

**• Weather in Post •**

Date	High	Low	Precip.
2/11	69	26	0
2/12	69	26	0
2/13	not available		0
2/14	61	35	0
2/15	61	35	0
2/16	61	35	1.10
2/17	61	35	0

February total rainfall — 1.10  
 Rainfall 1998 — 1.10  
 (Records courtesy Garza County Sheriff's Department as reported to the National Weather Service)

# Post Notes

**Grassland Nazarene Church revival**  
 The Grassland Church of the Nazarene will host a revival with Jerry McGee from February 17 thru February 22. Services will be held each evening at 7 p.m. with Sunday services at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Music will be provided by Bob Wilkerson and Harvest Praise team.

**VFW annual trip to VA hospital**  
 Members of the VFW 6797 and the Ladies Auxiliary will be making their annual trip to the V.A. Hospital in Big Spring on February 26. If you have books or magazines you would like to donate call 495-3785 or drop them off at the VFW.

**Community Blood Drive**  
 The Post Lions Club will host a community Blood Drive on Thursday, February 19, 1998 from 4 to 9 p.m. in the Church of Christ Fellowship Hall. All blood donors will receive a free T-Shirt. Appointments are helpful but not necessary. Call Paul Jones at 495-2326 for more information.

**Soft Taco Plate sale**  
 The Church of God of Prophecy Women's Chapter will offer a soft taco plate for \$5 each and menudo for \$1.50 on Friday, February 20th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 602 W. 14th St. Delivery is available. Call 495-2006 or 495-3644.

**Brisket and Sausage plate sale**  
 The Holy Cross Catholic Church will be selling brisket and sausage plates with potato salad and beans for \$5 a plate on Sunday, February 22, 1998 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monies will go to buy guitars for the youth choir.

**Commerce, Tourism Bureau Banquet**  
 The annual Commerce and Tourism Bureau Banquet will be held on Saturday, February 21, 1998 at the Post Community Center at 7 p.m. Tickets are on sale from the Commerce and Tourism Office or any director for \$12 each. The theme for this years banquet in Post...2000!

**Annual MYF volleyball tournament**  
 First United Methodist Youth are sponsoring a volleyball tournament on Saturday, February 21. Double elimination, \$60 per team. 6-8 players per team (minimum of 3 females). Team captains call Patty Payne at 495-2624 or Voda Beth Gradine at 495-2070 by noon on Thursday, February 19.

**Wanted: Old Garza textiles**  
 Anyone who has any old textiles (Garza sheets, pillowcases, etc.) from Burlington Industries in Post who would be interested in displaying them in a museum please call Randy White at 495-3138 and leave a message.

**Methodist Church food drive**  
 First United Methodist Church of Post is having a food drive to benefit Post Meals on Wheels. We will be accepting canned and/or boxed food items thru the month of February. Please drop your donations by the church office at 216 W. 10th between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, 123 N. Ave. K. or KPOS from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m..

**Southland ISD Open House**  
 The family members of Southland students are invited to attend Southland's Spring Open House on February 26, 1998 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in Southland Gym. Free hamburgers will be served from 6 to 6:45 p.m. and visits with teachers from 6:45 to 7:30 p.m.

**MAD DADS presents music spectacular**  
 MAD DADS will present A Bluegrass Spectacular at the Post Elementary School Auditorium on February 28, 1998 at 6 p.m. Featured bands will be Sundown from Odessa; Pecos Vally from Artesia, N.M.; and Rambling Rascals from Lubbock. Advance tickets are \$5 and \$7 at the door. For tickets and information contact Mad Dads Inc. at 495-1244.

**United Way pushes for goal**  
 Facing a shortage in funding of almost \$5,000, Garza County United Way directors are calling for area residents to kick in another dollar while grocery shopping at United Supermarkets. "We really appreciated United helping us," United Way president Carol Tobias says, "and we're asking everyone to put just one dollar in the donation can... and that way we'll be able to fund all the agencies seeking help."  
 The campaign will also feature a raffle for a color television set during Old Mill Trade Days next Saturday. United Way directors will be at Trade Days selling raffles for the drawing.  
 The Garza County United Way goal this year is \$22,500.

# The Post Dispatch

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## No decision made by county, city on jail overcrowding

by Sheri Lewis  
 The problem of overcrowding at the Garza County Jail was the primary topic of discussion at a joint meeting of city and county officials Monday night, but no formal actions were taken to help resolve the matter.

In his opening statement, County Judge Giles Dalby told council members that since the city participates financially in the operation of the jail, county officials wanted to "bring you up to date on some of the problems with the jail... to see if we can get them solved." Sheriff Kenny Ratke provided those on hand with a brief overview of the jail, its operations and its average daily population. The facility has been "out of compliance" with Texas Commission on Jail Standards (TCJS) for about two years due to overcrowding, he said. The average daily population has exceeded the legal limit of 6.4 inmates in recent months, with the jail housing up to as many as 30 or more.

Ratke gave the following figures in an effort to illustrate the problem of overcrowding at the county facility:

Oct. 1997 — 380 man days served, 12.26 average daily population, 192% capacity; Nov. 1997 — 392 man days served, 13.07 average daily population, 204% capacity; Dec. 1997 — 459 man days served, 14.81 average daily population, 231% capacity; Jan. 1998 — 455 man days served, 14.68 average daily population, 229% capacity.

Until recently, the state jail inspector has "given us some latitude" concerning the jail population, Ratke said. But two recent letters from the TCJS executive director point out the overcrowded conditions at the jail and direct local officials to confront the situation and resolve it. In response, the sheriff has asked the TCJS to work up an assessment of the county jail, which essentially utilizes variables such as sentencing trends, population trends, etc., to project future jail populations.

As an immediate solution, Ratke said a number of Garza County Jail inmates have been "farmed out" to neighboring jails. As of Monday, this "farming out" effort had been ongoing for 11 days, with five inmates placed in the Lynn and Dawson County facilities at a total cost of about \$1,990. That figure does not include inmate medical costs, travel expenses and man hours required to transport the inmates to and from Garza County for court appearances, etc.

The sheriff said he has worked closely with the justices of the peace and the city magistrate and they, in turn, are setting "reasonable bonds" to help keep the jail population down. He also reported that the local jail has not housed misdemeanor cases for "a long time" and that misdemeanor warrants are not being served right now due to a shortage of space.

Ratke said his most "immediate concern" is that of the safety and security of inmates and sheriff's department staff members.

"Some changes need to be made... and I fully realize the costs to make such changes are high," he said. "I understand tax dollars are involved and money is tight. We've made some changes in policies and procedures but the configuration of the building... leaves me with some critical concerns — we need more bed space, and the recreation and visitation areas are grossly inadequate.... There are rumors that the staff down at the sheriff's department is asking for the moon but we're not asking for anything but safety and security."

Dalby said that a contractor knowledgeable in jail standards looked over the facility recently and, as per the request of county officials, evaluated options that would allow the addition of bed space "within the shell of the building." The contractor estimated that through the remodeling of existing space, Garza County could realize a 25-bed facility at a cost of about \$900,000. Dalby said a new 48-bed "shell" unit could be built for just over \$1 million.

"Obviously we'd want a second and third opinion on anything of this nature," the judge said.

The problem with remodeling existing space to add beds to the jail is that if more than \$50,000 is spent, the county loses all of its variances on current jail standards, Dalby said. The loss of these variances would cost additional monies to bring the facility into compliance with updated TCJS standards.

Another possible solution might be to contract or arrange for bed space in the planned 1,000-bed correctional facility scheduled to be built in coming months, Dalby said. The problems with this proposed solution include timing — the facility is not scheduled to be open and operational for at least 14 months — and it is unclear as to whether or not individuals charged with misdemeanor crimes could be detained in such a facility.

"What we can do, I don't know. Right now what we are doing, and hopefully we can do it for a while, is to farm these people out," the judge said, noting that housing eight inmates in a neighboring jail for 14 months would carry a price tag of about \$109,000. "Any way we go about it it's certainly not cheap."

J.C. Conners, chief of operations for the corporation involved with the county in the private correctional facility project, said he visited with the TCJS's executive director, Jack Crump, last week. During their conversation, the situation regarding the overcrowded conditions at the Garza County jail was discussed. Conners said Crump told him that a feasibility study on the local jail will be conducted but Crump predicted that the results of such a study will likely indicate that Garza County needs a 48-bed facility to handle the needs of the area over the next decade.

"I think you can see there's not going to be an easy solution," Dalby said, adding that if a new jail is to be built, the expense will fall squarely on the shoulders of county and not city taxpayers.

## Larned headlines chamber banquet

Jerry Larned of Monahans, a Top-of-Texas Football Hall of Fame member known for his humorous presentations at banquets and conventions, will be the guest speaker for Saturday's Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau banquet.

Larned has coached in every classification in Texas' high school University Interscholastic League structure, as well as coaching at the junior college and university level. His coaching record stands at 125 wins, 54 losses and eight ties.

In addition to being named to the Top-of-Texas Football Hall of Fame, Larned has been named West Texas Coach of the Year three times and has also been named South Plains Coach of the Year. He holds a THSCA Distinguished Service Award and has been named to the THSCA Hall of Honor. Professionally, he was also the two-time regional winner of the Superintendent of the Year award.

A graduate of Haskell High School where he was a four-sport letterman, Larned earned a BS degree from North Texas State University while lettering in football, basketball and track. He also holds a ME degree from Sul Ross State University.

Currently an employee of Kent Oil, Midland, Larned is also active in civic activities, having served as the president of the chamber of commerce and the Rotary Club and chairman of the appraisal district board and the C/F Foundation. He has also been recognized as Outstanding Citizen of the Year.

"Jerry is one of the up and coming banquet speakers in the county," said Dr. Don Newbury, president of Brownwood's Howard Payne University and professional speaker. "Extremely funny with a great message."

"Make sure you hear Jerry," said Gordon Wood, the retired coach for Brownwood High School who also speaks at banquets. "He is the funniest man I know."

Saturday's banquet, carrying the theme of "Post - Forward to 2000," is slated for 7 p.m. at the community center. LD's Daughter will cater the meal and Rusty Hudelson will provide musical entertainment. Several awards will also be presented during the evening, including the Garza County Pioneer Award, Rancher of the Year, Citizen of the Year, Business of the Year and Teachers (elementary, middle school and high school) of the Year. Tickets to the event are \$12.50 and may be purchased at the bureau's office at 104 S. Broadway or from any bureau director.



Post High School Sweetheart contestants share the limelight during last Thursday's event. Courtney Bratcher (center) was crowned PHS Sweetheart. She is joined by runners-up (left to right) Becca Stelzer, Jenny Conoly, Natlie Pollard and Macee Mills. (Photo by Barbe Bevers)

# Deputies arrest five last week

Five arrests were made by local lawmen during the past week, according to records at the Garza County Sheriff's Department.

On Feb. 10, a 35-year-old male was picked up on a warrant. He remained in the Garza County jail as of mid-day Tuesday. Two arrests were made on Feb. 14, including that of a 63-year-old male picked up on a warrant and a 30-year-old male arrested for disorderly conduct and public intoxication. The 63-year-old man remained in jail as of Tuesday. The younger man was released Feb. 15 on a pair of \$300 bonds.

The final two arrests came Feb. 15. A 31-year-old female was arrested for possession of marijuana and was released the same day on \$1,500 bond. A 40-year-old female was picked up for public intoxication. She was also released on the same day on \$300 bond.

Incoming calls for service recorded over the past week included, on Feb. 10, a report of harassment in the 100 block of East 14th and a grass fire on CR 651 west about 10 miles out (caller called back later to report the fire had been extinguished).

Calls recorded on Feb. 11 included a report of paper towels being lit on fire and thrown into a yard in the 500 block of West 12th Street and a request for an ambulance in the 600 block of North Avenue G.

Calls on Feb. 12 included a report of a domestic dispute in the 400 block of West 11th and a domestic dispute in the 900 block of West 6th.

On Feb. 13, the department received a report of a theft at a business on the Clairemont Highway (checkbook stolen); a grass fire at Justiceburg (fire department notified); an automobile accident at 10th and Broadway (no details recorded); a request for an ambulance, 500 block of West 12th Street (transport made to Methodist Hospital, Lubbock); and minors drinking on South Avenue I.

Reports made on Feb. 14 included a case involving property destruction on East 380; an automobile accident on 380 east (no injuries reported); and telephone harassment (no address given).

On Feb. 15, dispatchers received a report of an assault that allegedly occurred Feb. 13 at a dance at the community center; a vehicle stolen from a North Broadway parking lot (it was determined the car had not been stolen but was repossessed); an 18-wheeler "hauling butt," or speeding, on U.S. 84 south; and harassment in the downtown area.

Calls recorded on Feb. 16 included a request for an ambulance in the 900 block of West 7th (transport made to UMC, Lubbock); a fire in the 200 block of South Avenue F (fire department notified); and a request for an ambulance in the 800 block of West Main (no further details recorded).

Lawmen responded to a report of an abandoned vehicle at a North Broadway parking lot on Feb. 17.

Dispatchers fielded about 75 calls for service over the past week, according to sheriff's department reports.

*Editor's Note: We publish the names of those people charged with the violation of the rights of other individuals.*

## Odom named to WTC Merit List

Post native Devin Denise Odom was one of 43 students named to the Merit List for the fall 1997 semester at Western Texas College in Snyder.

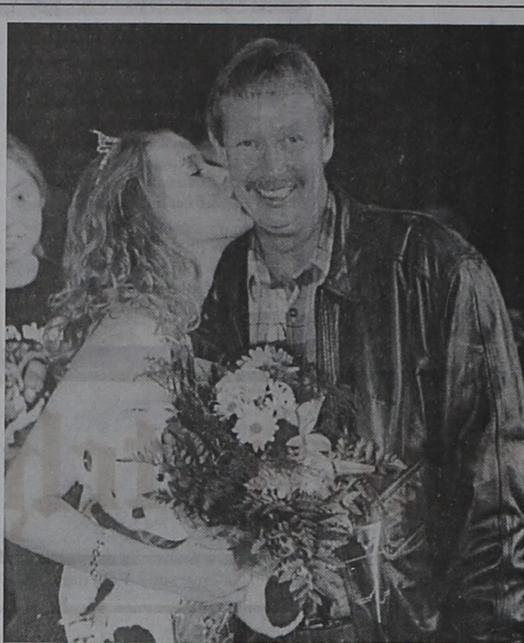
The Merit List is comprised of students enrolled for more than eight semester hours but fewer than 15 semester hours who earn a grade point average of at least 3.5.

## Sara Hodges Allred earns HSU degree

Sara Hodges Allred of Post was among 186 individuals who received degrees at Hardin-Simmons University's December graduation exercises.

Dr. Lanny Hall, president of HSU, gave a brief charge to the graduates.

A total of 124 bachelor's degrees and 62 master's degrees were awarded.



Courtney Bratcher shares her excitement with her father, Jerry Bratcher, following the crowning of the Post High School Sweetheart last Thursday evening. (Photo by Barbe Bevers)



William Kane Rodriguez

## SPC honor students

Three students from Garza County were named to the honor lists for the fall 1997 semester at South Plains College. Named to the Dean's Honor List were Linda A. Carter, Shad Blair and Regina Lee.

"We are always pleased to recognize these students who have achieved academic excellence in their college studies," said Dr. James Taylor, vice-president for academic and student affairs. "They are truly an asset to South Plains College."

To qualify for the dean's honor list, students must be enrolled in 12 semester hours of college-level work, make no failing grades and earn a grade point average of at least 3.25.

# Judy's Jabberin'

By Judy B. Bush



Let me start this off with a profound apology!! I have heard folks say that if they get up in the morning and their name is not in the obituaries, that they have a pretty good day. Well I hope that I did not cause Max Gordon to have a really bad day Thursday.

In our Valentine pages for the grandparents last week, I listed Max as the late Max Gordon. Now I do not know why I did this but none the less I did. So to you Mr. Gordon, I am so sorry.

Now I hear that Mr. Dee Justice had quite a good time joking with you about this, and I regret that I gave him something to be mischievous about for we all know he is mischievous enough.

So once again, I'm sorry, and my apologies to Kelsey and Kay also.

I also meant to congratulate Stiffi Norman last week. Stiffi was the winning name in the Bluebonnet drawing at school for the Boom Box they gave away. She was the first to finish the twenty books in the third grade and then had her name drawn out of all the readers names for the prize. I know Stiffi is really enjoying that music.

Cleo Sappington is still in St. Mary's and doing better I hear, and Rusty Dean got to come home. Hope everyone is feeling much better.

Heard over the weekend that "Sleuth" was really good. I know lots of "sweethearts" took in the play Saturday night.

Ricky and I had guest's Saturday and Sunday. Our son Kevin and his wife Devron were here for the weekend. Rick and I, along with most of our kids and families celebrated Valentines by dining out Saturday night. We all enjoyed a nice visit.

I'm sorry to report that Hooter Terry fell and broke her hip Monday night. She is in Methodist Hospital and was to have surgery Tuesday. Hope she is doing much better.

Allane Ammons enjoyed a trip to Austin over the weekend. She visited with her son Dustin and future daughter-in-law, Katherine. I think this was a trip to make wedding plans, so I'm sure there will be several more.

I would like to say congratulations to all the kids who traveled to the Fort Worth Stock Show. Many of the Post kids did really well and I think they all should be proud of themselves.

There are also many kids in San Antonio this week, and we wish them all good luck.

Everyone check the new column in the Dispatch this week. Bunny Lynch will be bringing us the news from Golden Plains Care Center each week and at the same time keeping everyone in touch with the folks residing there. We are glad to have Bunny on board.

Well guess that is about all this week. Let me hear from you with your news so that Judy will have something to Jabber about! Have a great weekend.

## A Valentine Party

by Louella Bilberry

Tuesday night February 10, the Amity Study Club met in the home of Joy Pool for our Valentine Party and to watch the movie Casablanca.

The night held many surprises - the president didn't come (it was her birthday), the vice-president didn't come, the Secretary didn't come, the treasurer didn't come, so no business was conducted with the exception of Sue Shytle's collecting our donations of toiletries and cash for the Women's Protective Services.

The ladies present decided they really didn't want to watch Casablanca so we ate the goodies prepared by Joy and Iva Hudman.

We were asked to choose between the Olympics and two videos. The music lovers won out and we were treated to a video of Victor Borge! As the evening progressed members began to slip away and at the end of the video only five of us were left! (I think they went home to watch the Olympics!)



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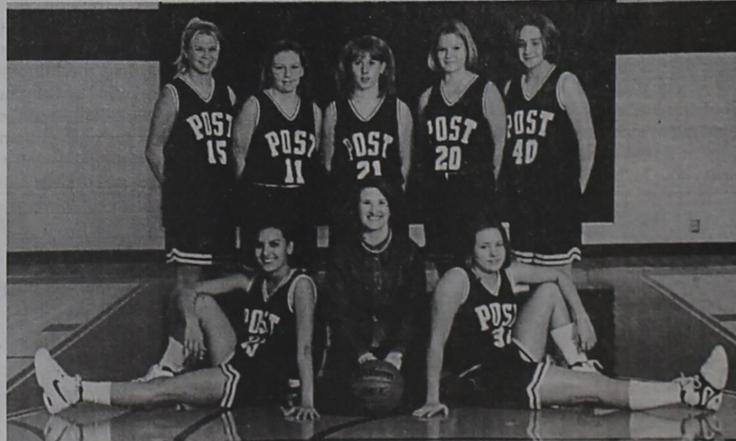
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## Congratulations J.V. Lady Lopes



Post Antelope Junior Varsity Lady Lopes - (back row, left to right) Camie Payne, Erin Gregory, Amy Line, Davida Gregory, Callie Johnston, (front row) Stephanie Looney, coach Christi Daily and Lauren Webb. (Photo courtesy Jerry's Photography)

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**ACROSS**

1 TXism: "will miss \_\_\_ you blink" (small town)

5 In Uvalde County: \_\_\_ Peg Mountain

6 TX melons: \_\_\_ honey

7 TXism: "feel like \_\_\_ chewed up and spit out"

8 music not heard on C&W radio

9 Ruby went to Dallas jail \_\_\_ Oswald

17 TXism: "mobile mouse" (cat)

19 Laredo throws big New Year's

20 Bush was his VP (init.)

21 TX Vikki Carr album: "\_\_\_ Hombres" ('89)

22 this Alfred won pres. nomination in '28 in Houston (init.)

24 TXism: "he's a few \_\_\_ shy of a load"

30 big south TX spread

34 TXism: "rarin' to \_\_\_"

35 past Cowboy kicker \_\_\_ Septien

36 Christmas carol

37 weed chopper

39 TXism: "cold enough to make cows \_\_\_"

43 Bronco QB

45 extra performance by TX Van Cliburn

46 TXism: "dice"

47 site of Fort Bliss: Lanoria

48 TXism: "\_\_\_ it in" (collect money)

14 \_\_\_ Pepper

15 arrival guess

16 quick growing TX pasture plant (2 wds.)

18 TX town or Ivy League school

23 TXism: "\_\_\_ long" (goodbye)

24 TX Didrickson got nickname from this Ruth (init.)

25 TXism: "limp as a dish \_\_\_"

26 TX Trini's \_\_\_ Had a Hammer"

27 Longhorn State Park

28 "Dallas" star Wynn

29 TXism: "\_\_\_ as a watermelon seed"

31 TXism: "couldn't find hide \_\_\_ hair of it"

32 TX Janis tune: "Me and Bobby Mc \_\_\_"

33 this Larry took title from Ken Norton

38 Texans call it a water pitcher

40 Austin saloon owner killed by Hickock

41 TXism: "let \_\_\_ rip!"

42 Chisos or Davis

44 TXism: "dance with who brung \_\_\_"

50 TXism: "chew \_\_\_ a while" (consider)

52 TXism: "birthday \_\_\_" (naked)

53 country music cable

58 TXism for "must" \_\_\_

59 TX Tanya tune: "\_\_\_ Some Love"

**DOWN**

1 TXism: "it \_\_\_ cheap" (inexpensive)

2 Ranger oil field was "The Boom that Won \_\_\_"

3 in Wichita Co. on hwy. 287

4 this TX Parker was "Davy Crockett"

9 Cowboy Novacek's old position (abbr.)

10 Butterfield Mail passed through El Paso

11 TX plateau

12 TXism: "bone \_\_\_" (study)

13 actor David who was in film "Silhouette" about a TX community

## Woman's Culture Club

by Katharine Trammell  
The Woman's Culture Club met Wednesday, February 11, at 2 p.m. in the Women's Clubhouse. Hostesses were Dorace Wilson and Katharine Trammell.

Peggy Smith, club president, presided over the business meeting. We voted to give the PHS senior scholarship in honor of Linda Malouf.

The nominating committee of Barbara Hardin, Jan Acker and Dorace Wilson presented the following as officers for 1998-99 and 1999-2000: Jan Acker, president; Maxine Earl first vice-president; Donna Craig, second vice-president; Iva Hudman, treasurer and corresponding secretary; and Jona Jones as secretary. These officers were elected by acclamation.

The program subject was the performing arts. Katharine Trammell reviewed the accomplishment of the Garza Theatre with a review of the Willie Awards. She also gave an outline of future productions to be presented at the Garza.

Refreshments were served to the following members: Peggy Smith, Bebe Boren, Maxine Earl, Ruth Hall, Donna Craig, Nona Lusk, Barbara Hardin, Iva Hudman, Jona Jones, Dorace Wilson and Katharine Trammell.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, February 25, at 2 p.m. in the Women's Clubhouse with Maxine Earl and Iva Hudman as hostesses.

## Living on the Edge of the Caprock

by John Senter, CEA-AG

### 4-H'ers gather \$15,295 at Fort Worth stock show

A total of 26 4-H'ers and parents attended the Fort Worth Livestock show, February 2-7, and represented Garza County 4-H. The results from this year's show is something to be recognized and proud of your 4-H'ers for.

Donae Dalby began the success story by leading her 1,140 pound medium weight shorthorn steer to second place honors and a sale premium of \$3 per pound. Chase Miller followed suit by placing sixth in class 5 of Exotic crosses, his 1,155 pound steer received \$2 per pound from the sale. Aaron Cooper received \$2.25 per pound for his 1,210 pound fifth place steer in class six of the European breed. Chad McDougal placed his 1,268 pound steer sixth place in class nine of the European steer division and the calf was purchased for \$2 per pound. Finally Jacklyn Curb and her "Conner raised" Hereford steer weighing 1,094 pounds placed seventh in the light weight Hereford class. This steer garnered a whopping \$4 per pound.



To the casual observer, these placings may not make you have chills but, when you know that there were over 1,300 head of steers exhibited from all across the state, and only the top ten animals in each class are eligible to participate in the prestigious premium sale, it then becomes more apparent just what an accomplishment these members achieved.

Furthermore, it is even more impressive to note that Garza County 4-H members showed nine steers at the Fort Worth Show and five of these steers made the sale for a 56% success rate! After all the adding, subtracting and commission withholding is done, the total check from the first major show of the year will be about \$15,295.50 and that ain't bad folks.

Other 4-H members that represented our County 4-H program at Fort Worth were: Brody and Brooks Conner, Luke Cooper, K'Neil Dalby, Jennifer Josey, Jeremy Robertson and Miles Underwood. This "super group" of members was accompanied by fourteen parents and 4-H leaders to make the trip even more memorable. In case your wondering, this total surpasses the 1997 Ft. Worth show income total by almost \$7,000.

As you read this writing, 12 more 4-H'ers will be competing at the San Antonio Livestock Show February 16-21. Cross your fingers for these kids and hope the results will be as good as Ft. Worth was. When the chance arises, tell the kids congratulations, they brought a great deal of recognition to Garza County.

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#### 4-H Parents' Association Meeting....

...will be held Tuesday, February 24, 7:00 p.m. in the Extension Office Conference Room. All 4-H parents are welcome and encouraged to attend. BLT Nutrition Workshop A Nutrition Workshop is scheduled for Wednesday, February 25, at 10:00 a.m. at Post Community Action building on Highway 84 South. Kelly Ahrens, County Extension Agent-Family and Community Services, will be presenting the program on nutrition, healthy cooking and having a healthier lifestyle for the whole family. Everyone is welcome to come and join in the activities, food demonstrations and discussions sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service-Better Living for Texans program. Spartan transportation can be arranged if you call Kelly Ahrens at 495-4400 at least 24 hours in advance.

**Friends and Neighbors of Precinct #4**  
Election time is just around the corner. I once again would like to have your vote and support as your county commissioner.  
I have very much appreciated your patience and support in the past four years.

**Thank You**  
**Royce Josey**  
**Precinct #4**

### Congratulations 8th Grade Girls



Post Antelope 8th Grade Girls - (back row, left to right) Kelly Moore, Heather Palmer, Stacy Morris, LaRinda Ledbetter, coach Billy Kelso, Emily Smith, Manuela Hernandez, Angela Hester and Traci Morris. (Photo courtesy Jerry's Photography)

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## Yesteryears

by Pat Burnett

#### February 17, 1988 10 Years Ago

Lois Walls was the winner of a dinner for two in the recent Valentine "Count the Hearts" promotion sponsored by the Post Merchants' Association and the Main Street Project.

Friends are glad to hear that Fay Mathis is now out of ICU after recent surgery at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock.

Ben Kirkpatrick signs a letter of intent to play football for the Texas Tech Red Raiders this next fall.

Rene Craig was chosen Valentine Sweetheart for 1988 FHA Valentine Sweetheart.

#### February 16, 1978 20 Years Ago

Maudie Pettigrew and Glen Voss were chosen as the Garza County Trail Blazers Valentine Sweethearts.

Happy Birthday today goes to Jack Burk, Mrs B.W. Kennedy, Danny Redman, Mrs Howard Hopkins, Mrs R.M. Hendricks, Ray Solis, Ellen Sue Casteel, Jackie Teel, Mrs Dee Hodges, Bobby North, Howard Keel, Brenda Spinks and Rhonda Williams.

Coach Joe Giddens seventh grade boys basketball team ended their regular season on a winning note by defeating Roosevelt there 36 to 9 last Monday night.

Marine Private Kenneth L. Price recently completed recruit training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego.

#### February 15, 1968 30 Years Ago

Charles R. Hutchins has resigned as principal of Post High School to continue his studies toward a doctoral degree. The resignation will take place at the end of the spring semester.

Roy Brown Jr., of Carlsbad, N.M., spent Friday night in the home of his parents, Mr and Mrs Roy Brown Sr. and other relatives.

Sandra Price was a Sunday guest in the home of her grandparents, Mr and Mrs Cameron Justice.

Mrs J.A. Bartlett visited relatives in Abilene over the weekend.

#### February 20, 1958 40 Years Ago

Alice Joy Nichols was selected to represent the Post Lions Club in the queens, contest at the annual convention of District 2 T-1, Lions International.

Miss Maxine Durrett went to Dallas Monday to attend a gift show. She will be there for a week.

Mrs M.J. Malouf gave a discussion on "International Friendship" to the members of the fifth grade intermediate Girl Scouts Tuesday afternoon. Betsy Shytle was the hostess for the event.

Mr and Mrs James Hill spent the weekend with his father who is ill in the hospital in Temple.

#### February 19, 1948 50 Years Ago

The Singing Personality Class of Mrs J.A. Stallings will be presented in a stage show at the Garza Theatre Tuesday evening.

Tommy Puckett is back in school after being out for several days with the mumps.

Jane Shepherd of Amarillo spent last weekend visiting her grandparents, Mr and Mrs S.W. McCrary.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Southwestern Bell) filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) to charge an additional 26 cents per month per line to recover costs for providing Expanded Local Calling service (ELC) to certain Texas Customers.

The 26 cents per month surcharge would not be billed to customers who receive ELC. However, customers who receive ELC and pay less than the maximum \$3.50 a month residential ELC charge or less than the maximum \$7 business ELC charge will have to pay the additional 26 cents per month charge.

Expanded Local Calling was created in 1993 by Texas legislation that requires telephone companies to provide toll-free calling between small towns that share a community of interest such as a school or hospital district. The legislation allows telephone companies to recover costs not paid through customer charges by applying a surcharge to all other customers in the state who do not receive the ELC service or who do not pay the maximum ELC rate. The maximum monthly ELC rate allowed under state law is \$3.50 per line for residential customers and \$7 per line for business customers.

Southwestern Bell estimates that the 26 cents per month per line charge will recover the \$27 million annual cost of providing ELC service that is not recovered from ELC rates.

If approved by the PUC, the monthly statewide surcharge of 26 cents per line per month will begin with the April, 1998 billing cycles, with an agreement to refund all or part of the charge if the PUC does not approve it.

For questions about the reasons for the charge, please call the Southwestern Bell Business Office listed in your directory.

The PUC assigned Docket Number 18513 to this proceeding. The deadline for intervention in this matter is March 31, 1998. Persons who wish to intervene or comment in these proceedings should notify the PUC by March 31, 1998. All requests to intervene should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX, 78711-3326. For information intervening, please call the PUC at 1-888-782-8477 or at 512-936-7120.

### AVISO PUBLICO

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Southwestern Bell) presentó una solicitud ante la Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas (PUC) para cobrar 26 centavos más al mes por línea para recuperar los costos por el servicio de Llamadas Locales Ampliadas (ELC) a ciertos clientes en Texas.

El cargo de 26 centavos al mes no se cobrará a los clientes que reciben ELC. Sin embargo, los clientes que reciben ELC y pagan menos del máximo de \$3.50 al mes por el servicio ELC residencial o menos del máximo de \$7 por el servicio ELC comercial, tendrán que pagar 26 centavos adicionales a su pago mensual.

El servicio de Llamadas Locales Ampliadas (ELC) fue establecido en 1993 por la legislación del estado de Texas y requiere que las compañías prestadoras de servicios telefónicos ofrezcan llamadas de larga distancia gratuitas entre pequeñas poblaciones que comparten un interés común tales como distritos escolares y de hospitales. Esta ley permite que las compañías telefónicas recuperen los costos no pagados mediante cargos a clientes, a través de un cargo a todos los demás clientes en el estado que no reciben el servicio ELC o que no pagan la tarifa máxima del servicio ELC. La tarifa máxima mensual permitida por la ley estatal es \$3.50 por línea para clientes con servicio residencial y \$7 por línea para clientes con servicio comercial.

Southwestern Bell calcula que los 26 centavos al mes por línea cubrirán los \$27 millones del costo anual del servicio ELC que no está cubierto por las tarifas de ELC.

Si la PUC autoriza el cargo mensual estatal de 26 centavos al mes por línea éste comenzará a partir de los ciclos de facturación de abril 1998, con el acuerdo de reembolsar todo o parte del cargo si la PUC no lo autoriza.

Para preguntas relacionadas con este cargo, por favor llame a la Oficina Local de Southwestern Bell listada en su directorio telefónico.

La PUC asignó el número de registro de 18513 a este procedimiento. El plazo de intervención sobre este asunto terminará el 31 de marzo de 1998. Las personas que deseen intervenir o hacer comentarios sobre este procedimiento deberán notificar a la PUC antes del 31 de marzo de 1998. Todas las solicitudes de intervención deberán enviarse por correo a Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. Para mayor información sobre la intervención, por favor comuníquese con la PUC al 1-888-782-8477 o al 512-936-7120.

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# Opinions



## Highway "bandits" raid travelers in government sponsored theft program

by Wesley W. Burnett  
 Operating what has to be one of the most effective government theft programs ever devised, state and county "lawmen" confiscated \$49,068.76 from travelers during the month of January 1998 in Garza County.

When it comes to government sponsored extortion, this highway revenue program is only surpassed in its fear and intimidation tactics by the infamous U.S. income tax enforcers.

In their monthly revenue reports, the two Garza County Justices of the Peace marked 445 individuals with criminal charges... dismissing 125 for "after driver safety course" and 70 on "deferred disposition." Of course, those guilty criminals whose cases were dismissed didn't get off that lightly, they had to pay for these "dismissals" too.

In case you didn't know it, traffic and misdemeanor charges are considered criminal acts by the State of Texas codes. Aha, you didn't know you were committing a crime when you forgot (or refused) to "buckle up?" Shame on you... instead of slapping a fine on you, they should have slammed you behind bars for your disobedience to the "the law."

Is it no wonder people have such disdain for "the law?" Is it any wonder people are steaming with anger about the abusive enforcement of these unconstitutional codes?

Well, down to the nitty gritty... Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 led the chase for the highest collector in the contest last month with \$30,690.25 ripped out of the pockets of slaves who dared to challenge the king of the road.

Must be more difficult to catch the slaves in disobedience in Precinct 2... that court only reported \$18,378.51.

However, I suspect that Precinct 2 will see dramatic increases shortly... there are plenty of warning signs on the highway between Post and Snyder... "double fines in construction zone." No seat belt? Aha, that'll be \$170, plus court costs.

Of course, you could challenge this nonsense in one of the courts... and then discover that your jury will be made of six citizens, instead of 12... and they will be hand picked by the prosecutor to be in favor of this government theft. Not only will it be stacked against you, you won't even be able to present the constitution as evidence in your defense.

That's the way it is when you use government to rob people of their property... call it a law, throw out constitutional guarantees, and show those rebellious slaves who really owns the road.

Oh well... when the list of victims gets long enough, these highway revenue agents will be looking for some other kind of work.

## Privatizing garbage collection

by Wes Burnett  
 When I wrote last week about privatizing garbage collection, some folks misunderstood why I said it would be less expensive than having government do it. Bear with me on this.

When government "privatizes" its services, normally this means the government unit advertises for bids for some independent contractor to provide a service... in the case of garbage collection, it would be a monopoly service... where the city guarantees to the contractor a certain minimum quantity of customers and rate. So, in effect, the city, through its bidding process would be setting the rate for the collection, although contractors could bid lower, generally these fellows stay away from too much competition, because they are not accustomed to competing.

With monopoly, there can never be real competition. And when government monopolizes services or products, you can bet your bottom dollar the price is not going to be a cheap as it would be in an open, competitive market.

Let's take the case here... once a month city utility users get a statement, which combines the water use and "sanitation" fees on the same statement. Now, if the sanitation fee is not a monopoly, then it stands to reason that city utility users could just mark through that part of the statement and declare themselves not a customer of the "sanitation" department.

Of course, we all know what will happen if we tried to take care of our own garbage... in a short while the city code enforcer would come around and shut off the water supply for failure to pay.

However, if the two items were separated, and people were able to pick and choose who they wanted to pick up their garbage... you can be assured that there will be some folks knocking on your door trying to get your business. And the rate will be a lot lower than what we pay now... well, some of us... others who have big volumes will probably pay more... but isn't that really what the question is all about?

The Post City Council should take a look at this and see if they really believe in free enterprise... if they do, this would be a great test of great American philosophy which has been cast aside in favor of socialism.

## Apologies to Dr Bain

In my editorial comments last week about the confidentiality issue at Post High School regarding drug testing, I wrote that I had inquired by fax of Post ISD superintendent Dr Bobby Bain, requesting him to confirm or deny the report I had received from a PHS student.

I owe Dr Bain a public apology... the note I faxed to him did not mention the drug testing program... but was inquiring about the closed meeting with a student.

Sometimes the brain goes into "sleep" mode when least expected, and this was obviously one of those times. Had I inquired, Dr Bain would have denied that the names of students were called out over the intercom.

"Mr Giddens, in an attempt to achieve 100 percent drug free campus, called for students who had not been tested," Dr Bain explained to me by phone last Thursday, and in his gracious manner, accepted my sincere apology.

## 2nd Amendment: changing of the guard

by Vin Suprynowicz

I have written about the "take-the-best-available-compromise," defeatist attitude of the nation's largest gun control organization, the National Rifle Association.

Their lighter, leaner competition for gun owner support, Gun Owners of America, prefers a more high-pressure approach, putting the fire to the feet of lawmakers to make sure they know that a vote against gun rights will cost them their next election... just as Bill Clinton acknowledged that the gun rights vote cost the Democratic Party its control of Congress in 1994.

In a 1968 edition of the NRA's magazine, "The American Rifleman," Associate Editor Alan C. Webber responded to then-timely criticism by U.S. Sen. Robert Kennedy, D-N.Y., who said "I think it is a terrible indictment of the National Rifle Association that they haven't supported any legislation to ban and control the misuse of rifles and pistols in this country."

To this, Mr. Webber reports NRA Executive Vice President Franklin L. Orth responded with a ringing endorsement of the 1968 Gun Control Act. "The National Rifle Association has been in support of workable, enforceable gun control legislation since its very inception in 1871," Mr. Orth proclaimed. "The duty of Congress is clear. It should act now to pass legislation that will keep undesirables, including criminals, drug addicts and persons adjudged mentally irresponsible or alcoholic, or juveniles, from obtaining firearms through the mails."

One will remember that the way the 1968 law accomplished that, was by banning EVERYONE but an ever-shrinking pool of federally licensed gun dealers from "obtaining firearms through the mails!" Sort of like "getting drunks off the road," by banning cars and trucks!

"The NRA position, as stated by Orth, emphasizes that the NRA has consistently supported gun legislation which it feels would penalize misuse of guns, without harassing law-abiding hunters, target shooters and collectors," concludes editor Webber.

What an interesting list. Do you see "militiamen" in there? I don't. Does the Second Amendment say anything about duck-hunting?

The Brits, who have just finished banning all private ownership of handguns, insist THEY still protect the "rights of law-abiding hunters, target shooters, and collectors," too.

If you have an English country estate, you can still own a richly engraved, \$5,000 bird gun. If you like to target shoot, you may fire pellet guns or even .22s at your registered club... so long as you leave the weapon locked up there when you go home. And "collectors" are still presumably welcome to own as many guns as they want... from the flintlock era or earlier.

Gee, that'll put them in great shape the next time the Germans or French come storming the beaches. Which is precisely why OUR Second Amendment talks exclusively about the needs of "the militia."

Meantime, Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms agents holding a panel discussion for an audience of mostly gun store owners at this week's



SHOT Outdoor Trades show, here in Las Vegas, declared that the way they interpret the "permanent replacement Brady Bill" due to go into effect in November of 1998 — the one the NRA favors due to its promised "insta-Check" capability — will call for a "Brady check" and permanent record of every LONG GUN purchase, as well.

The NRA operates, in effect, as nothing but a public relations outreach arm for the Republican Party, tasked to convince gun rights advocates that the GOP is their only hope.

But Newt Gingrich promised us that if only we would elect a GOP majority to Congress there would be "no more gun control passed" on his watch, didn't he?

Mind you, that's a pretty modest promise, compared to the Libertarian Party platform plank on guns, which calls for ALL existing gun control laws to be immediately REPEALED.

But not only have Mr. Gingrich's Republicans failed to repeal the major federal gun control acts of 1933 and 1968, not only have they failed to repeal the Brady Bill and the Feinstein-Schumer "assault weapons ban" (as they promised), but they actually ENACTED the so-called Anti-Terrorism Bill with the Lautenberg Amendment, which retroactively strips police and many other citizens of their gun rights based on any prior domestic misdemeanor convictions (shouting at your kids).

And then, not satisfied, they went on to pass the "Gun Free School Zone Act" ... TWICE!

Putting him to the test of fire, I asked Larry Pratt of GOA last week whether he would favor allowing a 17-year-old girl to walk into a hardware store, buy and take home a belt-fed .30-caliber machine gun, without signing her name, showing any ID, or applying for any kind of government "permit."

"Well, that's the way it would have been in 1933, before the National Firearms Act, wouldn't it?" he asked.

"Is that a yes?" I asked back.

Mr. Pratt, in front of a sizeable public gathering at the San Remo Hotel and Casino, said "Yes."

And that's why I think we're about to see a changing of the guard when it comes to gun-rights lobbying, from the arthritic and the defeated, to the aggressive, the fearless, and the principled.

Congressman Ron Paul, R-Tex., has called Gun Owners of America "the only no-compromise gun lobby in Washington." With a fraction of the NRA's manpower, membership or budget, GOA has defeated powerful state legislative committee chairmen (in Ohio) who were foolish enough to support more gun control, and has helped elect congressmen like Roscoe Bartlett of Maryland, currently sponsor of HR27, the Citizens Self-Defense Act, which would "protect the right to obtain... and to use firearms in defense of self, family or home."

Unless they change their stripes with fearsome speed, I fear the NRA and their hog-trough affiliate, the Republican Party as we've known it, are headed for the elephant's graveyard, and soon.

On the other hand, if Gun Owners of America sold stock, I'd be buying. Vin Suprynowicz is the assistant editorial page editor of the Las Vegas Review-Journal. Readers may contact him via e-mail at vin@vrj.com.

## Hamming it up for "education"...

by Walter E. Williams

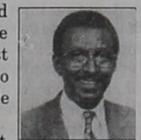
During his State of the Union address, Clinton said he wants \$22 billion in additional funds to improve public education. The president's code words suggest that a good portion of these funds will be targeted to schools serving minority children. Let's look at a sample of what really needs to be done.

Mabel B. Wesley Elementary School serves the violent, drug-infested, single-parent Acres Homes section of Houston. All of its 93 percent black and 6 percent American-Mexican student body qualify for Title I money for disadvantaged children, and Wesley meets all of the conditions for the standard education establishment set of excuses for why minority children can't learn. But educational rot is not the story at Wesley. Tyce Palmaffy tells us why in "No Excuses," in the February issue of Policy Review, a journal of the Washington-based Heritage Foundation.

When Thaddeus Lott became Wesley's principal in 1975, only 18 percent of third-graders scored at or above grade level in reading comprehension. By 1980, 85 percent were achieving at or above grade level. In 1996, 100 percent of Wesley's third-graders passed the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) in reading. Wesley's student test scores are higher than some suburban schools.

This success was the result of a solid curriculum, rigorous teacher training, strict discipline, high expectations of teachers and students, a fervent belief that any child can learn and, lastly, a determined principal. Lott says, "It's a myth that if you're born poor in a poor community and your skin is a certain color that you can't achieve on a higher level." Parents agree, so much so that many falsify addresses so their children can attend Wesley.

Wesley has the kind of "oppressive" rules I experienced 50-some years ago when I was in elementary school: No disruptions are tolerated, and



kids must walk through the halls quietly, single file, with hands folded. Fighting is forbidden. Foul language to teachers and other students is a no-no.

New teachers are told that if they want to interpret their contracts literally, Wesley is not the place for them. They're told, "You're going to work through lunch, past 5 p.m. and on Saturdays, but you're also going to get disciplinary support, the materials you need and all the training you require. Palmaffy's article doesn't mention it, but it sounds as though Wesley's kids can be subjected to the "oppression" I suffered — being kept after school.

Lott's philosophy was an anathema to Houston's superintendent of schools. His success prompted school administrators to question the validity of Wesley's test scores. Lott says, "They assumed that if minority kids were doing well on tests, they had to be cheating." The district sent a pair of investigators to Wesley to look for foul play, but they came away empty-handed.

Lott's success, now at three other schools operating under a charter arrangement, proves that commonsense and courage, not education experts, research and loads of money, can produce an environment where kids can achieve. The Wesley story proves what I have always said: Minority kids can be educated. It can be done without astronomical budgets — it's \$2,500 per child at Wesley.

The few principals like Lott have proven that being poor, and being from female-headed households and rotten neighborhoods doesn't mean a kid can't be educated.

Here's my question for black parents. How long are we going to listen to education establishment excuses, and how many generations of black kids are we willing to sacrifice before we demand accountability?

We've listened to the more-money nonsense of politicians and educators for decades. Only the Ku Klux Klan can be happy with the results.

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# Sports

## Lady Lopes close season, whip Ralls 64-34

The varsity Lady Lopes ended their season Feb. 13 with a 64-34 win over Ralls. Post jumped out to a 13-6 lead at the close of the first period and led scoring in all four quarters. The Lady Lopes offense came on strong in the third period, putting 29 points on the board.

Rachelle Jones led scoring for Post with 23 points, followed by Arimy Gradine with 14 points. Other scorers were Kasey Hardin, five points; Macee Mills, Jennifer Strawn, Cassie Short and Natalie Pollard, four points each; and Becca Stelzer, Kendly Jefferson and Jennifer Bratcher, two points each. Jefferson led in assists with four, Gradine led rebounds with eight and Jefferson topped steals with four.

"This was a great way to end the season," said Coach Shana Matthews. "Everyone played well."

"The girls had a great season overall. The seniors, Macee Mills, Erica Gomez, Cassie Short, Natalie Pollard and Arimy Gradine, showed dedication and leadership all season long. I owe a lot of thanks to these young ladies. The rest of the girls are juniors and I expect them to take over that leadership role next year. This was a great team. I had a lot of fun working with each and every one of them. They hold a very special place in my heart."

The varsity girls ended their season with a 17-11 overall record and a 4-6 district record.

The varsity Lady Lopes dropped a game to Crosbyton Feb. 10 by a score of 49-40.

Cassie Short led scoring with 14 points, followed by Arimy Gradine with eight points and Rachelle Jones with seven points. Also scoring were Natalie Pollard, who put five points on the board, and Macee Mills, Becca Stelzer and Erica Gomez, each with two points. Jones led assists with four, Stelzer led rebounds with six and Gradine led steals with three.

"The girls did not play well," Coach Shana Matthews said, "but I was proud of their effort. Four or five of the girls did not feel well but that is no excuse. Crosbyton played well and we just did not meet the challenge."

## Allred honored at Hardin-Simmons

Hardin-Simmons University student Sara Allred of Post is one of five members of an undergraduate research team in psychology that has had two papers accepted for presentation at the Southwest Regional Psi Chi Convention in New Orleans in April.

Allred and team members conducted an empirical study in the fall semester and are finalizing two papers entitled, "Protestant Fundamentalism, Ego Identity and Resiliency Among College Students" and "Faith Development, Ego Identity and Resiliency Among College Students."

The papers will be presented at the conference held in conjunction with the Southwest Psychology Association Annual Conference.

The group also received a Regional Best Paper Award for the faith development paper. This recognition carries a cash award that will be presented at the conference.

The average American uses more than 30 pounds of soap and detergents a year.



Erica Gomez brings the ball downcourt for the Lady Lopes during action last week. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)



Jennifer Strawn takes a shot for the Lady Lopes during a contest here last week. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

## Letters to the Editor

*Letters to the Editor Policy: We require all letters to be signed, however, names may be withheld from publication by request. Letters may be edited for brevity, grammar and punctuation.*

### Where's the written policy?

At the recent Post ISD school board trustee meeting (2/16/97), I went as a concerned parent to question certain policies in an open meeting. I was, and still am, particularly concerned about policies that I feel are not being implemented and actions by administrators that I believe are not authorized by school policies.

I waited patiently during the "business" portion of the meeting, and then at a recess following Mr Kirkpatrick's (Post ISD board of trustees president) announcement that the board would be going into "executive session," I went with him, at his request, to what was a private, closed meeting with Dr Bain (Post ISD superintendent) and the school's lawyer.

In that closed door meeting, Mr Kirkpatrick and the lawyer informed me that I was "walking a very thin line, and to watch what I said, to stick to policies only. If you call any names, even say a title like the principal, we'll go into executive session."

It was my intention to keep my comments and their answers out in the open so that the public will know what the policies are that I am challenging. I was allowed 15 minutes for my presentation.

Although Mr Kirkpatrick emphasized that anyone is welcome to address the board, I believe from my own personal experience, that the words don't match the atmosphere, and others who present challenges will be met with the same response I received.

An example of the attitude displayed toward me is that when I specifically challenged policies regarding closed door interrogations of students about off-campus incidents, I was met with a sharp response from Mr Kirkpatrick that we would have "to go into executive session." None of my remarks were complaints about individual school personnel... I have a tape recording of that event for anyone who is interested to hear for themselves.

I made a simple request... show me the policy that allows school employees to detain a child behind closed doors for interrogation about matters relating to off-campus events.

Neither the lawyer, nor the school board, nor the superintendent were able, or willing, to present that evidence. Their lawyer's feeble attempt was totally inadequate, saying that it is general school atmosphere that allows private meetings between teachers, administrators and teachers.

I asked for a written policy... and was told that any parent may request in writing that they be called when there is a closed door meeting with their child. But I was not shown the policy, as I had requested.

"There are certain times in which a parent must be notified and one of those times is when a law enforcement officer comes in and wants to speak with a student," the school's lawyer explained. I then asked if there wasn't any criminal act in question, no charges had been filed, no law officer was requesting a meeting... would a closed door meeting in that case be allowed?

Instead of answering the question, Mr Kirkpatrick said that if there is no evidence to verify those statements, and if I were to get into details of a specific event, we'd have to go into executive session.

I was responding to their lawyer's point... yet when I tried to elaborate I was threatened with a closed door meeting... I did not intend, nor did I mention any names of any people... I am challenging the implementation of what appears to be an unwritten policy... which if it is a school policy, apparently is not being followed... because I am personally aware of at least one student who was interrogated behind closed doors about an off-campus event, and the parent (that's me) was not notified... and in fact, I was told that the school was not required to contact me.

When the school lawyer said that the administration has the ability to "visit with your child, if they shut the door, or they let someone else in." I asked to see that policy in writing. Her response was, "there are exclusions to that policy." But there was no answer to my question... where is the written policy?

I have a copy of the Post ISD policies related to this issue... I can find no policy which allows private, closed door interrogations of students without parents being notified.

These are our children. They are our responsibility... especially when they leave the school campus. No one has jurisdiction over them but us, unless they violate the law, and even then, when they are not at school, they do not have to answer to school officials.

I've got a lot more to say on this... but I've taken up too much space now as it is.

Rhonda Hosey  
*Editor's Note: The real issue here is well stated, parents are responsible for their children. But the truth is, when parents send their children off to the daily detention centers (inappropriately called "public schools"), they have relinquished control and responsibility in the eyes of the law. In fact, there is a challenge to this principle in the Texas courts... with the State Attorney General opposing a Houston district judge who ruled that parents have absolute right and responsibility for the education of their children... not the state. But government is always reluctant to let go of its turf... so the state is challenging this decision. Until this case hits the State Supreme Court, parents such as the letter writer just as well get used to the fact that when they assign their children to government schools, individual rights and parental responsibility are discarded on the steps of the school bus or the school grounds. And you can also expect government agents to exceed even those boundaries, which is what this issue is also about. It all starts with the statute known as "compulsory attendance."*

### Liberty is a fleeting concept

You print a lot about Americans losing our liberties. Your editorial page columnist from Nevada took opportunity to add his misinformation about the Clinton scandal. If he is really interested in freedom and liberty, why didn't he deal with the unconstitutional treatment of Monica Lewinsky?

She, according to media reports, was questioned for several hours by seven FBI men who had no warrant and who did not allow a lawyer to be present, except by telephone. Still, without a warrant, they took various possessions belonging to Ms Lewinsky, including clothing and gifts.

You may be next. If the FBI can come into your home, or take you to a hotel room and question you, even for 15 minutes with a lawyer, our liberty is gone. Her crime seems to be stupidity; goodness knows there are legions of the stupid about.

I was chief copywriter at the Dispatch in 1950 and part of 1951 when Post had an election (or perhaps Garza County had the election) to establish a Hill-Burton hospital with federal funds. Of course, everyone was to have access to the hospital and the county was to pay for the indigent.

I don't know about the acts you quote, because I left Texas about that time, but I doubt a local action could negate a federal law.

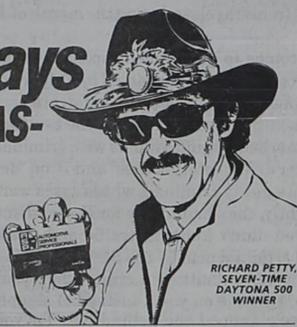
Certain elements of the media attack every public servant. Soon, there will be no one running for office except people who are not worthy of trust because they don't resent the attacks on their family, their party, themselves. One idea of the sixties' young people was to abuse government programs and bring down the government. I suppose this is your aim.

Incidentally, children have the right to protection and food and shelter. If you are interested in liberty and freedom, please address your efforts to publicize the real dangers that beset us all.

Johnnie (Hamilton) Burns, Garland  
*Editor's Note: Our "aim" is to "publicize the real dangers that beset us all," and that is what our opinion page is designed to do. It is not our "aim" to destroy government nor those citizens who volunteer to serve in government. It is our "aim," however, to inform our readers about the actions of government agents when they exceed their authority... as in the example the letter writer gives about the FBI abuse. And we have done this on a regular basis. As to the hospital question, the fact is that the Garza County Hospital District was not established under any federal law... it was established by the state legislature by statute... and the statute clearly authorizes the hospital to provide care to the indigent... there is no provision for providing care for anyone else. So, there is another example of government agents exceeding the authority by which they operate. Should this newspaper be silent when these abuses are discovered? Not while I serve as publisher.*

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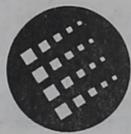
## Congratulations Freshmen Girls



Post Antelope Freshmen Girls - (left to right) Princess Garcia, Jenny Jones, Brandi Gunn, Amanda Workman, K'Leigh Babb, Kenda Josey, Nicole Gray, Niebes Marin, coach Billy Kelso, (front row) manager Sarah Alway, Teresa Salas, Tiffany Hair, Kyzanare Harper, Kelia Rodrigues, Paige Lott, Jessica Mason and manager Dee Dee Jarrett. (Photo courtesy Jerry's Photography)

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## Congratulations 7th Grade Girls



Post Antelope 7th Grade Girls - (back row, left to right) Coach Shana Matthews, Regina Collazo, Amanda Workman, K'Leigh Babb, Kenda Josey, Nicole Gray, Niebes Marin, coach Billy Kelso, (front row) manager Sarah Alway, Teresa Salas, Tiffany Hair, Kyzanare Harper, Kelia Rodrigues, Paige Lott, Jessica Mason and manager Dee Dee Jarrett. (Photo courtesy Jerry's Photography)

The Lester Josey Family

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### LCU lists honors

Four Post residents were among those named to the Dean's List at Lubbock Christian University for the fall 1997 semester.

Lorena Hannel, John Tatum, Leslie Tatum and Sarah Williams were included on the Dean's List. In order to qualify for the list, a student must be taking a minimum of 12 semester hours and achieve a 3.5 grade point average or better for the entire semester.

### Lunch Menus

#### Trail Blazer

Friday, Feb 20, 1998  
 Polish sausage, sauerkraut, creamed potatoes, broccoli, wheat roll, pears, beverage.

Monday, Feb. 23, 1998  
 Chicken enchiladas, corn and beans, tossed salad w/ranch dressing, tortilla, angel food cake, beverage.

Tuesday, Feb. 24, 1998  
 Chicken fried steak w/white gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, coleslaw, cornbread, cherry gelatin, beverage.

Wednesday, Feb. 25, 1998  
 Turkey w/gravy and dressing, creamed potatoes, turnip greens, Waldorf salad, hot roll, apple cobbler, beverage.

Thursday, Feb. 26, 1998  
 Stroganoff beef cubes, rice, winter squash, fruit salad, biscuit, raisin bars, beverage.

#### Post ISD

Friday, Feb 20, 1998  
 Breakfast: Cereal, toast and jelly, fruit, milk.  
 Lunch: Cheeseburger, h.b. salad, French fries, fruit roll-up, milk.

Monday, Feb. 23, 1998  
 Breakfast: Pancake/fruit, sausage on-a-stick, fruit, milk  
 Lunch: Pizza, salad, corn, cobbler, milk.

Tuesday, Feb. 24, 1998  
 Breakfast: Cinnamon toast, sausage link, fruit, milk.  
 Lunch: Pinto beans and franks, salad, carrots, cornbread, ice cream, milk.

Wednesday, Feb. 25, 1998  
 Breakfast: Oatmeal, bacon, toast, orange juice, milk.  
 Lunch: Sandwich, chips, salad, fresh apple, milk.

Thursday, Feb. 26, 1998  
 Breakfast: Cowboy bread, sausage link, fruit, milk.  
 Lunch: B-b-que on bun, cole slaw, refried beans, pears, milk.

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### Card of Thanks

Words cannot express the love shown at this time of such a great loss.

The food, flowers, prayers and visits have helped so much to get us through the past months when our dear Auvey was so ill and especially the past week.

Your kindness will never be forgotten. To Dee and Janet for the acts of caring and love they showed. For the Post First United Methodist Church for the use of their church and kitchen and all those who brought food and helped in the kitchen.

Thanks to Rev. Addington and Rev. Kenneth Cartwright and our loving Jane Terry for the lovely service and all the bearers and others who helped anyway to make our sorrow a little lighter.

I know our dear Auvey would be proud. God Bless you all.  
Alma and Joe Williams and family

A big West Texas "Thank You" to all who baked, worked at the sale, bought baked items, and contributed to our bake sale.

Garza County Trailblazers (Senior Citizens)

We would like to thank all our friends, family and our neighbors in the Verbena community for their cards, phone calls and prayers during Arnold's illness.  
Arnold and Patsy Sanderson

### Personals

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HELP!! We need area rep's. to help locate host families for foreign exchange students. Eligible to receive placement fee and rep. fee for each student placed. Must enjoy working with teens. Call Kay, area coordinator 1-800-637-0236 (answer 24 hours).

**Post Group of Alcoholics Anonymous**  
Meets every Thursday night at the First Presbyterian Church, 901 West 10th at 8 p.m. Closed meetings are held except on the last Thursday of the month, which is an open meeting. We have supper at 7 p.m. and the speaking starts at 8 p.m. Anyone who wishes to talk or ask about an alcohol problem, call 495-4152, 495-4185 or 629-4393.

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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### Lost and Found

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### Legal Notices

The Post ISD will accept bids on the installation of aluminum bleachers to replace the existing bleachers at Post Antelope Stadium. Bids specifications can be obtained by contacting Mr. Joe Giddens, High School Principal, at 806-495-2770. Bids will be accepted until March 16th at 10 a.m. The Post ISD reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

## Local students get Tech honors

Three Post residents were among the Texas Tech University undergraduate students who qualified for the Dean's List at the end of the fall semester.

Ashley Ruth Basinger, Casey Wayne Hart and Jill Renea Stelzer were included on the Dean's List.

Students who earned 12 or more hours with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9 qualified for the Dean's List.

## Hardin named to President's List

Holly Hardin of Post was named to the President's List at Texas Tech University at the end of the fall semester.

Students on the President's List earned a 4.0 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours of classwork.

## Jones earns TTU degree

Rea Labeth Jones of Post was among the more than 1,700 students at Texas Tech University to receive degrees during the 1997 fall commencement exercises.

Jones earned a bachelor of science degree.

Keynote speaker for the commencement exercises was Thomas R. Phillips, chief justice of the Texas Supreme Court.

Need to know the difference between a dromedary and a bactrian camel? One way to tell is to count the humps. A dromedary has only one.



Mike Reiter of Loop won first in his class Spotted Poland (swine) at last month's Gaines County Stock Show. He is the son of Deann and Ronald Bratcher.



Dylan Bratcher of Loop won Jr Honorary Steer Showmanship at last month's Gaines County Stock Show. He is the son of Ronald and Deann Bratcher.



Jordan Bratcher of Loop won Sr Honorary Steer Showmanship at last month's Gaines County Stock Show. She is the daughter of Ronald and Deann Bratcher.



## Bratcher wins breed championship trophy at Gaines County show

Kelcee Bratcher of Loop won Breed Championship Spotted Poland (swine) at last month's Gaines County Stock Show. She is the daughter of Ronald and Deann Bratcher.



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Mabel Robinson (left) and Dewey Chapman were named Valentine Sweethearts at Golden Plains Care Center last week during the special Valentine's Day party.

## Golden Plains Care Center News

The residents and staff of Golden Plains Care Center would like the community to know what we are doing and invite the community to come and join in on any of our activities, so we decided to do a weekly news letter in the paper for everyone to read. I hope you will enjoy it.

February sure has been busy, the first week those adorable little cheerleaders came and performed for us, they were Great!! Thanks, Kim for bringing them by.

We had our monthly birthday party on the 10th with Inez Capps, Suse Mindieta, Mildred Shumard and Madge Webb having birthdays in February. The ladies Aux. of VFW furnished delicious homemade cakes and punch each month for our birthday parties. We sure do appreciate all they do for us.

We had our Valentine party on the 13th, and started the day with a "Hug Contest" (each resident was given a big red heart to wear all day, and each time they received a hug from someone that person had to sign their heart and the resident with the most signatures on their heart won). Well, let me tell you there sure was a lot of hugging going on all day, you couldn't walk in the front door without someone asking for a hug, it was a Blast!!

During the Valentine party we had the crowning of our Valentine King

and Queen, the winners were Mabel Robinson and Dewey Chapman. The winners of our "Hug Contest" were Jim Taylor and Rosa Gonzales and Employee of the month was Lucy Martinez.

Judy Rudd, manager of Subway Sandwiches called and said she heard about the "hug contest" over the radio and she wanted to donate some cookies, so we had those wonderful Subway cookies during our Valentine Party. The residents really enjoyed them, Thanks, Subway!! Also Lola Ledbetter did all the refreshments for the Valentine Party, she did a wonderful job.

This week Noel White and Jane Mason performed for us on the 16th at 6 p.m. and on the 24th we are having a Tea party, if anyone happens to have some of those fancy hats we could use we would sure appreciate it, just call or bring them by.

We have some great volunteers that help us out each day, such as Calvary Baptist Church who come and have services every Tuesday at 10 a.m., and every Sunday at 3 p.m. a church from the community comes and provides our Sunday services for us, we appreciate them so much.

We invite everyone to stop by and join in on the fun, we would love to have you.

Till next week, Bunny Lynch

## Garden Club meets at Citizens

by Louella Bilberry

Members of the Green Thumb Garden Club met Thursday night, February 12 at Citizen's Bank for their Valentine Party.

Our hostesses, Ida Jones, Fletta Caffey and Carlene Markham prepared and served a delicious supper of sandwiches, chips-n-dips, olives, cookies, candies, nuts, coffee, hot spiced punch and a beautiful Red Velvet cake.

Valentines to and from Secret pals were exchanged. Attending were Gladys Blair, Louella Bilberry, Dan and Sybil Cockrum, Annie Laura and Thurman Francis, Edna and Ben Owen, Tom Power, Glen Markham and our hostesses.

## Obituaries

### Mitchell John Malouf Jr.

Funeral services for Mitchell John Malouf Jr., 66 of Plainview were held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, February 12, 1998 in the Chapel of First Baptist Church in Plainview with Dr. Travis Hart, pastor of The First Baptist Church in Plainview officiating assisted by Rev. Drew Travis, of the First Presbyterian Church in Plainview. Burial was at 2 p.m. on February 12, 1998 in the Post Cemetery under the direction of Wood-Dunning Funeral Home in Plainview.

Mr Malouf died in his home February 9, 1998. He was born November 14, 1931 in Post to Mitchell John Malouf and Linda Malouf. He graduated from Post High School in 1949 and Hardin-Simmons University in 1953. He coached football in Eunice, N.M., Kermit and Big Spring. He moved to Plainview in 1960 and was a retired farmer. He was a past member of Plainview School Board, Current member of the Hardin-Simmons University President's Club, the Cowboy Club and was Outstanding Young Farmer in 1964. He was preceded in death by a brother, Tommy Malouf and a sister, Michole Malouf and both his parents.

Survivors include: three daughters, Marilyn Biggs of Plainview, Melinda Mantooth of Lubbock and Melody Malouf of Amarillo; one son, Mitchell Malouf III of Midland; two brothers, John Malouf of Lubbock and Buddy J. Malouf of Dallas; four grandchildren, Brandon and Ethan Biggs of Plainview and Micah and Ashlee Malouf of Midland.

The family suggests memorials to a favorite charity or Hardin-Simmons University.

### Local Government Meetings

Monday, February 23

• Garza County Commissioners' Court, 9 a.m., 3rd floor court-house.

Tuesday, March 3

• Post City Council, 6:30 p.m., City Hall.

Monday, March 9

• Garza County Commissioners' Court, 9 a.m., 3rd floor court-house.



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## Foot Failure

Healthy feet are crucial for an active and independent lifestyle. Foot problems are common, but often ignored. Left untreated, foot ailments can result in alteration in the way we walk and stand, which can progress to pain in the ankles, knees, hips, and back.

As we age changes in our feet increase the likelihood of problems. Years of abuse from our job and poor quality or incorrect foot wear compound these problems. The skin on our feet loses its elasticity and becomes dehydrated. As a result the top of our feet are more susceptible to bacterial and fungal infections. Calluses tend to develop on the soles and heels as they become less padded. Toenails become thicker and more brittle making them more difficult to care for.

As the ligaments and tendons age, the shape of the foot changes; we may need to change shoe sizes as a result. Other conditions such as obesity, poor circulation, arthritis, old injuries, bunions and diabetes may also contribute to foot problems. Below are some suggestions on how to better take care of our feet and avoid "foot failure."

**INSPECT** - Examine your feet for redness, cuts, ingrown toenails, blisters, calluses, corns, or plantar warts. If you find a problem attend to and inspect your feet more often until the problem is resolved.

**WASH** - Use warm water and pat the skin dry. If you soak your feet for long periods of time use a lotion afterwards to prevent dryness and cracking.

**STRETCH** - Once a day, gently roll a soda bottle under your toes and feet for a few minutes. This will improve circulation and decrease deformities and irritation. Massage your feet or have someone do it for you!

**RUB CORNS AND CALLUSES** - Gently sand your corns and calluses with a pumice stone or loofah sponge. Never use a sharp instrument. If need be see your provider or a podiatrist to have them removed.

**MOISTURIZE** - Apply cold cream, petroleum jelly, or a lanolin-containing lotion to your feet, except between your toes- where moisture may lead to a fungal infection.

**TRIM TOENAILS** - Keep toenails short. Soften the nail first by soaking in warm water for 10-15 minutes. Cut the nail straight across using a toe nail clipper. If your vision is poor or you can't reach your toes, have someone do it for you.

**SHOES** - Buy shoes in the afternoon, when the feet are closest to their true size. Buy shoes that breath, leather and cloth are best. Buy quality running, walking or work shoes. Look for support, comfort, protection and ventilation. Allow 1/2 to 3/4 inch space between the tip of the big toes and the end of the shoe. Break in new shoes slowly.

Take care of your feet. They need to last you a lifetime! With proper maintenance, your feet will happily take you anywhere you want to go. When a foot problem does not respond to home treatment, see your provider or a podiatrist, treated early, most conditions respond to simple office treatment.

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### City Wide Youth Rally

by Darryl Smith, First Baptist Church

On Wednesday night, February 25, the local churches will be hosting a city-wide Youth Rally at the school auditorium. The rally begins at 7 p.m. Joe Howard Williamson with "Horsemen for Christ" will be the speaker. "Horsemen for Christ", a branch of Dawson McCallister's organization, is centered in Archer City, Texas.

Joe speaks all across the country with students about the life-transforming power of Jesus Christ. His message revolves around his own transformation at the age of 31 from a life of drugs, immorality and despair. The rally will include the upbeat, engaging music of Chris Tomlin of Houston.

All the youth will be invited to a pizza blast following the rally at the community center at 8:15 p.m. All students and community members are invited to attend.

Let's continue with what God is doing with our youth in Post by supporting this event. It promises to leave no one untouched. Remember that Christianity is only one generation from extinction. Let's be sure and pass on the baton of Christ. If you have questions, you may call me at the church at 495-3554.

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