost the ball twice on fumbles, allowing Seagraves to win the game. The final score came with 42 seconds left in the game.

J.V. boys whip Rotan 44-31

The Post Junior Varsity boys' basketball team opened action Tuesday night with a 44-31 win over Rotan.

"I was very happy with the way our kids played," coach Bart McMeans comments. "They only had three practices before this game, I really think that our hustle was the difference."

Sam Woods led the team with 13 points, followed by Jaime Hernandez with 10. Other scoring came from Ty Haney with five, four each by John Paul Perez and Russ Moore and two each by Freddy Peña, Jerry Graham, Kip Wilks and Anthony Gomez.

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Decline seen in state's black infant death rate

State health officials are optimistic that a variety of factors may have contributed to a long-sought reduction in the rate of deaths among black infants. According to Dr. Patti Patterson, "The mortality rate among black infants has always been much higher than the rates of other ethnic groups, and of the over-all infant mortality rate for the state. And while that is still true, it

appears that the infant mortality rate among blacks showed the greatest reduction among all ethnic groups from 1993 to 1994." Dr. Patterson, a pediatrician, is chief of the Texas Department of Health's (TDH) Bureau of Women and Children. While the infant mortality rate among all Texan infants in 1994 was 7.1 deaths per 1,000 live births, the mortality rate of black

infants (younger than one year) was 12.6 per 1,000 live births. But the year before, when the over-all infant mortality rate was 7.5, the mortality rate among black infants was 14.6 — fully two points higher than in 1994. Dr. Patterson said that the rates are compiled by the TDH Bureau of Vital Statistics. "The 12.6 deaths in every 1,000 black infant births is still tragically high, but as recently as 1989, that rate was 16.8. We have to believe that children's health programs in Texas are helping to alleviate the problems that have allowed these high rates to persist," she said.

"It is too early to say for sure that a trend has begun in dramatically reduced infant mortality for blacks. But several indicators encourage us to be optimistic." She explained that the numbers of low birth-weight black babies declined from 1993 to 1994, while the numbers of their mothers with adequate prenatal care in their first trimesters increased. Also, the pregnancy rate of black teens (13-17 years old) declined. "These are a few of the measurable factors which may have contributed to a lower infant mortality rate among black infants," Dr. Patterson said. "And each of these factors, low birth-weight for example, probably is a composite of other causes of improvement."

She explained that low birth-weight (5.5 pounds or less) not only is a measure of an infant's ability to survive, it also is an

indicator of the type of prenatal care, lifestyle and general health of the infant's mother. "Such maternal health improvements may reflect better access to health care, successful public health education or other circumstances, but the outcome is healthier babies in the nursery," Dr. Patterson said.

Dr. Patterson added that since about 35 percent of all health care costs for infants is spent for care of low birth-weight babies, any reduction in low birth-weights means that scarce health care dollars can be spent on other urgent care. For more information, contact Dr. Patti Patterson, Bureau of Women and Children at 512-458-7700 or David Vaughan, Division of Communications and Special Health Initiatives, at 512-458-7400.



Super Dog "Cog"

John and Peggy Dennis and Family; remembering this November 10th anniversary of John's accident in 1994 - wish to extend a "Special Thank You" to our dear friends, Arnold, Irene and Jayson Fry; for all their kind and loving assistance during the traumatic day of injury, and afterward; with daily visits to John in Methodist Hospital; taking care of ranch needs and Cog; and helping Peggy with her chores. We are so appreciative and love you Dearly. God Bless!

Congratulations Antelope Seventh Grade



Seventh Grade football team members (back row, left to right) Stephan Montoya (77), Aaron Cooper (50), Jason Jefferson (21), Raul Ortiz (24), Clinton Curtis (88), Brooks Conner (75), Justin Norman (61), Bronc Davis (32), (second row from back) Armando Rodriguez (41), Obed Diaz (71), Joey Cimental (81), Gabriel Silva (37), Jerry Vance (87), Steve Martinez (51), Ross Babb (66), Pablo Garcia (70), Jared White (74), (third row from back) Steve Norman (52), Brant Whisenhunt (83), Jaime Collazo (11), Tyrone Jefferson (40), Casey Short (82), Steve Rodriguez (22), Jeremy Baker (30), Eugene Bell (20), (front row) Wesley Jarrett (42), Chris Morales (65), Paul Quinoñez (68), Tim Peña (60), Kevin Hart (25) and Kirk Moore (72).

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Letters to the Editor

Courthouse not closed on Veteran's Day.....

I was deeply saddened by the way the Courthouse did not observe Veteran's Day, the very establishment that our veterans went to war for to keep a free government. This was truly a day to insult the men and the families who served in our wars and died for America. Has Garza County government forgotten why they exist, like the graves of the Unknown Soldiers?

A True American Citizen
Name withheld by request

Editor's Note: Let's not confuse getting time off from work as a significance of observing or honoring veterans. The whole system of "national" holidays smacks of a generous lobbying effort by government employees... special observances were conducted by "true American citizens" for years before Congress went into a frenzy over closing government offices on these "national" days. Citizens, including those working for government organizations, have the power and authority to observe these special days in any number of ways, and it doesn't require shutting the office to observe and remember, and it doesn't mean those of who worked on that day were any less reverent.

To the Energas customers in Post, Southland and the surrounding area..... On behalf of all of the Energas management team and all of the employees that assisted in restoring gas service to our customers in Post, Southland and the surrounding area, please accept our sincere thank you for your patience and understanding during the recent gas outage.

The inconvenience of such a major problem as the loss of utility service is very frustrating for our customers, but almost everyone was about the major task of restoring service to almost 1600 accounts safely.

Although the restoration effort to residential customers lasted almost 23 hours, the people of Post and the area were very kind and understanding. We would extend a very heartfelt thank you to the Post Fire Department for the use of the generator and lighting throughout the night.

We would especially like to thank Bob and Sammie Palmer for the use of their facilities as a command center, and Ronnie Metzgar for his assistance with the generator, lighting and table and chairs.

I am sure Post is very proud to have citizens such as these gentlemen that are willing to help accommodate everyone in an emergency situation.

We would also like to thank Mayor Jim Jackson and the Chaparral Steak House and Bar-B-Q, and all the employees at the Dairy Queen for helping us keep our employees fed throughout the duration of this operation.

To these gentlemen and all of the citizens of the area, please accept my sincere appreciation for your patience, understanding and helpfulness during this trying time.

Sincerely,
Kelvin Betzen
District Manager

Victim of an unfortunate incident.....

I am one of the victims of the November 8, 1995 tire slashing spree. A very unfortunate incident which I won't let rest. But, "behind every cloud there's a silver lining."

This incident has triggered a much needed attitude adjustment and openness toward the juvenile delinquent and crime problem we experience in Post, Texas.

No ifs, ands or buts... we must protect our vital interests. Sheriff Kenneth Ratke has already reorganized the deputy schedule to put more men on patrol during peak crime periods and in the attempt to increase citizen involvement with a "take back our streets" attitude. Sheriff Ratke and Main Street merchants are forming an informal partnership.

So far a few people have offered their time and assistance, but we need many more. An organizational meeting will be scheduled soon. If you are interested, please contact me at 495-3962.

Finally, I thank the Garza County Sheriff's Department for its efforts. Also the merchants and other citizens of Post look forward to a long term relationship to finding and instigating solutions to our juvenile delinquent and crime problems.

Sincerely,
Jim Plummer, President
Post Chamber of Commerce

Protecting private property.....

In 1788, James Madison observed that "Government is instituted to protect property of every sort." Madison had just written the Bill of Rights, including the clause that says, "No shall private property be taken for public use without just compensation." Clearly, our Founding Fathers understood that the right to own, use, and exchange property made people independent and gave them the power to preserve their liberties.

Today our right to private property is under assault in a manner our Founding Fathers could never have imagined.

In the coming weeks, the Senate Judiciary Committee will consider "The Omnibus Private Property Rights Act." This bill restores the Constitution's guarantee to private property rights protection by forcing government agencies to assess and minimize the impact they have on private property owners. If a government agency takes private property or damages its value, compensation must be paid and it must come out of the agency's budget.

I believe that if we hold government accountable, the government will find good reason to respect the families who own homes, farms and businesses in America.

Phil Gramm
United States Senator

Letters to the Editor Policy:

Letters are encouraged. We reserve the right to edit for brevity and style. Letters must be signed, but names will be withheld at the request of the letter writer to protect the identity so that fear of retribution may not restrict the rights of freedom of expression.

I have heard with admiring submission the experience of the lady who declared that the sense of being perfectly well-dressed gives a feeling of inward tranquility, which religion is powerless to bestow.

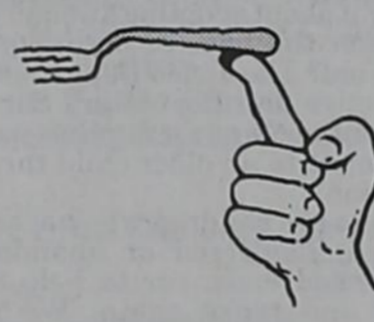
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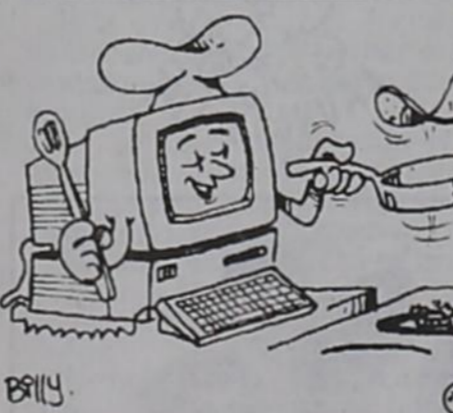
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The first real test of NAFTA is only weeks away

by Attorney General Dan Morales
The future of Texas' highways is at a crossroads. Because of NAFTA, our state has been presented with an historic opportunity for economic growth. Yet that same opportunity carries with it significant risks.

Because most NAFTA trade with Mexico goes through Texas, our state could soon become the testing ground for a dangerous experiment — the massive influx of oversized, unsafe Mexican trucks on our roads and highways. This experiment will use our roadways, our cars, and our citizens as guinea pigs, with potentially devastating consequences. A single accident between an overweight Mexican truck and a Texas school bus or family car would be as tragic as it is unnecessary.

While the full implementation of NAFTA will not be completed until early in the next century, the first milestone comes on December 18, 1995. The treaty stipulates that on that date, trucks from Mexico will have complete access to Texas roadways. In other words, they will soon begin to travel through our largest cities on some of our most congested highways.

Mexican trucks routinely carry up to twice the lawful U.S. weight. Maximum weight on U.S. trucks is 80,000 pounds. Mexican trucks weigh as much as 170,000 pounds.

These trucks pose risks to Texas citizens through accidents due simply to their larger size. But, they also pose significant risks because they are allowed to operate at maintenance and safety standards far below those required in the United States.

Additionally, Mexican truck drivers receive less training, and operate under lower safety standards. For example, U.S. drivers are limited to 10 hours a day behind the wheel. Canadian drivers are limited to 13 hours. Mexican drivers are not limited at all.

Texas Department of Public Safety officers stop and inspect approximately 150 trucks a day. But there are about 5,000 truck crossings every day along our 1,200 mile border. The DPS finds that less than five percent of those Mexican trucks have adequate brakes, shocks, tires, wheels and other equipment necessary to operate the vehicle safely. Soon there will be 10,000 truck crossings a day.

These trucks carry more than televisions, stereos and computers. They carry corrosives, chemicals, explosives, jet fuel, poisons, toxic

waste, pesticides and illegal drugs.

Today the Mexican drug cartels are producing a large supply of very potent heroin, and this so-called "black tar" Mexican heroin is vastly more profitable to export than Colombian cocaine. The additional border truck crossings will present more opportunities for the Mexican cartels to put heroin and other illegal drugs on our streets. Without thorough inspection of Mexican trucks, the cartels will feel like NAFTA means the North American Free Trafficking Agreement.

Not only do these trucks pose risks to Texas citizens through accidents, illegal drugs, hazardous waste spills and inadequate insurance, but they also threaten to seriously damage our highways. Engineers have shown that it takes 9,600 cars to equal the road wear of one 80,000 pound truck. Highways built to last 40 years could be worn out in 12 years or less. Large trucks will do more than shorten the life span of our highways. They will damage them. At a minimum of \$350,000 a mile for repairs, such trucks are an expensive proposition.

The simplest and most direct way to reduce the threat is for Texas elected leaders to demand that Mexican trucks comply with all Texas and U.S. laws and standards. I recently traveled to Washington, D.C. in an effort to gain the cooperation of the federal government in maintaining these safety standards.

We asked the President to issue an Executive Order that would allow Texas law enforcement entities access to all border-crossing facilities, so that they can work with U.S. Customs officials to keep unsafe Mexican trucks off Texas highways. We think this is a necessary step that must be taken between now and December 18.

We also are seeking a somewhat longer term solution. We have requested federal funds to build prototype "one-stop facilities" near our border wherein trucks can be inspected for drivers licenses, registration, weight, narcotics, hazardous waste and valid insurance.

By working together, we can enjoy the benefits of NAFTA without sacrificing the health and safety of Texas citizens or the multi-billion dollar investment in our roadways. We must ensure that the worthy goals of trade expansion under NAFTA and continued concern for citizen safety are not mutually exclusive.

Know your risk concerning smokeless tobacco

Despite the recent decline in the number of people who smoke cigarettes in the United States, use of smokeless tobacco products has continued to grow, especially in adolescent boys. Smokeless tobacco is marketed nationally as snuff and chewing tobacco. Snuff is cured, ground tobacco available in dry and moist forms, the latter commonly used by placing a small quantity between the cheek and gum. Chewing tobacco is sold in a loose-leaf pouch, a block or plug, and a twist form, all of which are actually chewed. Smokeless tobacco use in the United States almost tripled between 1972 and 1991, reaching an estimated five to 10 million American adult users.

Smokeless tobacco products have escaped the same scrutiny and regulation as cigarette products—even though many claim their nicotine content makes them as addictive as cigarettes. Although the use of smokeless tobacco products is perceived by some as a safe alternative to smoking cigarettes, prolonged use of smokeless tobacco has been strongly associated with oral cancer and other health risks such as esophageal cancer and nicotine addiction. It also may play a role in the development of coronary artery disease, hypertension, and peptic ulcers.

Though the habit used to be confined to rural America, today it is nationwide. In 1993, a regional survey of smokeless tobacco use among schoolchildren in the United States reported three to 26 percent for boys and less than three percent for girls in grades K-12. Some users keep a wad of tobacco in the mouth for up to 30 minutes and chew as many as six wads a day. Users are exposed to high nicotine concentrations (the equivalent of up to two packs of cigarettes a day).

Many programs, such as the American Cancer Society's "Great

American Smokeout" each November, seek to convince tobacco users to quit. While these efforts continue, anti-tobacco forces also hope to dissuade any would-be tobacco users, especially young people, from starting the habit. And one of the objectives of the U.S. Public Health Service for the year 2000 is to reduce smokeless tobacco use in males ages 12 to 24.

If you or anyone you know uses smokeless tobacco products, talk to your doctor about ways you can kick the habit. Many successful cessation programs are available. You should also be aware of the warning signs of health problems related to smokeless tobacco use.

As a part of Texas Medical Association's mission to improve the health of all Texans, TMA has developed this policy on the use of smokeless tobacco:

Chewing, dipping and spitting tobacco have been shown to cause oral cancer, several serious noncancerous oral conditions, and nicotine addiction. The Texas Medical Association recommends intervention by all health care providers, including usage history, counseling given, and follow up recommendations. The intervention shall include asking about usage in children and adults, how much, how long, documenting whether education was given, and what method of follow up was used.

Texas Medical Association is a professional organization of more than 34,000 physician and medical student members. It is located in Austin and has 119 component county medical societies around the state. The Association represents 84 percent of the doctors of medicine licensed and residing in Texas and 96 percent of the state's allopathic medical students.

Holiday schedule for Dispatch

The Post Dispatch will feature a Wednesday edition on November 22nd with a 5 p.m. deadline on Monday, November 20th in observance of Thanksgiving. The office will be closed from noon on Wednesday, November 22nd and will re-open on Monday, November 27 at 8:30 a.m.

Also the deadline for the ever popular Santa letters is December 15th. The letters to Santa will be published in the December 21st issue. The office will be closed for Christmas from Friday, December 22nd through Monday, December 25th. Deadline for the December 28th edition will be Tuesday, December 26th at noon and the following week deadline for the January 4th edition will be Tuesday, January 2nd at noon.

Two juveniles admit to tire and paint damage to nine vehicles

By Becky Warren

Two juveniles have admitted to the recent tire slashing and paint damage to approximately nine vehicles downtown last week.

According to Sheriff Kenny Ratke, "the boys, both 15 years old, admitted that they were responsible for the damage to the vehicles last week in downtown Post." "The parents will be responsible for the damages," states Ratke.

Ratke said he will file the cases with the juvenile probation officer, Carmen Lopez, on Wednesday morning.

Also DPS trooper Kyle Edwards stopped a vehicle on North 84 approximately 10 miles from Post last Friday. Upon receiving permission to search the car, Edwards reported finding drug paraphernalia. The four men in the car, all from Abilene, were issued citations for the drug paraphernalia and were released.

In other matters: On November 7, a 19 year old male was arrested on a warrant.

He was released after paying a fine of \$256.

On November 8, a 53 year old female was arrested for Class "A" assault with injury. She was released after paying a \$2,500 cash bond.

On November 9, a 33 year old male was arrested for terroristic threat "B". He was released after posting a \$1,500 bond. Also a 31 year old female was arrested for terroristic threat "B" and was released after posting a \$1,500 bond. Also a 28 year old female was arrested for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. She is serving 120 days in county jail and awaiting to be transferred to the SAFFP program.

On November 11, a 20 year old male was arrested for public intoxication. He was released after paying fines and court costs of \$232.

Also a 45 year old male was arrested for public intoxication. He was released after paying fines and court costs of \$232.

The office received 54 calls this past week.

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Post sales tax rebate takes dip

Still maintaining a 9.13 percent increase for the year, the latest sales tax rebate to the City of Post dipped 5.88 percent for the most recent reporting period.

The payment of \$20,290.89 compared to \$21,559.11 for the same period last September sales reported to the state comptroller in October.

The total rebate for 1995 is \$188,731.49, compared to 1994's collection of \$172,940.90. The state-wide average rebate for this period was 1.5 percent over last year.

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Caprock Photographers' Club winners from last week's photo show are (back row, left to right) Joe Miller, Al Henderson, J.C. Morrow, Steve Smith, Michael Lott, (middle row) Giles McCrary Jr., Johanna McCrary, Merideth Bruns, Margaret Hamilton, Kara Pope, Suzanne Smith, Kathy Oler, Margaret Vugrin, (front row) Lynn Wild, Eddie Jo Miller, Nora Sihanikhom, Lillie Hart, JoAnne Johnson, Glen Johnson and Bill Mueller. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

Obituaries

Ascension "Chayne" Fuentez

Rosary was held Saturday, November 11, 1995 at 7 p.m. in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home in Snyder for Ascension "Chayne" Fuentez, 54, of Snyder.

Services were held Sunday, November 12, 1995 at 1 p.m. in Our Lady of Guadalupe with Father Patrick Maber officiating.

Burial was in Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs Fuentez died Thursday, November 9, 1995 in St Mary's Hospital in Lubbock following a lengthy illness.

She was born May 14, 1941 in Sequin. She married David Fuentez on May 28, 1960 in Post. She had resided in Snyder for the past 22 years having moved there from Post. She was a housewife and a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Snyder.

Survivors include her husband, David Fuentez of Snyder; her mother, Audencia Bustoz of Post; one daughter, Belinda Fuentez of Snyder; three sons, Leonard B., David B. and Orlando Fuentez, all of Dallas; five brothers, Ernie Bustoz of Post, Johnny Bustoz of Lubbock, Lee Bustoz of Gretna, La. and Paul and Sone Bustoz, both of Amarillo; two sisters, Pauline Carrasco and Loy Perez, both of Lubbock; four grandchildren, Jeremy, Miranda and Nikki Dawn Fuentez, all of Dallas, and Ashley Fuentez of Lubbock and her mother-in-law, Juanita Fuentez of Snyder.

Dewitt Caylor

Funeral services for Dewitt Caylor, 84, were held Sunday, November 12, 1995 at 3 p.m. in the First Baptist Church of Post. Officiating were Rev Darryl Smith, Paul Jones and Rev Jim Graham.

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

Mr Caylor died Friday, November 10, 1995 at the Twin Cedars Nursing Home.

He was born May 30, 1911 in Rotan and was the son of Charles Franklin Caylor and Mattie Catherine Donham. He married Billie Perry in Post on August 2, 1932. He owned Caylor's Service Station and also owned Twin Cedars Nursing Home. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Billie Caylor of Post; one brother, Albert Caylor of Post; one sister, Hetti Dudgeon of Post and several nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were Roscoe Moulton, Archie Gill, Randy Littrell, Joel Warren, Steve Babb and Dusty Clary.

Honorary pallbearers were members of the Men's Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church.

Vera Tyler

Funeral services for Vera Tyler, 82, will be held Friday, November 17, 1995 at 2 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church with Rev Bob Green officiating.

Burial will be in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

Mrs Tyler died Tuesday, November 14, 1995 at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock.

She was born March 29, 1913 in Montague County and was the daughter of S.A. Allen and Sally Richardson. She married Bruce Tyler on November 21, 1932 in Lovington, New Mexico. He preceded her in death on January 11, 1992.

She was a housewife and a Methodist.

Survivors include a son, David Tyler of Post; a brother, Curney Allen of Thermal, California; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

OS Museum Visitors

November 3, 1995
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November 4, 1995
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November 5, 1995
 Cathy Crain, Lubbock; Johanna and Giles McCrary Jr., Lubbock; Raymond Martin, Lubbock; Danell Miller, Brownfield; Pat and Mitch Nicklas, Lubbock.

November 6, 1995
 Sue Shyles, Post; Russell and Minnie Lois Neal, Odessa.

November 7, 1995
 Mary Hogue, Post; Cleve Hogue, Seymour.

November 8, 1995
 Mary Spikes, Lubbock; Kathryn Odom, Atlanta, Ga; Jenifer, Drew and Josh Fumagalli, Verbena; Tom Gill, Lubbock.

November 9, 1995
 Marie Cline, Littlefield.

November 10, 1995
 Helen Price, Abernathy; Dr. and Mrs. Robert Arnold, Lubbock; Rob and Kaitlyn Arnold, Lubbock; Dr. Garry and Annette Nall, Canyon.

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Lunch Menus

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Friday, November 17
 Roast pork, O'Brien potatoes, wax beans, tossed salad/French dressing, wheat roll, carrot cake, choice of beverage.

Monday, November 20
 Crispy fish, baked beans, broccoli, coleslaw, cornbread, Rocky road pudding, choice of beverage.

Tuesday, November 21
 Baked chicken with mushroom sauce, butterbeans, mixed vegetables, tossed salad/Italian dressing, wheat roll, pineapple cobbler cake, choice of beverage.

Wednesday, November 22
 Beef stew, pea salad, cornbread, poke cake, choice of beverage.

Thursday, November 23
 Closed. Thanksgiving holiday.

Post ISD

Friday, November 17
 Breakfast: Cereal, toast and honey, milk.
 Lunch: Tacos, Refried beans, lettuce and tomato, frozen yogurt, milk.

Monday, November 20
 Breakfast: French toast stick, butter and syrup, fruit, milk.
 Lunch: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, tossed salad, California mix w/cheese sauce, pear halves, garlic bread, milk.

Tuesday, November 21

Breakfast: Cereal, toast and jelly, fruit, milk.
 Lunch: Burrito w/sauce, fried okra, pinto beans, cookies, milk.

Southland ISD

Friday, November 17
 Breakfast: Cereal, toast, juice, milk.
 Lunch: Turkey and dressing, gravy, green beans, yams, cranberry sauce, pumpkin pie, roll, milk.

Monday, November 20
 Breakfast: Oatmeal, toast, juice, milk.
 Lunch: Pig in a blanket, ranch style beans, carrots, cookie, milk.

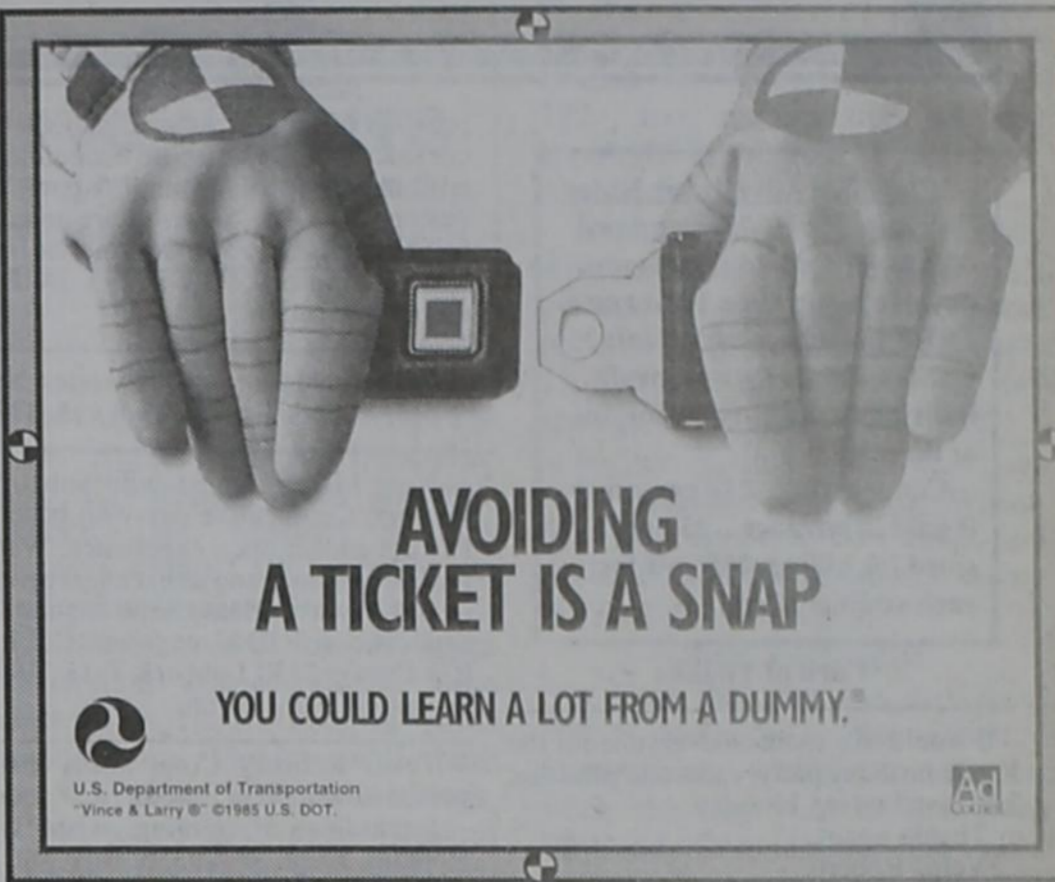
Tuesday, November 21
 Breakfast: Biscuit, sausage, fruit, milk.
 Lunch: Dorito casserole, corn on the cob, breaded okra, cornbread, pudding, milk.

Wednesday, November 22
 Breakfast: Pancake pups/syrup, fruit, milk.
 Lunch: Ham, cream potatoes, gravy, corn, roll, birthday cake, milk.

Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24
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We are never left alone!

by Paul D. Jones

Due to time constraints, I will borrow an article written by a dear friend and fellow preacher. The article reminds us that God is with us, and loves us, even when circumstances are not what we would like. Study the article, believe it and enjoy it.

It is wonderful that Jesus goes with us through the valley of death and out to the other side. But wonder of wonders, He also remains here to tenderly guide and guard those we must leave behind.

So Jesus—blessed Jesus—is the One who will get us through every other test. We may lose everything, but He is still there. We may not understand His dealing with us and be hurt or angry with Him, but He is still there.

We may fail the Lord so grievously that we can hardly forgive ourselves, but He is still there. We may feel dead inside and have no sense that God is anywhere, much less in us, but He is still there.

We may be worried and unable to shake our anxiety because the threats we face are real, but He is still there. We may feel lonely and feel rejected, but He who said, "I will never leave you, I will never forsake you", is still there.

We may feel confused and lost because life, as we have known it, has disappeared and the ground we stood on vanishes, but He is still there.

As long as there is a you, He will be there. And, as long as He is there, you will be all right. "For in Him dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily. And ye are complete in Him" Col 2:9-10).

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Post Independent School District invites the Senior Citizens of the district to come by the Superintendent's office and receive a gift of a complimentary general admissions pass that will admit you to all school functions. (You will be asked to present identification so that a pass can be issued in your name).

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Spanish speaking AA meetings will be held every Tuesday night at the Catholic Church from 8-9 p.m. Come one, come all.

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LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6790).

Notice of Intention to conduct Weather Modification Operations in the State of Texas

November 16, 1995
1. Notice is hereby given that the Colorado River Municipal Water District, P.O. Box 869, Big Spring, Texas 79721-0869, has filed an application with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission for a State permit to conduct weather modification operations to change, or attempt to change, the natural development of clouds for the purpose, objective, period, and by the method summarized herein below.

2. The Colorado River Municipal Water District has a valid Texas weather modification license that was originally issued in 1975, and has been renewed annually. The most recent license renewal was granted by the Commission on November 30, 1994. An application by the District for renewal of its license for 1996 is now being considered by the Commission.

3. The purpose of the weather modification operation is to increase rainfall to affect the inflow of fresh water into reservoirs J.B. Thomas and E.V. Spence. The period of the permit is to be January 1, 1996 through December 31, 1999.

4. The proposed weather modification operation is to be conducted for and on behalf of the Colorado River Municipal Water District, P.O. Box 869, Big Spring, Texas 79721-0869.

5. The proposed weather modification operation is to be carried out in both an "operational area" and a "target area" to cause the intended effects to occur only in the target area. The operational area is that area described by being between an outer boundary, defined by a line that encompasses the block of counties of Lynn, Garza, Kent, Fisher, Nolan, Coke, Sterling, Glasscock, Martin and Dawson, and an inner boundary which is that of the target area.

6. The area to be affected by the proposed weather modification operation is the target area. The target area is that area described as bounded by a line beginning at a point of origin at Big Spring, in Howard County, and running along Highway 87 in a northwesterly direction to Lamesa; thence, north-northeast on Highway 87 to the north border of Dawson County; thence, east along the northern boundary lines of Dawson, Borden, and Scurry Counties to Highway 84; thence, southeast along Highway 84 to Roscoe, in Nolan County; thence, south-southeast to Maryneal; thence, southwesterly to Silver, in Coke County; thence, west-southwesterly to Highway 87 at a point approximately thirteen miles northwest of Sterling City, in Sterling County; and thence, northwesterly along Highway 87 to the point of origin at Big Spring, Texas.

7. The methods and materials to be used in conducting this operation are summarized herein: A licensed meteorologist will select cumulonimbus clouds for seeding, using a weather-radar display, standard meteorological analyses, forecast techniques, surface weather observations, and pilot reports. With this information, he will direct an aircraft, equipped to dispense either glaciogenic or hygroscopic seeding material, into the updraft portions of selected clouds at cloud-base level to perform seeding operations.

8. Persons interested in knowing more about the technical aspects of the proposed operation should contact the applicant or the Water Planning and Assessment Division of the TNRCC (512-239-0770).

9. A public hearing on this application may be called by mailing a petition that requests a hearing to the Executive Director, Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711. The petition must contain (1) the signature, full name, address, and phone number of each person requesting the hearing; (2) a statement that each person is at least 18 years of age and resides or owns property in the operational area; and, (3) a description of each person's interest and how that interest would be adversely affected. Requests for hearing must be received by the Commission within 30 days of the date of the first publication of this notice. If at least 25 eligible persons make written request, the Commission shall hold a public hearing on an application prior to issuance of a permit. More information on calling a hearing can be obtained through the Legal Services Division of the Commission (512-239-0660).

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In our continuing series of photos donated to the Garza County Historical Museum by Mrs. Lucille Stevens; marked on this photo is the comment, "Wagon train hauling supplies from Big Springs (before R.R.)." True, everyone around here knows it should be "Big Spring," but then maybe some things never change. Anyone with additional information is encouraged to call Linda Puckett at the museum.

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Poka Lambro seeks partial deregulation

Under the new Texas Telecommunications Law, the member-owners of Poka Lambro Telephone Cooperative, Inc have the right to vote to become "partially deregulated" from the Public Utility Commission (PUC) of Texas. A ballot seeking partial deregulation was recently mailed to all Poka Lambro members. If the members vote to authorize this, many decisions previously subject to restrictions and approval by the PUC would then be made by the member-elected Poka Lambro Board of Directors.

The primary benefit to the members of Poka Lambro is the vesting of immediate authority to and with the Board of Directors to introduce new services, set the prices for such services, and change rates for other services. All Poka Lambro members are encouraged to complete their ballot and return it to Poka Lambro by December 4, 1995. Members who have questions or would like to discuss this very important issue are urged to call the Cooperative toll-free at 1-800-422-2387.

The greatest minds are capable of the greatest vices as well as the greatest virtues.
—René Descartes

State Capital



AUSTIN — Two years ago, Dallas billionaire H. Ross Perot warned of the "giant sucking sound" of the North American Free Trade Agreement. As December 1995 approaches, Texas Attorney General Dan Morales predicts another sound; the rumble of overloaded Mexican trucks.

The state's top lawyer seeks presidential action on the issue before Dec. 18, the date on which trucks from Mexico will have complete access to Texas roadways. "We asked (President Clinton) to issue an executive order that would allow Texas law enforcement entities access to all border-crossing facilities, so that they can work with U.S. customs officials to keep unsafe Mexican trucks off Texas highways. We think this is a necessary step that must be taken between now and Dec. 18," Morales said in a prepared statement.

Mexican trucks, Morales said, often weigh up to 170,000 pounds — more than twice the lawful U.S. weight of 80,000 pounds. And, he pointed out, Mexican truck drivers receive less training and operate under lower safety standards. For example, U.S. drivers are limited to 10 hours a day behind the wheel; Canadian drivers are limited to 13 hours; but Mexican drivers aren't limited at all.

Also of concern to the attorney general is that trucks from Mexico may carry corrosives, chemicals, explosives, jet fuel, poisons, toxic waste, pesticides and perhaps, illegal drugs.

Voters OK 11 Amendments
Less than 8 percent of Texas' registered voters went to the polls Nov. 7 and approved 11 of the 14 proposed constitutional amendments.

Voters approved abolishing the office of state treasurer and merging its duties with those of the state comptroller. Three bond issues were among the amendments that passed: \$300 million for an existing state-run college student loan program; \$500 million for a 50-year-old housing loan program for veterans; and \$200 million to assist agriculture-related businesses.

A proposal to permit home equity loans to divide property at the time of a divorce or death or to satisfy federal tax liens barely passed with 51.5 percent of the vote.

Almost 84 percent of the voters approved an amendment to extend the homestead exemption to surviving spouses at least 55 years old. And 69 percent OK'd increasing the property tax exemptions for disabled veterans.

Voters defeated measures that would:
■ Allow local governments to exempt commercial fishing boats from property taxes; and
■ Exempt Masonic lodges and other benevolent organizations from property taxes.

Saves State \$7.42 Million

Treasurer Martha Whitehead, a Democrat and former Longview mayor who urged abolition of her own office, said Texans are sick of big government bureaucracy. She announced her commitment to abolish the treasury in November 1993, four months after she was appointed to the post by then-Gov. Ann Richards.

While phasing out the treasury will take four years, Whitehead's job and 42 administrative support positions will be eliminated Sept. 1, 1996, with a first year net savings to the state of \$160,000.

Bigger savings will come as more jobs are eliminated, Whitehead said. By September 1998, 164 positions will be eliminated, saving the state \$7.42 million.

Other Highlights

■ Now that she has convinced voters to abolish the Treasury Department, Whitehead said last week she may run for the Texas Railroad Commission and work toward closing it down too. The three-member commission has 870 full-time employees and an annual budget of \$47 million. The treasury has 200 full-time employees and a \$20 million budget.

■ Texas insurance companies have proposed an 11.3 percent increase in standard rates for auto insurance to cover their escalating losses. But Texas' consumer advocate for insurance said companies are making enough money, and rates should remain where they are. State Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer will decide where to set the benchmark auto rates after he receives a recommendation from state administrative law judges.

■ The Texas Supreme Court has formed the Commission on Judicial Efficiency, a task force to improve judicial selection, efficiency and staffing of the courts and to work on campaign finance reform. The bipartisan 16-member commission, headed by Dallas lawyer Tom Luce, will make its recommendations to the state Legislature in the 1997 session.

■ Members of the governing board of the Texas Department of Commerce defended agency director Brenda Arnett's trips to foreign countries, saying that the trips are part of her job. At an October meeting of the governing board, questions arose regarding trips to South Africa, Argentina, Chile and Germany. A department spokesman said there is no budget for foreign travel, but Arnett's trips are legally paid for by private groups and companies.

■ Bandit activity on the Texas-Mexico border has prompted the U.S. Border Patrol to plan the construction of a second fence west of downtown El Paso. The three-quarter mile long, seven-foot chain-link fence should make it harder for bandits to elude authorities by running back and forth across the border.

Yesteryears

by Barbe Bevers

10 Years Ago

November 20, 1985

Post wins 75-14 over Fabens to win Bi-District trophy. Martha Compton retires after 40 years with the First National Bank. Mrs. Ruby Carpenter was honored with a birthday party in her home Saturday, then she and her guests dined at the Chaparral.

The Womens Culture Club met November 13 with an Old Fashioned "Texas Style" Thanksgiving meal, to honor Mrs. Harold Green of Tahoka, president of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs.

20 Years Ago

November 20, 1975

Post Rotary Club cooked over 1,000 pancakes for supper to benefit remodeling of a Santa Fe metal shed for the use of Post Boy Scout troops. Harold Lucas Motors was burglarized Friday night with burglars escaping with \$500 in cash and certificates of title to 55 used cars.

Melanie King of Post, now a student at South Plains College, was named Homecoming Queen Friday morning. Freshman twirler Keri Pool received a Division I rating in a solo twirling routine in a recent District UIL league competition in Lubbock.

30 Years Ago

November 18, 1965

Top western recording stars, Jack Reno and Elton Williams are two of the 4 recording artists who will share top billing with Santa Clause for this years Christmas Fiesta.

Jimmy Nolan, Amy Cowdrey and David McBride, all children in the Graham area celebrated their birthdays this week with parties in their homes.

Mike Hays, 6th grade; Larry Moreman, 7th grade; and Terry Cross, 8th grade have been named "Citizens of the Month" at Post Junior High School.

40 Years Ago

November 17 1955

The 1955 Post Antelope Football Queen is Miss Loyce Josey. The Ex-Students Associations Homecoming Queen this year is Miss Velta Carpenter.

The Post rainbow girls attended Rainbow Friendship Night at Lorenzo Monday. Two musical selections were presented by Sherry Custer, Marca Dean Holland, Kay Hedrick, Jan Haynie and Allane Norris from Post. Big Thanksgiving show at the Tower Theatre will be Walt Disney's "Lady and the Tramp"

50 Years Ago

November 15, 1945

Hudman Furniture Store plans to open within a week to tendays, Marvin Hudman owner-manager announced.

Two Post boys, T-5 Eugene Hays and Pete Dodson accidentally met at the American Red Cross in Berlin, Germany. They weren't sure for a few minutes who each other was, it had been so long since they had seen one another.

Three local sportsman, Homer McCrary, Bill McMahon and Jess Barnes are hunting deer in the mountains of New Mexico this week.

Hormones can protect against breast cancer

In a newly funded study of breast cancer, scientists are investigating how hormones can protect against the number one cancer among North American women.

"We already know that women who have their first full-term pregnancies before age 20 achieve a 50 percent reduction in their risk of breast cancer," said Dr. Daniel Medina, a cell biologist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, "and we know that women who wait until after age 30 to have their first full-term pregnancies increase their risk of developing breast cancer."

In a five-year study funded by the National Cancer Institute of

the National Institutes of Health, Medina and other researchers will attempt to learn how female hormones affect breast cancer.

Breasts undergo many changes during pregnancy, altering the cellular nature of the breasts in the process.

"If we can learn the mechanisms of these changes and how they can confer protection from breast cancer," he said, "we may be able to devise a way to achieve those same results by other ways."

Medina said a form of three-dimensional imaging called confocal microscopy will help scientists follow normal and cancer cells to learn how they respond to hormonal changes and to locate cancer-resistance cells.

Government red tape costly for health-care

Government regulations and administrative red tape add at least \$500 million annually to Texans' health care bills, according to a new study carried out by Texas Medical Association.

The study, conducted by TMA's Health Care Financing Department, found that administrative hassles in dealing with health insurance carriers, government sponsored programs such as Medicare and other third-party payors cost the citizens of Texas \$360 million per year.

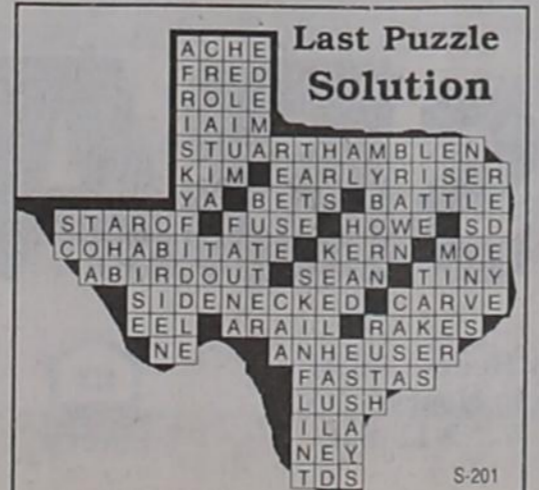
The cost of physician compliance with Occupational Safety and Health Administration regulations totaled \$103 million annually, while federal clinical laboratory regulations add another \$61 million per year to the cost of health care in Texas.

"From 1982 to 1992, professional expenses for self-employed physicians increased by 128 percent," said Dr. Mark J. Kubala of Beaumont, TMA president. "Red tape and regulatory hassles played a significant part in that increase. Payment hassles cost the average physician in Texas almost \$16,000 per year, while OSHA compliance costs more than \$4,500. Those who operate office labs spend another \$10,000 annually complying with burdensome federal regulations. Many of these costs are unnecessary, and they are driving up the cost of health care for everybody."

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- found in TX: Ripley's Believe ___ Not
- TXism: "___ as a squirrel up a tree"
- TX ___ Quinta Inns
- TXism: "the whole ___ and caboodle"
- "Charles" south of the Rio Grande
- a TX mesquite
- TXism: "he ___ to no one" (refused to comply)
- actor Kurt of film "The Deadly Tower" about '66 UT sniper
- TXism: "it's ___ bout"
- TXism: "___ a new hat size" (hit)
- TX Joe Don Baker film: "Walking ___"
- dog hotel
- TXism: "fits like ___ a horse"
- amigos
- Van Alstyne's high school class
- early name: "El Paso ___ Norte"
- ex-Cowboy "Shark" Kenneth
- Nixon who carried TX in '72 (init.)
- Cowboys arena: Texas ___
- how 9-across says "good" (2 wds.)
- young TX anglers learn how to do this (3 wds.)
- TX actor Quaid
- "Too Tall" Jones
- in Falls Co. on '77
- " ___ 'em Aggies!"
- TX outlaw Sam Bass left passengers \$1 so they could do this (3 wds.)
- TX Perot sold EDS to General ___ in '84
- TXism: "got it on the ___ of my tongue"
- TXism: "weed killer"
- Dallas ___ West

DOWN

- book: "Lone Star Rising, Lyndon Johnson and ___ Times"
- TXism: "hard as dodging rice ___ wedding"
- TXism: "___ on her" (pretty)
- TX Babe: "___ Athlete of the Half Century"
- just west of Denton
- A&M's home
- UH Heisman winner Andre (init.)
- Erik Williams line position on the Cowboys (abbr.)
- TX fuel supplier (3 wds.)
- McKinney's '48 gold medal vaulter: ___ Guinn Smith
- Spurs' Elliott
- in Henderson Co. on 31
- Hooks FM radio
- TX Larry Hagman ___ of Jeannie
- "Tyler Rose" Campbell
- winning general at San Jacinto (init.)
- TXism: "put a ___ on it" (shut up)
- citrus drinks
- "I Can See Clearly Now" TX singer
- Fort Worth AFB is named for ___
- Denton AM radio
- this Watkins won '73 Byron Nelson Classic in Dallas
- "I Can See Clearly Now" TX singer
- TXism: "black gold"
- TXism: "he's over ___ (deserving)"
- Texas Stadium's ___ of Honor
- TXism: "jump ___ (escape from law)"
- TXism: "all beer and no ___ (genuine)"
- TX Don Henley Eagles' hit: "Take ___ Limit"
- motorbike with a pedal
- TXism: "let ___ rip!"

Holidays can cause stress and depression

'Tis the season, as they say, but being jolly all the time is sometimes a chore. For many, the most festive days of the year are also the most stressful. Because when we compare real life to the way in which the media and advertisers portray the holidays, and the two differ greatly, we can experience stress and perhaps depression.

It's important to put the holidays in context," explains Peggy Kileff, MS, a behaviorist at The Methodist Hospital's Institute for Preventive Medicine in Houston. "There is no one right way to celebrate the holidays, no matter what we see in magazines or on television."

Kileff continues, "cherish this period in your life, and remember that the holidays are supposed to be a time of

peace and joy."

Even if your social calendar contains mostly blank pages throughout December, and your friends and family claim to be attending a party almost every night of the week, don't feel like a social outcast.

"Try and be glad you aren't expected at several holiday get-togethers, stretched out all over town, many of which you'd probably prefer not to

attend," says Kileff.

She says a free social calendar translates into more time to focus on yourself.

"Read a few books, take in a few of the holiday movies, sign up for a class you've been meaning to, or begin that exercise regimen you keep putting off," Kileff suggests. "Besides, all those holiday parties usually add up to extra weight. The average weight gain during

the holidays is seven to 10 pounds." Additional free time during the holidays also means more time to choose just the right gift for those on your list.

"Better yet, if you're on a tight budget, you'll have the time to create a special present for loved ones," says Kileff. "Sewing or cooking might be an old hobby or even new hobby of yours, so put your talents to good use during this time."

One group of long-time female friends recently began a tradition of getting together to bake cookies for an entire afternoon. Amidst all the flour

and over power, the women exchange recipes and discuss the past, present and future.

Gifts in yet another clan include "coupons" given to each other entitling the recipient to a certain number of dinners or lunches with the giver throughout the coming year, or for so many walks together.

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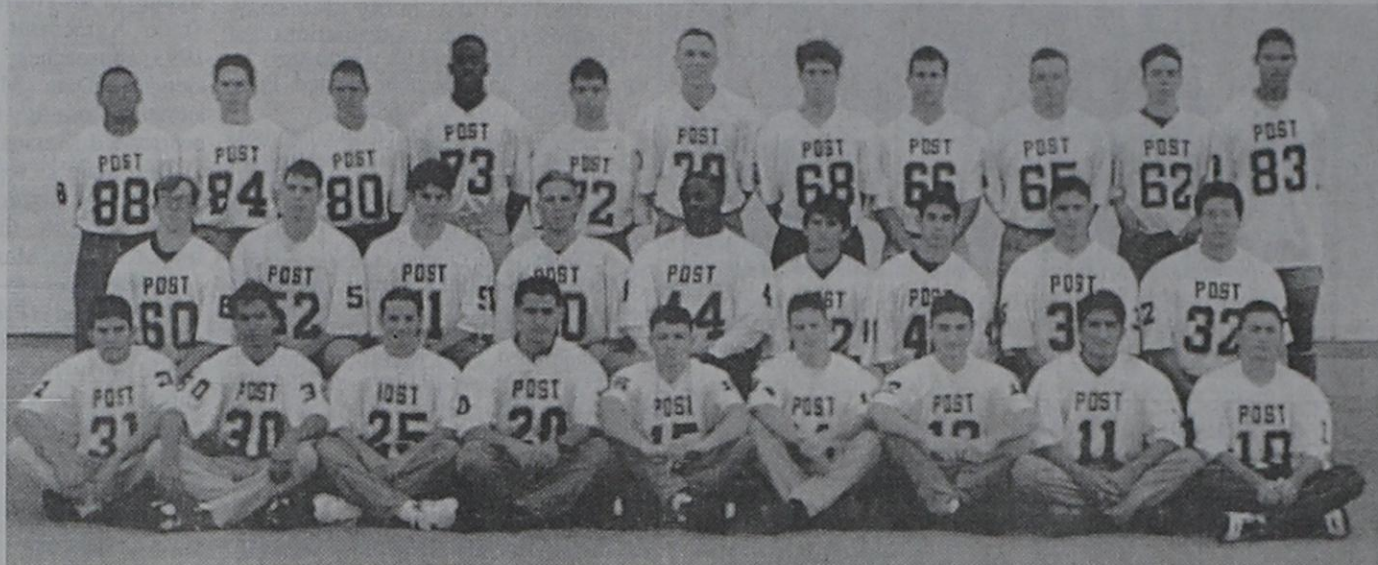
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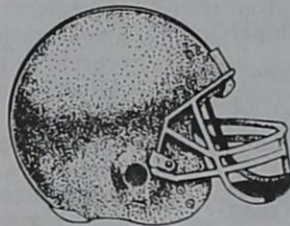


Sam Woods



Shawn Henderson

Antelope Varsity - (back row, left to right) Jake Loreda (88), Steve Gonzales (84), Seth Pennell (80), Corey Cruse (73), Sam Zubia (72), Jeremy Josey (70), Will Osborn (68), Vance Guthrie (66), Chad Williams (65), Lance Goen (62), Jerry Crawford (83); (middle row) Robert Kilmer (60), Jay Childers (52), Russ Moore (51), David Norman (50), Alvin Reed (44), David Quintana (42), Freddy Peña (40), Anthony Flores (35), Saul Martinez (32); (front row) Orlando Castillo (31), Homer Gomez (30), Todd Terry (25), Israel Perez (20), David Perez (15), B.J. Hart (14), Roy Perez (12), Jaime Hernandez (11) and Josh Grisham (10).



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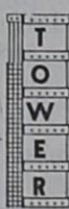
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