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# Garza County ranchers plan protest against low-level bomber training

HEPA Inc. (Heritage Environmental Preservation Association) officials recently reviewed the Realistic Bomber Training Initiative (RBTI) draft environmental impact statement just released by the Air Force and are unhappy with the findings.

Professor William Weida of The Colorado College and former promilitary is underestimating the projected noise levels.

"The Air Force noise calculations are all based on a person being ing to late at night at altitudes down to 3,000 feet. in an urban environment," he said. "The Air Force knows full well that they are intentionally underestimating the noise levels that people hear in country and rural areas."

HEPA, a non-profit organization established last year to challenge the proposed implementation of the RBTI, is headed by Rotan rancher Buster Welch, president.

he said. "I've worked my whole life to get my ranch and now the Air congressional hearings on the RBTI. Force wants to put me out of business overnight. What ever happened to private property rights?"

to fly B-1 and B-52 bombers over the area from early in the mornit."

"This is a dramatic increase in Air Force activity in the area from HEPA officials said. about 100 sorties a year to over 2,300," said Frank Bond, HEPA's ers are much louder and fly much lower than the planes we're used how the noise will affect our cattle," Welch said. to. Currently the Air Force can't fly below a 10,000-foot floor. We're wanting to lower the floor again soon."

"This will end our quiet, peaceful way of life as we know it today,"

"It's unbelievable that something like this can happen in America," "We think this is a disgrace and call upon our congressmen to hold

"What new business would want to move into Snyder, Post or Lamesa knowing that the whole area is under one perpetual air raid? The proposed Lancer MOA covers most of Scurry, Fisher, Stone- There just aren't any positives for our local economies. The Air Force fessor at the U.S. Air Force Academy, HEPA's consultant, said the wall, Garza, Borden, Dawson and Lynn counties. The Air Force wants wants to turn our rural area into one big noise dump. We don't want

The Air Force's draft environmental study has other shortcomings,

"The EIS (environmental impact study) didn't even address how attorney. "That's an increase of over 2000 percent and the jet bomb- this will affect our hunting industry, plus they didn't even study

"I can promise you one thing — B-1 bombers don't mix well with concerned that if past performance is an indicator, they'll be back, ranching, farming, hunting, horses, grandkids or sleeping good at

HEPA officials are urging all interested individuals to attend an said area rancher John Oudt, chairman of HEPA's legal committee. April 7 public hearing on the issue. The hearing is set for 5 p.m. at the Snyder High School auditorium.

#### Dispatch office closed Friday

The Post Dispatch office will be closed Friday, April 2 in observance of Easter. We'll be open again Monday morning at 8:30 for regular hours. Happy Easter to all.

#### 8th graders raise money for banquet

Post 8th grade students will hold an Easter bake sale Satudrday at the O.S. Ranch Shop on East Main St beginning at 10 a.m. Students will also sell tickets for a drawing to win a large pizza from the Pizza Hut or a wooden arrangement form 3 Hearts Desire. The drawing will be held at the end of the day.

#### Elementary, Middle schools out early

Students at the Post Elementary and Middle schools will be dismissed at noon Friday, with busses scheduled to run at 12:30 p.m.

#### Art Guild sets Easter Show

The Post Art Guild Easter Show will be held April 9-11 at the Algerita Art Center. Ken Bloom, director of the Art Galleries of Texas Tech University will be the judge this year. Entries will be accepted Tuesday and Wednesday, April 6 and 7. Call 495-4000 or 495-3493 for more information.

#### Community health development

A community health development meeting will be conducted April 13 beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Garza County courthouse courtroom (second floor). Representatives from the Texas Department of Health will direct the discussion. The public is invited.

#### Women's protective services training Special training for volunteers interested in helping with Women's

Protective Services will be held Monday, April 12 and Monday, April 19 from 6 to 10 p.m. at the Church of the Nazarene, 202 W. 10th St. Please call Juli at 800-736-6491 to RSVP. Girls' softball sign-ups open

It's not too late for girls to sign up for the girls' softball program. Girls ages 8-12 interested in participating should attend the sign-up at the Middle School gym from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday, April 10. For more information call Rhonda Norman at 495-4067.

#### **Booster Club meets April 12**

The Post Antelope Booster Club meets Monday, April 12 at 7 p.m. in the PHS Commons to make plans for the All-Sports Banquet. All parents and members are urged to attend.

#### PHS Class of '89 seeks lost mates

The Post High School Class of 1989 reunion organizers are seeking to find the addresses of these "lost" school mates: Michelle Solis, MaryAnn Price, Brandon Hardin, Rolanda Brown, Robert Brumley, Erma Harper, Elio Comacho, Mark Solis, Julie Clark, Kathy Gonzales, Jessie Sanchez, James Griffin, Rodney Carlton, Julie Chun and Margaret Wynn. Anyone with information about these classmates should call Tandi Yarborough at 495-2804.

#### City-County auction April 10

A combined City, County, Post ISD and Garza Hospital District auction will be held April 10, 1999 beginning at 9 a.m. at 305 E. 5th St. in Post.

#### VFW ladies sale April 17

Members of the VFW Ladies' Auxiliary will hold a bake sale and garage sale on Saturday, April 17 beginning at 8 a.m. at the VFW. Those interested in donating items for the sale should call the VFW.

#### Youth Disciple Now weekend

Area youth are invited to attend a Disciple Now Weekend on April 22-25 at a cost of \$30. Interested youth may call 495-3554 (First Baptist Church) or 495-0212 (Brent Spears) to register. Deadline for the program is April 16.

#### **AARP** defensive driving course

The Garza County Trailblazers are hosting an AARP defensive driving course on April 21 and 22 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the center. The course is available to anyone aged 55 or older at the rate of \$8 per person. A lunch break will be included. The deadline for registration is Friday, March 19. Call the Trailblazers at 495-2998 to signup. Completion of the course may qualify the student for insurance

#### Methodist church seeks donations

The First United Methodist Church is seeking donations to used to purchase a popcorn machine for Golden Plains Care Center. Donations will be accepted throughout the month of April at the church office or by mail to 216 W. 10th. For more information call 495-2942 between 9 a.m. to noon.

#### **Easter Sunrise Service**

The Calvary Baptist Church will conduct a special Easter Sunrise Service, beginning at 6:30 a.m. Sunday, April 4 at Look Out Point. Everyone is welcome to attend.

# Vill Garza County get a new "health care district?"

by Wes Burnett

There have been no additional candidates filing for the Garza Hospital District board of director election as of Tuesday, March 30. Incumbents Jack Alexander, Zoe Kirkpatrick and David Nichols have already filed for the election. The deadline for candidate filing is office also said that there is no senate sponsor for the measure.

# Prisoner's death not enroute

The man who died two weeks ago while in the custody of the Garza tee members, also challenging the changes. County Sheriff's Department was not dead on arrival at a Lubbock hospital but died while being treated in the hospital.

Last week it was reported by Sheriff Kenny Ratke that 55-year- chairman of the County Affairs Committee. The issues we raised: old Larry Cleveland Bowerman died before arriving at the hospital. man "actually did not die in (EMS) care."

"Everything was done correctly, by the book," the sheriff said Friday. "Nothing was done wrong. He died in hospital care... and was the legislature to create and establish hospital districts, for the purpronounced dead inside Methodist Hospital."

plaints of chest pains.

"I know that he died in the emergency room... about an hour or so mittee to even consider this proposal. after we got there," Redman said.

ment since Aug. 25, was hospitalized in Lubbock for several weeks Regular Session, 1967)? due to health problems, Ratke said. Bowerman had just been rebegan complaining of a tightness in his chest. He was immediately alteration to declare the hospital district dissolved. returned to Lubbock for further medical attention.

with aggravated sexual assault in connection with an alleged inci- for the creation of the "Garza Health Care District?" dent involving a 12-year-old girl.

Monday, April 5 at 5 p.m.

The new legislation proposed by State Representative David Counts that would create a "Garza County Health District" has not yet been scheduled for a hearing by the County Affairs Committee. Mr Counts'

Informed sources in Austin report that this legislation may not make it to the committee calendar for a hearing. The committee has more than 200 bills in the hopper to consider, and since this is a "local" issue matter, and it doesn't have a sponsor in the senate, the committee is not expected to give Counts' measure top priority.

In addition to the questions we raised about the constitutionality of the measure, several local taxpayers have sent letters to commit-

The Post Dispatch has not received any response to a list of guestions sent by fax last week to State Representative Tom Ramsay,

1. How does Article 9, Section 9 of the Texas Constitution (1876, as Since then, Ratke said he was initially led to believe that Bowerman amended) provide authority for the establishment of a health care had died before arriving at the hospital but now knows that the district? I have read this portion of the constitution, and find no authority for the legislature to create a health care district.

Article 9, Section 9 of the Texas Constitution provides authority for pose of operating and maintaining a hospital, which is charged with John Redman of the local EMS provider said Bowerman was "still the responsibility of caring for the "needy inhabitants" of the distalking and complaining of pain" when the EMS crew left the hospitrict. Since neither the Garza Hospital District nor the proposed tal and that an EKG was run due to Bowerman's continued com- "Garza Health Care District" include the operating of a hospital, it appears that there is simply no constitution authority for the com-

2. If HB 2616 is enacted into law, will it dissolve the Garza Hospi-Bowerman, who had been in the custody of the sheriff's depart- tal District as established by HB 1325 (Acts of the 60th Legislature,

Since the proposed legislation does not address this issue at all, it leased back to sheriff's department officials two weeks ago when he seems imperative that the County Affairs Committee make some

3. If HB 2616 is enacted into law, will there be an election in Garza According to records, Bowerman had been arrested and charged County as required by Article 9, Section 9 of the Texas Constitution

Article 9, Section 9 also declares that no district may be created

without voter approval: "Provided, however, that no district shall be created by special law except after thirty (30) days' public notice to the district affected, and in no event may the Legislature provide for a district to be created without the affirmative vote of a majority of qualified voters in the district concerned."

We'll keep you posted.

### Post Opry seeks talent for show

The new Post Opry in Post, TX, continues to search for West Texas talent to showcase at the Tower Theater, 117 Main Street.

The refurbished 1945 movie theater is owned and operated by Schahara Hudelson, who says that the calls and audition tapes have been coming in and folks can expect a variety of talented performers for the April 3 show.

"Comedians, singers, and emcees have responded, and we are so excited at the response to our recent publicity on the event," she says.

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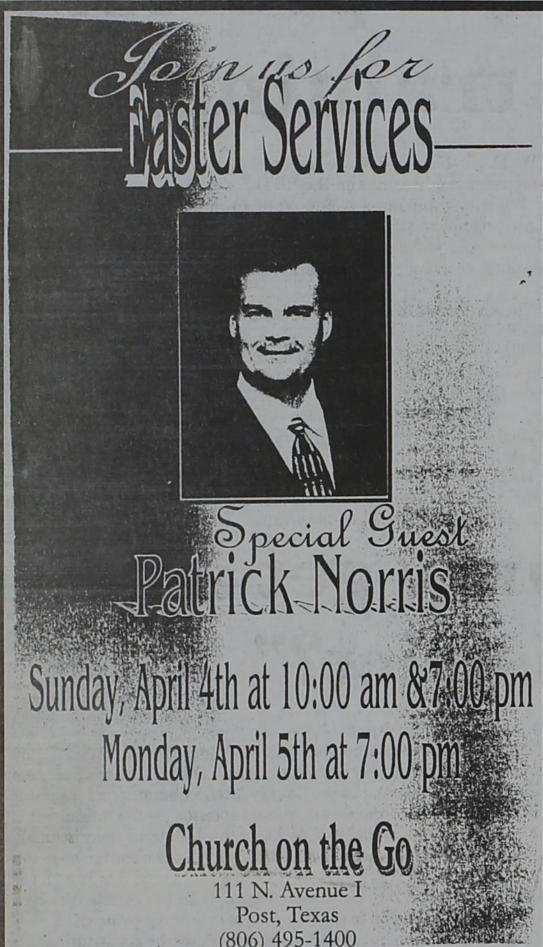
PHS One-Act Play cast members performed the ambitious "Beckett" during U.I.L. competition. Clell Knight (center top) earned Best Actor, Daniel Fluitt (right of Knight) was named to the All-Star Cast and Matt Cooper (left, back) was named Honorable Mention All-Star Cast. The cast included (back row, left to right) Cooper, Knight, Fluitt, Clay Ashley, Derek Cowley, (middle row) Amy Pedersen, Tisha Cowley, Kelsey Wimmer, Lindsey Rudd, Jay Cole, (front) Becca Stelzer and Pam Chapman.

#### **Notice**

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# Post volunteer firemen attend **CPR** course

Several members of the Post Fire Department attended an 8-hour CPR course Monday and Tuesday evenings.

Instructors for the class were Post EMS personnel John and Jane Redman, assisted by Ivan Line and Dennis Mason.

The course, developed by the American Heart Association, focused on basic life support for cardiopulmonary resuscitation and first aid for choking. The class consisted of several areas of training, including written material, training videos and practice on mannequins with the trained

EMS instructors serving as guides. Firefighters attending the course were Ivan Line, Dennis Mason, Les Looney, Kelly Baker, Daniel Redman, Bobby Terry, Barry Morris, Delbert Rudd, Ronnie Metsgar, Darrell Reece and Mark Short.

Members of the Post Fire Department try to educate themselves in such areas in order to better serve area residents, but CPR training should not only be for the personnel of emergency services. This course is available to anyone willing to learn CPR.

For more information on the class or to have the Post EMS to conduct a CPR course for your group or organization, contact John Redman at 495-2370 or Dennis Mason at 495-2984

# County shows drop in retail sales tax

The Third Quarter 1998 State Sales and Use Tax Analysis Report, distributed recently by the state comptroller's office, painted a less-thanhealthy picture of Garza County's economy.

In the comptroller's analysis of all industries in Garza County, the report indicates the county had 221 reporting outlets - that is, individual business locations with a sales and use tax permit filing a return — in the third quarter of 1998, compared to 236 in the same period in 1997.

During the 1998 third quarter, gross sales were reported at \$9,766,691, compared to \$11,944,586 a year earlier for a drop of slightly more than 18

The report's analysis of the county's retail trade provided similar figures. The number of reporting outlets from the third quarter 1997 to 1998 went from 174 to 160, while gross sales dropped from \$6,578,113 to \$5,957,860, or a loss of 9.4 percent.

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### Babb's Bar-B-Que Friday and Saturday Specials

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Do you know when you really appreciate a little home town like Post?

When you go to a huge city like San Antonio!! Rick may not get over driving in that traffic for

The green grass, trees and humidity were wonderful, but I'll take Post any day of the week.

The retirement party for my brother Jack was a wonderful affair, and I was really quite in awe

of my brother. I think sometimes you just take it for granted that your brother, dad, sister or whomever has a good job but you never really think about their daily responsibilities or what they really do. A little over 200 people attended this party, and as the speakers took

the stage and spoke of Jack, I was truly so proud of him. I wouldn't have taken that night from my mom for all of the money in the world. She was so pleased to be there and watch the night unfold for Jack.

So once again brother, congratulations. You have worked very hard and accomplished many things in your career. Now it's your time. Have fun!!

#### Recent Rain

I was glad to hear that we got some showers while we were out of town. Now folks, I think those prayers are working. Keep them up. We will sure have some happy farmers and ranchers!!

#### Surprise Call

I received a call from Mary Raphelt this am and it was so nice to hear

She and Herman had been in town to see the play at the Garza this weekend and she had picked up a paper.

She is such a dear lady! A little history for those of you who don't know Mary. She taught school in Post for I am really not sure how long and her husband Herman was the Principle at Post Elementary. She was both mine and Rick's teacher at one time.

After moving to Lubbock, and quite a few years later I might add, I was lucky enough for her to teach my youngest, Krisha.

She and Herman both have a special place in our hearts, as in many other folks hearts as well I'm sure. It was so nice to hear from them. Birthdays This Week

# Birthdays for this week: Thursday, April 1; Abel Martinez and

Ethan Baldree: Friday 2; Mack Terry, Nancy Pope and Morgan Permenter; Anniversary; Pat and Susan Pennell: Saturday 3; Tonya Dunn, Roy, Jose Diaz, Jr. and Ricardo Tobias: Sunday 4; Happy Easter!! Marandie Palmer and Jaquita Blevins.

Monday April 5; Jennifer, Raul Salazar, Jack Walter and Dee Pantoja: Anniversary; Billy and Lori Parker: Tuesday 6; Mike Taylor, Jose Diaz, Sr. and Nathan Webb: Wednesday 7; Emma S., Michael Soto, Tavita Diaz and Rufina Tobias: Anniversary; Robby and Kerri

#### e-mail Quote

You might be in a Texas country church if..... When it rains.....everybody's smiling!!

#### For you parents

Jerry Taylor came by with this "Easter Cookie" recipe and I thought some parents might like to share this with their kidos.

For Easter story cookies you need:

1 C. whole (shelled) pecans, 1 tsp. vinegar, 3 egg whites, pinch salt, 1 C. sugar, zipper baggy, wooden spoon, tape and Bible.

Preheat oven to 300 degrees F.

Place shelled pecans in zipper baggy and let children beat them with the wooden spoon to break into small pieces. Explain that after Jesus was arrested he was beaten by the Roman soldiers. Read John 19: 1-3. Let each child smell the vinegar. Put 1 tsp. vinegar into mixing bowl. Explain that when Jesus was thirsty on the cross he was given vinegar

Read John 19: 28-30. Add egg whites to vinegar. Eggs represent life.

Explain that Jesus gave His life to give us life.

Read John 10: 10-11. Sprinkle a little salt into each child's hand. Let them taste it and brush the rest into the bowl. Explain that this represents the salty tears shed by Jesus' followers, and the bitterness of our own sin.

Read Luke 23: 27. So far the ingredients are not very appetizing. Add 1 c. sugar. Explain that the sweetest part of the story is that Jesus died because He loves us. He wants us to know and belong to Him.

Read Psalms 34: 8 and John 3: 16. Beat with a mixer on high sped for 12 to 15 minutes until stiff peaks are formed. Explain that the color white represents the purity in God's eyes of those whose sins have been cleansed by Jesus.

Read Isaiah 1: 18 and John 3: 1-3. Fold in broken nuts. Drop by teaspoons onto wax paper covered cookie sheet. Explain that each mound represents the rocky tomb where Jesus' body was laid.

Read Matt. 27: 57-60. Put the cookie sheet in the oven; close the door and turn the oven OFF. Give each child a piece of tape and seal the oven door. Explain the Jesus' tomb was sealed.

Read Matt. 27: 65-66. GO TO BED. Explain that they may feel sad to leave the cookies in the oven overnight. Jesus' followers were in despair when the tomb was sealed.

Read John 16: 20 & 22. On Easter morning, open the oven and give everyone a cookie. Notice the cracked surface and take a bit. The cookies are hollow! On the first Easter, Jesus' followers were amazed to find the tomb open and empty.

Read Matt. 28: 1-9 HE HAS RISEN!!

#### Special Friend

One of my special friends, Willie Mae Dye, celebrated her 91st. birthday last Sunday. That in itself is special.

Willie Mae's daughter, Delores Brooks of Lubbock, came down Saturday to pick up Miss Willie. They returned to Lubbock where they went out for dinner and were joined by Willie Mae's granddaughter and great-grandchildren, Lisa, Zachary and Krysten Carter of Lubbock. Afterwards they enjoyed birthday cake Delores had made;

Sunday, James and Linda Dye joined the group and all went out for lunch and enjoyed an afternoon of visiting before returning the birthday girl back home.

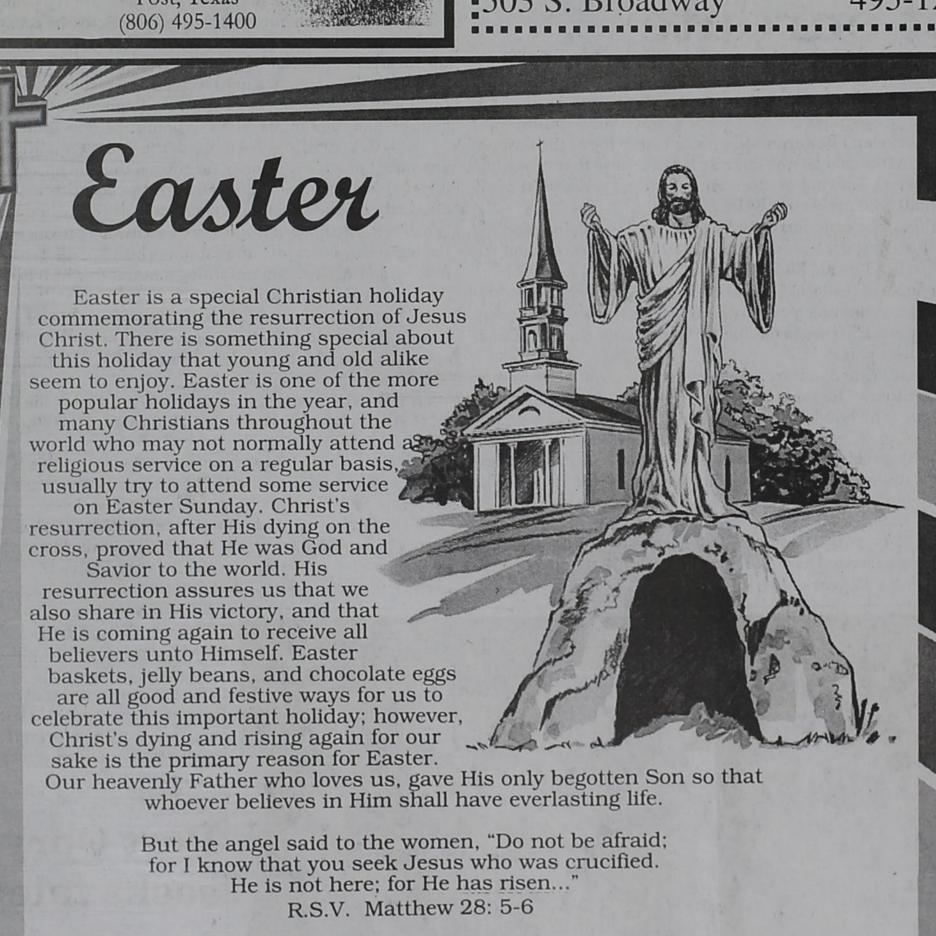
I hope Willie Mae had a great day Sunday. She is much loved and deserves a great 91!!

#### Till Next Week

Guess that is all for now. Hope everyone has a nice weekend. Old Mill Trade Days will only operate Friday and Saturday to give everyone the chance to spend Easter with their families, so go check

The forecast calls for rain but I don't think anyone cares a bit! May God bless each of you.





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# Neighbor to Neighbor by Kelly Ahrens, CEA-FCS

#### Tater Days - 1st weekend in April!

Beginning in 1843, the farmers of Benton, Kentucky brought their potatoes to town to trade for goods and services. Now the weekend is observed with a parade, horse and mule pulling contests, arts and crafts, a beauty pageant, quilt show and flea market. But surely the potato deserves a celebration, and it's here!

For years, those embarking on weight-loss diets have sworn off potatoes. Bad idea! Potatoes have no more calories than the same-sized apple or baking powder biscuit. It's the oil the potatoes are fried in or the butter

healthy list. All by themselves, potatoes are full of vitamins and minerals and even some high-class protein.

they're smothered in that takes them off the heart-

So, don't worry if you can't eat just one. French fries have been popular in America since Thomas Jefferson was President. He was introduced to these tasty treats when he was the American ambassador to France, and when he moved to the White House, he asked

the chef to get the recipe. Today the potato is the biggest

selling frozen vegetable in the world. But not everyone

has always liked thick-cut french fries. George Crum was chef at the exclusive Moon Lake Lodge in Saratoga Springs, New York about 150 years ago. When he proudly sent out another plate of his thick french fries, one guest judged them to be "too thick" and sent them back to the kitchen. Well! George Crum would just see about that! He sliced the potatoes so thin that he could see through them and then tossed them into hot oil. His fussy diner loved the potato chips, and so did everyone else at his table. The chef called his new house specialty, "Saratoga Chips."

It wasn't until 1920 that you could get a bag of potato chips. Even then they had a very limited distribution. A traveling salesman named Herman Lay changed all that beginning in 1932. He filled the trunk of his Model A Ford with bags of potato chips and distributed them himself to stores across the South. Lay's became the first national brand of potato chips!

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 When Lay's introduced Ruffles in 1958, they scored another hit. Today Lay's and Ruffles use about 8% of all the potatoes grown in the U.S. Ruffles' slogan? Ruffles have ridges. (Say it rrrrrrrrrrrrrrtrt!)

 Potato chips are the most popular snack food in the U.S. 70% of all snacks purchased are potato chips. Americans average nine family-size bags of chips a year -EACH.

• The original Mr. Potato Head consisted of a potato sack with plastic parts including sunglasses, shoes, hats, ears, eyes, glasses and a pipe. Kids had to use their own potato for the body. It only took a few rotten potatoes in a few toy boxes before the new improved version came with a plastic potato body. The current generation comes without a pipe (since smoking is hazardous) and with snorkeling gear.

Today's Chuckle

What do you call a baby potato? A small fry.

What does a British potato say when it thinks something is wonderful? It's smashing!

How do you describe an angry potato? Boiling mad.

What is the first line of Ireland's national anthem? "You Say Po-TAY-to, I Say Po-TAH-to."

Have a Happy Easter!

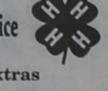
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Local folks helping at last Saturday's Caprock Relays here were (top, left to right) Rex Cash, Alexa Coller, Danny Allen, Bo Jackson, (second row from top) Drew Kirkpatrick, Mark Kirkpatrick, Marita Jackson, (third row from top) Susan Strawn, Nancy McDonald, Kim Lott, (front) Rodney Tidwell, Kim Mills, Jay Lott and Coach Ritchie Thornton.



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County Holiday

.......The Garza County Extension Service Office will be closed Friday, April 2, 1999 in observance of Good Friday. **Easter Wishes** 

......From the staff at the Garza County Extension Office, Have a Happy Easter!

**Texas Community Futures Forum** 

.........A BIG Thank You is extended for the community members that participated in the T.C.F.F. Open Forum on March 23rd at Post High School. We appreciate your willingness and interest in Extension Efforts. The Focus Forum is scheduled for April 20th. Look for more information in the coming weeks. Thanks to High School Principle, Joe Giddens and the teachers for letting us utilize their rooms during the event.

Walk Across Texas

program that kicked-off on Friday, March 26th. If you are interested, call or come by the office ASAP.

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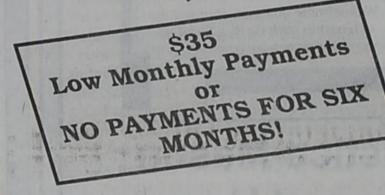
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#### **Lunch Menus**

#### Trail Blazer

Friday, April 2,1999 Closed for Easter Holiday Monday, April 5, 1999 Polish sausage, cabbage, corn, fresh tomatoes, cornbread and pumpkin

Tuesday, April 6, 1999 Chicken pot pie, tossed salad green onion, pickles, hot roll and cookies. Wednesday, April 7, 1999 Cheese enchiladas, red beans,

stewed okra and tomatoes, tortilla chips and fruit jello. Thursday, April 8, 1999 Meat loaf, onion rings, scalloped potatoes, spinach, biscuit and apple

#### Post ISD

Friday, April 2,1999 Easter Holiday Monday, April 5,1999

Easter Holiday Tuesday, April 6,1999 Breakfast: French toast sticks, sausage links, fruit and milk. Lunch: Pizza, salad, corn, Reese's

Cup and choice of milk. Wednesday, April 7,1999 Breakfast: Oatmeal, bacon, toast fruit and milk.

Lunch: Chicken nuggets, gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, pudding and choice of milk. Thursday, April 8,1999

Breakfast: Breakfast taco, fruit, orange juice and milk. Lunch: Fritopie, ranch style beans, salad, cherry crisp and choice of milk.

#### Southland ISD Friday, April 2, 1999 Easter holiday

Monday, April 5, 1999 Breakfast: Cheese toast, hashbrowns, fruit and milk.
Lunch: B-B-Q Sandwiches, French
fries, carrots, chocolate chip cookies

Tuesday, April 6, 1999 Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, fruit

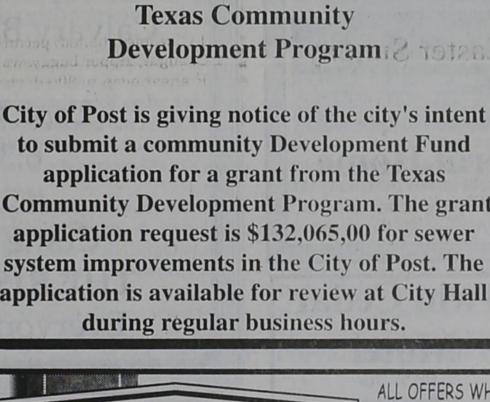
Lunch: Tacos, tossed salad, pinto beans, apple crisp and milk. Wednesday, April 7, 1999 Breakfast: Pancakes w/syrup,

sausage, fruit and milk. Lunch: Hamburger pizza, corn, tossed salad, cake and milk. Thursday, April 8, 1999 Breakfast: Cream of wheat, toast,

Lunch: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, California vegetables, roll, pudding and milk.

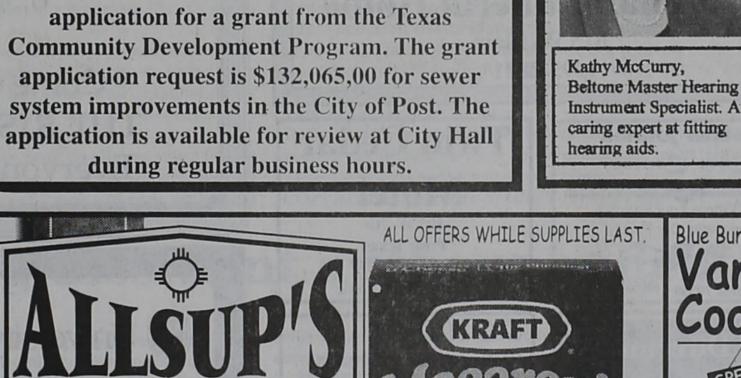
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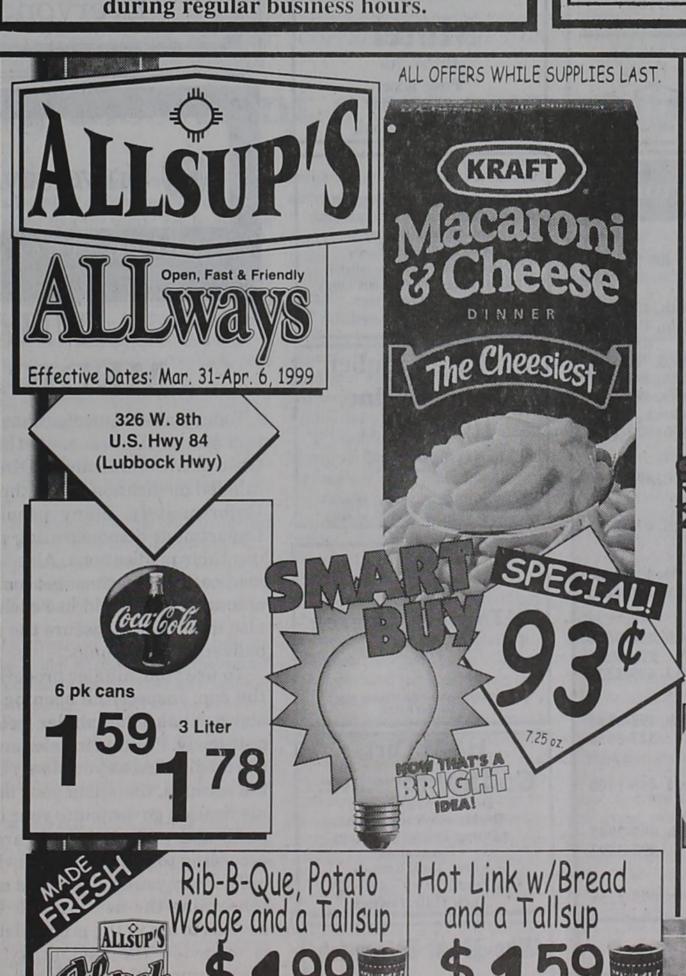
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**Public Notice** 

City of Post







#### **Benjamin Lee Thomas**

Services for Benjamin Lee Thomas, 71, were held Thursday, March 25, 1999, at 11 a.m. at the Wier Funeral Home in Roundup. Burial followed in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

He died Saturday, March 20, in the Roundup Memorial Hospital.

Born Oct. 30, 1927, in Post to Toliver and Innis Thomas, he attended school in Post, graduating in 1945. He joined the US Army in 1946 and upon completion of Surgical Tech School at Denver, served with the 183rd General Hospital, Ft. Richardson, Alaska. He married Dulcie Darlene Rabern May 11, 1947, in Anchorage. Following an Honorable Discharge in 1947, he was a rancher, a cowboy and a bull rider. He operated the Nebraska Feed Co. and later owned and trained racehorses.

Survivors include three daughters, Sandi Schmidt of Bessemer, AL, Ginger Moore of Winnett, MT and Sheridan LaFramboise of Rapid City, SD; one son, Scott Thomas of Laurel, MT; three brothers, Jim of Hereford, A.C. of Amarillo and Wayne of Post; one sister, Kat, of Post; one brother-in-law, Bud of Winnett, MT; 13 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; aunts; uncles; nieces; and nephews.

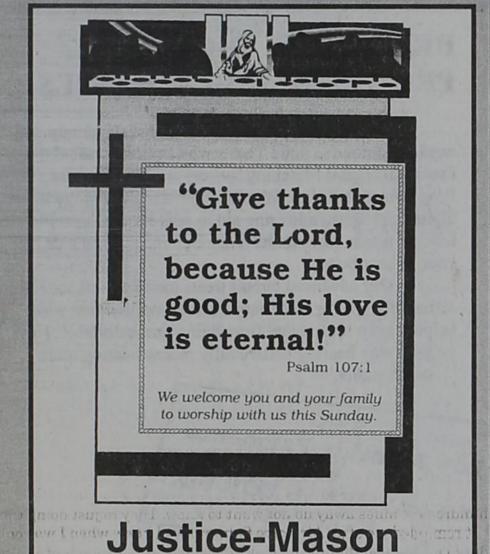
He was preceded in death by his wife; one son, Richard "Dusty" Thomas; his parents; and a sister, Lois.

The family has requested memorials be made to the American Cancer Society or to the charity of choice.

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#### E.E. Wallace Jr.

Memorial services for E.E. Wallace Jr., 80, of Post will be conducted at a later date. Hudman Funeral Home will be in charge of the arrangements. He died March 25, 1999, at his home.

Born Aug. 10, 1918, in Anson, he married Norman Martin Feb. 7, 1980, in Tyler. He was in the cattle and oil business.

Survivors include his wife, Norma; one son, Arnold Wallace of Carthage; two stepsons, Jymmy Joe Martin of Mineral Wells and Stacy Martin of Dallas; one daughter, July Gay Alexander of Bryan; three stepdaughters, Sharon Conley of Pineville, West Virginia, Jeni Rinehart of Kermit and Judy Bailey of Brownwood; 22 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren. The family has requested memorials be made to the Hospice Family, 1212 daughter, Cecil Wanda Cummings. 13th, Suite 101, Lubbock, TX 79401, or to a favorite charity.

#### Mrs. Lois Mae (Bailey) Welborn

Services for Mrs. Lois Mae (Bailey) Welborn, 82, of Electra, formerly of Post, were held at 10 a.m. Monday, March 29, 1999, at the Dutton Funeral Home with Dennis Hoff, minister of the Southside Church of Christ in Pennington of Clyde officiating. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery. Electra, officiating. Burial followed in the Electra Memorial Park.

She died March 26 at the Golden Plains Care Center. Born Nov. 10, 1916, in Claypool, Oklahoma, she married Marvin Peters a former resident of Colorado City and Post, having lived here 42 years. Survivors include one daughter, Betty Curry of Post; two stepdaughters, the Christian Women's Fellowship and the First Christian Church. Sandra Carr of Vernon and Gloria Simmons of Quanah; 15 grandchildren; Survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law Nita and Bill Case of 22 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

Hines in 1990, and Wanda Rondeau in 1993.

Irene Lucille Walker

Services for Irene Lucille Walker, 86, of Brownfield were held at 2 p.m. and Rocky Roberts of Early; 16 great-grandchildren; and eight great-great-Tuesday, March 30, 1999, at the Grassland Church of the Nazarene with grandchildren. the Rev. Lynn White officiating, assisted by the Rev. John Westman. Burial was in the Grassland Cemetery under the direction of the Hudman Fu- 1991 and daughter Wanda Orf, on Feb. 16, 1999. neral Home.

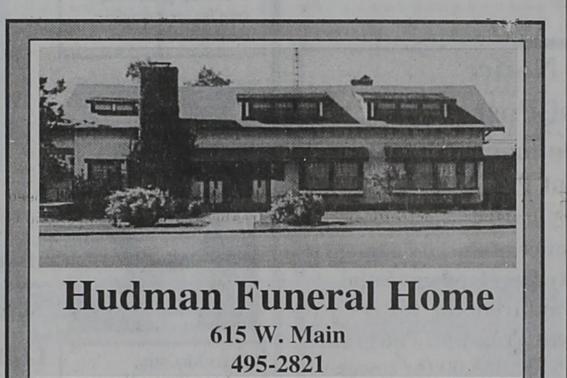
She died March 27 at the Brownfield Regional Medical Center.

Born Sept. 28, 1912, in Oklahoma, she moved to Grassland in 1926 and married Cleety A. Walker Nov. 5, 1930, in Lovington, N.M. They moved to Seagraves in 1988. He died Nov. 20, 1989. She moved to Brownfield in 1990. She was a housewife and a Methodist.

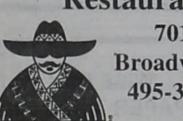
Survivors include one daughter, Kathryn Moore of Seagraves; one brother, J.W. Inklebarger of Tahoka; two sisters, Virginia Lou Terry of Lubbock and Inez Elaine McGrew of Dallas; three granddaughters; five great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

The family has suggested memorials be made to the Heart Association or the Grassland Cemetery.

The reason buttons on men's shirts and jackets are arranged differently from those on women's shirts stems back to the days when when ladies of means were dressed by their maids. Because most people are right-handed, it is easiest for right-handers to button their clothes from left to right, the way men's buttons are now arranged. The button arrangement for women was presumably changed to make it easier for the female maid to button her mistress's clothes.



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#### **Opal Mae Cummings**

Graveside services for Opal Mae Cummings, 90, of Daingerfield, formerly of Post, will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, April 2, 1999, in the Terrace Cemetery with Brother Norman Miller officiating. The Nail-Haggard Funeral Home of Daingerfield is in charge of arrangements. She died March 30 in Longview.

Born May 18, 1908, in Cheyenne, Oklahoma, she was a member of the Church of Christ and was a homemaker.

Survivors include her daughter and son-in-law, Nadine and Hershel Maupin of Daingerfield; two grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Cecil J. Cummings, and one

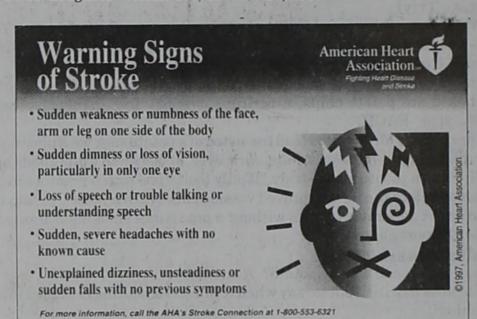
#### Velvie Madell Williams

Services for Velvie Madell Williams, 98, of Post were held Saturday, March 27, 1999, at 2 p.m. in the Hudman Funeral Home with the Rev. Clayton The family received friends Friday from 6-7 p.m. at the funeral home.

She died March 25 at the Golden Plains Care Center. Born Aug. 26, 1900, in Alvarado, she married Jesse Luther (Bub) Will-Nov. 13, 1933. He died Sept. 25, 1966. She married Lee Edward Welborn in iams April 14, 1917, in Caddo Mills. The couple moved to Post in 1928. She August of 1970 in Electra. He preceded her in death May 11, 1996. A home- was a housewife and also helped her husband with the farming and ranchmaker and a member of the Southside Church of Christ in Electra, she was ing. He preceded her in death April 22, 1960. She had moved to Brownwood for 5 1/2 years, returning to Post in December 1998. She was a member of

Post and Sammie and Pete Maddox of Brownwood; a daughter-in-law, She was preceded in death by three daughters, Pat Martin in 1971, Margie Margaret Williams of Early; 10 grandchildren, Marilyn Blisard of Bangs, Ronnie Williams of Stephenville, Melinda Cowley of Lubbock and Stephen The family has requested memorials be made to Tiptons Children's Home. Orf of Lubbock, Kathy De Angelo of Las Vegas, David Orf of San Antonio, Rhonda Case of Euless, Ron Case of Wolfforth, Latricia Rogers of Pampa

She was preceded in death by a son Ozell Williams of Early on March 3,



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The very young or very old may need occasional education concerning the use of inhaled medications. There are also devices to aid in the proper delivery of medications. The key is to review the amount, type, and technique of inhaled medication with your provider at every visit. You would be surprised how easy it is to get confused and how much difference it will make when done right.

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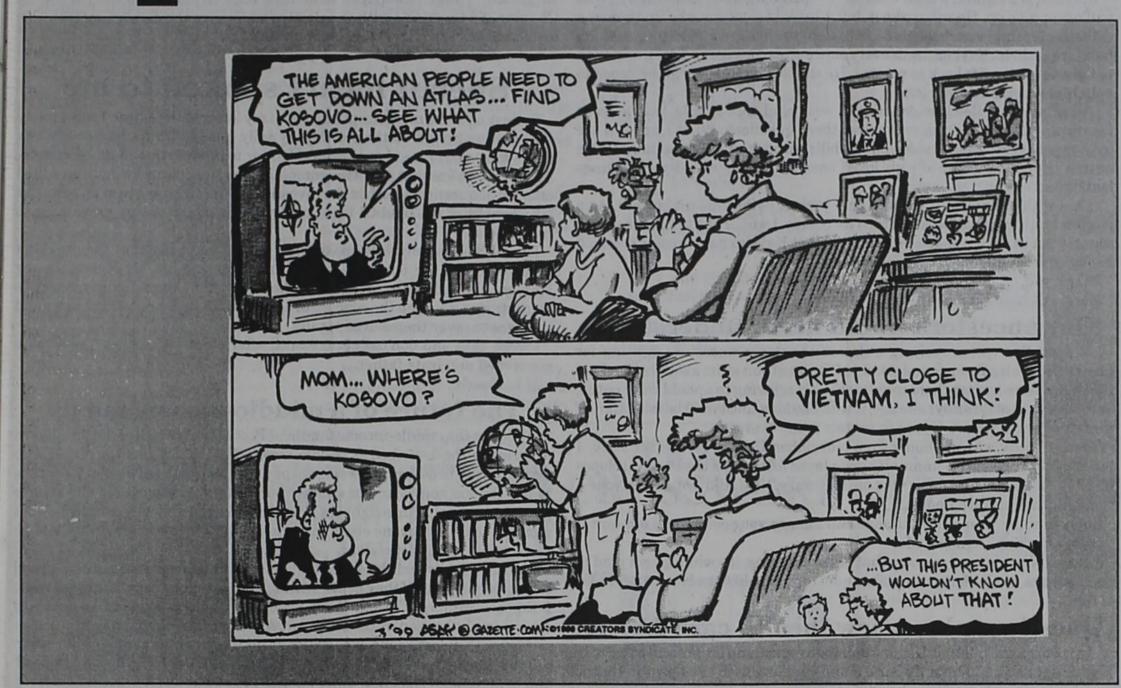
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# Opinions



# An thereafter, the right to be left alone

by Walter E. Williams

right to forcibly impose their will upon us? This question came to mind as I was replacing my garagedoor opener. The installation was a breeze until it came to installing the "beam sensor," a light beam that, when broken, stops the door from closing.

The idea of the sensor is to protect against entrapment of people or animals between the bottom of the door and the floor. For years, garage-door openers automatically

reversed when they struck an object; the beam sensor provides extra

I read: "It's the law: Garage-door openers must be provided with an external entrapment protection system such as a 'beam sensor' to help protect against entrapment between the bottom of the garage door and the floor. THIS SYSTEM CANNOT BE DEFEATED OR BYPASSED."

For Congress to mandate this kind of safety equipment is nothing short of bureaucratic arrogance. But, because Americans are so timid, gullible and short-sighted, Congress, egged on by busybody interest groups, gets away with micro-managing our lives.

You say: "What's wrong with you, Williams, there's no such thing as being too safe. If beam sensors save just one American life, it's worth

themselves and others against hazards. What's a reasonable precaution and what's negligence has been well established by common law. But what about the bromide that, if it saves just one life, let's do it?

things. For example, we could save tens of thousands of lives by Syndicate web page at www.creators.com. lowering the highway speed limit from 65 mph to 5 mph. Additional COPYRIGHT 1999 CREATORS SYNDICATE, INC.

Do people have the right to be left alone? Or, should others have a lives could be saved by a Federal Aviation Administration regulation mandating that airplanes not come within 200 miles of each other and requiring only one plane to be taxiing at a time.

> That would eliminate mid-air collisions and ground mishaps. Each year, many children suffer traumatic, sometimes fatal injuries falling from trees. A law requiring safety nets under all trees would prevent such mishaps.

I know that you're saying, "Williams, you're being ridiculous!" Let's examine your claim with a couple of simple questions. Do you deny that a 5 mph speed limit would virtually eliminate highway

deaths? I don't believe any reasonable person would deny that. Next My first response was to disconnect the beam sensor. That's when question: If you accept the principle "if it saves just one life," why wouldn't you support a 5 mph speed limit law?

You can hem and haw all you want, but your rejection of a 5 mph speed limit boils down to the lives saved by a 5 mph speed limit wouldn't be worth the inconvenience. In other words, there's a tradeoff between safety, saving lives and everything else.

A case can be made for certain safety regulations, such as speed limits and other traffic safety measures because one person's actions can cause harm to another. However, the new garage-door regulations are beyond the pale. It's up to me to decide the level of safety for my family and me, not Washington busybodies.

Professed concern about safety is little more than a Trojan Horse for tyrants and their useful idiot accomplices, allowing them to control I agree that people should take reasonable measures to protect both our lives. By the way, my solution for the garage-door opener beam sensors was to tape the light beams together, so they're "looking at" one another.

Then, I put them on the shelf.

To find out more about Walter Williams, and read features by other If we did everything that saved lives, we'd do all manner of foolish Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators

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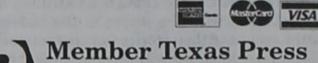
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# There is no 'glory' in an unglorious war

by Wesley W. Burnett

About five years ago, I was listening to Dixon Platt's radio talk show (KFYO) in Lubbock when he was interviewing a U.S. Air Force Thunderbird pilot. The famous aerial demonstration team was at Reese AFB for some event, and as is customary, one of the pilots made the rounds of local media plugging the Air Force.

During the radio show a Lubbock listener called to ask a question, which perked my attention. "Tell me Captain," the caller began, "if ordered to do

so, would you bomb civilian targets?" "Well, sir," the Air Force officer replied, "we follow orders, and we fly

sorties with targets designated by coordinates." "Yes, but what if those coordinates are civilian targets?" the caller asked. "Well, we follow orders, we fire where we're told to fire," the Captain

I sat back in the seat of my car, and my heart started pounding, realizing the enormity of this Air Force officer's admission. The memory of military tanks and helicopters attacking a church mission near Waco was still fresh in my mind. "No wonder we can't trust government," I thought to myself,

professional military people don't even know who or what their targets are

anymore, they're just blips on a computer screen. That memory raced back to the front of my mind last week while watching one of those news shows about the bombing in Yugoslavia. The "newsman" was onboard a navy ship in the Adriatic Sea. He patiently explained the duties of the fire control command center, where earnest and well trained specialists were studying their computer screens and targeting missiles to

strike at pre-marked targets. "We never know what we are hitting," one of them said, "we just do our job and hope we hit the coordinates.

Hmmm.... sounds familiar. What if the target happens to be a church? Or a house? Or a school? The men and women who punch the keys commanding a missile toward a target hundreds of miles away do not want to know. They're just doing their job.

It reminded me of an Air Force fighter pilot I knew when I was on active duty. One night at the officers' club after some serious rounds of alcohol, this young dedicated career officer began to sob as he told me a horrific story of his "day in hell" in Vietnam. Seems he was flying "wing man" in his F-4 Phantom when his partner was hit by a SAM from the ground.

"I watched him spin out of control and slam into the ground, not able to eject," the surviving pilot explained. I saw the missile coming at him and couldn't do a thing to help." He really cried as he finished the story... "I banked and looked around to see if I could find the missile launch site, I saw

what looked like a good target and dived straight for it... " With the target in his crosshairs, he punched the button and the missile ripped off toward the ground. He watched it descend and explode and turned the plane around to assess the damage. Women and children and old people, many of them ablaze, were running out of the burning Vietnamese

"I knew it was a church, he cried out... I knew it and I didn't care I was so angry I wanted to strike as anything!"

Now this dedicated defender of American liberty must live with this memory and agony all the rest of his life. That is the shame of what our government has done and is doing to our dedicated young people who have volunteered to serve their country.

Actually, most of them volunteered to defend their country. The insane and criminal use of our military in the unconstitutional, unlawful, immoral and undeclared war in Yugoslavia is no different than the Vietnam experience.

Are there no elected officials willing to stand against this blatant abuse of presidential power? With the acquiescence of moral and constitutional leadership by the Congress, the United States looks more and more like a world bully, willing to expend its youth and its wealth to show who is really in charge.

Shameful, simply shameful.

church building.

#### The sheriff is in a real predicament

Damned if he does, damned if he doesn't, that's the problem facing Texas sheriffs, not just in Garza County, but in every county. If they enforce the traffic code to the letter, not just according to their discretion, the uproar from businesses and citizens alike would be deafening and politically impossible to sustain.

If they use discretion in the enforcement of the traffic codes, then they are subject to ridicule and worse, because obviously there is no justice if the law can be bent to serve some and not others. That is the central problem with corporate policy, which is exactly what the Texas Transportation Code is... nothing more than a shell game to protect the corporate interests of the state.

It's time to return to a law that is understandable, fair and just.

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# Condeming dissident authors to death

by Vin Suprynowicz

A well-meaning soul recently asked me, "Vin, why do you have to focus on the loss a few minor rights? This is still the freest nation on earth. Look at your own writings. In what other country would you be allowed to write these things with no fear of repercussions?"

I imagine Peter McWilliams may have briefly shared that thought in 1993 when Prelude Press brought out his 800-page opus, "Ain't Nobody's Business If You Do: The Absurdity of Consensual Crimes in a Free Society." Ditto Steve Kubby when Loompanics of Port Townsend, Washington published his "The Politics of Consciousness" in 1995.

Both authors are survivors (so far) of often-fatal diseases, who attribute their survival to the therapeutic use of marijuana.

The Associated Press reported on March 20: "Steve Kubby ... has a Feb. 4 letter from Dr. Vincent DeQuattro, a professor of medicine at the University of Southern California, stating that Kubby still has a malignancy, for which the marijuana in some amazing fashion ... has not only controlled the symptoms ... but in my view has arrested the growth.'

Mr. Kubby attracted further official attention to his anti-Drug-War beliefs when he ran for governor of California on the Libertarian Party ticket last year. Both writers were proved prescient when California voters decided in 1996 to legalize the many medical uses of marijuana by a whopping 56-to-44 margin. And that should have been the end of

Except that the kind of morally atrophied weasels who run our current War on Drugs have made a big mistake since the recent legalization votes in California, Nevada and Arizona. They have allowed two of the most cynical lies of modern politics - that the government only enforces the will of the majority, and that if you want the law changed all you have to do is convince a majority to side with you at the polls — to be revealed as just that: two of the biggest steaming piles of diarrheal mendacity that ever brought tears to the eyes and bile to the throats of a free people.

McWilliams was busted and imprisoned last July. Late last year, drug agents stormed the Olympic Valley house of Mr. Kubby and his wife Michele, after weeks of surveilling the married couple through their bedroom window - dragging them away in chains for growing a few hundred marijuana plants for medical use, two years after the people of California legalized medical marijuana.

Both men had doctors' recommendations. The Fearless Drug Warriors'

excuse? They were growing "too many" plants.

(I once worked briefly for the publisher of a weekly newspaper who was convinced the photography staff was embezzling film — he counted no more than 36 photos in each weekly issue, yet the photographer used several 36-shot rolls of film each week. In vain we tried to explain to him that a photographer can burn through several rolls trying to get just one usable sports photo. Similarly, the California narco toadies seem to

believe that in horticulture, to produce 30 or 40 mature plants it is only

necessary to germinate 30 or 40 seeds.)

Anyway, I'm sure the arrests and subsequent medical torture (by depriving them of the only medicine doctors say can keep them alive) of these two authors won't have too great a "chilling effect" on the future willingness of others to challenge the government's wisdom, do you

Author McWilliams wrote to California state Attorney General William Lockyer on March 18: "Since my dual diagnosis (of AIDS and cancer) in March 1996, I have used medical marijuana under the guidance and supervision of three California physicians to fight the nausea caused by the prescription anti-AIDS and anti-cancer medications

"If I cannot keep down my life-saving medications, I will die. Medical marijuana, in my case, had been 99.9 percent effective in alleviating nausea for more than two years. ... Because I cannot keep down my prescription medications without medical marijuana forbidden me by my bail release my viral load has risen dramatically, from undetectable (under 40) to more than 250,000. AIDS doctors become concerned when the viral load tops 10,000. ... (Please see the letter from my AIDS physician, Daniel Bowers, M.D. at http://www.petertrial.com/doc1.jpg.)" Last week, the court ruled that if McWilliams dies before his trial due

to the fact he is forbidden marijuana in the meantime, that's just too bad. Steve Kubby and his wife have been bankrupted — the magazine business they ran out of their home destroyed when arresting drug goons refused to return their computer. Mr. Kubby wrote on March 22:

"Our raid, our bankruptcy and the refusal of the prosecutors or judges to return any of our most basic tools and possessions shows how Drug War laws are increasingly used against ordinary citizens. Law authorizing such unconstitutional searches and seizures were intended originally to be used only against 'drug kingpins.' Today these draconian laws are used as standard procedure to destroy the lives of anyone caught with marijuana, even sick and dying people, all to uphold a corrupt and failed federal drug policy."

Vin Suprynowicz is the assistant editorial page editor of the Las Vegas Review-Journal. His new book, "Send in the Waco Killers: Essays on the Freedom Movement, 1993-1998," is available at \$21.95 plus \$3 shipping (\$6 UPS; \$2 shipping each additional copy) through Mountain Media, P.O. Box 4422, Las Vegas, Nev. 89127-4422. The 500-page trade paperback may also be ordered via web site http://www.thespiritof76.com/wacokillers.html, or at 1-800-244-2224.

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The evils of tyranny are rarely seen but by him who resists it. — John Hay, 1872 The most difficult struggle of all is the one within ourselves. Let us not get accustomed and adjusted to these conditions. The one who adjusts ceases to discriminate between good and evil. He becomes a slave in body and soul. Whatever may happen to you, remember always: Don't adjust! Revolt against the reality! - Mordechai Anielewicz, Warsaw, 1943

#### Letters to the Editor

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#### On doing the right thing

This article is not submitted as a refutation of Kenny or even a dialogue. This is about justice in one certain instance with a dear little girl and her help him accomplish this goal. family Justice, by the very nature ohf the word, is about doing the right

thing. When Mariah Couch was whacked by a pick-up to the ground in the crosswalks by the school, some things were not done.

When Mariah was knocked to the ground and was visibly hurt, why didn't the officer on the scene check on her and get her side of the story? After all, she was definitely a participant! (Though not a willing one) Sadly, the officer did not. He just dealt with the driver of the pick-up. There were eyewitnesses to the event and their stories were not seriously considered either. Why not? Mariah was hit on school property, while the school caution lights were flashing. Furthermore, she was in the crosswalk. How does a kid get half the blame for abiding by the pedestrian rules for students as set by the state? How does a driver not get all the blame for not abiding by the rules, i.e. the warning lights which tell you to watch for kids? How come insurance was not asked for of the driver of the pickup when this child was hurt? I am sorry, that was not the time for "good ol' boy" policy. And, if we are going to do "good ol' boy", how about something for a "good ol' kid"?

It is sad to see all the defensive posturing, instead of doing the right thing. Boss Hogg's injustices were funny on the "Dukes of Hazzard" because we knew they weren't real. But, this is not Hazzard County, and this injustice to Mariah isn't funny!

Sincerely yours, Buddy Payne

#### Deplores city cemetery condition

This letter is to express my total disappointment and irrevocable chagrin over the condition of the Post cemetery (Terrace Cemetery). In late January we laid my mother, Mrs Helen Taylor, to rest next to my father, the late Joe B. Taylor. They joined at least 14 others from our family on both sides of the

The appalling condition of the cemetery was indeed a scene that affected the emotions of all the mourners who attended the services. We pay a monthly fee for the perpetual care of the family plots and I'm sure other area families also pay for that consideration.

Two weeks ago, I stopped by the cemetery on my way home to Sa: Antonio from Lubbock, and I was so shocked by the conditions of my family's gravesites, as well as the condition of the entire cemetery, I thought a letter of concern and protest was appropriate.

Since we have no surviving family members living in the Post area, we depend on the care, concern and compassion of those responsible to take care

of our loved ones' final resting place. We are hopeful that something can be done about the cemetery condition and we admonish city officials to take some kind of action to provide a suitable environment for those who went before us.

Jo Taylor Delaune, San Antonio

#### Lots of lies circulating

This is in response to the letter from Kenny Ratke (3/25/99). I do not know all the Garza County law officers personally, but I do know Kenny and the lies that have been circulation (about him) are just that.

In the book of Proverbs 19:11 you can read, "A wise man restrains his anger and overlooks insults. This is to his credit." I have been asked why I make a yearly donation to the DPS. The reason is, they put their lives on the line every day for us and that is the least I can do.

Just remember, Jesus had a thankless job. Lots of false allegations were brought against him. Katharine Johnson

bomber training sites in the country.

If the Air Force is successful, multiple

concentrated over our homes and land.

Recently, many local newspapers and TV stations reported a misleading story

changed their minds. This is not the

training operations from around the

western U.S. will be combined and

suggesting that the Air Force had

case. They still want our land!

that will be flying over our area.

Wednesday, April 7th, 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.

trying to kid?

DON'T LET THEM

CONFUSE US -

THE AIR FORCE STILL

WANTS OUR LAND!

Last year the Air Force released the Draft Environmental Impact

Statement for the proposed low-level bomber training site in our area.

The Air Force wants to turn our eight county area into one of the biggest

The Air Force has concluded that the proposed bomber training in our area will likely have no effect on land use, recreation and property values. Who are they

Let's not be suckered into accepting that changes of the magnitude being proposed will not have a significant impact on our lives. Our noise expert, former US Air

We need to tell the Air Force our concerns. The public hearing is one of our last

bomber-training site in the country! Come to the Public Hearing to show your

Public Hearing -The U.S. Air Force will be holding a hearing on the proposed establishment of the low-level B-1 and B-52 bomber training site over our land.

Snyder High School Auditorium - located at 3801 Austin Avenue in Snyder

concern. Don't let them think that we don't care!

chances to stop them. Let's fight the proposal to turn our land into the most active

Force Academy professor William Weida, says that the formulas used in the impact study intentionally underestimate the noise from low-level B-1 bombers

PROPOSED

BOMBER TRAINING

This is the only hearing in our area.

We, as middle-class Americans, simply cannot understand how our government can, in good conscience, take millions of our tax dollars and waste them on so many foolish things, then deny us the help we need in our times of crisis. The message we are getting out of this experience is that a person should do everything he or she can to save someone, then just throw them away (out of sight, out of mind, so to speak).

Kaylom is a fighter, a man with an independent, determined spirit, who will never give up. He will make it, but why does someone who undergoes a catastrophic injury such as his have to fight the system and lose everything he has to get help. Kaylom needs every ounce of his courage and determination to fight to get his life back to normal. He should be receiving all he needs to

All of you middle-class Americans who read this should look at your insurance policies and ask yourselves these questions: What loopholes are in your policy? How long could you pay bills without help if something of this

nature happened to one of your loved ones? How long would your savings

I know that Kaylom is not the only person living this nightmare. As a mother and a taxpayer with concern for others, I would like to know how our country got in such a shape. All the help that Kaylom has thus far received has been from middle-class people like ourselves

Merry Altman, Lubbock

#### Our ancestors would never understand

I clipped this (poem reciting a dream about our ancestors fighting for liberty) from a local paper and it kind of fits what you write about in The Post Dispatch. If we are not there (public officials refusing to uphold their oaths, and other acts of tyranny) already, it won't be long until we'll be no better off than the people we are trying to protect today overseas.

Garza County was my home from November 1929 to November 1936. I lived in the Grassburr Community and played football for the Post Antelopes in 1935-36-37. I came for a visit in February 1993, did not see anyone I thought I might have known.

Enjoy reading your editorial page and admire your courage to not quit. LeRoy Perkins, Jenkins, Mo.

Editor's Note: It's not courage that keeps us going, it's what we get paid to do, to inform, to challenge the status quo, to defend liberty. It's actually a lot

#### Questions about new "health care district"

In reading the bill that David Counts has drawn up for presentation to the state legislature to help fix our current problem with the hospital district, we have several questions besides the ones which you brought to light in your newspaper article a couple of weeks ago. The bill itself (HB 2616) states that it is in accordance with the provisions of Article IX, Section 9 of the Constitution of the State of Texas. Like you pointed out, this section only deals with the establishment and operation of a hospital district. It doesn't seem that there is any constitutional authority to create a health care presently, however, the most important things that he must have to survive

Secondly, this bill calls for changes to Section 6, Chapter 502, 60th Legislature (1967) in paragraph C. The current language is restricting the power or authority of the board by requiring a vote on the purchase, construction or acquisition of any property in excess of \$25,000. This drug Sygen. This drug is noteworthy due to the fact that it is specifically proposed bill would totally strike this paragraph. In other words, the hospital/health care board would be able to spend any amount of money to purchase, construct or acquire property without submitting it to a vote. Do we REALLY want them to have this much authority? Or should we reserve some for the voters?

Also, in Section 8a, Chapter 502, 60th Legislature, the power is given to the board to "prescribe the method and manner of making purchases and expenditures by and for the hospital district, and also shall prescribe all accounting and control procedures...". The only changes in this paragraph would be to change the word "hospital" to "health care". The problem with this is that there should be mandated a commonly accepted form of accounting for the district whether it be a hospital or health care district. It

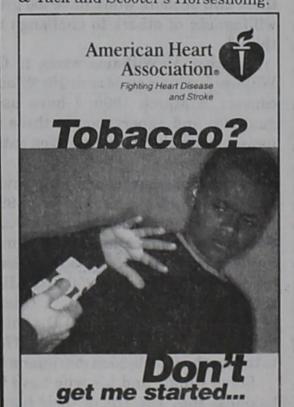
#### Miller, Macy lead roping at Miller Time Arena

Steve Miller and Mike Macy took first place in the #6 Roping 3 head March 28 and first place went to Miller and Sky Moore in the #8 roping at the Miller Time Arena.

Results: #6 Roping, 3 head, 60 teams: 1st. Steve Miller/Mike Macy, 33.50, \$474; 2nd, Rodney Phillips/Steve Miller, 34.86, \$356; 3rd, Steve Miller/Carl Bruce Hall, 37.45, \$236 and 4th, Wes Shook/Bob May, 39.44, \$118. Mike

Macy won the #6 buckle. #8 Roping, 3 head, 70 teams: 1st, Steve Miller/Sky Moore, 25.71, \$554; 2nd, Rodney Phillips/Jim Ellerd, 28.05, \$414; 3rd, Delton Moore/Sky Moore, 29.34, \$276 and 4th, Jerry Fogerson/Steve Miller, 31.81, \$138. Moore won the #8 buckle.

Sponsors for the event were Miller Lite, Caprock Lounge, A&T Feed, Brady's Babb's BBQ, Saddle Trader & Tack and Scooter's Horseshoing.



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should not be up to the board what type of accounting and control methods to use. Is this why we already have a bookkeeping problem with the clinic and only certain records of the board are available for public inspection? This needs to be corrected if our board is to be respected by the public! The hospital/health care board should NOT be doing business in this manner

Hopefully, we can get the needed changes made in this bill so that a good piece of legislation can be presented and passed. Really, we liked the one you suggested in your newspaper some time back to just make the portion of Chapter 285 that deals with the election to dissolve the district apply to our district also.

Frank & Carol Tobias

#### Sheriff hasn't spoken to me

To clear up some misconceptions about my letter to the editor, I want to say that neither Sheriff Ratke nor Deputy Jolly, nor Mr Evans, have made any effort to speak to me about the accident or my perception of those events. I did not realize that a written complaint was needed, or I would have filed one. I still question whether the investigator would have given anyone else "the benefit of the doubt." I personally never heard of this happening to anyone else.

The DPS officer my wife spoke with, explained to her that they couldn't help us unless we obtained a civil judgment against Mr Evans. In my opinion, the only care or concern shown by the Garza County Sheriff's Department has been the concern of a politician who fears bad publicity and the care to cover themselves legally.

I work days and don't get home until after 6 p.m. weekdays. I am still a concerned and irate father.

M.L. Couch

#### The future of a middle-income family

Who are the middle-income families? Probably over half of the families in America can be described as middle-income families. We are the people who work from 40 to 60 hours a week; we pay our bills on time; we pinch pennies to pay for our homes and to educate our children, take care of our elderly parents, and help our neighbors if we can. We probably pay as much, if not more, in taxes as anyone else in America. We try to teach our children to be responsible and independent.

We have told our children that all of these things are a part of being good caring people, that if they do these things, they will have good, happy lives. I suppose we forgot to tell them how they would be treated in return if something happened in their lives that caused them to need help.

My son, Kaylom Young, was critically injured in an accident on December 6, 1998, in which his neck was broken. At the present time, he is paralyzed and in Methodist Hospital. Since I began to put this letter together, Kaylom was released from Methodist and went home on March 5, 1999

We have discovered since this catastrophic injury just what kind of a nightmare life can become overnight. Kaylom is totally unable to take care of himself at this time. He has always been a very independent person; and have any sort of quality of life are rehab and home health care. His insurance does not pay for the kind of care Kaylom needs. No one could even begin to imagine what these things cost.

Kaylom is the first person in the Lubbock area to take the experimental designed for spinal cord injuries. One of the most important factors in whether or not the drug is effective is aggressive rehab over a long period of time. The type of aggressive rehab that Kaylom needs is extremely expensive and his insurance does not come anywhere near covering his care in this

When you are considered to have a middle-class income, even though you are unable to work, you are turned away by a great many programs because you have more than one vehicle (in spite of the fact that the insurance is making payments on one of them) or because your boss has tried to keep you on the payroll until you have time to apply for disability Social Security, which takes at least five months to receive AFTER you have been approved.

How did our government come to the decision that a person must lose everything he or she has before help can be rendered, or that a person must be so wealthy that he or she does not need their help'? Why would the government make it so difficult for the people who are the very lifeblood of America to receive help in return working hard all their lives, for paying their taxes and thereby making sure the "system" works?

When a catastrophe of this magnitude hits the ordinary, middle-class person, here is what they can look forward to facing. When you call places for help, they either give you another number because they "can't" help you or suggest that you put your loved one in a nursing home that will take him or her for the amount of his or her Social Security check

Kaylom is 28 years old and a very bright and loving person. He deserves a better chance at life that he is offered under this system. Kaylom receives a great deal of love and support from his family and friends, who will always be there for him. They are also middle-class people with limited funds.



Miller Time Arena roping winners last week are (left to right) Rodney Phillips Steve Miller and Mike Macy.



#8 roping winners at Miller Time Arena last week were (left to right) Steve Miller, Sky Moore, Jim Ellerd and Rodney Phillips.

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### Linda's Restaurant Lunch buffet daily or great menu! Best fried fish around on Friday nights! **Nightly Specials** Open Easter Sunday 11 AM until 2 PM

Come join us dine in or take out

495-0297



Where:

What:

SAVE OUR ECONOMY! STOP THE BOMBERS!

Amy Sever, is t Saturdays, 7:4 for the Sunday Tickets cost \$ children ages 6 Following Th

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The comedy, which stars Steve and Amy Sever, is directed by the duo. Curtain times will be Fridays and Saturdays, 7:45 p.m., and 2:30 p.m. for the Sunday matinees.

Tickets cost \$8 for adults and \$5 for children ages 6-12.

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Following "The Housekeeper," the theatre's next production will be "The Unsinkable Molly Brown" to be performed during May and the Harley Sadler Tribute, "Curse You, Jack Dalton!" which is set for late June and early July.

For more information, contact the Garza Theatre at 495-4005.

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# Yesteryears

by Pat Burnett

March 29, 1989 10 Years Ago

Katharine Cathcart was appointed to the post of Garza County's senior advocate to administer federal programs for the

allowed a forecast of "below average crops" for the year. Post ISD trustees Tuesday

The 1979 Taba'na Yuan'e wind

night voted Joe Giddens a one-year contract to become high school principal here next year.

Cletus Graves, Everett Sugg, Jack Shepherd, Moody Graham, Bobby Jones and Don El Dale were inducted recently into Boy Scout Troop 16.

Post's one act play, "Scarecrow" won first place, and a cast member, Stephanie Davis, was

20 ex-Ranger outfielder

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named best actress in the District 4AA one-act play contest at Frenship High School.

Jeanette and Marilyn Bell and Selma Loveless were in Wellston, Oklahoma recently to visit with Wayne Bell and his family.

> March 29, 1979 20 Years Ago

Mrs. Carl Fluitt visited in Tahoka last week with her mother, Mrs. L.H. Gandy

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Williams spent last weekend in Clovis, N. M. visiting with Mr. Williams' brothers, Lexi and Ray Williams and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Hart of Gail announce the birth of

**TEXAS** 

**CROSSWORD** 

by Charley & Guy Orbison

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a baby girl, Carrie Christine Hart, born March 23 at 11:14 a.m. in Garza Memorial Hospital weighing 6 lbs., 11

Stanley Frank, chairman of the 1979 West Texas Boys Ranch Roundup, has announced the appointment of Billy Carlisle as Wagon

March 27, 1969

Mrs. Frances McAfee and her mother, Mrs. Mattle Ratliff, returned home Sunday from a few days visit in Albuquerque, N. M. with Mrs. McAfee's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Sonny

Choir Contest: Saturday, Mr. Georgie Willson took three choirs to contest at Monterey High School in Lubbock. Each choir, mixed, girls and boys brought back a Su-

Visiting Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Smith was his

Weekend guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Britton were his cousins, Mrs. Ruby Wart of Bossier City, La., and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Dean of Athens, La.

> March 26, 1959 40 Years Ago

MR. AND Mrs. Junior Hale and daughter of Carlisle were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. W. E.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Lester returned home last Thursday after a two week vacation. They visited relatives and friends at Corpus Christi, Fort Worth, Grandview, Cleburne, and Arlington.

Van Foster, Billy Lester and Winston Lester spent Friday at

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lester and family of Wellington, Kans., will be Easter guests of their parents Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Lester and

USS Missouri.

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Lester's little daughter, Terri Gail, is ill this week with the mumps.

> March 31, 1949 50 Years Ago

Recent guests in the A. R. Robinson home near Post, were Mrs. Robinson's sisters, Mrs. Bessie Racy, Mrs. Melton Bagbee, and Mrs. Bill Owen, of Jal, N. M., and their children, Mrs. B. C. Norton and two sons of Snyder

sant Valley, recently accompanied his uncle, Monroe Shelton, to Amarillo to visit his great grandmother, Mrs. Shelton, and an aunt.

Mrs. Polk Joy of Winniewood, Okla., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ed Kerns here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Gordon spent Monday in Lovington, N.

Boss for Garza County.

30 Years Ago

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brother, Roy Smith of Amarillo.

Edmunds.

Merwin Edmunds of Lubbock spent last Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Edniunds.

Haskell fishing.

Mrs. Trimble of Slaton.

Miss Dolly Shelton of Ruidoso, N. M., spent Friday and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Milliken.

Novis Furr, son of Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Furr, left Wednesday for Bremerton, Wash., after a 20-day leave in Post. In Washington he will be stationed aboard the

and Mr. Riddle of Whitewright.

man visited Mrs. W. R. Graeber this week. Little Robert Lee Mock, Plea-

Mrs. Perry Chambers of Sher-

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Williams and Mrs. Vera King spent the weekend in Greenville.

E. L. Hitt and C. R. Scott fished at Lake Abilene Monday. Mrs. Fay Bagby and Mrs. Bessie Racie of Westchester, Pa., are visiting in the home of their sister, Mrs. A. R. Robinson.



ONORED ON BIRTHDAY - Mrs. Blanche Clayton, 91, was surprised ith a bouquet of 91 yellow roses to commemorate her birthday recently. he bouquet was sent by her granddaughter, Mrs. Laura Mosier of San lego, Calif. Mrs. Clayton resides in Twin Cedars Nursing Home. — (Staff

From The Post Dispatch, March 27, 1979



Cornell is using one of neighbor A. C. Cash's tractors
blade the snow from the driveway of his home at 1008
West 11th St. "Good neighbors" in all sections of the city

Were a big help to each other following the town's biggest snowstorm.

—(Staff Photo)

From The Post Dispatch, Mar. 20, 1969

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SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

Cindy and Lindy Bird, twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Bird, tied for the showmanship award in the calf division of the Garza County Junior Livestock Show. Cindy and Lindy showed top animals in the calf division. Lindy's heavyweight Hereford winning second in its class and competing for reserve champion honors. Cindy's heavyweight Hereford placed third.—(Staff Photo)

From The Post Dispatch, Mar. 27, 1969



Juanetta Dale Matsler **Bride of James Bocko** 

From The Post Dispatch, March 29, 1989

The Post Dispatch 495-2816

Sonic Drive-In Proudly Presents our Teacher of the Week



Meet: Susan Ferguson

Susan Ferguson and her husband Rocky are parents to 24 year old Jennifer and 23 year old Sarah. Susan holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Spanish. She teaches Spanish, French and ESL. Susan enjoys traveling, white water rafting and reading as her hobbies.

Sonic Drive-In proudly sponsors "Teacher of the Week" and offers a FREE meal at Sonic to the Teacher of the Week.





Thank you for choosing Sonic 215 S. Broadway 495-3440 Locally owned and operated by Jose Alvidrez

# Sports

# Caprock Relays draws big crowd here

More than 460 students and coaches from area schools participated in last Saturday's Caprock Relays here, the first time in several years that Post High School has hosted an area track meet. "The rain slows us down a bit," PHS coach Richard Gorman said, "but it was a good meet, and we're planning on making this an annual event."

"We want to express our deepest appreciation to all the local volunteers who helped make this such a successful meet," Gorman added.

John Radle earned high point individual honors with 14, the PHS varsity placed fifth overall.

Braden Conner took second in the high jump and Radle placed second in the pole vault.

Jose Saucedo took third in the 3200 meter run, Radle placed third in the 110 high hurdles.

The junior varsity team placed fourth in the meet, with Justin Acevedo scoring 21 points for high point individual.

Acevedo took first in the long jump, Miguel Torres placed third in the 3200 meter run, the 400 meter relay team of Jonathan Curtis, Roland Casteneda, Jonathan Smith and Justin Acevedo took third and Castenada took third in the 100 meter



Vondi Gradine takes the baton from Dianna Williams as the Post Lady Lopes take the lead in the 800 meter relay last Saturday at the Caprock Relays here.

#### Varsity girls take second at Caprock Relays here Post's varsity girls track team narrowly missed out on a first place finish

in the Caprock Relays held recently.

The team came away with 108 total points, just one point behind the first place-winning Shallowater team. Third place went to Idalou with 81 points. followed by O'Donnell, Crosbyton, Floydada, Ropes, Ralls and Slaton (tied) and Roosevelt.

Post's Manuela Hernandez garnered high point individual honors with a total of 24 points.

Individual contest results for Post athletes were as follows:

• High jump - Hernandez (4'8"), third place; Williams (4'6"), fourth place. • Long jump — Gradine (13'9 1/4"), fourth place; Moore (13'3"), fifth place.

• 3200m — Hernandez (13.43.96), third place. • 100 HH - Williams (16.74), third; Looney (18.02), fifth; Moore (18.10),

sixth place. • 200 H - Moore (51.83), third place.

• 1600m relay - Post (4:37.57), second place. • Shotput — Ledbetter (27' 4 1/4"), fifth place.

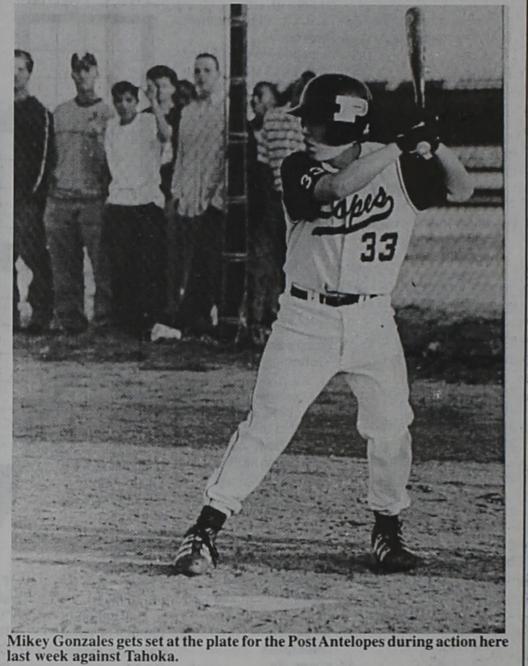
• Discus - Ledbetter (83' 2"), fourth place.

• 400m relay — Post (53.56), first place. • 200m - Hernandez (28.92), sixth place.

• Triple jump — Hernandez (32'5"), second place; Moore (30' 6"), fourth

• 800m relay - Post (1:58.76), fourth place.

 400m — Gregory (69.30), fifth place. • 1600m — Hernandez (6:34.81), third place.



Tahoka took an easy 10-2 win over the Post Antelopes baseball team March

Post jumped out to an early lead in the game, going up 2-1 in the first

inning, but Tahoka came back in the second to tie the game up. The game

split apart at the seams in the fourth inning when Tahoka put six runs on

the board, followed by two more in the fifth, while holding the 'Lopes'

Tahoka punishes Post in 10-2 game

### 8th grade boys win first at New Deal

The eighth grade boys took first place overall in their division of the Junior High Track Meet held at New Deal March 25. The seventh grade boys finished fourth in their competition.

Earning first place finishes at the eighth grade level were, in the 400 meter relay (47.3), Lance Curtis, Smiley Estrada, Brandon Bell and Noah Gutierrez: 1600 meter relay (3:56.2), Cody Fox, Noah Gutierrez, Brandon Bell and Lance Curtis; 200 meter dash (24.44), Lance Curtis; shotput (45'8" to tie the school record), Noah Gutierrez; discus (118'), Brian Looney; high jump (5'5"), Lance Curtis; long jump (17'11"), Lance Curtis; and pole vault (9'), Luis Zubia.

Second places went to, in 100 meter dash (12.55), Noah Gutierrez; shotput (43'6"), Seth Redman; long jump (17'8"), Brandon Bell; pole vault (8'6"), Smiley Estrada; and triple jump (33'7"), Brandon Bell.

Third place finishes included, in 100 meter dash (12.63), Brandon Bell; 110 meter hurdles (18.36), Luis Zubia; and 1600 meter run (5:40.8), Manuel Saucedo.

Fourth place finishes went to, in the 800 meter run (2:31.38), Adam Nobles; 200 meter dash (25.78), Brody Robertson; and discus (n/a), Noah Gutierrez. Smiley Estrada placed fifth in the triple jump (33'1").

Taking a sixth place finish were, in shotput (36'11"), Pablo Perez; discus (101'1"), Seth Redman; and 800 meter run (2:36.8), Cody Fox.

The eighth grade team captured first place in its division with a total of 175

The seventh grade team finished fourth. No point total was available at

Individual finishes for members of the seventh grade team included, first place, 1600 meter run (6:02), Ricky Reyna; second place, 300 meter hurdles (50.9), Daniel Simental, and pole vault (7'), Mitchell Mills; fourth place, 400 meter relay (53.36), Langly Couch, Daniel Simental, Mitchell Mills and Josh Cross, and high jump (4'6"), Daniel Simental

Post School Calendar

Dual Tennis Tournament at Floydada

Sex Respect Assembly - 10 a.m. PHS

Elementary School U.I.L. Competition

Easter Holiday

Baseball game at Plains

Baseball game at Morton

End of 5th Six Weeks

• 3 Weeks Progress Reports Due

PHS track meet at New Deal

Area One-Act Play competition here

Thursday, April 1

Friday, April 2

Monday, April 5

Tuesday, April 6

Wednesday, April 7

2nd District Golf Meet - Boys and Girls at Denver City

Thursday, April 8

Friday, April 9

Saturday, April 10

Easter Holiday - Baseball team hosts Hale Center

Fifth place finishes included 400 meter dash (1:07), Langly Couch; 200 meter dash (28.18), Zane Marts; and 1600 meter relay (4:36), Eric Soto, Zane Marts, Mitchell Mills and Josh Cross.

Roland Castenada placed third

for the junior varsity at last

The Lady Lope golf team, battling

the elements as well as the course,

managed to overpower everyone and

win first place by 59 strokes in the

one day Sundown Invitational

Tournament held March 23rd at

the Sundown Municipal Golf

Course. The golfers had to play in

40 degree weather with winds

gusting to 25 mph making the wind

chill index around 30 degrees. The

Lady Lopes one-day team score of

372 was their best of the year so far.

Post also made a clean sweep of the

medalist honors bringing home first,

Team Totals included: 1. Post 372,

2. Sundown 431, 3. Tahoka 450, 4

Idalou 472, 5. Whiteface 490, 6.

Post Individuals: 1. Kasey Hardin

75, 2. Yvonne Lopez 90, 3. Becca

Stelzer 91, 16. Camie Payne 116,

Olton 503, 7. Bovina 553.

18. Miranda Palmer 118.

second, and third places medals.

Saturday's track meet here.

Lady Lope

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Finishing in sixth place were, in triple jump (28'4"), Daniel Simental; 1600 meter run (6:32), Juan Hernandez; and 200 meter dash (28.21), Mitchell

#### 7th, 8th grade boys fare well on O'Donnell track

Post Middle School's seventh and eighth grade boys track teams came home with a lot of wins March 5 after competing in the O'Donnell track meet. The seventh grade team finished in second place with 172 total points, while the eighth grade landed a first-place finish with 231 points.

Taking first place wins for the seventh grade were Ricky Reyna, 2400 meter run, 9:59.4; Daniel Simental, 300 meter hurdles, 50.2; Ricky Reyna, 1600 meter run, 6:13.1; and Daniel Simental, high jump, 4'8".

Earning second place finishes in the seventh grade were Juan Hernandez, 2400 meter run, 10:12.0; Francisco Duran, triple jump; Langly Couch, Daniel Simental, Mitchell Mills and Josh Cross, 400 meter relay, 52.4; Langly Couch, 400 meter dash, 1:06.3; Mitchell Mills, 200 meter dash, 27.97; Juan Hernandez, 1600 meter run, 6:18.5; Mitchell Mills, Josh Cross, Zane Marts and Daniel Simental, 1600

Third place winners were Mitchell Mills, long jump, 14'8"; Jerry Curtis, 110 meter hurdles, 23.1; and Zane Marts, 200 meter dash, 28.2.

Fourth place winners were Mitchell Mills, pole vault, 7'; Langly Couch, shotput, 28'7"; Francisco Duran, 110 meter hurdles, 23.6; Josh Cross, 100 meter dash, 14.17; and David Rivera, 800 meter run, 2:52.5.

Seventh graders earning a fifth place finish included Jerry Curtis, high jump, 4'6"; Zane Marts, long jump, 14'; Mark McCallister, shotput, 28'5"; Kris Hernandez, discus; and Kris Hernandez, 400 meter dash, 1:08.

Taking a sixth place finish were Mark Norman, 110 meter hurdles, 27.9; Mark McCallister, 100 meter dash, 14.23; and Zane Marts, 200 meter dash, 28.2. Also competing for the seventh grade were Joseph Espinosa, Kyle Gunn,

Anthony Merrill, Jose Ladino's and Tony Ortiz. Eighth grade athletes bringing home first place medals included Lance Curtis, high jump, 5'4"; Daryl Dissinger, triple jump, 34'4"; Brandon Bell, long jump, 19'; Noah Gutierrez, shotput, 42'6.5"; Ismael Estrada, pole vault, 8'6"; Lance Curtis, Ismael Estrada, Brandon Bell and Noah Gutierrez, 400 meter relay, 47.61; Luis Zubia, 110 meter hurdles, 18.88; Noah Gutierrez, 100 meter dash, 12.5; Cody Fox, 400 meter dash, 60.02; Ismael Estrada, 300 meter hurdles, 47.5; Lance Curtis, 200 meter dash, 25.4; and Ismael Estrada, Lance Curtis, Brody Robertson and Daryl Dissinger, 1600 meter relay, 4:06.39.

Second place winners for Post's eighth grade included Luis Zubia, pole vault, 8'; Cody Fox, triple jump, 32'; Seth Redman, shotput, 40'11"; Brandon Bell, 100 meter dash, 12.69; and Brody Robertson, 200 meter dash, 26.2.

Third place winners were Manuel Saucedo, 2400 meter run, 9:02.9; Lance Curtis, long jump, 17'5"; Luis Zubia, 300 meter hurdles, 51.3; Noah Gutierrez, 200 meter hurdles, 26.5; and Daryl Dissinger, 800 meter run, 2:31.45.

Taking fourth place were Seth Redman, 100 meter dash, 13.3; Kenny Ratke, 300 meter hurdles, 49.7; Cody Fox, 800 meter run, 2:31.78; and Manuel Saucedo, 1600 meter run, 5:51.47.

Fifth place finishes were logged by Brandon Bell, high jump, 5'; Ismael Estrada, triple jump, 30'4"; and Adam Nobles, 110 meter hurdles, 20.66. Also competing for the eighth grade were Tye Mason, Bryan Looney and Pablo

"We played poorly," said Coach Fred Postell. "Of (Tahoka's) 10 runs, two

were earned — the last two. In the sixth inning we gave up six runs on two hits, four errors and two walks. We also allowed two or three fly balls to just

Postell said his team was also "very ineffective" on offense, managing only four hits in the game.

#### Middle School girls take first place

The seventh and eighth grade girls pulled a pair of first place team wins at the New Deal Track Meet held recently.

At the seventh grade competition, J. Reiter, T. Curtis, E. Moore and S. Greathouse teamed up for a first place finish in the 400 meter relay with a

In the 800 meter run, P. Voyles took second (2:59.1), S. Reiter took third (3:02) and J. Tyler took fifth (3:09.72).

Another first place finish came in the 800 meter relay, with J. Reiter, E. Moore, E. Serrano and S. Reiter posting a time of 2:08.62 to top the contest. Taylor Starkey, with a time of 74.61, took fifth in the 300 meter hurdles. In the 200 meter dash, S. Greathouse (29.74) and E. Moore (31.12) took second and sixth places respectively.

In the 1600 meter run, J. Reiter (7.00) and J. Tyler (7:14.66) took second and fifth places respectively.

T. Curtis (75.63) placed sixth in the 400 meter dash.

In the 1600 meter relay, T. Curtis, E. Serrano, P. Voyles and S. Greathouse turned in a time of 4:59.69 to take first place.

Greathouse took third in high jump (4'2") while capturing first in the triple jump (27').

C. Crawford (59') finished sixth in discus.

For the eighth grade team, N. Gray, P. Lott, J. Mason and K. Rivera, finished fifth in the 400 meter relay with a time of 59.31. In the 100 meter hurdles, first place went to Post's R. Collazo (19.04) and

third went to Amanda Workman (19.64). Kyzandre Harper placed second in the 800 meter dash (2:52), followed by

D. Jarrett (2:53) in third place.

second with a time of 2:04.11.

In the 800 meter relay, J. Mason, K. Harper, P. Lott and K. Rivera took

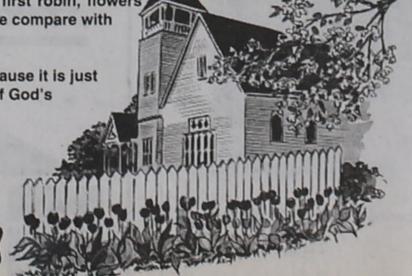
Happy Easter to all our customers and friends

For those living in areas of the country where the changing of the the season that falls between winter and summer brings many wonders including the budding of the trees, seeing your first robin, flowers, starting to bloom, and for some, nothing can quite compare with seeing the first flock of geese flying north. We don't usually mind the springtime chores because it is just

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In the 300 meter hurdles, R. Collazo grabbed first with a 55.10, followed by Workman with a fifth place finish for her 71.38.

In the 200 meter dash, P. Lott (31.41) placed fifth.

D. Jarrett placed first in the 1600 meter run with a time of 6:34.95. In the 1600 meter relay, K. Harper, A. Workman, K. Rivera and R. Collazo took first with a time of

Harper placed third in the high jump with a jump of 4'4". Collazo's 13' 3/4" effort in the long

jump got her into second place. In discus, N. Gray had a throw of 72'6" for first, followed by R. Collazo's 63' fifth place throw.

K. Rivera took sixth in the triple jump with a 27' effort.

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### Scholarships available to West Texas graduates

The Permian Basin Area Foundation has announced that applications for the Marie Hall Scholarships are available for distribution.

Students who graduated from a high school in Andrews, Borden, Crane, Dawson, Ector, Gaines, Garza, Glasscock, Howard, Kent, Loving, Lynn, Martin, Midland, Mitchell, Scurry, Sterling, Ward and Winkler counties, or those who maintained a permanent residence in one of those counties in the past five years, are eligible to apply.

Scholarship awards ranging from \$250-\$1500 per semester are available to students of any academic pursuit. Recipients must attend one of the following colleges or universities: Angelo State University, San Angelo; Howard College, Big Spring; Midland College, Midland; Odessa College, Odessa; Sul Ross University, Alpine; Texas Tech University, Lubbock; Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Midland, Odessa or Lubbock; or the University of Texas of the Permian Basin, Odessa.

Applicants may request an application by contacting the financial aid office of one of the above educational institutions. Completed applications are to be returned to the financial aid offices by May 12.

For further information regarding the scholarship program, call 915-682-

# Law enforcement classes at SPC

Law enforcement classes in Intermediate Child Abuse Investigation and Arrest, Search and Seizure begin this month at South Plains College.

The three-day class in Intermediate Child Abuse Investigation will meet from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 6-8 in the SPC Petroleum Technology-Law Enforcement Building, Room 107. Registration deadline is April 5. Cost is \$24. This will be an intermediate core curriculum course #2105 which provides an overview of the nature, cause and effects of child abuse, authority and responsibility of the law enforcement officer, categories of child abuse and neglect, components and characteristics of child abuse, and investigative strategies and special investigative issues.

Students will receive 24 hours of credit from the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education (TCLEOSE).

A two-day course in Arrest, Search and Seizure is scheduled for 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 12 and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 13 in the same building, Room 115. Cost is \$15 per person. Advance registration is required.

The course is required for intermediate law enforcement certification and meets TCLEOSE standards for credit. The course covers exceptions to search warrant requirements, warrantless searches of vehicles, habitations and persons, developmental ideas on the concept of probable cause to search, seize and arrest, when to arrest and when a search can be conducted in relationship to the arrest.

Payment in full or a purchase order number is required on the first day of

For more information, contact the SPC Law Enforcement Office at 806-894-9611, ext. 2291.

#### Election system too corrupt

Editor's Note: The following letter was sent in response to a campaign fund raising message from U.S. presidential hopeful Steve Forbes.

I have satisfied myself with more than enough evidence that election fraud determines the outcomes of both of the major parties' primaries as well as national, state, and local elections. It is not useful to pretend that what my own senses have revealed to me is not information on which to act.

Rather, it is foolish to pretend that elections in the United States are any sort of meaningful way of measuring the "will of the people." Beyond the very disgusting problems with election fraud, it is also clear that the American political system has become corrupt beyond repair.

It would be difficult to look at either the recent impeachment hearings or at the recent application of civil forfeiture to unconvicted allegedly drunken drivers or at any current newspaper without being appalled at the level of

corruption and evil which is rampant in the current regime. America must be reformed, but electing decent people like Mr. Forbes will not be sufficient. Instead, I firmly believe that the time has come for Americans to exercise their God-given right to alter, reform, or abolish their form of government, a right which Thomas Jefferson identified in his

Declaration of Independence. We must institute new government, laying its foundations on those principles of liberty which to us seem most likely to effect our future happiness. While I greatly admire Mr. Forbes for his stand for a flat tax, I cannot compromise my principles by taking up this half measure. I am not

for a flat tax. I am for no tax. Taxation is theft. Like rape, it cannot be consensual. Property rights are the most important aspect of any political system; any system which taxes does not recognize property rights as absolute. There can be no compromise on the matter of property rights, just as their can be no compromise on the

sanctity of contract. Everything the current regime in power does is designed to impair the sanctity of contract and disrupt the individual ownership of property. Accordingly, the current regime is corrupt and evil; it must be taken out, root and branch. I wish Mr. Forbes well. There are few men I would rather see become President. Dr. Ron Paul is one of them. A Forbes-Paul ticket would

be truly inspiring. However, much like the Confederacy, it would be a cause doomed from the start. I am not yet to the point where I'm willing to fight for a lost cause. So, although I deeply appreciate Mr. Reiff's offer and while I strongly support many of the things for which Mr. Forbes stands, and while I wish you well, I must remain only that, a well wisher. As Matt Groenig once wrote, "I am a well wisher, in that I don't wish you any particular harm."

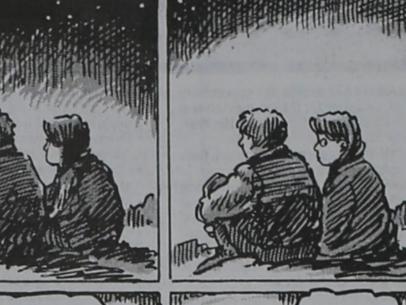
Rather than joining you in campaigning for Mr. Forbes, the sort of work I used to enjoy, trudging through the snows of New Hampshire, leafletting and pushing doorbells, calling on contributors, taking telephone polls, and stuffing envelopes, I will be using my skills in these areas to effect a very

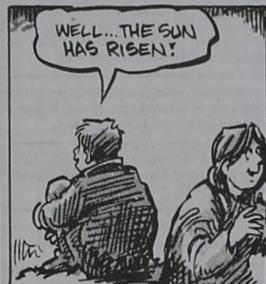
different sort of change. My political activities are devoted to the cause of Texas Constitution 2000. Ratifying a new constitution for Texas will effect the kind of and the degree of political change which I think is necessary if we are to recover those things which made America great, once long ago.

It will, as the Chinese curse goes, be interesting times Jim Davidson Chairman, Texas Constitution 2000 www.tcrf.com/











#### **SPC** offers nurse aide course

A Certified Nurse Aide course has been rescheduled to begin April 7 at South Plains College.

The course covers skills necessary to work in long-term care, home health or hospital environments.

Classroom instruction will be given 5:30-9:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays in the SPC Technical Arts Building, Room 112. Clinical instruction will be given 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on three Saturdays, to be arranged.

Tuition is \$250, and state exam fee is \$64.75. Instructors are Karen Cox Daniel, LVN, and Philip Bray, LVN.

On successful completion of the course, students will take the State of Texas Certified Nurse Aide Competency Exam.

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¼ teaspoon ground pepper 1 cup half-and-half

1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese Green pepper rings for garnish, optional

Crust

Preheat oven to 375°F. Combine oats, flour, salt, cream cheese and oil until blended. Press mixture evenly onto sides and bottom of a 9-inch glass pie plate. Filling

Cook sausage and onions in skillet until browned, drain. Add tomatoes, Italian seasoning, salt and pepper. Combine half-and-half, eggs and cheese in small bowl; pour over meat mixture. Stir to combine; pour into prepared crust. If desired, garnish with rings of green pepper. Bake 40 to 45 minutes or

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¼ cup mashed banana

36 cup vegetable oil

Preheat oven to 350°F. Lightly grease two 8x4x3-inch pans or one 9x5x3-inch pan. Combine flour, oats, sugar, cinnamon, baking soda, salt and walnuts, if desired, in bowl. In separate bowl, combine strawberries, banana, oil and eggs; add to flour mixture and stir just until moistened. Spoon batter into prepared pan(s). Bake until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean, 50 to 55 minutes for smaller loaves, 60 to 65 minutes for large loaf. Cool 15 minutes in pan; remove to wire rack to cool completely. Serve with strawberry butter, if desired.

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1 cup sliced bananas 1 cup sliced peaches

1 cup sliced kiwifruit

1 cup sliced fresh strawberries

½ cup fresh blueberries ¼ cup sliced or slivered almonds

½ cup plain non-fat yogurt

¼ cup powdered sugar

2 teaspoons orange juice ¼ teaspoon almond extract

Combine pineapple, oranges, bananas, peaches, kiwifruit, strawberries, blueberries and almonds in large bowl. Combine ½ cup reserved pineapple juice, yogurt, powdered sugar, orange juice and almond extract in small bowl; stir until well mixed and powdered sugar is dissolved. Pour over fruit and stir gently. Chill 1 to 2 hours, stirring twice. Makes about 8 cups.



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Once again a heartfelt thanks to every-

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Personals

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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. Door opens at 7 p.m. and the meeting starts at 7:30 p.m, cake and coffee following the meeting. Anyone who wishes to talk or ask about an alcohol problem, call 495-4152, 495-4185 or 629-

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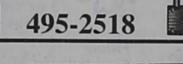
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## Mind Your Business

by Don Taylor

#### Spring: A great time for business renewal

No Winter lasts forever, no Spring skips its turn. April is a promise that May is bound to keep, and we know it. - Hal Borland

There is something very comforting to me in the cycle of the seasons. From my early years on the farm, I know that the coming of Spring always means new life. Spring is a renewal season.

As I write this column, the Apricot trees are in full and colorful bloom. The white buds with the pinkish centers contrast vividly with the dark, reddishgray bark. The greater contrast however, is the snow, which is falling on those early blooms.

As often happens in early Spring, two seasons collide. Just when the cold and dreary Winter seems unbearably long, hints of Spring begin to stir our minds toward renewal.

It often happens in business, too. We try to hang on a little longer to the old, and yet we know the challenge of change is upon us. In business, we tend to grow comfortable in the seasons or cycles of business. But we need the awakening, hope and renewal Spring brings.

Renew Your Relationships

This Spring would be a perfect time to renew your personal touch with customers. As long as customers are people - and they always will be personal service will be in style.

The personal touch will make your business standout from the competition like the first yellow daffodil of Spring. Make them forget all the cold, dreary service of the past. Call them by name, treat them with respect and make each customer feel important.

At times all customers feel like cold frozen icicles of Winter. They are treated like just another number in the lottery of life. Thaw out your customer relationships. Arm yourself with a fresh, Springtime smile, a courteous, friendly greeting and a new growth of product knowledge.

Are you rewarding employees for providing good customer service? Are your open-for-business hours convenient for your customers? Do you need to do some Spring-cleaning? Do your floors look more like Winter than Spring? Is it time to renew some paint, signs, or landscaping? Can you hear the warm sunshine of Spring when you answer the phone?

Spring is also a good time to renew your relationship with your bank. Drop in on your bank contact person and share your latest financial statements. Discuss your plans for growth or expansion. Seek your banker's advice. Invite all bank employees to become customers at your business, if they aren't already doing business with you.

One of my banker friends always makes certain that he takes his clients to lunch at restaurants that bank with his bank. If your bank doesn't make an effort to do business with you, I'd wonder about the strength of your longterm relationship. Business relationships are no different than personal relationships. It takes the commitment of both parties to make it work.

This Spring would also be an excellent time to renew your relationships with your vendors and suppliers. Make some calls or write some notes and let your external partners know that you appreciate doing business with them. You never know when you will be in a position to benefit from a strengthened relationship.

One of my business acquaintances writes his top suppliers each year to thank them for helping him build his business. Then he reminds them of the total volume of business he brought to them last year. He says these not-sosubtle reminders often bring a call from the vendor thanking him for reminding them of the importance of his business.

Take time this month for some Spring renewal. You'll be glad you did. Don Taylor is the co-author of Up Assainst the Wal-Marts. You can write to him in care of Minding Your Own Business, PO Box 67, Amarillo, TX 79105.

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The Dickens Electric Cooperative "While bigger is certainly not nec-(DEC) membership voted to combine essarily better, combining the reresources with South Plains Electric sources of these two progressive and Cooperative (SPEC) with more than financially stable cooperatives is a 90 percent of the vote being cast in sound economic move for both entifavor of the plan.

Only DEC members were required President Tommy Joines. to vote since this was an acquisition by SPEC.

sources and operations.

requires no cash payment by South membership, multiple power suppliclosely resembles a merger.

"The competitive, financial, legislative and regulatory changes com- sources and more efficient utilization ing to the electric utility industry of employees. have the potential to severely impact General Manager Jim Roberts in a for all cooperative members. report to the membership.

fit perfectly into that plan."

Apparently DEC officials had a bined operations is \$121,929,025. similar plan. They were also searching for ways to mitigate future risks FM 836 in Spur, will serve as headby increasing efficiencies in opera- quarters for the Dickens Division, tions and expanding the revenue joining two SPEC districts in Lubbase. Learning this, both cooperatives' boards spent several months 27 and Southern District at Upland conducting intensive studies. The Avenue and 82nd Street. A fourth report findings supported consolidat- location, the Crosby County Service ing resources was good for the mem- Center, is located in Lorenzo. bers of both cooperatives.

ties and the members," said SPEC

Officials believe the most prominent advantages will include:

The vote was taken March 16 in An ideal mix of electric load with Spur and SPEC had immediate re- residential, agricultural, irrigation, sponsibility for the former DEC re- oil production, commercial and industrial customers.

The acquisition of Dickens Electric • Cooperative size, diversity of Plains and, according to officials, ers, common financing and organization similarities.

. Cost saving from combining re-

· Lower, stable rates and better all electric cooperatives," said SPEC service with excellent member access

SPEC now serves 34,569 connected "Your board of directors and staff meters in Crosby, Dickens, Garza, have been anticipating these changes Hale, Hockley, Kent, King, Lubbock, for several years and strategically Motley and Stonewall counties. The positioning the cooperative for them. combined service territory is 4,150 Combining resources with Dickens square miles with 7,658 miles of energized line. The value of the com-

> The existing DEC office, located at bock: Northern District at 110 N. I-

# **Crop Disaster** deadline extended

The deadline for those seeking assistance under the Crop Loss Disaster Assistance Program has been extended through April 9. More than eligible applicant at the higher end \$2 billion has been authorized by of the two levels. Payments to farm-Congress to reimburse farmers hit by natural disasters and who suffered losses greater than 35 percent of their historical yield.

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#### U.I.L. readers provide program for Amity **Study Club**

by Louella Bilberry

The Amity Study Club met March 23 in the home of Edna Owens. Her co-hostess was Naomi Matsler.

The program consisted of high school UIL contestants in oral reading, a regular program for the group each year. The program allows the students to practice before an audience prior to the contest, and the club enjoys hearing their presentations.

Mrs. Shanda Kelso introduced the students. Scotty Gaydos read "The Magic Vanishing Box." Clell Knight read "Fishing." "The Coffin" was read by Daniel Fluitt. Matt Cooper read "Dixie," a patriotic poem by Albert Pike. "Lady Claire" by Tenneyson was read by Amy Pedersen. Heather Ballard read "Growing Up."

Mrs. Kelso and students had to rush back to school for one-act play practice.

The club would like to extend its appreciation to the group for its presentation and "hope you all get blue

Members in attendance were Sandra Alexander, Margaret Bell, Jane Davis, Joy Dickson, Suzanne Hudman, Joy Pool, Barbara Reece, Anne Sims and Marian Wheatley.

#### Tax 'n Facts

by Terri Cash

Saving Opportunities in Small Businesses

The owners of a small business can achieve some real tax savings if they plan carefully. It's wise to work with a tax professional.

For instance, an individual can deduct medical costs only so far as they exceed 7.5 percent of adjusted gross income. But S corporation owners, partners and other self-employed individuals can write off 45 percent of medical insurance premiums "above the line" on the first page of their personal income tax returns. A C corporation can set up a corporate medical reimbursement plan that covers all medical costs for owner, spouse and dependents. (But all other eligible employees must be covered, too.)

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### Marijuana charges lead arrests here

Sixteen individuals were booked into the Garza County Jail during the past week, according to official records.

Five men and a woman were jailed March 26. They included a 19-year-old male picked up for possession of marijuana/Class B (released the next day on a \$1,500 bond); an 18-year-old male, commitment (released the same day after paying fine, court costs and time served); a 20-year-old female, bad check/Class C (released the same day on a PR bond); a 39-year-old male, commitment (released March 28); a 21-year-old male, commitment (released March 28); and a 37-year-old male, possession of marijuana, under two ounces (released March 27 on a \$1,500 bond).

Those arrested March 27 included a 42-year-old female, warrant (released the same day on a PR bond); a 37-year-old female, warrant (released the same day on a PR bond); a 19-year-old female, warrant (released the same day on a PR bond); and a 21-year-old female, warrant (released the next day

Two men, ages 19 and 37, were jailed March 28 for possession of marijuana, under two ounces (the 19-year-old remained in custody late Tuesday; the 37-year-old was released March 29 on a \$500 bond).

A 36-year-old male was picked up on a warrant March 29 (released the same day on a PR bond).

Three individuals, all men, were jailed March 30 and held for the Border

Approximately 50 calls for service were handled by dispatchers last week. Those calls included, on March 24, a report of theft (wheels and tires Crop loss payments will be made reportedly taken; no address given); an automobile accident one-half mile after all applications have been pro- north on CR 2282 (one-vehicle rollover; no injuries reported); a gasoline cessed. Farmers can contact their drive-off at a South Broadway location; a man chasing a woman in the 400 local USDA Service Center or Farm block of North Avenue N (no further details recorded); and a case of criminal Service Agency office at 208 West mischief in the 500 block of West 13th (juveniles tearing up some plants).

Calls recorded on March 25 included a report of a gasoline drive-off at a South Broadway location; criminal mischief in the 300 block of Avenue C (a directional sign down); and a threat (no address, details recorded).

On March 26, authorities were called out to work a gasoline drive-off at a South Broadway location and a domestic dispute at Southland. Calls received on March 27 included a report of firecrackers being thrown from a vehicle on East Main and a gasoline drive-off at a South Broadway

location. Another gasoline drive-off at an undisclosed location and a break-in (no address given) were reported on March 28.

A request for an ambulance in the 700 block of North Avenue B was received March 29 (transport made to Lubbock's Methodist Hospital).

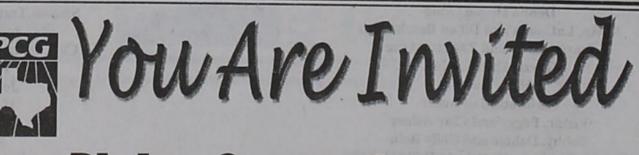


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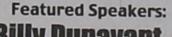
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The Post Opry format will be like the other West Texas oprys with food served, no admission charge, drawings for prizes, and lots of opportunity for performers to showcase their talents. The Post Opry does have a beautiful little dance floor below the stage for folks to come out and scoot the boot a little.

The Opry will support Classic Country, Gospel, and Bluegrass in order to cater to West Texas Opry audiences who are not normally drawn to contemporary Christian and contemporary Country.

Ms Hudelson asks that vocal and instrumental audition tapes be restricted to country music prior to the big shift in country music.

She says, "Opry audiences want to hear their favorite songs of yesteryear, and that usually doesn't include what you hear on the charts today. Give the audience a Patsy Cline, Tammy Wynette, Ferlin Husky or Ray Price and you can't go wrong."

She adds, "We are thrilled to offer this showcase for our performers, but we are equally delighted to bring back the classic sounds of traditional country because we know that's what the folks want to hear."

All performers are encouraged to have CD's and tapes available for the audience to purchase then West Texas audiences can then take their favorite performer home with them, on an autographed copy, as performers will be eager to personalize each recording for the guests.

Rusty Hudelson and John Hartin of Rusty Hudelson's Knights of the West will be the core of the house band each Opry and between them, there might not be a song that they don't know.

The two musicians will be featured during the Opry for a Stump the Band segment as they take requests. These two fine musicians will also be hosting a Scratch N Dent guitar and keyboard sale during each Saturday of the Opry from 10-4PM, where they are selling instruments at 30-70% off.

Hot dogs and BarBQ will also be served throughout the day.

Ms Hudelson invites all area residents to come out to the Post Opry for fun, food, fellowship, and fabulous entertainment.

While there is no admission charge, she says that a traditional country hat will be passed to allow people to express their appreciation for the event, and there will be lots of wonderful treats to feast upon at the Tower Concession Stand, and lots of wonderful music to purchase from your favorite entertainers.

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#### Helping youth help themselves by Rodney Tidwell

495-1244

Teens are naturally rebellious, and try to push the limits set by parents, teachers, law enforcement and other people that are in authority. Sometimes this is a good rebellion, the kind that lets you figure out who you are and what you stand for, but on the other hand, this could be very destructive to you and your lifestyle.

When someone says to you that smoking dope is bad for you, this is not an open invitation to go out and find some dope and smoke it. If you do this it just shows how intelligent you are and how you are not a person that can make basic decisions in life and you need to be locked up till you can make the proper decisions.

I'm not just talking about dope, but anything that will hurt you, even if you do not think it will. Step back and look at those in our town who are the most rebellious we know. What do they have? (nothing). What do they own? (nothing). Where are they going?(no where).

Are they happy with the life choices they have made? (NO) Do you want to be like one of these losers?

And Post, Texas has many of these that sit around and prey on those of you who can not or will not make the stand and become a person that will fight for the right things in life.

The good rebellion is that kind that will separate you from those who do not have a backbone and are trying to drag you into there lifestyle. Try looking at it like this, someone that is using drugs or something else that is destroying their life does not want to destroy his life only, he wants to destroy someone else with him, that way he doesn't have to feel he is doing wrong.

If you give in, this makes you just as guilty as the first person. Good rebellion makes you a very strong person, when you do not go along with someone that is doing something that will hurt themselves or others this is when you build a strong character.

In today's society this is a virtue that is not very well known. Look at the President of the United States. Strong moral character is missing in a very big way. There are many adults and teens in our town that have a strong moral character and this letter is not for them, but it is for you who think that everything is ok, if it feels good it must be right.

You who will not make a positive choice because you are afraid of what your friends will say, this letter if for you. You never know, some of your friends may be looking to you for help and want you to say no for a change and give them a way to say no also.

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