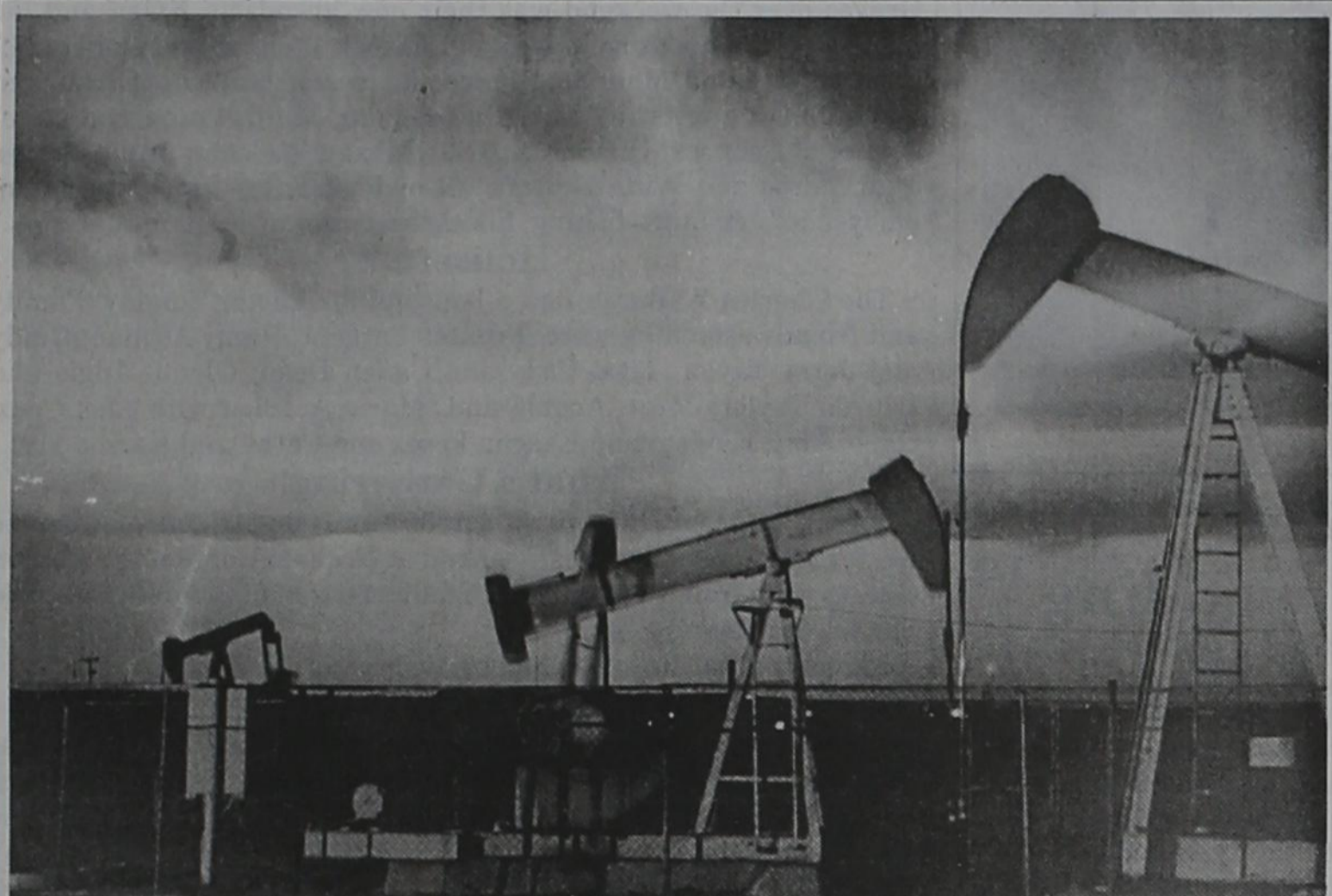


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Last Friday night Garza County skies were lit brightly with lightning as a fast-moving thunderstorm rolled across the plains. The much-needed moisture was a delight to area farmers and ranchers. (Photo by Timothy W. Burnett)

7 candidates file for GHD

Garza County Hospital District voters will choose from a field of seven candidates in the May election.

Seven individuals, including three incumbents, have filed to run in the at-large race to fill three of the district's board positions, according to district officials.

Candidates include Carol Tobias, Bertha Fuentes, Charles Propst, Danny Guthrie and incumbents Jack Alexander, David Nichols and Zoe Kirkpatrick.

A special meeting of the board was held Tuesday morning to determine ballot positions by drawing.

The ballot will be as follows: (1) Danny Guthrie, (2) David Nichols, (3) Carol Tobias, (4) Charles Propst, (5) Jack Alexander, (6) Bertha Fuentes and (6) Zoe Kirkpatrick.

Filing deadline for the election was Monday.

Early voting in the election will begin Friday, April 9, and run through April 27.

Council picks Brunson for city manager spot

by Sheri Lewis

The city administrator from Plains was tapped to serve as Post's new city manager when council members met Tuesday evening.

David Lynn Brunson, 48, received the unanimous approval of the council as the person for the job, Mayor Jim Jackson said, but the position will not be officially filled until April 15 when Brunson is scheduled to meet with city officials to further discuss the position.

"He'll advise the city of his decision then," the mayor said late Tuesday.

Brunson is one of five applicants interviewed by the council during a special called session last week.

Brunson has 12 years of experience in city management, having served as city administrator in Plains since 1991. Prior to that time, he performed administrative duties in Quitaque.

"He believes in working within the community," Jackson said.

A 1969 graduate of Quitaque High School, Brunson attended Frank Phillips Junior College, Clarington Junior College and West Texas State University, majoring in math and education. He holds numerous certifications.

Jackson said that if Brunson agrees to accept the position, he should be on board in 30-60 days.

"Within the next 60 days we should have a new city manager," the mayor said.

The city has been without a city manager for several weeks following the departure of Rick Hanna, who is now employed with the City of Muleshoe.

In other business, the council received a report on a recent TNRCC (Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission) inspection of the municipal sewer plant. According to the TNRCC report, the last inspection found the city exceeded its permitted allotment three times last year; that is, the municipality's treatment plant exceeded 75 percent of its permitted treatment capacity of 1/2 million gallons per day.

Because the city was found to have exceeded the 75 percent figure and due to plans to open the new prison facility soon, TNRCC officials will require the municipality to begin looking at ways to upgrade its sewage treatment facility.

City officials are unsure what solutions may be required to satisfy the state regulations. The solution could be as simple as adding another lagoon to the existing facility and restructuring the permit, or in a "worst-case scenario" the city might be forced to build another plant.

City officials must file a response to the TNRCC's findings by May 3.

The council also:

- Voted to increase rates at the water rack from 50 cents to \$1 effective April 10.
- Reviewed Mel Clements' request for a variance at 601 S. Broadway.
- Approved a lease agreement with White River Water District.
- Received a variety of routine reports.

Post ISD cuts four staff with "tough times" budget

Facing a \$1.4 million shortfall in the coming school year, trustees for the Post Independent School District voted Tuesday to cut the professional staff by four when the 1999-2000 school year rolls around.

During a special called meeting, trustees decided to trim two elementary school teacher positions, one junior high coaching position and a high school coach's spot from the list of professional staffers for the upcoming school year, Superintendent Dr. Bobby Bain said.

"We're doing a reduction in force," he said, "taking a look at areas that can be cut."

As part of this budget-cutting effort, district officials recently asked Post ISD principals to review their staffs and see what, if any, positions might be eliminated without seriously interrupting the educational process, Bain said. Due to a stagnant enrollment at the elementary school level, it was decided two elementary teaching positions could be dropped without violating the state's student/teacher ratio requirements. Also, it was determined that a single coaching position at each of the other campuses could also be eliminated.

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Post Art Guild Spring Art Show showcases talent

The Post Art Guild's Spring Art Show is under way this week in the Algerita Art Center.

Entries began coming in Tuesday and were to be accepted through noon Wednesday. Judging is scheduled for 1-4 p.m. Thursday. Awards will include Best of Show (art) and Best of Show (photography), as well as a People's Choice selection.

Rosettes will be awarded, as well as first, second and third place and honorable mention ribbons, in all categories.

Ken Bloom, director of Land Mark Arts: the Galleries of Texas Tech University, will serve as juror. Bloom holds a BA in Japanese studies from Bricknell University and an MA in studio arts and photography from New York University. He served as the Tokyo correspondent for American Photography magazine and has taught art at several schools, including the Baum School of Art and the Allentown College of St. Francis de Sales.

A patron's reception is set for Thursday beginning at 6:30 p.m. The wine-and-cheese party will honor the purchase award patrons who will be making their selections, as well as the juror and his wife, Pamela.

The event will be open to the public Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Sunday from 1-3 p.m. Awards presentations will be made Sunday at 3 p.m.

Raffle tickets will be available at a cost of \$1 each or six for \$5. The drawing will be for a \$300 art purchase of the winner's choice.

The Spring Art Show is funded in part by the Texas Commission on the Arts.

Post Notes

Retirement reception for Morton Smith

A reception honoring Morton J. Smith III for 20 years of service to the Hackberry Coop Gin will be held April 12 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Citizens Bank community room in Slaton.

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.

Homestead & Ag exemption

The Garza Central Tax Appraisal District is reminding property owners that if they have not signed up for their Homestead or Ag Exemption they may do so at the district office, 124 E. Main. The sign-up deadline is April 30, 1999. Those over 65 years old this year may file for the over-65 exemption up to one year after the owner turns 65.

Rendition statements for personal business property is required to be filed before April 14. Forms have been delivered, if lost, they are available at the district office.

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 sign-up. Completion of the course may qualify the student for insurance discounts.

Holy Cross Church offers fish plates

Members of the Holy Cross Catholic Church are offering fish dinner on Fridays beginning at 5 p.m. Plates are \$5 each.

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.

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.

Local candidate announcements

The Post Dispatch is offering space to local candidates in the upcoming May elections for announcements. Candidates are encouraged to provide announcement stories and photos, which will be published in The Post Dispatch as a public service. One story and photo for each candidate will be published. Candidates must bring information to The Post Dispatch office, 123 E. Main.

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Baldree, Self married Mar. 19

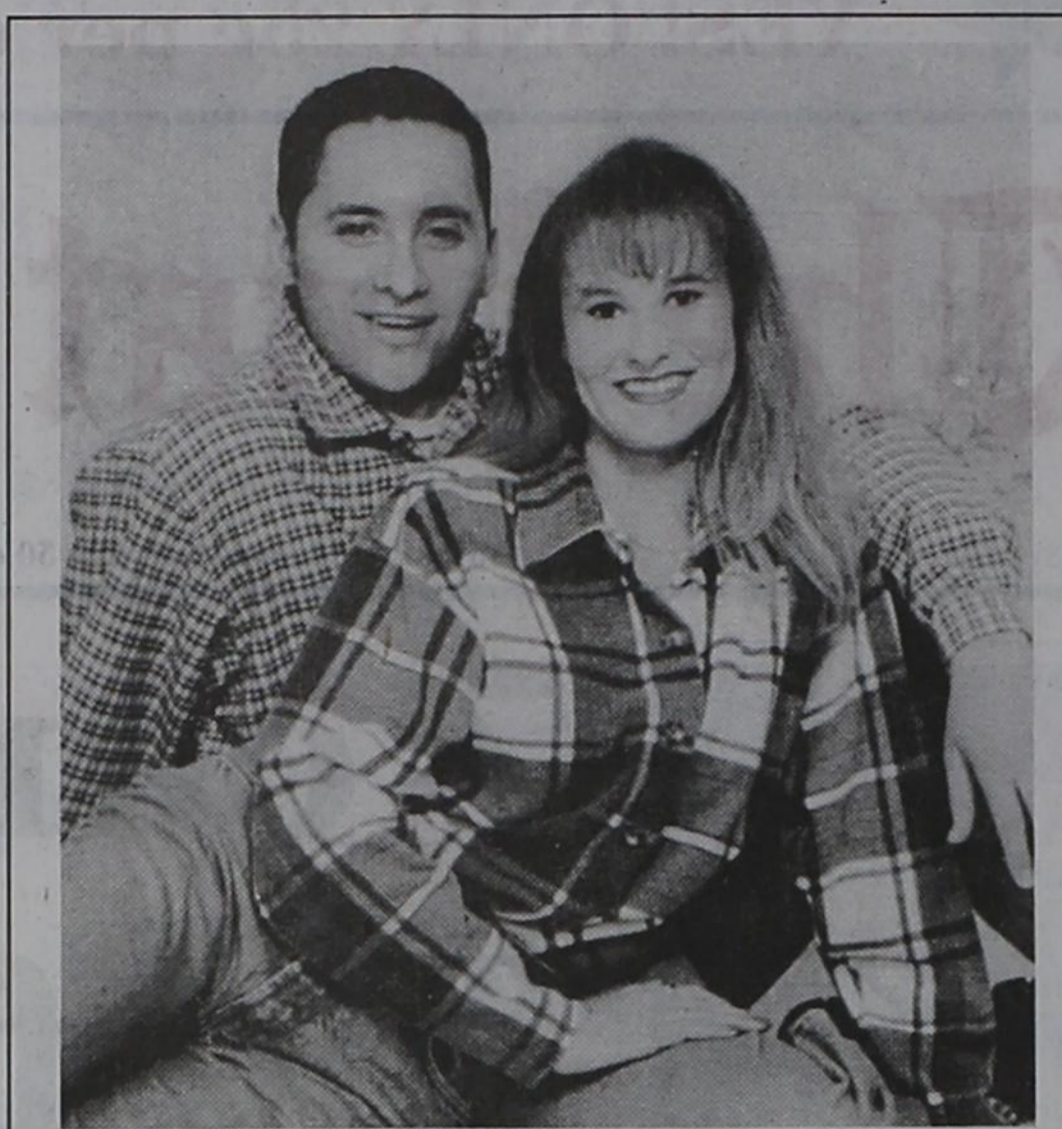
Tammy Baldree and Michael Self were united in marriage March 19, 1999, in a wedding ceremony that took place at the Graham Community Center with Joe Gregory officiating.

Bobby Dean gave the bride away. The bride is the daughter of Janet Dean and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Ray and Melvin Mathis of Rotan. The groom is the son of Larry and Patricia Self and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Corky Bullard.

The couple will reside in Post where the bride is employed at Covenant Home Health Care and the groom is self-employed.



Mr and Mrs Michael Self



Robert Baldree and Vanessa Byrd

Vanessa Byrd, Robert Baldree plan May wedding

Ed and Belinda Byrd of Crosbyton have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Vanessa Renee Byrd, to Robert James Baldree, son of Jake and Mary Baldree of Post.

A May 22, 1999, wedding in Las Vegas, Nevada, is planned. The bride-elect, granddaughter of Elton and Mary Lee and Lucile Byrd of Post, is a graduate of Crosbyton High School. She is attending Texas Tech University where she is majoring in elementary education.

The prospective bridegroom, grandson of Lois Baldree of Post, is a graduate of Post High School. He is employed at Methodist Hospital as a surgical technician and is a student at South Plains College.

Tax 'n Facts

by Terri Cash
Did You Get It All

There's still time to look over your income tax return and make sure you've dotted the i's and crossed the t's and -most important- taken every deduction and credit you're entitled to.

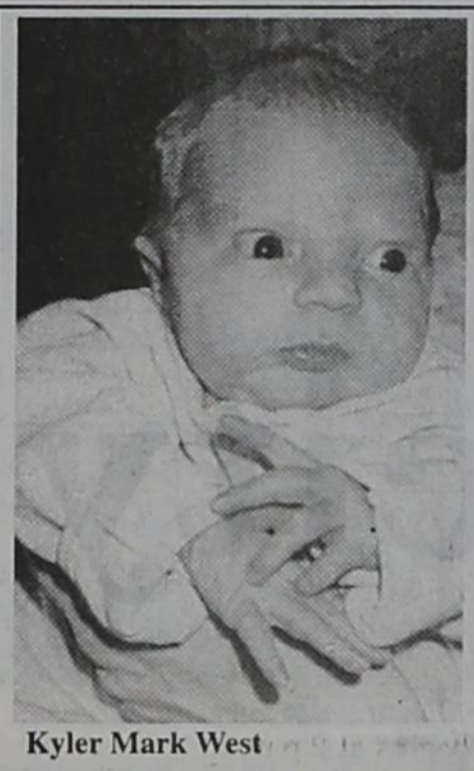
New this year: a child tax credit worth up to \$400 per child under 17; a Hope scholarship credit that can cover \$1,000 of qualified expenses plus half of the next \$1,000 - as much as \$1,500 a year - good only for the first two years of the student's higher education; and a lifetime learning credit to cover 20 percent of qualified tuition and related expenses, worth up to \$1,000. It may be worthwhile to forego taking your child as an exemption and letting the student claim a credit - no matter who actually pays the tuition. Another plus: a deduction of \$1,000 of interest on a college loan.

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Birth

Kyler Mark West

Mark and Angela West are proud to announce the birth of their son, Kyler Mark, born March 23, 1999, at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

Kyler weighed seven pounds, four ounces and was 20 and 1/2 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Ronnie and Diane Graves. Maternal great-grandparents are W.C. and Annie Graves and Quanah and Sue Maxey, all of Post.

Paternal grandparents are C.D. and Nancy West of Lubbock. Paternal great-grandfather is Robert Bianchi of Mansfield, Ohio.

Judy's Jabberin'

By Judy B. Bush

Hope everyone had a wonderful Easter! There are probably some Garza County eggs in other counties after that wind, but kids don't pay any attention to that.

At least the weather was warm and I know there was a good turn out for Old Mill Trade Days, so maybe the wind will die down soon.

Easter Weekend Guests

Visiting in the home of Ronnie and Diane Graves over the weekend was their new grandson, Kyler, and his parents, Mark and Angela West of Lubbock. Joining them for church Sunday were Ron, Melinda, Braden and Heston Graves of Crosbyton. Other lunch guests included David, Pam, Mathew and Nathaniel Joyner of Lubbock, Quanah and Sue Maxey, W.C. and Annie Graves and Walter and Willa Didway, all of Post. After lunch the group enjoyed an egg hunt, fishing, hiking and or/ naps!

Houseful!!

The Charles Wallace's had a houseful for Easter Sunday. Family and friends attending were: Frances Sargent; Peggy Altman; Cindy and Jerry Taylor; Lisa, Cody and Caden Dean; Glenn, Angie and Lauren Taylor; Jorge, Angela and Maria Antillon with Alex Cruz; Gabe, Amy, Kaylem and Keegan Perez and Cathy and Karson Hill.

What a Gathering!

Johnny and Opal Ray with about 55 family and friends, celebrated Easter and just visited this weekend at Graham Community Center. Guests were from Payson and Chandler Arizona, Midland, Lubbock, Slaton, Marfa and Post.

I know a great time was had by everyone.

Birthdays This Week

Birthdays for this week: Thursday, April 8; A.J. Saucedo, Pat Pennell, Debbie Jenkins, Miranda Palmer and Shawna Jaquess; Friday 9; Joe Mason: Saturday 10; Destiny Cowley, Rebecca Haney and Dee Dee Jarrett: Anniversary; Jerry and Lometa Epley: Sunday 11; Tabita Diaz, Meagan Mills and Zachery Kocurek. Anniversary: Shane and Rebecca Horton.

Monday April 12; Robert Ray Sanchez; Jerin Tyler and Marvin Self: Tuesday 13; Valerie Mize, Caden Nowlain, Rey-Rey Benavidez, Melissa Torres and Jordan Joel Barboza: Wednesday 14; Debbie Capps, John Senter, Chuck Stanley, Eboni Gonzalez, Denise Thompson and Joy Pool. Anniversary; Damian and Linda Hampton.

Whole Lota Morris's

The Morris clan gathered at Chester and Batches home Sunday for lunch and a big egg hunt. Those attending were: Ronnie and Judy Morris of Clovis; Ron and Gina Morris and boys of Lubbock; Buddy, Lisa and family of Clovis; Charles and Sharon Morris; Tim Morris of Lubbock; Barry and Amy Morris and girls; Chuck and Kristi Morris and son; Travis and Judy Guy of Lubbock; Tod Guy and Jada Guy and children of Lubbock.

Sharon tells me this year it was the grands hiding eggs for the great-grands! Time goes on.

Good Question

Geralde Bradley sent us a so true statement in the mail. What is life? Life is what is happening to us every day while we are wasting precious time planning or worrying about other things.

e-mail Quote

You might be in a Texas country church if..... Prayers regarding the weather are a standard part of every worship service.

Special Friend, Fond Memories

By way of someone else's mail, I heard from some really old friends this week.

Growing up in the "Mill Village" was a special time in my life. We had so many wonderful neighbors and friends and they all remain in my heart and mind as most good memories do.

Hollis and Jewel Branson and their family, Nancy, Willa and Glen were some of those neighbors. I spent many of my growing up days playing there and we always had such a good time.

I miss seeing them and it was so nice to get their surprise message this week.

Hollis, Jewel and all, if you read this, I think of you often. What ever happened to Virgil??

Let us hear from you! May God bless.

Tiny Bubbles

Pat Burnett is out in Mesa, Arizona this week helping Kim and her family settle in their new home.

Wes and son Tim have been batching at the house and lo and behold realized they were out of electric dishwasher soap. Now Wes figures he can just squeeze in a little regular dish soap and Tim goes along.

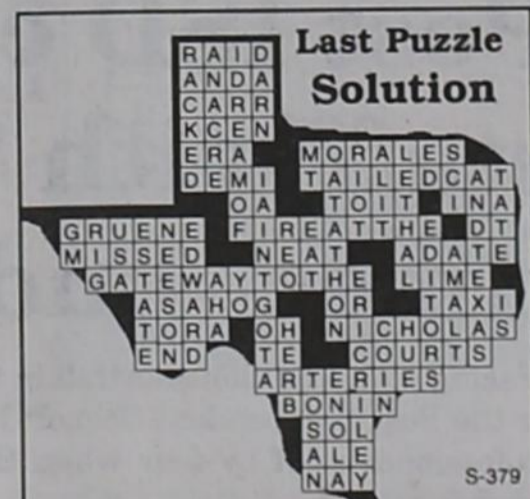
As I understand it they scooped suds and tiny bubbles for quite a while.

Till Next Week

Guess that is all for now. Hope everyone has a nice weekend, I plan to spend some part of mine in the yard, hope Ricky plans the same!!! May God bless each of you.

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Crime Victim Week observed April 25-May 1

The time-honored tradition of National Crime Victims' Rights Week will be observed April 25-May 1.

Theme for this year's is "Victims' Voices: Silent No More," which emphasizes the power of the personal story of victims and how their individual and collective voices have improved the justice system, as well as making communities safer.

Twenty years ago, crime victims were afforded few rights; their voices were muted, and limited services were available to provide them with support and assistance. This mask of silence has been lifted in our halls of justice, in state houses and in communities where the voice of the victim is valued today for the vision it provides for true justice.

More than 10,000 organizations provide quality services and assistance to victims of crime, including those in Post and Garza County. Thirty thousand laws have been passed at the federal and state levels that define and protect victims' rights, including constitutional amendments in 32 states that offer a range of participatory rights for victims.

According to Jayta Cravy with the local victims assistance program, victims' voices offer each of us a vision of justice that is inclusive, respectful and fair.

"When victims speak out in their own cases, it reminds us of the personal, human suffering caused by crime," Cravy said. "And when victims speak out for justice for all, the end result is responsible public policy and increased services that support victims and communities who are hurt by crime."

Kathryn Turman, acting director of the Office for Victims of Crime within the U.S. Department of Justice, encourages people across the nation to join her agency in saluting the many accomplishments of America's crime victims, advocates and justice professionals.

"Victims' voices have brought important understanding to our nation of the need to provide information, assistance and supportive services to individuals and communities who are hurt by crime," she said.

"During 1999 National Crime Victims' Rights Week, we have the opportunity to return community voices of caring, concern and appreciation for all that victims have endured, and all that they have accomplished that makes our communities safer and better places to live," she said.

For more information about the observance, contact Cravy at her local office.



Cecily Maples

Cecily Maples featured guest artist at Post Art Guild

Artist potter Cecily Maples of Lubbock will be the guest artist at the Post Art Guild's Monday, April 12, meeting.

A native of Japan, Maples lived her childhood in a number of foreign countries. It is often said that her work has an Oriental flavor, which was influenced by the finely-crafted Japanese pottery she was exposed to as well as her mother's role as an avid collector of folk crafts.

All of Maples' jewelry work is done in high fire porcelain and glass beads. However, her pottery makes use of several different types of clay and includes both functional and sculptural items. Her present area of interest in functional vessel forms concentrates on production handbuilding and combination handbuilt and thrown pottery.

Maples obtained her MFA from Claremont Graduate School in California but she has always thought of Lubbock as her home. She and her husband, Norvell Maples, maintain a pottery and painting studio called the ARTary at 4509 Clovis Road in Lubbock. The ARTary is both a teaching and production studio with a studio gallery attached.

The Post Art Guild is open to all interested artists and art lovers. The guild meets on the second Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Algerita Art Center on Main Street. Visitors are always welcome.

Hockley County posse playdays

The Hockley County Sheriff's Posse summer series of playdays will kick off April 11.

The summer series will consist of six playdays held April through September on the second Sunday of each month. Each event is scheduled to be held at the posse's arena located west of Avenue S in Levelland.

Points will accrue over the summer, with awards handed out at the conclusion of the September playday. High point awards for 1999 will consist of tack and equipment and will be awarded to the winners in each age division.

Books open at 1 p.m. and competition begins at 2 p.m. Entry fees are \$2 per event.

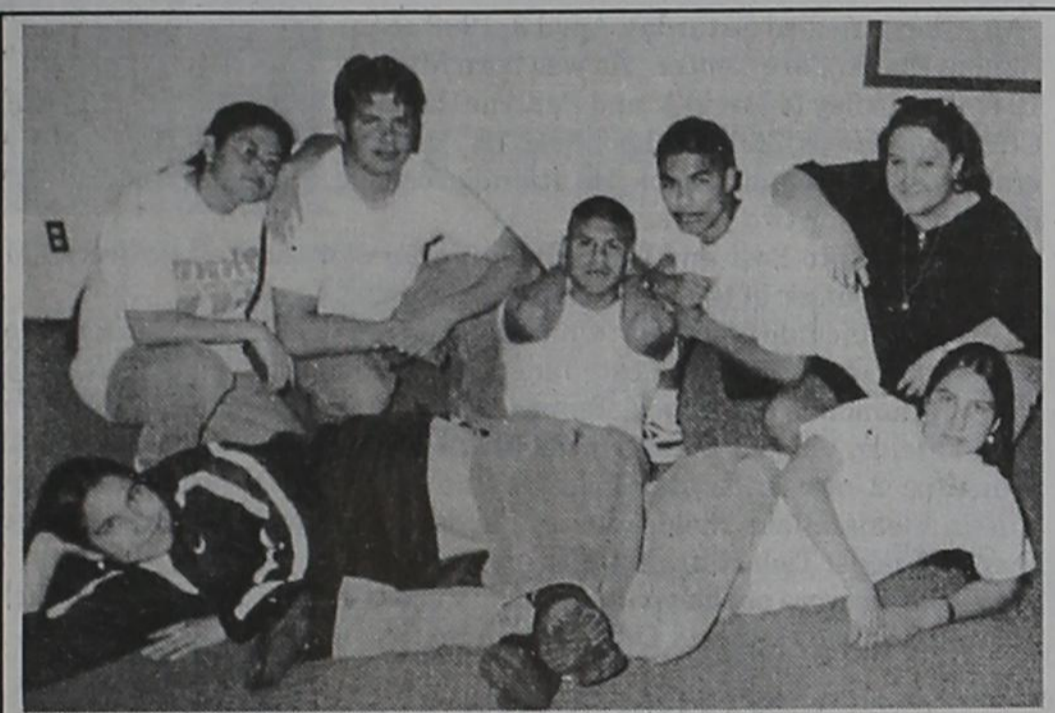
Events scheduled include the Flying W, pole bending, baseball race, straight-away barrels, flag race and cloverleaf barrels. The Flying W, a new race for competitors this year, promises to add excitement to the summer series.

Age divisions are 8 and under, 9-13, 14-19, 20 and over, and 55 and over, with the separate divisions for male and female riders. Also new for this year will be a lead line class for the younger riders.

Spectators are welcome. There is no admission charge. Concession stand will be open at each event.

For more information or to check on cancellation due to weather, call Susan Kauffman at 894-8492 or Raymond Rumbaugh at 894-6789.

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God's Crew youth at the Church of God of Prophecy are (back row, left to right) Orfa Diaz, Noe Gutierrez, Obed Diaz, Dominic Pequeno, Misty Clary, (front row) Miria Gomez and Mirna Gomez. Melisa Gutierrez and Reyes Pequeno were not available for the photo.

"God's Crew" plans fundraisers

God's Crew, the youth group of the Church of God of Prophecy, will be having several fundraisers between now and the end of May.

Funds raised in these events will be used for camp in June. The group plans to travel to Warda, Texas, near Austin.

The group raised more than \$300 during the bike-a-thon and would like to thank all those who donated money.

Those riding in the bike-a-thon were Obed Diaz, Dominic Pequeno and Noah Gutierrez. They rode from Tahoka to Post.

The girls will be having a walk-a-thon from Close City to Post. They will be provided with water and snacks at each stop.

"Your prayers and donations will be very much appreciated," said Reyes Pequeno, youth coordinator. "God bless you."

The world gets better every day—then worse again in the evening.

Kin Hubbard

DQ helps local hospitals for children

Dairy Queen stores throughout Texas will be having a ball in April while helping local hospitals for children.


Beginning this week and until supplies last, Dairy Queen stores will be promoting the sale of a special baseball commemorating the achievements of future Baseball Hall of Fame inductee Nolan Ryan. For each ball purchased, the Dairy Queen store will donate \$1 to the Children's Miracle Network to benefit the hospital for children in the area.

The collectible ball includes Ryan's facsimile signature and is packaged in a full-color box featuring his career statistics. Only a limited number of baseballs has been manufactured.

The Children's Miracle Network is an international, non-profit organization whose mission is to generate funds and create awareness programs to benefit children and its 166 associated hospitals for children in the U.S. and Canada. All dollars raised locally will directly benefit the CMN-affiliated hospital in Lubbock.

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Community Health Development Meeting.....
.....will be conducted April 13th., 6:30 p.m. at the Garza County Courthouse courtroom. Representatives from the Texas Department of Health will be here to help the community discuss health issues. The public is invited to attend.

Walk Across Texas
Team captains need to call in your distances to be recorded each week for the WAT program. Call Kelly Ahrens, CEA-FCS, at 495-4400.

TCFF Focus Forum
Garza County Texas Community Futures Forum-Focus Forum is set for April 20, 6:30 p.m., Post High School. The Focus Forum will allow the community to determine the goals and objectives for the issues that were selected during the Open Forum on March 23. The public is invited to attend.

Graham 4-H Club.....
.....will meet Thursday, April 22, at 7:00 p.m. at the Post Museum for a program by Linda Puckett. Any youth interested are welcome to join.

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Obituaries

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 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 Nov. 13, 1933. He died Sept. 25, 1966. She married Lee Edward Welborn in August of 1970 in Electra. He preceded her in death May 11, 1996. A homemaker and a member of the Southside Church of Christ in Electra, she was a former resident of Colorado City and Post, having lived here three years.

Survivors include one daughter, Betty Curry of Post; two stepdaughters, Sandra Carr of Vernon and Gloria Simmons of Quanah; 15 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by three daughters, Pat Martin in 1971, Margie Hines in 1990, and Wanda Rondeau in 1993.

The family has requested memorials be made to Tiptons Children's Home.

Irene Lucille Walker

Services for Irene Lucille Walker, 86, of Brownfield were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 30, 1999, at the Grassland Church of the Nazarene with the Rev. Lynn White officiating, assisted by the Rev. John Westman. Burial was in the Grassland Cemetery under the direction of the Hudman Funeral 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.

Ruby Ritchie Eckart

Graveside services for Ruby Ritchie Eckart, 90, of Upland were held Friday, March 26, 1999, at 1 p.m. in the Bellevue Memorial Park in Ontario. She died March 23 at Shea Convalescent Hospital, Upland.

Born May 28, 1908, in Comanche County, she lived in the West Valley for 53 years. She was a homemaker and a member of the Chino Unified Methodist Church.

Survivors include her daughter, Faye Napper of Ontario; one son, Gerald Eckart of Visalia; one sister, Jewell Parrish of Post; and three grandchildren.

Archie H.P. Nelson

Services for Archie H.P. Nelson, 72, of Smyer were held Saturday, April 3, 1999, at 2 p.m. in the Hudman Funeral Home with the Rev. Paul Bortnem of the Grace Lutheran Church, Slaton, officiating. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery.

The family received friends Friday, April 2, from 7-8:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

He died Thursday, April 1, at his home. Born Oct. 11, 1926, in Garza County, he married Mary Ferguson Jan. 8, 1951, in Lovington, New Mexico. He served with the U.S. Marines in the South Pacific during World War II. A farmer, a carpenter and a member of the Lutheran Church, he had been a resident of Smyer since 1957.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Nelson of Smyer; one daughter and son-in-law, Rena Jan and Larry Merryfield of Aurora, Colorado; two sisters, Ruby Bostick of Post and Mae Howell of Sweetwater; one brother, Arlie Nelson of Post; 13 nieces and nephews; 34 great-nieces and great-nephews; and 13 great-great-nieces and great-great-nephews.

Serving as pallbearers were nephews and great-nephews Danny Bostick, David H. York, Ervin Howell, Michael Bland, Lance Bland and Jarrett Bland.

Richard A. Bird

Graveside services for Richard A. Bird, 77, of Truth or Consequences, New Mexico, and Verbena, Texas, were held Saturday, April 3, 1999, at 2 p.m. in the Vista Memory Gardens Cemetery with the Rev. Bradford G. Cosway officiating. The French Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.

He died March 29 at Sierra Vista Hospital. Born Aug. 30, 1921, in Post to J.A. and Beulah K. (Buchanan) Bird, he was a 1950 graduate of Texas Tech University and a veteran of World War II, having served in the U.S. Navy in the Weapons Ordinance. He retired as a cattle rancher.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Y. Bird of Truth or Consequences and Verbena; one stepson, David Westfall of Toledo, Ohio; five grandchildren; one great-grandchild; his cousins, Walter Crack of Lathan, MD, Wanda Ruth Steele of Alma, NM, Marjorie Carpenter of Lubbock, Royal Russell of Dallas; his sisters-in-law, Genevieve Armijo of Santa Fe, NM, Virginia Archuleta of Albuquerque, NM, Elenor Labato of Farmington, NM, and Josephine Bunker of Mayfield, UT; his brothers-in-law, Frank Young of Farmington, NM, Leroy Young of Salem, Oregon, Fred Begay of Los Alamos, Robert Jay Bond of Kirkland, NM, Donald Jacquez of Blanco, NM, and Jimmy Young of Washington state.

LaVerne Burks Barnes

Services for LaVerne Burks Barnes, 78, of Abilene were held Monday, April 5, at 2 p.m. in the University Baptist Church with the Rev. Ron Curtis officiating. Burial followed in the Elmwood Memorial Park under the direction of the Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home.

The family received friends from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, April 4, at the funeral home.

She died Friday in Alamogordo, New Mexico. Born in Anson in Jones County, she graduated from high school in Spur and received both a BA degree and a master's in education from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene. She married Leon Owsley Barnes Oct. 15, 1942, while both were students at HSU. He died in 1990. She taught school in several West Texas and North Texas communities, retiring in 1979 after 27 years in education. She lived in Hale Center from 1966 to 1993 when she moved to Denton. She returned to Abilene from Denton 1 1/2 years ago. She was a member of the University Baptist Church and the Abilene Retired Teachers Association.

Survivors include three sons, Don L. Barnes of Denton, Kenneth W. Barnes of Fort Worth and J. Neal Barnes of Long Beach, California; one daughter, Mary V. Brown of El Paso; two sisters, Murline Shagula and Irma Barslow, both of Abilene; 10 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

David Cheshire

Services for David Cheshire, 51, of Post were held April 6, 1999 at the First United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Buddy Payne officiating. Burial was in the Terrace Cemetery. Services were under the personal care of Justice-Mason Funeral Home.



Mr. Cheshire died Saturday, April 3, 1999 at the Golden Plains Care Center. He was born May 23, 1947 in Lockney to David A. and Paulyne (Hutton) Cheshire. He attended school here in Post and graduated Post High School. He attended college in California for two years.

He returned to Post and worked many years for the Postex Cotton Mill. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include a brother: Charles Cheshire of Chester, California and 3 sisters: Helyn Fields of Post, Janet Cheshire of Las Vegas, Nevada and Mary Hammonds of Antioch, Tennessee. 7 nephews: Chas Cheshire, John David Fields, Vincent Fields, Jason Fields, Scott Hair, Eric Hair and Dillon Mullenix; 2 nieces: Krista Cheshire and Amber Isble; 4 great nephews: Austin Fields, Blake Fields, Justin Fields, and Brian Hair; 3 great nieces: Dakota Fields, Tish Hair and K'Lenn Hair.

Pallbearers were nephews: John David Fields, Vincent Fields, Jason Fields, Scott Hair, Eric Hair and Dillon Mullenix.

Billie Mae Caylor

Services for Billie Mae Caylor, 90, of Post were to be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 7, 1999, in the Hudman Funeral Home. Burial was to follow in the Terrace Cemetery. She died April 5 at Covenant Medical Center, Lubbock.

Born Aug. 10, 1908, in Hood County, she married Dewitt Caylor Aug. 2, 1932, in Post. The couple owned and operated Twin Cedars Nursing Home in Post for 37 years until she retired. He died Nov. 10, 1995. She was a Baptist. Survivors include three nieces, Nannie V. Littrell of Post, Evelyn Neilson of Midland and Billie Marie Long; and three nephews, Earnest Bostick of Carlsbad, New Mexico, Billy Bostick of Amarillo and James Queen of Granbury. Pallbearers were John Bland, Jeremy Bland, Ricky Bostick, Lance Bland, Steven Bostick and Tommy Mize.

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"The same came therefore to Philip, which was of Bethsaida of Galilee, and desired him, saying, Sir, we would see Jesus." John 12:21
If we think about the last ten years, there has been many improvements that have come to us in technology, medicine, and the comforts of life. When in high school there was a computer building, not because there were that many computers, but because the computers would not fit in a room! Surgeries that took weeks and even months of recovery are over and forgotten in just a few days. No longer are there missed phone calls because a machine answers the phone for us. Times have changed!
There is one thing that has not changed and will never change. There is no other way to find peace with God than through the person of Jesus. Those who came to Philip had the right idea-they knew that they needed to see Jesus. It had come to the place where there was no other way for them. That is still true for each one of us today. We must understand the person and work of Jesus for ourselves.
Please notice one other thing about the verse before us: they went to Philip. They went to someone who knew Jesus. May those of us who know Jesus tell those who do not know Jesus, that they too might make the right choice.

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Opinions



An thereafter, moral hazards

by Walter E. Williams

One of my childhood responsibilities with money earned on after-school and weekend jobs was to pay for my school lunches. It didn't always work out that way. I regularly squandered money on weekend fun, and come Tuesday or Wednesday I'd go to Mom seeking a school lunch bailout.

One time, Mom lectured, "You knew you needed money for lunch when you spent it. No, I'm not giving you money!" I thought Mom was the cruelest woman on the face of the Earth. I had no idea that she was coping with what's known as the "moral hazard" problem.

Moral hazard arises when people behave in ways to satisfy themselves, but because they don't bear the full cost, their behavior comes at the detriment of others. Moral hazard is a pervasive problem, and it's only relatively recently that economic and legal scholars have begun to pay attention to it.

For example, if the contents of my car are fully insured against theft, I will be less diligent in locking it up and taking other precautions against theft. I might even make false theft claims. That's a problem for insurance companies.

They can't tell whether the theft was a random insurable event, or something readily avoidable with reasonable precautions, or fraud. Auto insurance companies cope with this problem, and not that effectively, by writing policies with high deductibles, thereby requiring me to pay, say, the first \$1,000 of a loss.

Government programs like Social Security and Medicare create moral hazard problems. If people know they can squander their earnings during their younger years and still receive income and health care in their older years, then why make sacrifices in order to save?

Other taxpayers, not them, bear the consequences of their short-sighted behavior. Plus, if senior citizen handouts are guaranteed, why go through unpleasantries of instilling in children the values



and responsibility of taking care of an elderly parent in need? Today, when there's an illegitimate birth, it is possible that neither the mother, the father nor the families will bear the full consequences of the irresponsible behavior because there's welfare, food stamps and other handout programs.

Since the cost of the couple's behavior can be shifted to taxpayers, we shouldn't be surprised to see more irresponsible behavior. And costs have been lowered in another way — today there's little or no social stigma to illegitimacy. CEOs, being managers of other people's money rather than their own, don't bear the full consequences of unwise decisions, as would a company owner.

One stockholder strategy to fight the moral hazard problem, and encourage CEOs to behave as owners, is to make company stock a large part of their compensation. It would be great if we could somehow do something similar with politicians. They, too, are managers of other people's money and don't bear the full consequences of unwise decisions.

The best time to waste money and be "compassionate" is when it's with other people's cash. I can't think of any way to address the political moral hazard problem other than by trying to keep more of our money in our own pockets and out of theirs.

Getting back to Mom's approach to the moral hazard problem, today's touchy-feely society would see Mom as a cruel person and might charge her with child abuse. After all, what kind of parent could stand to watch a growing kid come home starved and virtually inhale the refrigerator?

To see me hungry couldn't have been any more pleasant for Mom than it was for me. But the bottom line is that I never squandered lunch money again. Long-run compassion sometimes requires short-run toughness.

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This is going to be a lot of fun

by Vin Suprynowicz

Well, it happened when America's hand-wringing do-gooders tried to outlaw the demon rum 80 years ago — a dozen years of Tommy guns blazing in the streets of Kansas City and Chicago until all America cried "enough!" and repealed the Volstead Act.

The province of Quebec managed to wave their hands and summon up the same phenomenon a few years back when that wayward province tried to raise cigarette taxes so high that it became a profitable venture — though hardly one likely to attract the most reputable of entrepreneurs — to smuggle bargeloads of butts across the St. Lawrence from upstate New York. For the first time in more than 60 years, machine gun fire again echoed across the seaway, as smugglers faced off against both the cops and the freelance competition.

The Quebecois quickly caved in, reducing their tobacco levy to something more in keeping with those of neighboring jurisdictions.

So, given those experiences, what might the historically minded have predicted we would soon see in California, where a combination of tax hikes, municipal bans on smoking indoors (or outdoors), and the anti-tobacco propagandizing of the Silly State's impressionable young in their mandatory government youth camps have now combined to create the closest thing to outright tobacco prohibition seen anywhere in recent centuries?

"CORONA, Calif. — An armed gang backed a truck up to a warehouse Wednesday and made off with an estimated \$1 million worth of cigarettes, about 780 years worth of pack-a-day habits," The Associated Press reported April 1.

No one was injured in the robbery, which began when four men in hoods entered an employee entrance shortly before 5 a.m.

"We tend to believe they're headed for another state or maybe L.A., where they'll be sold on the black market," said Sgt. Eddie Garcia, a police spokesman.

The thieves bound most of the 15 employees with tape and forced a few others to drive forklifts, loading the cargo pallets into a 48-foot trailer, Sgt. Garcia said. "It sounds like it was pretty well organized."

"Even legitimate 'bargain' cigarettes run about \$3.50 per pack nowadays," The AP noted, "and prices of \$4.50 to \$5 are common in airports, bars and hotels."

With fully two-thirds of those sums going to state and federal taxes, of course — plus rate hikes made necessary by bogus "lawsuits" which are in fact thinly disguised government shakedown.

Hey, you like the inner-city subculture — the general nationwide increase in respect for law and order, not to mention the high esteem

in which our militarized police forces now hold our once-sacred Bill of Rights — engendered by our current, paltry bans on marijuana and cocaine? Tobacco users outnumber the often-unfortunate habitues of those substances by hundreds-to-one. So go ahead, try to outlaw cigarettes.

You ain't seen nothin' yet.

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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! — Mordechaj Anielewicz, Warsaw, 1943

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Do Rights Come from the Constitution?

by Jacob G. Hornberger

It is commonly believed that the rights of the American people come from the Constitution. Nothing could be further from the truth. Throughout history, the standard belief was that people were unconditionally subject to the commands of their government.

If the king ordered a person to leave his family to fight in a war thousands of miles away, that person would have to obey. The king could control and regulate both lives and property because he was sovereign and supreme, and the citizens, as subjects, were subordinate and inferior.

When the king commanded, people obeyed. Gradually, people began questioning the notion of the king's having unrestricted control over their lives and fortunes. For example, in 1215, with Magna Carta, the king was forced to admit that his powers over the citizenry were limited.

It was in 1776, however, with the publication of the Declaration of Independence, that the historical concept of sovereignty got turned upside down. Government wasn't sovereign and supreme, Jefferson declared to the world. Individuals are. And government officials are subordinate and inferior to the citizenry.

The Declaration emphasized that men have been endowed with certain fundamental and inherent rights that preexist government. In other words, man's rights don't come from the king or from any other government official. Rights such as life, liberty, property, and the pursuit of happiness exist independently of government, not because of government.

It also emphasized that the reason people call government into existence is to protect the exercise of these rights. That is, in the absence of government, antisocial people such as murderers, rapists, and thieves would make life quite miserable for everyone else. Therefore, government is needed to arrest, prosecute, and punish these types of people.

What happens when government transgresses its rightful duty of protection and becomes more destructive than what would be the case in the absence of government? The Declaration tells us that it is the right of the people to alter or abolish that government and to implement a new government that is designed to protect, not destroy, the exercise of man's natural or God-given rights.

The quandary, of course, that our Founders faced was whether it was possible to bring a government into existence that would remain limited to an inferior and subordinate role rather than attempt to assume the more traditional sovereign and supreme role.

In 1787, the Founders attempted to solve the problem by writing a Constitution that called the federal government into existence. The result was historically significant: The Constitution made it clear that this government, unlike others in history, would not be one of unlimited powers. Instead, by the express terms of the Constitution itself, the federal government would be one of limited powers—limited to those enumerated in Article 1, Section 8 of the Constitution.

Thus the correct question is not "What rights does the Constitution give to the American people?" but rather "What powers does the Constitution grant to the government?" If a certain power is not enumerated, the government is not permitted to exercise it.

Not trusting government officials, however — even democratically elected ones — the American people ensured the passage of the first 10 amendments to the Constitution. These should more appropriately have been called the "Bill of Prohibitions" than the Bill of Rights.

Why? Because a careful examination reveals that they are express restrictions on government powers rather than a grant of rights to the citizenry. Some people argued that a Bill of Prohibitions was unnecessary because government's powers were already limited to those enumerated in the Constitution itself.

Since the government has not been given the power to regulate speech, for example, there was no reason to have an express prohibition against the regulation of speech. Fearful, however, of the propensity of government to move toward dominance and control, the people felt safer with express restrictions on the power to interfere with rights that they believed were of the utmost importance.

Playing it safe, they included the Ninth Amendment: "The enumeration in the Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people."

So the next time someone refers to your "constitutional rights," remind him that people's rights don't come from the Constitution. And if you really want to stimulate thinking, ask him whether he believes that today the federal government is destructive of the very rights it was designed to protect.

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Sports

Middle School athletes at Seagraves

Several Post Middle School seventh and eighth grade athletes placed in a track meet held March 30 in Seagraves.

No points were kept at the meet so no definite places were awarded in running events. However, seventh grader Ricky Reyna turned in a time of 9:19.5 in the 2400 m run, a new school record. Reyna's time eclipsed a record set in 1991. In the same event, Juan Hernandez earned a time of 9:59.

In other seventh grade results, Kris Hernandez took a fourth place finish in discus with a throw of 80'1". In the long jump, Mitchell Mills took fourth with a jump of 13'4". Daniel Simental took sixth in the triple jump with a 28'4" jump and second in the high jump with a jump of 4'8", followed by Eric Soto, fourth place with a 4'4" jump. Mills took fourth in the pole vault, 7', followed by Brody Conner with a fifth place finish, 6'6".

Running event times included, in the 400 m relay, Zane Marts, Daniel Simental, Mitchell Mills and Langly Couch, 54.03; 800 m run, Kyle Gunn, 3:03.6; 110 m hurdles, Francisco Duran, 21.25, and Mark Norman, 22.74; and 100 m dash, Eric Soto, 13.49, and Kris Hernandez, 13.92.

Also, 400 m dash, Langly Couch, 1:08.5, Kris Hernandez, 1:09.7; 300 m hurdles, Francisco Duran, 1:00.1, Mark Norman, 58.4; 200 m dash, Zane Marts, 29.65, Mitchell Mills and Daniel Simental (no times available); 1600 m run, Ricky Reyna, 5:58.0; and 1600 m relay, Langly Couch, Zane Marts, Mitchell Mills and Daniel Simental, 4:36.4.

In the eighth grade contests, Brian Looney finished fourth in the discus with a throw of 114'9"; Noah Gutierrez took second in shotput with a 42'6" throw; and Lance Curtis captured first in the long jump with an 18' jump, followed by teammates Brandon Bell, third place, 16'10", and Will Reed, sixth place, 15'1". Curtis also took second in the high jump with a jump of 5'4". In pole vault, Luis Zubia took second with a 9' effort, followed by Smiley Estrada, fifth place, 8'.

Running event times included, in the 2400 m run, Manuel Saucedo, 9:21; 400 meter relay, Lance Curtis, Smiley Estrada, Brandon Bell and Noah Gutierrez, 47.4; 800 meter run, Daryl Dissinger, 2:28, and Adam Nobles, 2:29; 110 m hurdles, Luis Zubia, 18.34, and Kenny Ratke, 19.64; 100 m dash, Smiley Estrada, 12.12, Brandon Bell, 12.2, Noah Gutierrez, 12.2 and Will Reed, 12.4; and 400 m dash, Daryl Dissinger, 1:02.44 and Seth Redman, 1:08.53.

Also, in the 300 m hurdles, Kenny Ratke, 46.2, Luis Zubia, 50.5, and Adam Nobles, 51.4; 200 m dash, Lance Curtis, 23.9, Brody Robertson, 25.8, and Noah Gutierrez, 26.9; 1600 m run, Manuel Saucedo, 6:19; and 1600 m relay, Smiley Estrada, Brody Robertson, Lance Curtis and Brandon Bell, 3:54.1. The teams' next meet will be a triangle meet in Tahoka Thursday. The junior high district meet will be in Plains April 13.

PHS baseball team hammers Hale Center 26-7

The Post High School baseball team pulled off an impressive 26-7 home win over Hale Center Friday.

"The game looked bleak at the start," Coach Fred Postell said. "We were down 7-2 after two innings but then the kids really exploded — for 10 runs in the third and 14 runs in the fourth."

The game ended after five innings thanks to the 10-run rule. The Post hitters were Joseph Abraham who went 2-3 with two singles, two runs scored, one RBI; Roland Casteneda, 2-3, a single, a double, three runs scored, two RBIs; Braden Conner, 1-3, a homerun, three runs scored, two RBIs; Billy Doser, 1-2, single, two runs scored, one RBI; Scotty Gaydos, 2-4, two singles, three runs scored, one RBI; T.J. Gaydos, 3-5, two singles, one double, three runs scored, three RBIs; and Rocky Gomez, 4-5, single, double, two homeruns, four runs scored, five RBIs.

Also, Ricky Halford, 2-4, two singles, three runs scored, two RBIs; Matt McCallister, in his first high school game, 1-1, homerun, one run scored, three RBIs; Brant Wisenhunt, 1-1, two runs scored.

Crawford earns high point honors

Post High School's Billy Crawford was the high point individual in the varsity boys track competition of the Seagraves track meet.

Crawford took first place in shotput and third in discus, capturing 16 total points and the top individual spot.

John Radle finished third in the pole vault. Additionally, Braden Conner tied the PHS record of 6'2" in the high jump. In the junior varsity competition, Justin Acevedo captured two awards, including a first place in long jump and a third in 100 meter.



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by Rodney Tidwell
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This letter is to let you know about the Tim Quintana Memorial Scholarship Benefit this weekend on Friday Night at 8 p.m. at the Teen Room of the Community Center.

I hope everyone will come out and watch and listen to the two local bands as they raise money to go toward a scholarship for a Post High School senior. The recipient for the scholarship has not been determined as of now. Please come out and help support the youth of Post as they host this benefit.

Tickets to get in are \$3 at the door. Donations will be accepted. The local bands will be "Shafterburner" formally know as "Boheimers" with Clell, Daniel, Colt, and Jeff. The other band "We Could Be Bob" with Ronnie, Scott, Derek, and Jonathan.

These two bands will be performing, come out and have a good time. This event is sponsored by MAD DADS INC. and Sonic Drive Inn, two of the many businesses in town that look for ways to help youth.

Tennis team takes championship spot

The Post High School tennis team grabbed the championship spots in both the boys singles and girls singles competitions in a tennis tournament held here April 1.

The tournament was originally scheduled to be held March 26-27 but was postponed due to inclement weather.

In the first round of the boys singles competition, Clell Knight of Post defeated M. Herrera of Meadow 6-1, 6-0; J. Gross of Colorado City defeated J. Hurst of Idalou 6-1, 6-4; Daniel Fluit of Post defeated T. Anciso of Idalou 1-6, 6-4, 6-2; and S. Moreno of Colorado City defeated Wesley Jarrett of Post 6-1, 6-2.

In the semifinals, Knight defeated Gross 6-0, 2-6, 7-6 and Moreno downed Fluit 6-3, 7-6.

Gross finished in the tourney's third place spot with an 8-3 win over Fluit. Knight won the championship by defeating Moreno 5-7, 7-5, 6-3.

In the girls singles, Shelley Shifflet of Post defeated V. Sanchez of Meadow 6-1, 6-2; J. Wilking of Colorado City defeated S. Mendez of Meadow 6-1, 6-0; M. Strain of Colorado City defeated Kelci Hart of Post 6-0, 6-0; and J. Nash of Idalou defeated B. Streety of Meadow 6-3, 6-3.

In the semifinals, Shifflet defeated Wilking 6-1, 6-1 and Strain defeated Nash 7-5, 6-1.

To take third place, Nash defeated Wilking 8-5. Shifflet defeated Strain 6-2, 6-7, 6-1 in the championship game.

In the first round of boys doubles, Lee/Hood of Meadow defeated Aaron Cooper/Steve Norman of Post 1-6, 6-3, 6-2 and Raymond/Morales (Colorado City) defeated Kevin Hart/Jeremy Payne of Post 6-0, 6-3.

In the semifinals, Silva/Rodriguez of Colorado City defeated Lee/Hood 6-1, 6-2 and Raymond/Morales of Colorado City defeated Perez/Perez of Meadow, 6-3, 6-3.

For the fifth place consolation prize, Payne/Hart defeated Cooper/Norman 6-1.

For a third place finish, Perez/Perez downed Lee/Hood 8-5. Silva/Rodriguez defeated Raymond/Morales 3-6, 6-1, 6-4 in the championship match.

In girls doubles, Perez/Herrera of Meadow defeated Ashley Holly/Amy Pederson of Post 6-3, 6-1 and Luera/Wilkins of Colorado City defeated Tandi Humble/Brandi Gunn of Post 6-2, 6-4.

In the semifinals, Lewis/Wyrosdick of Colorado City downed Perez/Herrera 6-3, 7-6 and Luera/Wilkins defeated Johnson/Johnson of Meadow 6-2, 6-3. For fifth place consolation, Humble/Gunn defeated Holly/Pederson 6-1.

To take third, Perez/Herrera defeated Johnson/Johnson 8-2. Lewis/Wyrosdick defeated Luera/Wilking 6-3, 6-4 in the championship match.

spotlight on health

Tips For Surviving Allergy Season

(NAPS)—More than 40 million Americans suffer from eye problems related to allergies. High lev-

els of spring pollen can mean itchy, irritated eyes, runny noses and scratchy throats for allergy sufferers. Fortunately, there are a number of simple yet effective strategies that can help minimize allergy symptoms throughout the season.

Contact lens wearers can help address their symptoms by switching to a lens designed for one-day use. Daily disposable lenses, such as Focus DAILIES, allow wearers to replace their lenses every day. This enables wearers to avoid a buildup of protein and pollen and minimize the risk of irritation and infection at the same time.

Made with new Lightstream Technology, Focus DAILIES' thin edges also offer an added level of comfort for long, busy days. Individuals interested in learning more about daily disposable lenses can call 1-888-DAILIES for a brochure and a free trial offer.

Atlanta allergist Dr. Robyn Levy says people need to live their lives and enjoy the spring—but also be smart about it.

"Just wearing sunglasses, for example, filters out about 40 percent of the pollen that would otherwise reach your eyes," said Levy.

Spring allergy season doesn't have to mean misery. A few common sense tips can help keep you more comfortable:

- Carry eye drops to rinse your eyes frequently—with contact lenses left in.
- Play sports later in the day or evening—when pollen counts are lower.
- Avoid mowing and raking, or at least wear a dust mask and protective eyewear.
- Keep doors and windows closed.
- Keep air conditioning on, which filters indoor air.
- Choose wood flooring over carpet.
- Keep hands away from eyes and do not rub eyes.
- If you suspect you are suffering from allergies, see your doctor.

Varsity girls take second at Seagraves

The Post High School varsity girls earned a second place finish in the Seagraves track meet April 1.

The team collected 109 total points to take second, competing against 10 other teams at the meet.

Individual results included, in the 3200 m, Meranda Hernandez, fifth place; 400 m relay, Dianna Williams, Yvonne Lopez, Meagan Mills and Manuela Hernandez, third place; 100 m hurdles, Dianna Williams, first, Kelly Moore, second, and Kenda Looney, fifth; 100 m, Meagan Mills, fifth; 800 m relay, Kenda Looney, Dianna Williams, Erin Gregory and Yvonne Lopez, second; and 300 m hurdles, Kelly Moore, second, and Kenda Looney, sixth.

Also, in the 200 m, Manuela Hernandez, third, and Erin Gregory, fifth; 1600 m, Meranda Hernandez, fifth; 1600 m relay, Meagan Mills, Davida Gregory, Kelly Moore and Manuela Hernandez, second; discus, Larinda Ledbetter, fourth; triple jump, Vondi Gradine, fourth; high jump, Manuela Hernandez, second, and Dianna Williams, fourth.

Post golfers lead district

After the first round of district 3-2A golf played March 31st at the Comanche Trail Golf Course in Big Spring, the boys and girls golf teams lead by a comfortable margin.

The Lady Lopes had a team score of 379 and lead the field by 67 strokes while the Lopes shot a 312 and have a 24 stroke lead over Stanton. High School team golf consists of five players from each team playing the course and the top four scores added for a collective team score.

Medalist scores are also important with medals being awarded to the top three individuals with the lowest scores of the tournament. Post also has the leading medalists in district after the first round.

Kasey Hardin and Becca Stelzer are leading the girls and Jay Gorman and Marcus Lopez are leading in the boys' division. In District 3-2A, each team in the district will play three tournaments this year.

The next district tournament will be held April 7th at the Gaines County Golf Course in Denver City.

Girls' First Round Results:

Team Totals: 1. Post 379 2. Coahoma 446 3. Tahoka 474 4. (tie) Stanton and Plains 512

Medalist Leaders: 1. Kasey Hardin, Post 77 2. Becca Stelzer, Post 91 3. Monica Alvarez, Seagraves 93

Post Individuals: Yvonne Lopez 100, Camie Payne 111, Miranda Palmer 122

Boys' First Round Results:

Team Totals: 1. Post 312 2. Stanton A 336 3. Coahoma A 348 4. Plains A 352 5. Tahoka A 357 6. Stanton B 386

Medalist Leaders: 1. (tie) Jay Gorman, Post; Marcus Lopez, Post; and Blake Nichols, Coahoma, 74

Post Individuals: Justin Norman 77, Justin Gorman 87, John Radle 93

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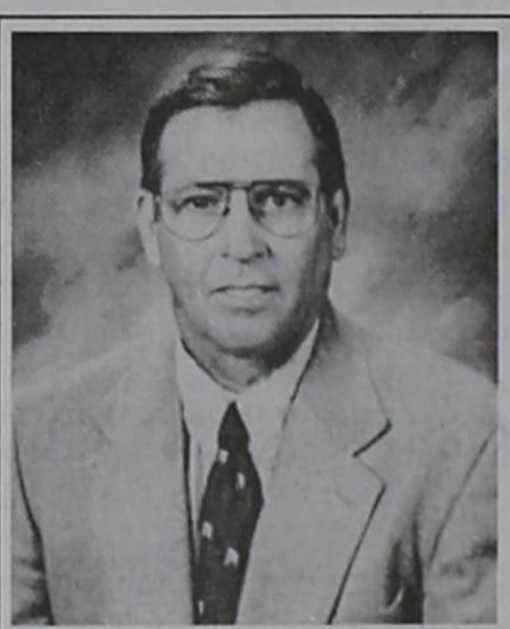
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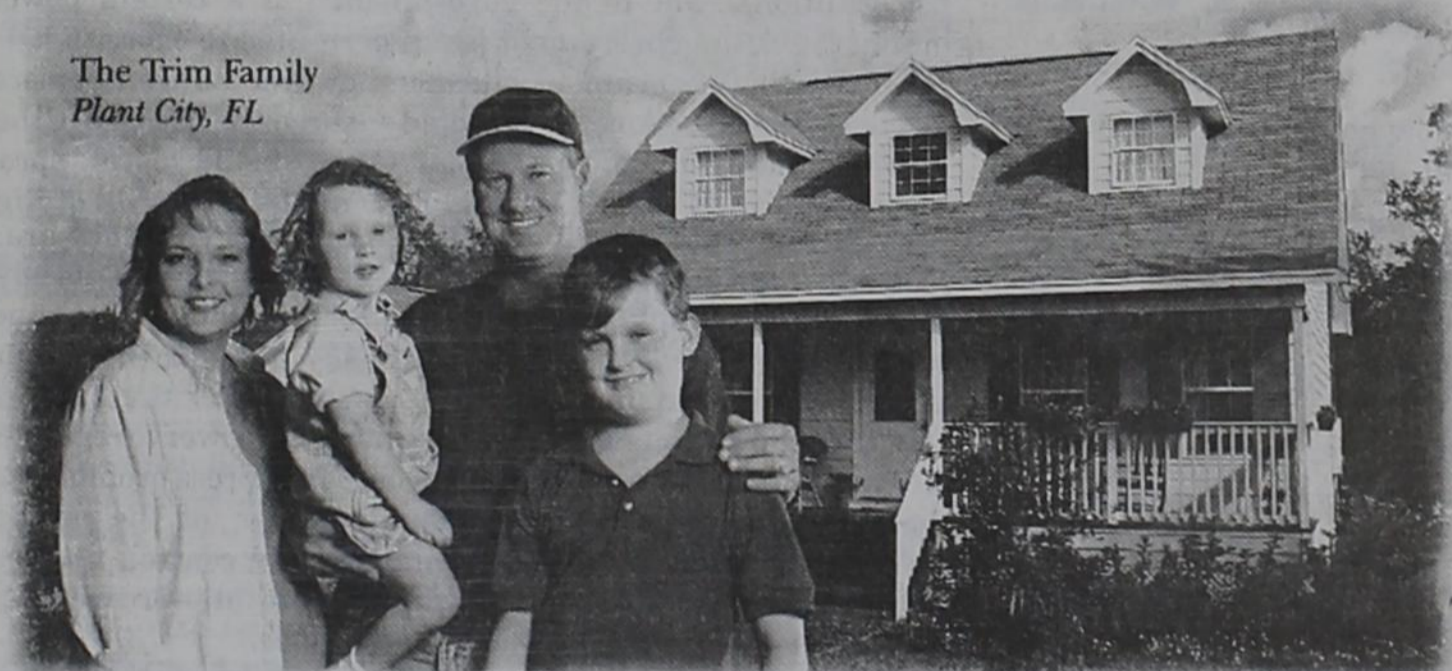
Delton Moore and his wife Melvena are the parents of Brody, Sky and Wacey. Delton is a graduate of Wilson High School and Texas Tech University. He teaches science and enjoys caring for animals, dogs and horses, as his hobbies.

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Yesteryears

April 7, 1989
10 Years Ago

The Post High School girls' varsity track team competed at the Seminole Indian Relays last Saturday in Seagraves, collecting first place in four events.

- Individual Results**
First Place
Kim Wulfjen, Crystal Clay, Sara Alexander and Dana Morris, 800 meter relay, 1:46.89.
Sara Alexander, 200 meter dash, 25.67.
Dana Morris, 100 meter dash, 12.59.
Sara Alexander, Crystal Clay, Kim Wulfjen and Dana Morris, 1600 meter relay, 4:13.7.
Second Place
Dusti Cash, 100 meter hurdles, 16.38.
Fourth Place
Trudy Woods, 200 meter dash, 27.60.
Tonja Jefferson, triple jump, 30' 11 1/2".
Fifth Place
Tonja Jefferson, 100 meter dash, 13.62.
Tonja Jefferson, 200 meter dash, 27.80.
Sixth Place
Trudy Woods, 100 meter dash, 13.7.
Lori Taylor, 800 meter run, 2:52.8.
Reshea Hair (tie), shot put, 28' 1".

Robert and Delhanna Wall are proud to announce the birth of their son, Cody Aaron, March 19, 1989 at Lubbock General Hospital. Cody weighed five pounds, three ounces and was 19 inches long.

Paternal grandparents are Robert and Judi Wall of Post. Maternal grandparent is Jean Baldree of Post.

Paternal great-grandparent is Mrs. Lavernia Shelley of Frankfort, Indiana.

Maternal great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Rolan and Mrs. Lois Baldree, all of Post.

A dramatic and moving portrayal of the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus Christ was presented by a cast of more than 100 members and friends of the First Baptist Church of Post last week in the crowded sanctuary of the church on West Main Street.

The First Annual Resurrection Musical was presented to four audiences Thursday and Friday evening, Sunday afternoon and Sunday evening. Folding chairs were used to accommodate the overflow audiences.

Months of preparation and rehearsals were evident as the story of Jesus' last days unfolded through music and movement of the cast.

First Baptist Church Minister of Music Terry Don Thomason directed the musical drama.

Thomason was assisted by approximately 150 people, as members of the church provided help with costumes, props and other necessities.

April 2, 1979
20 Years Ago

Navy engineman Fireman Jerry Ayala, son of Miguel and Francisca V. Ayala of 506 South Ave. I, has departed for deployment in the Western Pacific.

He is a crewmember aboard the repair ship USS Jason, home ported in San Diego. While deployed, his ship will operate as a unit of the U.S. Seventh Fleet.

The missions of the Seventh Fleet are to protect U.S. citizens, shipping and interests in the Western Pacific; to deter aggression against our Western Pacific allies by maintaining mobile striking forces; to promote peace and stability in the Western Pacific and to create goodwill for the United States.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Johnson announce the birth of a son, Michael Clay, born March 31, at 2:06 a. m. in Garza Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 lbs., 15 ozs.

Lula Fay Childers of McAdoo announces the birth of a son, Jermile, born April 2 at 7:15 a. m. in Garza Memorial Hospital weighing 8 lbs., 9 ozs.

April 3, 1969
30 Years Ago

Happy Birthday

April 3

- Mrs. Bill Windham
Belinda Lee
Lester Keeton
Chester Keeton
W. C. W. Morris
Lillie Pauline Wilke
Mrs. R. E. Cox
Jack Temple, Lamesa
Athena Lyn Huffaker
Royce Ray Hart
Hiram Solis
Weldon Swanger
C. C. Newberry, Lubbock

Mrs. Benny Owen, recent bride, was honored with a bridal shower last week in the Community Room with guests calling between 7:30 and 9 o'clock in the evening.

Mrs. Floyd Duncan registered the guests and Mrs. Pat Lewis served.

Special guests were Mrs. John Gist and Mrs. Ben Owen, mothers of the newly married couple.

The serving table was laid with a white cut-work cloth over green, centered with a blue and green flower arrangement, and green candles, carried out the honoree's chosen colors.

Cookies, mints, nuts and punch were served.

Hostesses were: Mmes. Johnny Willson, Lois Kennedy, Loveta Josey, Karen Scott, Bettye Scott, Willie Cross, Juanita Dean, Juanita Parrish and Juanita Terry.

E. M. Woodard left Thursday to visit in Odessa with the L. P. Deweeses and to see his grandson, Clyde Allen Cash, play baseball Friday and Saturday. Clyde plays on the South Plains College team. Mr. Woodard planned to visit other relatives and friends.



MRS. HAROLD GENE McBEE
(Margaret Anne Welborn)

April 5, 1959
40 Years Ago

Mrs. Fernie Reed and sons were overnight guests of her mother, Mrs. Ruby Cornett, in Lamesa last Sunday. Her sister, Mrs. W. H. Price, of El Paso was also visiting there.

Mrs. Weldon Reed and Meg and Mrs. Riley Miller and Jenny attended the Senior play at Fluvanna Friday night.

Mrs. James Prescott and children of Snyder were Sunday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Tomme. Mrs. Elma Cunningham, Mrs. Tomme's mother, was also a guest.

Mrs. Mattie Belle Fluitt spent the day Sunday with Mrs. Pearl Nance.

Allen Roy Cash of Levelland visited the Bandy Cashes Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Noble and Mrs. Beverly Rich were weekend guests of the J. C. Riches. David Rich, nephew of the Riches, left last Thursday for a tour of duty in Korea.

Mrs. Dale Nichols is a new member of the Work Basket Knitting Club and attended the last meeting in the home of Mrs. Iva Sanders. Mrs. Nichols' mother, Mrs. Bartlett, was a guest.

Members knitted and visited before being served cookies, coffee and soft drinks.

Mrs. Jack Hair will be hostess for the April 8 meeting.

Members of the Garza Memorial Hospital Auxiliary planned a bake sale to be held Saturday at Piggy Wiggly and discussed plans for adding a hand rail to the steps of the hospital when they met last week in the home of Mrs. M. J. Malouf.

The new president, Mrs. W. A. Long, presided at the meeting.

Mrs. Malouf served cake squares and coffee to the following:

Mmes. J. E. Parker, Long, Bandy Cash, L. G. Thuet Sr., J. L. Bowen, Fernie Reed and Jack Wood, a new member.

What may be the youngest high school golf team in the state will represent Post High School Saturday at the district meet in Floydada.

On the Post team are freshmen Leslie Acker, Roger Camp and Lee Williams and sophomore Jimmy Minor.

We have a new steady couple on our list this week. Jerry Windham and Melanie Thompson started going steady last Sunday night. Congratulations, kids!

Members of the high school choir are planning to get their choir jackets pretty soon. They discussed them in class Tuesday. If they order them soon, they may be lucky enough to get them in May.

The senior class play, "Hill-billy Weddin'," will be presented Friday night, April 3, at 8 o'clock in the grade school auditorium. Ticket prices are \$1 for reserved seats, 75 cents for adults and 35 cents for children. Tickets may be purchased from any member of the senior class. Everybody come!

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Blacklock and five children returned Sunday night from a three-day outing and fishing trip to Buchanan Dam, near Burnet.

Mrs. J. G. Siewert, who lives several miles northeast of Post, fell and broke her hip Saturday afternoon while walking from the sidewalk to her car parked in the center of the street in downtown Post.

Mrs. Siewert, who is 66, received emergency treatment at Garza Memorial Hospital before being taken to Lubbock Methodist Hospital.

April 5, 1949
50 Years Ago

April 5, 1959
40 Years Ago

Two first places, one second, one third and one fifth were won by horses owned by Clyde Miller of Fluvanna in the annual Horse Show at Garden City.

Places won by the Miller horses were: Roan Bar, first, aged stallion; Brenda's Bar, first, 1958 colts; Monte Miller, second, two-year-olds; Mr. Bantender, third yearlings, and Roan Bar, fifth, junior reining class.

Attending the show along with Clyde Miller were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Riley Miller, Ben and Jennifer, and Jimmy Jones.

Carl Kline of Fort Worth is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Hub Haire of Southland, and other relatives in this area for several weeks. He returned this week from Fort Worth with Mrs. Haire and son Johnny, and his aunt, Mrs. Jack Burgess, who had been visiting the Kline family. He is a grandson of Mrs. Winnie Tuffing.

A miscellaneous shower honoring Mrs. Terrell Brown, a recent bride was given Tuesday in the home of Mrs. Will Teaff. Co-hostesses were Mrs. R. E. Bratton and Mrs. George Fulton. Cake and punch were served.



NEW COACH

Vernard Alexander (above) has been named head coach and athletic director at Post High School, and will take over his duties in time for fall football drills. Alexander has coached at Morton the last three years and was on the Lubbock High School coaching staff for five years.

From The Post Dispatch,
March 26, 1959

Visitors in the L. R. Mason home Sunday were the Rev. and Mrs. Peters of Grassland and a visiting preacher who closed a revival at the Grassland Methodist Church Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Fulton are visiting in Donte.

Mrs. A. M. Smith, Mrs. Will Teaff, Billie Longshore, Henrietta Carey and Mr. and Mrs. C. Fowler attended the State Baptist Training Union Convention in Abilene three days last week.

Visitors in the home of the Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Bratton over the weekend were their children and their families, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Warden and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Warden and son of Ft. Worth, Mrs. Charles McCoy of California, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Boyd and son of Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Martin and children of Ft.

Members of the Post Volunteer Fire Department answered a call Monday afternoon to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Mills to extinguish a fire in a garbage can on the back porch. No damage was done to the house.



SPELLING WINNERS REWARDED

Barbara Mills (left), winner of the Garza County Spelling Bee held Friday, is reaching for her prize check from Mrs. Dixie Billings, Post Chamber of Commerce secretary. Linda Ward (second from left) won second, and Linda Sue Ausburn of Close City was the third place winner. (Story on page one.)—(Staff Photo)

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6 TX singer Vikki
7 Temple TV station
8 stat for TX Hall of Famer Nolan
9 this Dan was TX AG in '98
16 this Moore starred with TX Swayze in "Ghost"
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21 ___ "Bum" Phillips
22 TXism: "I don't cotton ___"
23 TXism: "bought a pig ___ poke"
24 New Braunfels' historic ___ Mansion Inn
30 TXism: "exciting as a ___ IRS office"
34 Bob Lilly's old position (abbr.)
35 TXism: "___ by a country mile"
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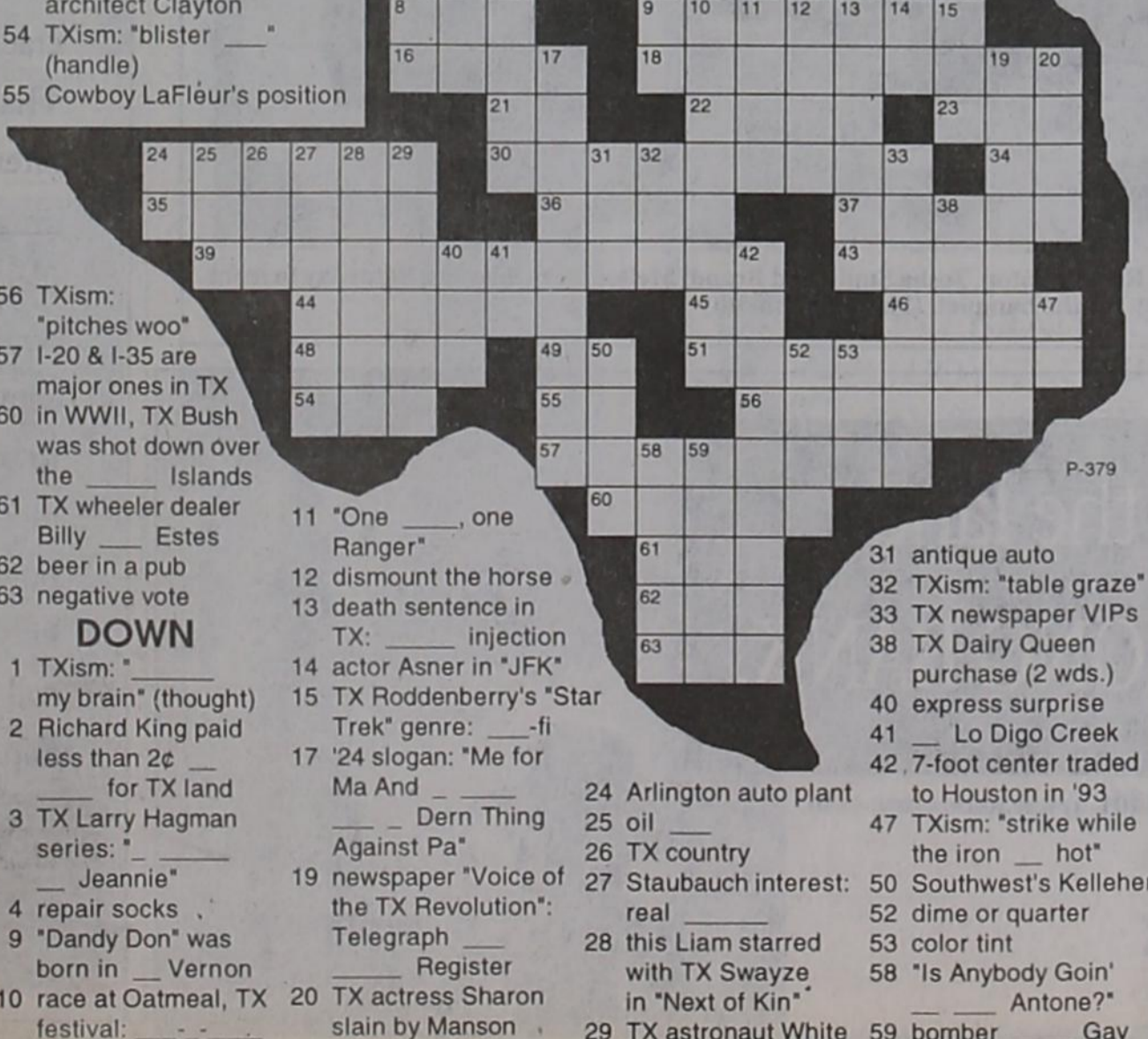
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Letters to the Editor

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Exile of soldiers

In our life time, we have seen the UN acquire control of wars and now the President of the United States sends soldiers abroad at the command of the UN without Congressional approval. But via Magna Charta, this constitutes "exile" or "banishment" and is unlawful.

The Great Charter of Liberties contains the following provision: "No freeman shall be taken, or imprisoned, or be disseised of his freehold, or liberties, or free customs or be outlawed, or exiled, or any otherwise destroyed;..." In Sir Edward Coke's Institutes of the Laws of England, he wrote regarding this provision's prohibition against exile:

"4. No man exiled.
"By the law of the land no man can be exiled, or banished out of his native country, but either by authority of parliament, or in case of abjuration for felony by the common law: and so when our books, or any record speak of exile, or banishment, other then in case of abjuration, it is to be intended to be done by authority of parliament; as Belknap and other judges, &c. banished into Ireland.

"This is a beneficially law, and is construed benignly, and therefore the king cannot send any subject of England against his will to serve him out of this realme, for that should be an exile, and he should perdere patriam: no, he cannot be sent against his will into Ireland, to serve the king as his deputy there, because it is out of the realme of England: for if the king might send him out of this realme to any place, then under pretence of service, as ambassadour, or the like, he might send him into the furthest part of the world, which being an exile, is prohibited by this act. And albeit it was accorded in the upper-house of parliament, anno 6 E. 3. nu. 6. that such learned men in the law, as should be sent, as justices, or otherwise, to serve in Ireland, should have no excuse, yet that being no act of parliament, it did not binde the subject. And this notably appeareth by a record, in 44 E. 3. Sir Richard Pembrughs case, who was warden of the cinque ports, and had divers offices, annuities, and lands graunted to him for life, or in fee by the king under the great seale, pro servitio impenso, et impendo, the king commanded Sir Richard to serve him in Ireland, as his deputy there, which he absolutely refused, whereupon the king by advice of his counsell, seised all things graunted to him, pro servitio impendo (in respect of that clause) but he was not upon that resolution committed to prison, as by that record it appeareth; and the reason was because refusall was lawfull, and if the refusall was lawfull to serve in Ireland parcell of the kings dominions, a fortiori, a refusall is lawfull to serve in any foreign country. And it seemeth to me, that the said seizure was unlawfull, for pro servitio impenso et impendo, must be intended lawfull service within the realme."

Please excuse the Latin phrases and "olde Englishe." However, Coke's words have a special importance today.
Larry Becraft, Huntsville, Ala.

Ban lawnmowers, not guns

Editor's Note: Charlie Duncan sent us this note: "A good friend sent the following article. Before you read it, I want to say that unlike most liberal/ environmentalist schemes, I will support this one. I'll bravely give up my rights in exchange for a stiff lawnmower control law (I HATE mowing)."

Listen, I suspect more old geezers conk out mowing their lawns due to heat exhaustion and heart trouble than are ever killed by guns, cigarettes, or McDonald's fatburgers. In fact, I bet there are 100,000 deaths on our streets every year because of lawnmowers (100,000 being the number always given for anything of importance here in the US).

As a writer, I am ready to do my part. I have my bumper sticker slogans in hand:

"Ban lawnmowers, not guns."

"People don't kill people, lawnmowers do."

"Ban a lawnmower for Jesus." and "Ban Lawnmowers — Save a Whale (of a Lot of Work)"

Yessssiree.... This would be an effort I could really throw my support behind.

Of course the lawn mower lobby will probably get into it. And the yard care folks will get into the picture, too. Money will pass under the table in DC, making our work out here in the "grass roots" all the harder. Yes, we'll have to contend with that horrible grass lobby (arguably more dangerous than the NRA ever thought about being).

And of course if money is flowing in DC, you know who'll be there with his hand out. So tomorrow's worry (and story) will be: Lawnmowergate...

But the President will ignore his critics, showing his support first by golfing on carefully manicured lawns, and then speaking on TV, exhorting good citizens everywhere to exercise their Constitutional right to mow their lawns...

"My fellow Americans, in support of my most holy oath of office, I will do everything to protect the poor and misfortunate of our land who earn their living by honest work, cutting grass and transporting clippings at low speed down our nations streets and highways." Then he'll look straight at the lens and hold up his finger of truthfulness.

"Make no mistake about it. I will veto any bill that would infringe upon your right to mow lawns and contaminate the atmosphere with carbon monoxide and weed control fumes."

But we must stand strong. Some things are worth giving up, and lawn mowing is one of them. If we all fight to ban lawnmowers there's still a chance. If we all just work together and keep repeating "Can't we all just get along without mowing" in a suitably whiny, liberal tone, there's a chance that we might just gain all that free time we waste mowing and sweating in the sun (which, I'll remind you, causes skin cancer and wrinkles — two other concerns not even addresses in this article).

Call your congressman. Call Ralph Nader. Stop this monster before... before it does whatever it is it's going to do (like a good liberal, I haven't read the article so I don't really know the facts, yet — but that doesn't make any difference because I feel I'm right, and feelings are what count).

— Duncan Long

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Obie Kelly (left) won the drawing for the bar-b-grill donated to the Holy Cross Catholic Church. Pastoral assistant Edward Hester presented the grill to Kelly on behalf of the church youth. The raffle raised \$600 for the youth program. (Photo by Timothy W. Burnett)

SPC summer term registration

Registration for summer terms at South Plains College Levelland and Lubbock will be May 27.

Registration for SPC summer classes at the Reese Center will be May 25-26.

SPC Levelland, 1401 S. College Avenue in Levelland, will have registration for its first summer session and 10-week courses from 3-6 p.m. May 27 in the women's gym.

SPC Lubbock, 1302 Main Street, Lubbock, will have registration for its summer term from 9 a.m. to noon and 3-6 p.m. May 27.

Reese Center sign-up times are 5-7:30 p.m. May 25-26 in Building 820 at the center, 9730 Reese Blvd.

Summer 1999 class schedules are now available.

Classes and late registration begin June 1 at all three locations.

For more information, contact SPC Levelland at 894-9611, ext. 2374 or 2375; SPC Lubbock at 747-0576, ext. 4660 or 4606; or the SPC Reese Center at 747-0576, ext. 2902.

South Plains Curriculum Festival offers home school help

The 14th annual South Plains Curriculum Festival will be held Saturday, May 8, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Holiday Inn Lubbock Plaza, 3201 South Loop 289.

The '99 festival, sponsored by the South Plains Christian Home Educators' Association, will feature a variety of workshops, including:

- Building Godly Character with Older Books, Dennis Gundersen, 9 a.m.
- Parent-Taught Driver's Education, Pat Barrett, 10:10 a.m.
- Mastering Mathematics Using Manipulatives, Kitty Foster, 10:50 a.m.
- Legal & Political Update, Tim Lambert, 11:30 a.m.
- Literature as a Teaching Tool, Kathy Campbell, 12:10 p.m.
- Building a Good Conscience in Your Child, Dennis Gundersen, 12:50 p.m.
- Preparing Your Teenagers for College, Sandy Aul, 2 p.m.
- KONOS Curriculum the Easy Way, Suzanne Baker, 2:40 p.m.
- Opportunities Available Through TTU ISD for Home Educators, 3:10 p.m.
- Life in America Learning Styles Workshop, Ellen Gardner, 3:50 p.m.
- The Patriarch's Calling — Establishing a Lineage of Faithfulness, Maureen Arnold, 4:30 p.m.

A number of exhibits are scheduled to participate, including A Beka Book, Mickey Pierce; Aladdin Publishing, Bobby O. Wallace; At Esther's Request,

No child care will be provided during this event. Admission will be \$3 per adult; children will be admitted free of charge. Barbecue plates and drinks will be served at a cost of \$5. With the purchase of a meal, adult admission will be free of charge.

For more information, call Christine Gill at 806-924-7203.

Shelly Key; Bailey's Bookstore, Ron Bailey; Bethlehem Books, Dana Hinds; Bob Jones University Press, Edward L. Schwartz; Christ for the Nations; Christian Liberty Academy; Christian Light Education; Comp USA, Robert St. Clair; Dorling Kindersley, Janet Cotton; Driver's Ed in a Box, Pat Barrett; Grace and Truth, Dennis Gundersen; Gospel for Asia, Sandra Laskie; and Helen S. Konz, author.

Also, His Way Homeschool Resources, Russ and Sue Shrowang; In His Steps, Terry and Lora Gleaton; KONOS Curriculum, Suzanne Baker; Lamb Co., Steve and Kathie Lunsford; Life in America Unit Studies, Ellen Gardner; Lubbock Christian University, Randi Harman; Math-U-See/Math-A-Madness, Kitty Foster; On Eagle's Wings, Dottie Thomas; Onward Press, Maureen Arnold; Rod & Staff Publishing; School of Tomorrow, William H. Marcum; Scripture Memory Fellowship, Dorothy Looney; Sonlight Curriculum, Rhonda Carthel; Texas Home School Coalition, Lyndsay Lambert; Texas Tech University ISD, Waylon R. Carroll; The Dow's Schoolroom, Diana Dow; and Total Language Plus, Kathy Campbell.

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Post 8th grade students (left to right) Russell Eaton, Tasha Smith and Brandi Melton were busy last Saturday in front of the OS Ranch Shop earning money for the banquet. (Photo by Timothy W. Burnett)

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Post Opry opens with rousing round of talent!

by Schahara Hudelson

Can a town have more fun than it did Saturday night? People leaving from a big day at Old Mill Trade Days, with the Garza running full steam and the Tower theater's first Opry, the streets were full of activity getting to respective venues. Some folks were running back and forth to attend portions of all events.

The New Post Opry kicked off its first hometown show Saturday night at 7PM with the Rusty & Schahara Hudelson utilizing their Knights of the West band as the house band to a lineup of West Texas talent not soon to be forgotten.

A real highlight of the evening was when the dance floor was jammed with dancers who rushed to grab a spot on the Tower's dance floor while the band took requests from Fraulein to Faded Love to Does Ft Worth Ever Cross your Mind.

Video taping of the show offered a bonus to those performers who were wanting to get a glimpse of their own performance and for the audience.

Comedy was performed by Jimmie Barnes from Lubbock and the show's

emcee, Bill Reynolds, from Mr. Bill's Comedy Club in Lubbock. Jokes and impressions were Saturday night's specialty.

Toby & Melissa Baxley from Canyon provided gospel music, including an original. Cathy Whitten, formerly of Post's KPOS radio station sang Rose Garden, Back in Baby's Arms and Silver Threads.

Pat Holt from Lubbock got the toes to tapping with Satin Sheets, Wine Me Up, and You Ain't Woman Enough to Take my Man. Penni Sisk from Idalou gave a great performance with Stand by Your Man, and a hearty tribute to Patsy Cline with Crazy, and Walkin after Midnight.

Lubbock's Tile Store Trio really strutted their stuff with Folsom Prison Blues and everyone was pretty taken with the effect of the ghostly mural backdrop as they performed Ghost Riders in the Sky.

Becky Taylor from Lubbock sang Heartaches and Cry and then joined Slaton's Jimmy Henderson for a beautiful duet, Have You Ever Been

Lonely. Jimmy closed out the show with a piano accompanied version of

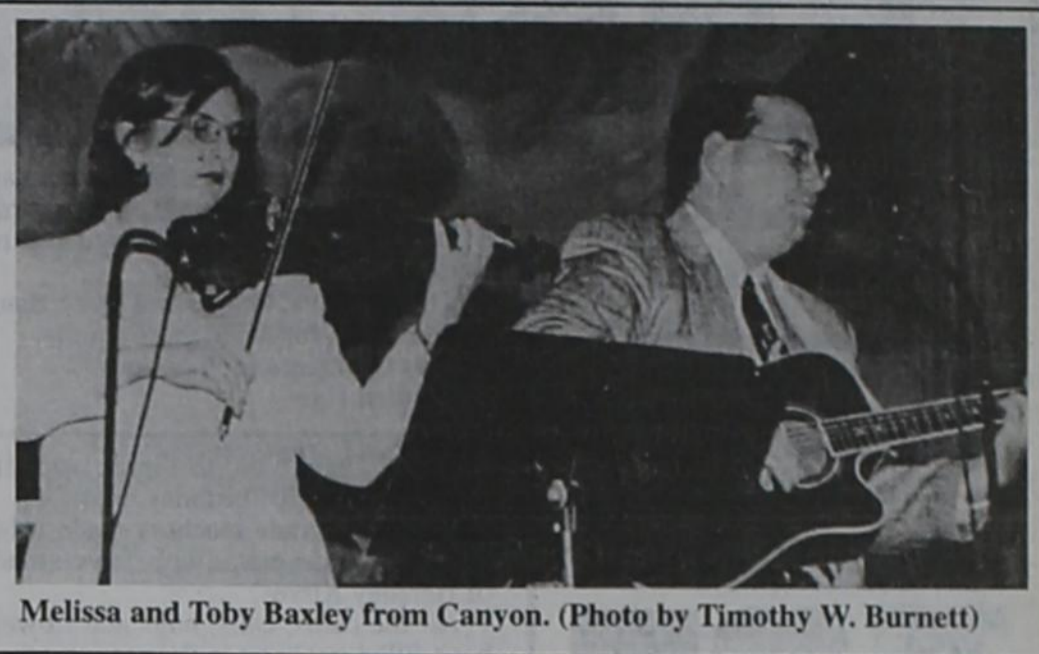
Wind Beneath My Wings and a heartfelt tribute to our veterans with God Bless the USA.

If you missed the first Post Opry, you will want to catch the next one which will be June 5th. Starting on June 5, the Opry will be every Saturday night of Old Mill Trade Days events at 7 p.m. BarBQ Plates will be served throughout the evenings of the Opry as well as other concession items.

There is no admission charge to attend the Opry.

The Opry continues to take audition tapes of prospective opry performers. Anyone interested can call 806-894-3552, email: schahara@sprynet.com, or send a tape of the songs they are interested in performing (please include 3-4 songs, only include one slow song, the others should be upbeat) to: MMI BX 8555 Levelland, TX 79338.

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Melissa and Toby Baxley from Canyon. (Photo by Timothy W. Burnett)

Sheriff's department reports 80 calls

Eight arrests were made during the past week in Garza County, according to the sheriff's department jail register.

Arrested March 30 was a 45-year-old male picked up for assault by threat and possession of a controlled substance (released April 1 on \$400 bail bond for the assault and \$2,500 bail bond, possession of a controlled substance).

Two individuals were jailed April 2, including a 38-year-old female, warrant (released the same day on a PR bond) and a 39-year-old male, commitment (released the next day after serving commitment time).

A 37-year-old man picked up for public intoxication was jailed April 3 (released the same day after entering a guilty plea before the justice of the peace; scheduled to appear before the municipal judge later this month).

On April 4, four individuals were booked into the jail, including a 30-year-old man picked up for possession of marijuana, under two ounces (released the same day on \$1,500 bail bond); a 41-year-old man picked up for failure to ID, driving while license suspended (released the same day on \$1,500 bail bond, DWLS, and \$300 bail bond, failure to ID); a 31-year-old man, driving while license suspended #4 (released April 5 on \$1,000 bail bond); and a 52-year-old man, motion to revoke probation (released April 5 on \$1,000 bail bond).

The sheriff's department dispatchers fielded more than 80 calls for service during the past week and took reports regarding, on April 1, a man run over by a car in the 400 block of East 5th Street (EMS responded and transport made to Methodist Hospital, Lubbock; no further details recorded); a gasoline drive-off at a South Broadway location (\$10 worth of gasoline taken); a dog bite in the 400 block of West 14th; and a stray donkey in a yard on Arroyo Drive.

Calls recorded on April 2 included a report of a vehicle on fire at Avenue F and 8th Street and a gasoline drive-off at a South Broadway location (no amount recorded).

On April 3, a report was received about a child in the middle of the street in the 300 block of 14th (no other information recorded); an incidence of telephone harassment at a North Broadway eatery; and telephone harassment in the 100 block of Avenue S.

On April 4, authorities worked a report that an unknown man at a local business took a set of automobile keys being played with by an infant and drove off in the vehicle (no other details recorded).

April 5 reports included a minor automobile accident at a South Broadway restaurant; a medical emergency at Main and Broadway (a man was pinned under a vehicle; no further details were recorded); a gasoline drive-off at a South Broadway location (\$14 worth of gasoline taken); and a medical emergency in the 400 block of Mohawk (ambulance responded).

Calls fielded on April 6 included a medical emergency in the 500 block of West 12th (EMS responded); a report of 28 chickens stolen (no address recorded); a theft at a downtown business; and a gasoline drive-off at a South Broadway location (\$16 worth of gasoline taken).



Rhonda Dover of Lubbock. (Photo by Timothy W. Burnett)



Jimmy Henderson of Slaton. (Photo by Timothy W. Burnett)



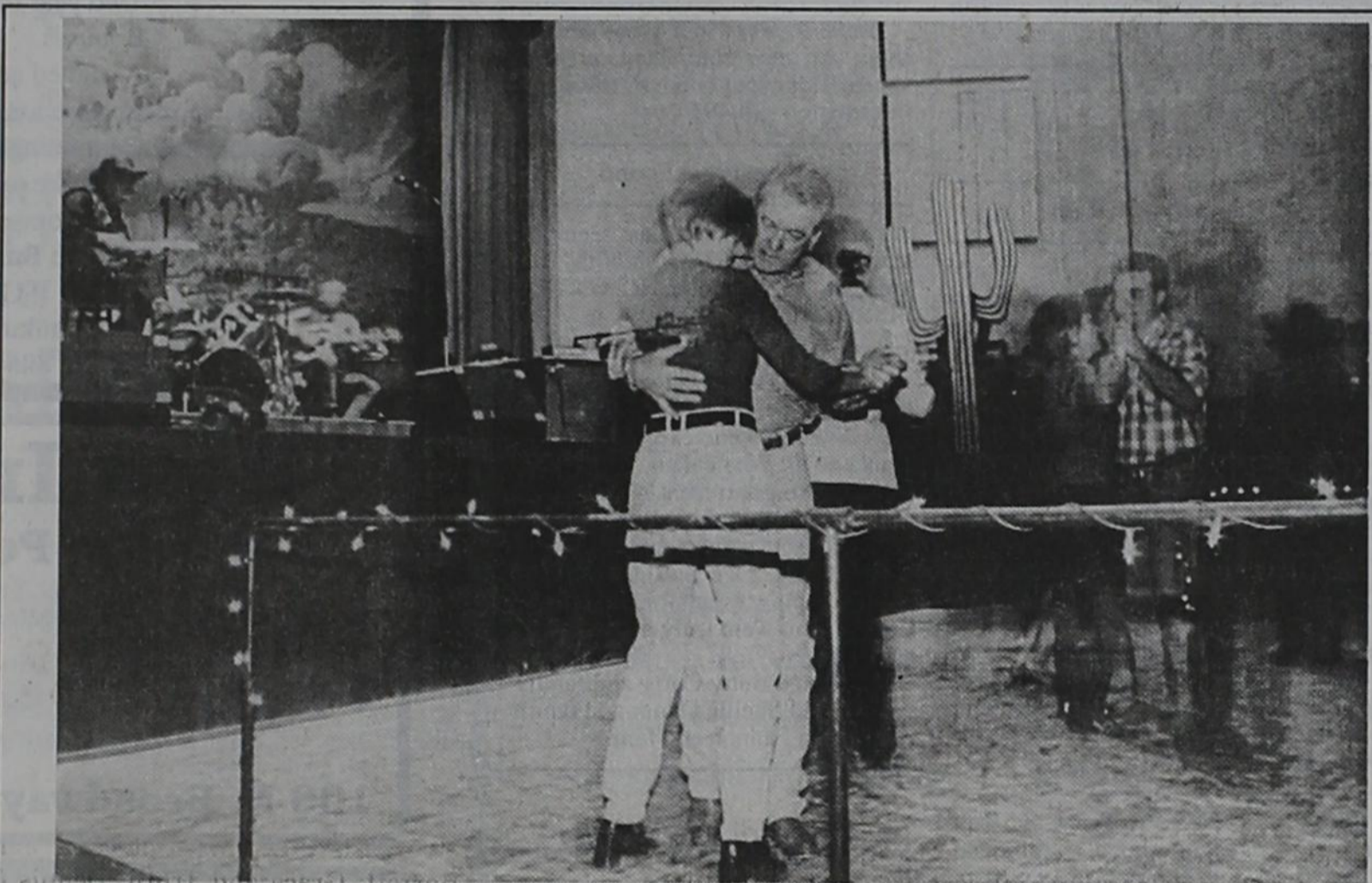
Pat Holt. (Photo by Timothy W. Burnett)



Jimmie Barnes, imitating Jerry Lewis. (Photo by Timothy W. Burnett)



Penni Sisk of Idalou. (Photo by Timothy W. Burnett)



Dancing is popular at the Tower Theater's Post Opry. (Photo by Timothy W. Burnett)



Cathy Whitten. (Photo by Timothy W. Burnett)



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Monty House (left to right), David House and Kirk Franklin, Tile Store Trio. (Photo by Timothy W. Burnett)

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The best way to avoid the sun is to try to stay out of it from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. when its rays are the strongest. If this is not possible or at other times you are in the sun, stay covered! Wide-brimmed hats, long-sleeved shirts, and pants will help. Don't forget to keep your neck covered! Also, use a sun screen with at least a factor of 15 and remember to apply it at least 15 to 30 minutes prior to going out into the sun. Don't forget to apply more after swimming or sweating!

Things to remember about the sun: Beware of cloudy days. You can still get burned. The sun's rays can reach through three feet of water, so you may be nice and cool, and still be getting a burn. Watch out for the sun in the wintertime, it can still burn, especially with snow on the ground to reflect it. Don't use sunlamps, tanning parlors, or tanning pills. They can be just as harmful as the sun.

People who sunburn easily, have fair skin, or have red or blond hair get skin cancer most often. It is less common in people with black or deep brown skin. However, anyone who spends a lot of time in the sun is at risk. Ninety percent of skin cancers occur on parts of the body not usually covered with clothing- the face, hands, forearms and ears. Sun tanning can cause cancer of the- shoulders, back, chest, or legs.

You should be on the look out for any of the following, especially if your exposer to the sun is frequent.

MOLES- that change in size, shape or color.
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COLOR- changes in skin color.
SORES- that don't heal after two weeks. There will be a free skin cancer screening at the South West Cancer Center on May 1 between 8 AM - 2 PM at University Medical Center.

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Mary Nelson
Jan and Larry Merryfield

Words cannot express how much I appreciate all of the flowers, calls, cards, visits and food after my recent hip replacement surgery.
To Bro. David Graves and Mary, thank you so much for being there for me.
May God bless each of you,
Mildred Hair

A big "Thank You" to all who helped to make my big "70" birthday great!
The third grade teachers made a big card that was decorated with flowers made of Hershey Kisses.

All the cards, calls, hugs and flowers have filled my heart with love.
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We would like to thank each of you for the love and concern shown to the family of Velvie Williams.

Your prayers, food, cards, visits, phone calls, flowers and memorials have been over whelming.

Special thanks to Clayton for the service, Margie for the beautiful music and to C.W.F. for the delicious lunch.

To Cindy, Danny and staff, for the love and care you gave our Mom. To Hudman's for a job well done. Thanks to special friends, Jim and Betty Curry and lovely daughters, for our house together. Your hugs and concern was much needed.
The family of Velvie Williams

Thank you for the many acts of kindness shown to me in the loss of my Uncle Roy.

For the beautiful flowers, delicious food, comforting cards, prayers and calls, I am so grateful.

To the ladies of Church on The Go, thank you so much for serving lunch.

To Dee and Janet Justice, thank you for your love and concern.
God bless each of you,
Wilma Williams

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

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SPC offers nursing assistant course Apr 13

The South Plains College Continuing Education and Workforce Development Office is offering a "Nursing Assistant for Hospitals/Nursing Homes/Home Health" class beginning Tuesday, April 13, at the SPC Allied Health Building, 2415 6th Street.

This course is designed for the individual wanting to work in a hospital, home health or nursing home. It is designed to teach the concepts and skills to provide basic patient care. The lectures for the 112-hour course will meet from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, followed by clinical exercises.

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Who qualifies for an exemption?
Anyone who owned a home on January 1st (and used it as their primary residence on that date) is entitled to a \$15,000 homestead exemption to lower their school taxes this year, and it doesn't matter if your home is a house, condominium, or mobile home. (County, city, and special taxing districts may also offer homestead exemptions.)

Are there other exemptions available?
If you're disabled—if you're 65 years old or older—you are entitled to an additional \$10,000 school tax exemption on your home. And if you qualify for the over-65 exemption, you're also entitled to a permanent, locked-in "circuiting" on the school property taxes on your home. (The ceiling does not apply to county or city property taxes, and those entities may offer other exemptions.) The over-65 homesteaders' exemption and school tax ceiling transfers to the surviving spouse, if the spouse is 55 years of age or older at the time of death and lives in and owns the home. Over-65 homesteaders also may transfer the percentage of school tax paid, based on their former home's over-65 school tax ceiling, to a new home.

Do I have to apply each year?
No. If you had a homestead exemption on your home in 1998, you won't need to reapply for 1999 unless your chief appraiser requires it. However, if you haven't received an exemption on your present home—if you've moved to a new home—you'll need to file for an exemption for 1999. If you are 65 this year, you may file for the over-65 exemption up to one year after the date you turned 65. And if you became disabled during 1999, you need to file for the disabled person's exemption.

When and where should I file?
File applications by April 30 at your appraisal district office. If you need more time, contact us at:
Garza Central Appraisal District
124 East Main (806) 495-3518
Post, Texas 79356

For more information, stop in or call for a free copy of "Texas Property Taxes: Taxpayers' Rights, Remedies & Responsibilities" or contact:
Comptroller's Property Tax Division
P.O. Box 13528
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Protect your rights! "Render" your taxable property by April 15th.

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

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

Are there any advantages to you?
The advantages of filing a rendition are:

- 1. You give your opinion of your property's value. If the appraisal district believes the value is higher, it must notify you in writing of the higher value and explain how you can protest that value to the appraisal review board.
- 2. You record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes on time or paying extra charges for late payments.
- 3. You can also file a "report of decreased value" to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 1998. The district will look at your property before assigning a value in 1999.

What's the deadline?
The last day for filing 1999 renditions is April 15. Call your appraisal district for the last date the rendition may be postmarked by mailing. You can get extra 15 days if you ask for it in writing by the April 15 deadline.

Where do you file?
File renditions with your local appraisal district at:
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"Productivity appraisal" may lower the property taxes on your farm, ranch or timber land!

Texas law allows farmers, ranchers, and timber growers to pay property taxes based upon the "productivity value" of their land rather than on its market value. This "productivity appraisal" means qualified land is taxed based on its ability to produce crops, livestock, or timber—not on its value on the real estate market. And it can mean substantial property tax savings.

When is the application deadline?
If your land has never had a productivity appraisal or if you are a new owner, you must apply to your local appraisal district by April 30 to take advantage of this benefit on your 1999 property taxes. You may get up to 60 extra days if you have a good reason and ask for it by April 30. If you miss this deadline, you may still be able to apply, but you will pay a penalty. Check with your appraisal district office.

Do you need to reapply annually?
If your land already receives agricultural or timber productivity appraisal, you normally don't need to reapply unless the chief appraiser requires you to do so. If a new application is required, the appraisal district will notify you by mail.

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Lunch Menus

Trail Blazer

Friday, April 9, 1999
Fried fish, beans, candy carrots, cornbread, fruit and cookies.

Monday, April 12, 1999
BBQ beef, baked potato, broccoli and cheese, hot roll, pears and peanut butter cookies.

Tuesday, April 13, 1999
Salsbury steak, natural gravy, cauliflower, green peas, biscuit and peach cobbler.

Wednesday, April 14, 1999
Chicken fried steak, cream potatoes, white gravy, green beans, wheat roll and apricots.

Thursday, April 15, 1999
Hamburger on bun, cheese slices, tator tots, three bean salad and dessert.

Post ISD

Friday, April 9, 1999
Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Burrito, black-eyed peas, salad, cookie and choice of milk.

Monday, April 12, 1999
Breakfast: Pancake/sausage on a stick, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Nachos supreme, salad, fruit cocktail, cake and choice of milk.

Tuesday, April 13, 1999
Breakfast: Muffin, sausage links, fruit, orange juice and milk.

Lunch: Chili dog, French fries, green peas, pears and choice of milk.

¡Varias exenciones de residencia pueden rebajar sus impuestos de propiedad!

Una exención de residencia reduce sus impuestos de propiedad. Por ejemplo, si su residencia tiene un valor de \$50,000 y Ud. recibe una exención de \$15,000, sus impuestos se calcularán como si el valor de su residencia fuera \$35,000.

¿Quién califica para una exención?
Cualquier dueño de una residencia principal el día 1 de enero tiene derecho a una exención de residencia de \$15,000 este año para rebajar sus impuestos escolares... y no importa si la residencia es casa, condominio, o casa móvil. (Los condados, municipios, y distritos especiales de impuestos también pueden ofrecer exenciones de residencia.)

¿Hay otras exenciones?
Si Ud. es incapacitado—si tiene 65 años o más—tiene derecho a una exención adicional de \$10,000 en sus impuestos escolares de propiedad. Y si Ud. califica para la exención para los que ya cumplieron 65 años, también tiene derecho a un "cielo máximo" permanente en sus impuestos escolares de residencia. (El cielo máximo no tiene que ver con impuestos de propiedad de los condados o municipios, y esas entidades pueden ofrecer otras exenciones.) La exención para los que ya cumplieron 65 años y el cielo máximo se pueden transferir al esposo/esposa sobreviviente si el cónyuge es 55 años o más años de edad y es dueño/dueña de la casa en donde vive. También el dueño de una casa nueva que tiene 65 años o más puede transferir un porcentaje de cielo máximo de los impuestos escolares que le tocaron en su domicilio viejo.

¿Debo solicitarla cada año?
No. Si Ud. recibió una exención de residencia en 1998, no hay necesidad de solicitarla de nuevo en 1999—al menos que se le pida su jefe de valoraciones. Sin embargo, si no ha recibido una exención en su residencia actual o si ha cambiado de domicilio, tendrá que solicitar una exención para 1999. Si Ud. cumplió los 65 años durante este año, tiene hasta un año de esta fecha para solicitar una nueva exención. Y si cumplió los 65 años o resultó incapacitado en 1998, tendrá que solicitar las exenciones adicionales.

¿Dónde y cuando debo solicitar mis exenciones?
Su solicitud debe llegar en su oficina local del distrito de valoraciones antes del día 30 de abril. Si necesita más tiempo, llave la última copia de su solicitud con nosotros antes del día 30 de abril. 124 East Main, Post, TX (806) 495-3518. Si desea más información, visítanos o obtenga una copia gratis de:

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¡Protega sus derechos! "Rienda" su propiedad antes del 15 de abril.

Una "rendición" es un reporte al distrito de valoraciones en donde Ud. lista toda la propiedad que poseó o controló el día 1 de enero 1999. El formulario para la rendición se puede obtener en su oficina local del distrito de valoraciones... o puede improvisar una forma parecida.

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

¿Que ventaja me da?
Las ventajas de hacer una rendición son las siguientes:

- 1. Ud. registra su opinión sobre la valoración de su propiedad. Si el distrito opina que el valor es más grande, deberá avisarle por escrito y explicarle como protestar el nuevo valor a su junta de revisión.
- 2. Registra su dirección correcta para que le puedan mandar sus recibos de impuestos. Según la ley, Ud. es responsable por pagar sus impuestos sin demora o de pagar cualquier multa que resulte por haberlos pagado tarde—aunque la tarifa se haya mandado a una dirección equivocada.
- 3. También puede someter un "reporte de valoración disminuida" para avisar al distrito de cualquier reducción significativa en la valoración de su propiedad en 1998. El distrito examinará su propiedad antes de designar un valor en 1999.

¿Cual es la hora del cierre?
15 de abril es la última fecha para mandar sus rendiciones para 1999. Favor de llamar a su distrito de valoraciones antes del día 30 de abril, si desea formular su rendición por correo. Puede obtener 15 días adicionales si lo pide por escrito antes de la hora de cierre.

¿Dónde hago mi rendición?
Haga su rendición con su distrito local de valoraciones en:
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Para más información, visítanos o obtenga una copia gratis de:
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¡La valoración productiva puede reducir los impuestos de su terreno agrícola, ganadero o maderero!

La ley de Texas permite a los granjeros, rancheros, y madereros pagar sus impuestos de propiedad basándose en la "valoración productiva" del terreno calificado—sea en su habilidad de producir comida, ganado, o maderera—no de su valor en el mercado actual. Y esto le puede ahorrar en sus impuestos de propiedad.

¿Cual es la hora del cierre?
Si su terreno nunca ha tenido una valoración productiva, o si Ud. es nuevo dueño, debe solicitarla a su distrito de valoraciones para el día 30 de abril, para recibir el beneficio en sus impuestos de propiedad de 1999. Puede recibir hasta 60 días más si tiene una buena razón y si solicita el tiempo adicional antes del 30 de abril. Si pasa de esta fecha, es posible que todavía la podrá obtener, pero pagará una multa. Pregunte en la oficina de su distrito de valoraciones.

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

Para más información, llame o visite:
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Con mucho gusto contestaremos a sus preguntas... o le proporcionaremos una copia gratis de:
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Wednesday, April 14, 1999

Breakfast: Malt-o-meal, sausage, toast, fruit and milk.

Lunch: B-B-Que on bun, pinto beans, slaw, Rice Crispy Treat and choice of milk.

Thursday, April 15, 1999

Breakfast: French toast sticks, sausage links, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Pork patty, gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, jello and choice of milk.

Southland ISD

Friday, April 9, 1999

Breakfast: Cereal, toast, juice and milk.

Lunch: Manwich sandwich, curly fries, pickle spears, peach cobbler and milk.

Monday, April 12, 1999

Breakfast: Donuts, bacon, juice and milk.

Lunch: Cheeseburgers, salad fixings, spicy fries, apricot cobbler and milk.

Tuesday, April 13, 1999

Breakfast: Pancake Pups, syrup, fruit and milk.

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

Wednesday, April 14, 1999

Breakfast: Biscuit & sausage, juice and milk.

Lunch: Chili, cheese stixs, fried okra, cornbread, Rice Krispy Treats and milk.

Thursday, April 15, 1999

Breakfast: Cinnamon toast, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Chicken noodle soup, sandwich, chips, lemon pudding "n" graham crust and milk.

HOMEOWNERS MAY DEFER TAXES ON APPRECIATING HOME VALUE

Texas homeowners may postpone paying the current property taxes on the appreciating value of their homes. Under a new state law that began in 1998, homeowners may take advantage of a payment option called "residence homestead tax deferral" by signing an affidavit at the Garza Central Appraisal District Office.

This special form of tax relief allows homeowners to pay the taxes on 105 percent of the preceding year's appraised value of their homesteads, plus the taxes on any new improvements to the homesteads. The remaining taxes are deferred and accrue interest at an annual rate of 8 percent. The homeowner may receive the deferral only if the taxes are paid on 105 percent of last year's value. A homeowner may not receive the deferral if the home's taxes go delinquent.

The new deferral applies to property taxes beginning with the tax year following the first year that the individual qualifies the property for residence homestead exemptions. Homeowners who qualified for residence homestead exemptions in 1998 may use the deferral beginning in tax year 1999.

The deferral process would also apply to this homeowner's city and county taxes and for any other special taxing units in which the homestead was located. The homeowner may defer taxes in any of the taxing units—even if some of these units do not offer the homeowner a homestead exemption.

Once a homeowner files the tax deferral affidavit with the appraisal district, the chief appraiser will notify the taxing units that tax the homestead. No taxing unit can start or continue a lawsuit for the deferred taxes as long as that person owns and lives in that home.

The tax deferral for appreciating home value only postpones paying a portion of the taxes on the home; it does not cancel them. During the deferral time, the deferred taxes and interest of 8 percent per year continue to add up. When the homeowner no longer owns and lives in the home, the taxes become due. If the taxes are not paid, taxing units can then sue to collect all the deferred taxes and interest.

There is no penalty on the unpaid taxes during the deferral time. If the taxes remain unpaid more than 90 days after the deferral ends, a taxing unit may charge an added penalty—up to 15 percent—if the account goes to a delinquent tax attorney.

Homeowners who add an improvement to their homesteads must pay the taxes on the new improvements plus 105 percent of the preceding year's appraised value. A new improvement includes a change to the residence homestead that is made to the property after the preceding year's appraisal and that increases the home's market value.

Residence homestead tax deferral forms are available at the appraisal district office. The homeowner should fill out the form and have the signature witnessed by a notary public. For more information, taxpayers may contact the Garza Central Appraisal District, 124 East Main, Post, Texas 79356, (806) 495-3518

Post ISD cuts

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In response to these decisions, three staff members agreed to resign. The contract of a fourth staff member was not renewed by the board.

"This was in no way a reflection on their job performances," Bain said. "These are very, very good staff members. We're pleased with the job they're doing. We give them very high marks."

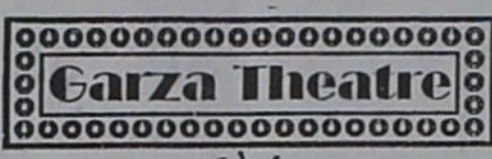
"This is going to affect academics, but we don't feel like it will be drastic. These are positions that we need but we can tighten our belts and do without them for a year. We'll still be able to provide a quality education in Post."

In addition to trimming the professional staff by four, the board has also planned to cut total salary expenditures in the 1999-2000 school year by not replacing an auxiliary staff member who has resigned and eliminating the assistant principal's post at the elementary school level. Marvin Self, who holds the assistant principal's position, will be moved up to principal next year with the resignation and retirement of longtime principal Dan Rankin this spring.

These salary cuts are expected to save the district approximately \$200,000, Bain said.

District officials announced several weeks ago their anticipation of the loss of \$1.4 million in revenues for the 1999-2000 school year thanks to depressed oil prices and a sizable drop in projected mineral values. The district expects a \$110 million drop, or about a 25 percent loss, in the total mineral values.

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The Fertilizer Place
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Larry and Nan Martin I
Cardinal's Sport Center I
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Pan-Tex Plywood & Hardwood Lumber Co.
Paul Graham Co.
Payless Cashways Inc
Plains Co-op Oil Mill
Plains Cotton Co-op Assn
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Sam's Wholesale
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H & M Dirt Contractors Inc.
Higginbotham Bartlett Lumber Co.
Hudman Funeral Home
Jackson Brothers Meat Locker
Linda's Restaurant
Mr. and Mrs Kurt Chapman
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Josey
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Norwest Bank of Post, N.A.
O S Museum & Giles McCrary
Palmer Oilfield Construction
Post Auto Parts
Redman Redi-Mix
Steve and Jamie Cooper
Strawn Transport
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Wallace Lumber Company
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