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City Council rejects curfew

by Sheri Lewis

The idea of implementing a juvenile curfew in the city died Tuesday night at the Post City Council meeting.

Council members rejected the idea, City Manager Fred Stephens said. None of the council members voted in favor of the proposed curfew.

The proposal was put to public review last Thursday in a public hearing. About 20 people attended that hearing (see related story this page).

In other business, the council granted a variance request from the McDonald's Corporation. The variance request asked that the architectural portion of the city's ordinance be waived, allowing McDonald's to use its own specific color schemes.

In granting the request, council members did suggest that McDonald's do all it can to work in accordance with the ordinance, Stephens said.

The city's ordinance, adopted when Post became a Main Street City in which a historical district was designed, holds that all of Main Street be preserved in an early 1900s theme regarding construction of new buildings and the remodeling of old buildings.

McDonald's has purchased the land at the northeast corner of Main Street and Broadway and plans to begin construction of a new restaurant in coming weeks.

Council members also:

- Approved a proposal submitted by Post High School, the Juvenile Probation Department and MAD DADS requesting that a basketball court be built at the city/county park. The city will cover half of the costs associated with the project.

- Voted against providing a quit claim deed to the Garza County Hospital District. When the city built the EMS building, the hospital district gave the city a 99-year lease on all property on which the hospital is built. The hospital district has now asked that the

city grant back the property, except that having to do with the EMS. The city worked up a quit claim deed, but hospital district officials said the proposed deed was too vague and needed to be redone following a survey of the property. Stephens said he expects the city to reconsider the issue once the hospital district has obtained a fresh survey of the property.

- Approved a resolution canceling the May city election. State law allows municipalities to cancel elections where there are no outstanding issues to be addressed and all candidates filed are unopposed.

- Approved an ordinance dealing with city personnel retirement issues.

- Received the city manager's reports. Stephens updated the council on the renovations at the pool and said the plumbing and repainting is almost complete.

- Received a report from Stephens on the clean up campaign underway in the city. The city manager said the effort, which is designed to encourage local residents to clean up and fix up their properties, is drawing "quite a bit of excitement." The city is offering a pick up service as part of the campaign and hauled off two old couches last week. Once the campaign is over at the end of May, city officials plan to step up enforcement of existing ordinances regarding debris and junk vehicles, Stephens said.

Hospital board split on compliance audit, payment to Covenant

by Wes Burnett

Garza County Hospital District board members approved a revision of the lease with the City of Post to satisfy concerns about property on which EMS facilities now stand. The revision, approved at Tuesday evening's meeting, sets aside that part of the hospital district's property on the west side in a long-term lease with the city.

Board president Mike Travis broke a tie vote on two other issues.

A motion by Carol Tobias to seek proposals from at least three auditors for an estimate of the cost of conducting a compliance audit was rejected 3-2. Propst joined Tobias in voting for the motion.

The compliance audit had been discussed last month, when Propst quizzed auditor Larry Anderson about the possibilities. The board agreed to seek an estimate from Anderson, limiting the compliance audit to the 1999 fiscal year.

Another motion by Tobias to reject payment of \$25,000 to Covenant Health Systems also was defeated 3-2, with Propst supporting the motion. "A vote to pay Covenant is a vote to violate the law," Propst said just before the vote was taken.

In other matters, Tobias submitted a list of questions concerning the most recent audit. She pointed out that a \$109,000 item for indigent care was in addition to the \$300,000 to CHS. Travis requested that Tobias present the list of questions to hospital administrator Gina Norman, who would research the audit for answers.

During the discussion Propst asked when the board has appointed Anderson to prepare the audit. Board member Zoe Kirkpatrick gave a history of the relationship between the board and Mason Warner, of which Anderson was formally associated. Propst reminded the board that no formal action had been taken to appoint an auditor, "and we ought to vote on that."

Norman reported to the board that a total of \$11,406.92 has been spent this fiscal year on indigent care, with 13 Garza County citizens currently approved indigent status. She also said that the Primary Health Care grant might be in jeopardy due to declining numbers of participants in the program.

Although no motion nor vote was taken to adjourn, Travis announced that the next regular meeting would be on Tuesday, May 2. Propst objected to the procedure, but was ignored.

Opponents smother curfew plans

Opponents to a proposed curfew on youth outnumbered proponents at Thursday evening's Post City Council public hearing on the controversial issue.

Rodney Tidwell and Lee Ortiz spoke on behalf of the curfew, with Tidwell explaining that he was not in favor of a curfew, but he could see no other recourse for the problems of youngsters "roaming the streets in the early morning hours."

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United Way campaign finishes short of goal

The 1999-2000 United Way campaign in Garza County wrapped up this week with contributions totaling \$20,828.36, or 91 percent of the campaign goal.

Agencies that will benefit from the campaign include MAD DADS, Women's Protective Services, Salvation Army, Garza County Child Welfare Board, Post Little League Baseball, Meals on Wheels, Girl

Scouts of America, American Red Cross, Boy Scouts of America, Junior Basketball, Trailblazers, Cub Scouts and Boy Scout Troop 316.

"The 1999-2000 board of directors is grateful for the generosity of so many area contributors," said board president Linda Waldrip. "Please accept our thanks for caring."

In addition to Waldrip, other United Way directors include Noah Gutierrez, vice president; Ruby Williams, secretary/treasurer; and Dr. Bobby Bain, Will Morrow, Rodney Tidwell and Robert Zapata.



Post Elementary School students taking top honors at the recent Texas Tech Science Fair are (left to right) Steffi Norman, Kylie Easterling, with their coach D'Anne Bishop, Allen Heckaman and Kamron Shumard. Fifth grade students Norman placed second in biology and Easterling took first in physical. Fourth grade students Heckaman took first with Shumard earning third place. In district competition, Norman won first place and best of show, Easterling placed second with Heckaman and Shumard placing first.

Auto Accident injures Maxine Earl

by Wes Burnett

Maxine Earl, long-time Post community and civic leader, remains in serious condition at Lubbock's University Medical Center following a two-car collision in Lubbock last week.

On Wednesday, March 29, Mrs Earl was travelling west on 4th Street in the west bound lane when she apparently tried to turn left at the Upland Avenue intersection. Her automobile was struck at the left rear by a car driven by Rebekah Thompson of Smyer, who was also west bound on 4th Street, travelling in the left hand lane.

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Post Notes

Church revival starts Sunday

The Lighthouse Christian Center Church of God will begin a revival Sunday at 11 a.m. with Evangelist Mike Cleghorn leading services. The revival continues Sunday at 6 p.m. and weeknight Monday through Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Middle school out early Friday

Post Middle School students will be released at 2:30 p.m. Friday, April 7 for the district track meet. Elementary and High School students will attend until regular dismissal times. Busses will run at the usual time. A bus room will be provided for Middle School students.

Summer recreation applications

Applications for summer recreation program are available at the Elementary School office during school hours. The deadline for submitting applications is April 10.

Clean up, fix up, paint up in Post

The City of Post is sponsoring a voluntary campaign to promote Spring Cleaning around homes. Citizens are encouraged to clean any accumulated weeds or debris, including junked or abandoned cars. If you need assistance, call city hall at 495-2811.

College financial aid info

A meeting will be held Thursday, April 13 at the Holy Cross Catholic church to assist high school seniors or adults planning to attend college next fall. The church is located at West Main and Avenue K. Those interested should call 495-2791 for an appointment. Rosie Lazada of Learn Educational Opportunity Center will be available to answer questions.

Benefit to help Delaney Fluit

A benefit will be held at the Holy Cross Catholic Church on Saturday, April 15 help cover medical expenses for Delaney Fluit. She was born with a heart condition and has to have open heart surgery in Fort Worth. She will need to remain in Cook Memorial Children's Hospital for an unknown length of time. Delaney is the daughter of Patrick and Amy Fluit.

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Run-off elections set

The Democratic and Republican party primary run-off elections will be held Saturday, April 11, with early voting to be held April 3-7. Democrats will vote at the Norwest Bank Community Room with Republicans casting ballots at the old First National Bank Bldg on East Main Street in David Stelzer's office.



Post High School students advancing to Regional U.I.L. competition with their coaches are (back row, left to right) Melvena Moore, Christi Daily, Kim Mills, Shanda Kelso, Ralynn Kirkpatrick, Candace Boling, Christy Morris, Amy Easterling, Chris Metsgar, (middle row) Scotty Gaydos, Jessica Garza,

Kelsey Wimmer, Davida Gregory, Camie Payne, Tisha Cowley, Jessica Mason, Channa Cruse, (front) K'Leigh Babb, Raymond Silva, Ricky Alvarez, Laura Tobias, Kelli Collier, Kenda Josey, Eric Montanez and Meagan Mills. (See U.I.L. story on Page 3 for details)

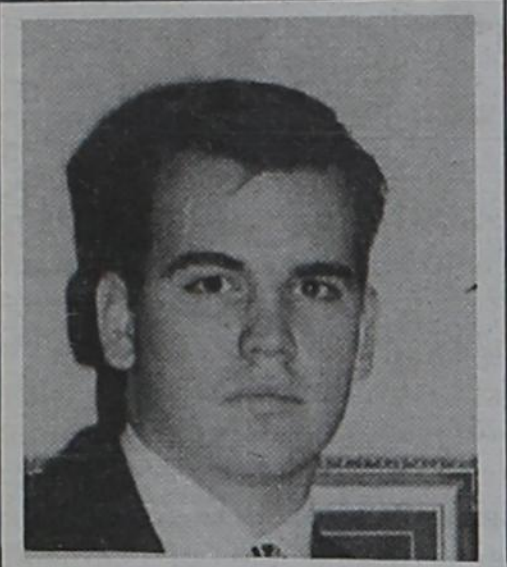
Haley Poe qualifies for national pageant

Haley René Poe, two and one-half year old daughter of Harriett and Lanny Poe of Post, has qualified to compete in the National All Star Pageant in Dallas on July 1-4.

Haley was chosen as Overall Winner in the Lubbock All Star Pageant last week and crowned queen in her age category. She earned a \$5,000 scholarship. Haley was presented trophies for overall winner, beautiful baby, playware and facial features.

She is the granddaughter of Diana Poe of Post and David Walker of Georgia. Haley's great grandmother is Marietta Pruitt of Post.

Payne to receive law degree



Tray Payne

D. Tray Payne, son of Don and Carol Payne, will be among graduates participating in May 6, 2000, commencement exercises of the Oklahoma City University School of Law.

Payne, who holds a BBA in accounting from Texas Tech University, is a 1992 graduate of Post High School. While in law school, he served as articles editor, law review, Who's Who of Law Students, vice-president of the Student Bar Association and president of his class.

Thomas celebrates 91st birthday

Nieces and nephews and grandnieces and grandnephews of Bill Thomas met Saturday, April 1, at Norwest Bank to help their "Uncle Bill" celebrate his 91st birthday.

Thomas, a native of Post, is a Post High School graduate who now resides in Lockney.

Out-of-town guests who attended the celebration included Betty Young of Austin, Howard Riggins and Cagle Riggins of Perryton, Flo and Lyle Harmon of Texoma, Fritz and Edis Hester of Breckenridge, Billie and

Robert Meeks of Slaton, Bobby and Pat Meeks of Lubbock, Shirley Bishop of Hondo, Dorothy Mason of Andrews, Jim and Margie Thomas of Hereford and John and Norma Johnson of Lubbock.

Those from Post in attendance included Mary and Elton Lee, Shorty Hester, George and Carol Hester, Charles and Kay Wallace, Bill Hedrick, Joe Henderson, Wayne Thomas and Katherine Johnson.

Special guests were L.G. Thuett Jr. and Willy McBride.



Haley Poe, All Star Pageant Over-All Winner. (Photo by Judy Bush)

Judy's Jabberin'

By Judy B. Bush



I'm starting out early this week (Monday) and I am about to freeze to death!! I think I really never warmed up after Old Mill this weekend, but wasn't that great.

I know it probably hurt trade days this time but folks will sure feel better after getting some moisture. One vendor remarked that he had only lived in Texas for two years and he did not even know it could rain like that here. I know everyone was grateful for the rain and thank the good Lord!

Sad News

Our family received sad news from Houston Friday. Johnny Fluit passed away Friday after a lengthy battle with cancer. He was the son of Tom Fluit of Houston.

Those attending his services in Houston were sisters Lucille Bush, Jeneice Reno and brother W.O. Fluit. Also Ricky Bush, Jerry and Judy Bush, Trevah Yarbro and Kale and Harold Reno.

Johnny will be missed so much. He was a very special person.

Summer Recreation (Don't forget, one more time!)

For kids interested in enrolling in the summer recreation program, applications are available at the office in the Elementary building during school hours.

Deadline will be April 10th, so don't delay.

E-Mail

I want to thank Billie L. Poole of Lake Texoma for sending me the following which she read in the Denison Herald Democrat.

1. Low Self-esteem support group will meet Thursday at 7 p.m. Please use the back door.
2. Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our church and community.
3. The eighth-graders will be presenting Shakespeare's Hamlet in the church basement Friday at 7 p.m. The congregation is invited to attend this tragedy.
4. Thursday night potluck supper. Prayer and medication to follow.
5. At the evening service the sermon topic will be "What is hell". Come early and listen to our choir practice.
6. Weight Watchers will meet at 7 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church. Please use large, double doors at the side entrance.
7. The Associate Minister unveiled the church's new tithing campaign slogan last Sunday: "I upped my pledge - up yours."
8. Don't let worry kill you, let the church help.
9. This being Easter Sunday, we will ask Mrs. Lewis to come forward and lay an egg on the altar.
10. The Senior Choir invites any member of the congregation who enjoys sinning to join the choir.
11. For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.
12. A songfest was held at the Methodist Church Wednesday.

Birthdays this Week

Friday, April 7; Ramon Hernandez, Michael Soto, Nonnie Bright, Sky Moore and Rufina Tobias; Happy anniversary to my kids, Robby and Kerri Dean; Saturday, April 8; Shauna Jaquess, Debbie Jenkins, Melissa Urrutia, Pat Pennell and Miranda Eaton; Sunday, April 9, Paxton Nava; Monday, April 10; Dr. Steve VanOsdale, Evelyn Jones, Ben Sanchez, Destiney Cowley, Dusty Osborn, Angela McDonald, Rebecca Haney and Dee Dee Jarrett; anniversary, Jerry and Lometa Epley; Tuesday, April 11; Zachary Kocurek, Lennor Ramirez, Lorie Rivera, Oscar Lopez and Meagan Mills; Wednesday, April 12, Robert R. Sanchez, Gary Sikes, Amber Hernandez, Jerin Tyler and Marvin Self; Thursday, April 13, Caden Nowlain, Valerie Mize (happy birthday to my niece, Val) and Ray Soto.

An Illinois man left the snow-filled streets of Chicago for a vacation in Florida. His wife was on a business trip and was planning to meet him there the next day. When he reached his hotel in Florida, he decided to send his wife a quick e-mail. Unable to find the scrap of paper on which he had written her e-mail address, he did his best to type it in from memory. Unfortunately, he missed one letter and his note was directed instead to an elderly preacher's wife whose husband had passed away only the day before.

When the grieving widow checked her e-mail she took one look at the monitor, let out a piercing scream, and fell to the floor in a dead faint.

At the sound, her family rushed into the room and saw this note on the screen:

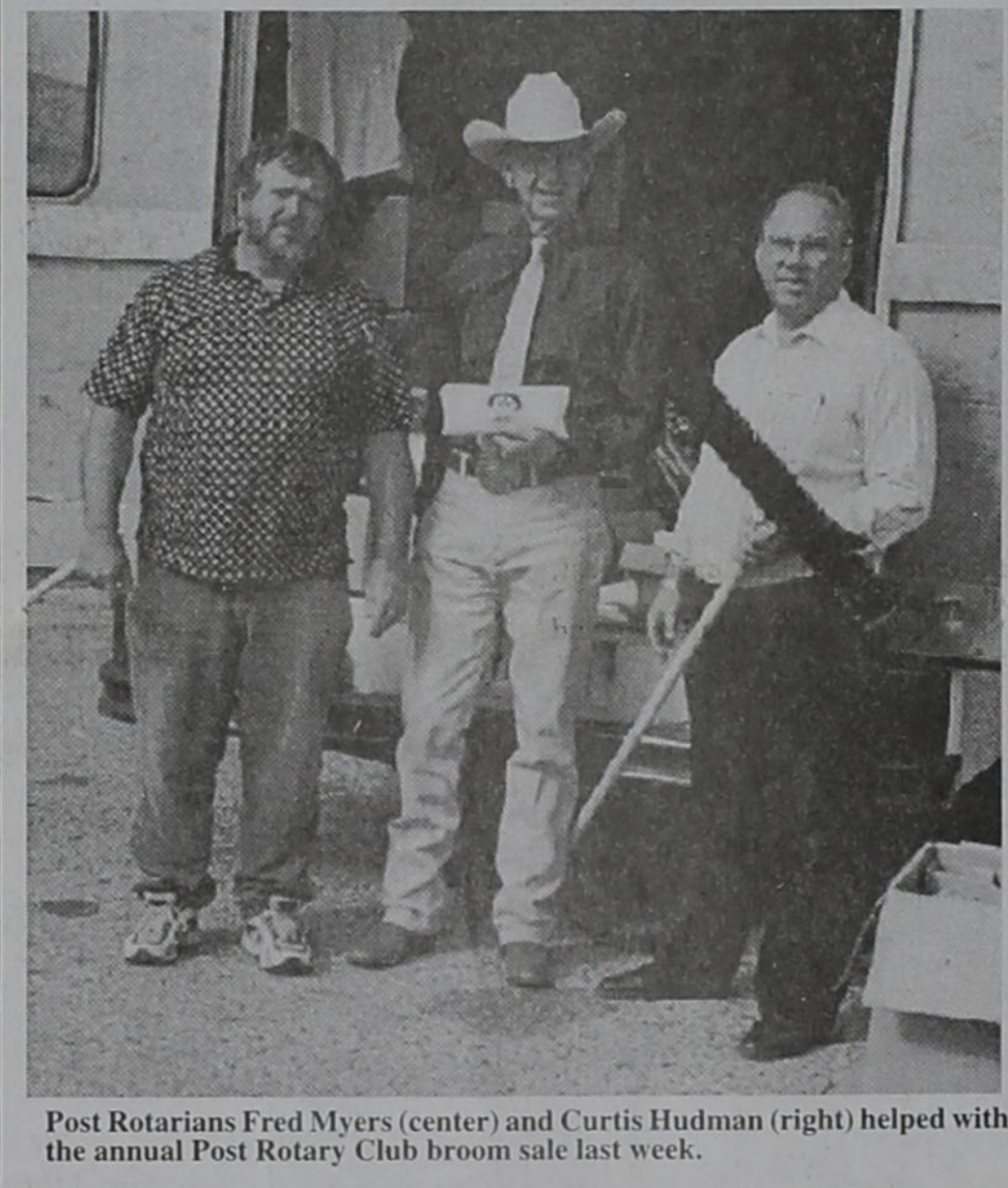
Dearest wife: Just got checked in. Everything prepared for your arrival tomorrow. P.S. Sure is hot down here.

Hints For a Good Week

- Received this from one of our readers. What good advise!
- Questions for a good week:
- Have you.....
 - visited or talked with your neighbor(s)?
 - called socially to someone?
 - sent a card or message to a sick person (s)?
 - been thankful for good health or other blessings?
 - been aware of the Holy Spirit within us all?
 - done a job for someone who could not do it for themselves?
 - complimented anyone for anything?
 - told anyone you appreciate them?
 - done something for yourself that you really wanted to do?
 - been able to keep "your cool" when you didn't feel 100% super?
 - tried being just "plain good", but in no pretentious way?
- Any of these might help us have a good week! Thanks for sharing them with me, maybe they will help everyone.

Till Next Week

Hope all of you have a great weekend. May God bless each of you. See you next week.



Post Rotarians Fred Myers (center) and Curtis Hudman (right) helped with the annual Post Rotary Club broom sale last week.

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Happy Birthday "Thelma and Louise"



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Congratulations Jill Davis!!



State Finalist for 2000 Miss Texas American Junior Teen Pageant to be held in Dallas in July

Jill is the granddaughter of B.E. & Nell Morris and Della Davis and the late Grady Davis of Post.

Jill is the daughter of Sherri Davis of Wolfforth and Robert Davis of China, Texas

PHS students advance to UIL regional contests

About half of Post High School's UIL competitors earned the right to compete at the regional level thanks to strong showings in the recent district competitions.

To qualify for regionals, a student must earn a first or second place finish at the district level.

The Calculator team of Scotty Gaydos, Jason Fields and Jennifer Morgan took second place and will advance, as will Kelci Hart and Channa Cruse, who took first and second places respectively in Accounting. Kelci Hart and Channa Cruse teamed up with Ricky Alvarez to take first place in Team Accounting and also will represent Post in that regional contest.

In Literary Criticism, Kelsey Wimmer took a first place finish and the right to advance in the individual contest and teamed up with Channa Cruse and Heather Bullard to place second in the team competition.

In Current Issues and Events, Laura Tobias finished in second place and joined K'Leigh Babb and Erin Gregory for a second place team finish. They, too, will advance to the regional level.

Three students in journalism contests will compete at the regional contests. Laci Williams and Kelci Hart took first and second places in

Editorial Writing and Jessica Garza captured a first place finish in Headline Writing.

Regional Spelling contestants representing Post High School will be Meagan Mills, who captured first place at district, and Teresa Salas, second place finisher. The two teamed up with Tandi Humble for a first place team finish as well.

Scotty Gaydos finished second in Prose and also will advance.

In LD Debate, Tisha Cowley finished second, guaranteeing herself a place at the regional competition.

Other district UIL academic contest results for PHS students included:

- Ready Writing — Kelli Collier, fourth place; Kelci Hart, sixth.
- Calculator — Scotty Gaydos, third place; Jason Fields, fourth; and Jennifer Morgan, sixth.
- Mathematics — Jennifer Morgan, fourth.
- Informative Speaking — Kenda Josey, third.
- Persuasive Speaking — Scotty Gaydos, third.
- Current Issues & Events — K'Leigh Babb, fourth place.
- Editorial Writing — Kelli Collier, fifth place.
- Feature Writing — Camie Payne, third; Laci Williams, fourth; and Kelci

Hart, fifth.
 • News Writing — Jessica Garza, third; Laci Williams, fourth.
 • Headline Writing — Aaron Cooper, fifth.

• Computer Applications — Davida Gregory, third; Meagan Mills, fifth.
 • Poetry — Raymond Silva, third; Heather Bullard, sixth.
 • Spelling — Tandi Humble, third; Jessica Mason, fourth.
 • LD Debate — Chris Metsgar, third; Regina Collazo, sixth.

Gaydos, Hart take bronze at state debate

Scotty Gaydos and Kelci Hart earned third place bronze medals at the CX State Debate Tournament held recently.

Additionally, Gaydos was awarded the Silver Gavel Top Speaker Award in the 2A Conference, recognizing him as second in the state.

Hart placed seventh in the conference. The UIL names the top five speakers with the highest points.



Placing in the recent District U.I.L. academic competition were Post High School students (back row, left to right) Heather Bullard, Aaron Cooper, Jennifer Morgan, Brice Easterling, (front row) April Line, Mandy Terry, Yvonne Lopez and Regina Collazo.

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Lunch Menus

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Monday, April 10, 2000
King ranch chicken, red beans, Mexican spinach, tortilla chips and peanutbutter cookies.

Tuesday, April 11, 2000
Spaghetti, Italian vegetables, Waldorf salad, garlic bread and jello.

Wednesday, April 12, 2000
Pork chop, baked beans, brussel sprouts, cornbread, rice raisin pudding.

Thursday, April 13, 2000
Hamburger steak, brown gravy, broccoli and rice salad, wheat roll and oranges and banana.

Friday, April 14, 2000
Brisket, new potatoes, fried okra,

fresh tomatoes, biscuit, apricots and spice cake.

Post ISD

Monday, April 10, 2000
Breakfast: Cinnamon toast, sausage link, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Frito pie, Ranch Style beans, broccoli, brownie and choice of milk.

Tuesday, April 11, 2000
Breakfast: Biscuit and gravy, ham, fruit and milk.

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

Wednesday, April 12, 2000
Breakfast: Pancake on a stick, grape juice, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Chili dog, French fries, mixed greens, ice cream and choice of milk.

Thursday, April 13, 2000
Breakfast: Oatmeal, bacon, toast, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Pizza, corn, salad, cake and choice of milk.

Friday, April 14, 2000
Breakfast: Cereal, toast, honey, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Sandwich, chips, salad, pickle spears, orange and choice of milk.

Southland ISD

Monday, April 10, 2000
Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Chicken fried steak, baked potato, salad, cake and milk.

Tuesday, April 11, 2000
Breakfast: Cereal, Graham cracker, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Lasagna, beans, creamed potatoes, salad, fruit and milk.

Wednesday, April 12, 2000
Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, toast, juice and milk.

Lunch: Chili cheese dogs, corn chips, pork-n-beans, cookies and milk.

Thursday, April 13, 2000
Breakfast: Burritos, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Chalupas, Spanish rice and beans, jello and milk.

Friday, April 14, 2000
Breakfast: Cereal, Graham crackers, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Cheeseburgers, fries, lettuce and tomatoes, ice cream and milk.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED INCREASE IN ENVIRONS GAS RATES AND SERVICE CHARGES

On March 8, 2000 Energas Company filed a statement of intent with the Railroad Commission of Texas to increase its gas rates in the unincorporated areas ("Environs") surrounding the sixty-seven West Texas Cities listed below. The proposed increase would affect all classes of environs tariff customers including Residential, Commercial, Public Authority, Small Industrial and Air Conditioning customers and would be identical in relative magnitude to those proposed by the Company for the sixty-seven West Texas cities in the Company's pending Appeal at the Railroad Commission. The proposed effective date for the increase is April 27, 2000. The Railroad Commission may delay the proposed effective date for up to 150 days. However, the environs rates will not be changed until the rates inside the sixty-seven West Texas Cities are changed. There are approximately 22,275 Environs customers in the unincorporated areas surrounding the sixty-seven West Texas Cities from which the Company has appealed to the Railroad Commission. The proposed changes in environs rates are expected to increase the Company's annual revenues by approximately \$1.0 million or 8.5%, adjusted for normal weather. The change is a "major change" under state law only in the environs of Lubbock and Odessa.

Energas proposes to restructure its gas rates to moderate bill variability during the heating season, to increase its revenues from gas service by increasing the customer charges and lower pricing blocks, and to increase its charges for miscellaneous services such as reconnecting gas services following nonpayment. The Company also proposes changes to its Gas Cost Adjustment ("GCA") Clause to collect all of the gas cost and related taxes instead of just the difference between actual gas cost and a base cost of gas in the base rates. Copies of the proposal may be obtained at the Energas Office at 5110 80th, Lubbock, Texas, 79424.

Customers who are affected by the proposed environs rate changes may, within 30 days following the proposed effective date, file written comments or a protest with:

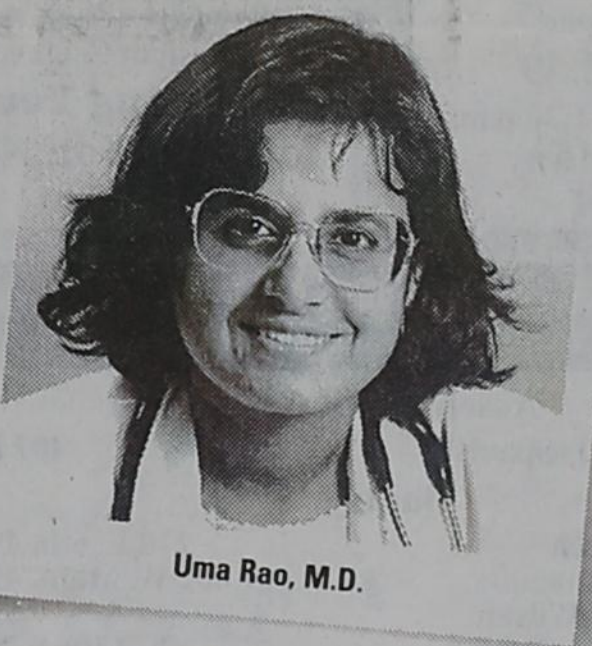
Docket Services Section
Legal Division (Re: Docket No. 9002-9068)
Railroad Commission of Texas
P.O. Box 12967
Austin Texas 78711-2967

Any such protest must be received by the Commission no later than May 27, 2000. The deadline to file a petition to intervene in the case as a party is May 27, 2000.

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Crime Victims' week

During the week of April 9-15, crime victims, service providers, criminal and juvenile justice and allied professionals will join together across America to commemorate the 20th anniversary of National Crime Victims' Rights Week.

This year's theme, "Dare to Dream," reflects the strides that have been made toward victim justice that emerged from victims who dared to share their personal pain so that others might learn from their experiences; from victim service providers who dared to push for reforms that have resulted in more consistent and comprehensive assistance for crime victims; and from justice officials who pursued a system of justice that balances the rights of accused and convicted offenders with the rights of crime victims.

When National Crime Victims' Rights Week was first proclaimed in 1980, crime victims have few participatory rights in our nation's criminal and juvenile justice system. Assistance and services were limited, and countless victims endured their trauma and pain alone. Today, more than 10,000 national, state and local organizations provide services and assistance to victims of crime, including more than 200 in our community. Thirty thousand laws

have been passed at federal, state and local levels that articulate and protect victims' rights, including constitutional amendments in 32 states that offer a range of participatory rights for victims.

According to Jayta Cravy, the true dream of "victim justice" relies on people who believe that crime victims deserve fair treatment and assistance to help them cope with the trauma of crime and victimization.

"We must continue to dare to dream of individuals and communities who embrace crime victims as friends and neighbors who need and deserve our assistance," Cravy said. "It's important to remember that every time we reach out to a victim, and every time we offer help to someone who has been hurt by crime, we're doing our community justice."

Here in Post and Garza County, numerous activities have been planned to recognize victims of crime and those who serve them during the 20th anniversary commemoration of National Crime Victims' Rights Week. Included is a candlelight vigil on Saturday, April 15, at the courthouse.

For more information, contact Cravy at 495-2479.

Obituaries

Rosemary Stelzer

Services for Rosemary Stelzer, 74, of Post were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 1, 2000, at Holy Cross Catholic Church with the Rev. Larry Hemp officiating, assisted by the Rev. Malcolm Neyland. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of the Hudman Funeral Home.

Rosary was at 7 p.m. Friday, March 31, at the funeral home. She died March 30 at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

Born Feb. 25, 1926, in Hugo, Colo., she married E.A. (Andy) Stelzer Sept. 26, 1950, in Lindsay. She was a housewife, a member of the Catholic church and a member of the Catholic Daughters. She also was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the VFW.

Survivors include her husband, E.A. (Andy) Stelzer of Post; one son, David Stelzer of Post; two daughters, Mary Ann Stelzer and Linda Baker, both of Post; two brothers, Nick Dieter of Gainsville and Harold Dieter of Missouri; one sister, Betty Rieter of Post; and two grandchildren, Michael Stelzer of Post and Kimberly Stelzer of Lubbock.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Mercedes Stelzer, in 1952. Pallbearers included Chris Rieter, Jackie Rieter, Junior Stelzer, Chris Stelzer, Terry Stelzer, Walter Stelzer and Jeff Dieter.

Johnny Fluitt

Services for Johnny Fluitt, 63, were held Sunday, April 2, 2000, in the Chapel of Forest Park Westheimer Funeral Home in Houston with the Rev. Steve Pece officiating.

He died March 28 in Houston.

Born May 25, 1936, in Post, he was the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. W.O. Fluitt of Post. He was employed by Smith Industries in Houston for 10 years.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy; three daughters and sons-in-law, Deborah and Jerry Langford of Conroe, Dede and Jerry Dietz of Ruidoso, N.M., and Darlene and Bo Dakus; six grandchildren; his father, Tom Fluitt of Houston; and one brother, Tommy Fluitt of Rockport.

Methodist Women study Matthew

The book of Matthew is the focus of Bible study being done by United Methodist Women on the fourth Tuesday morning of each month.

On Tuesday, March 28, the study centered on the four women Matthew included in his genealogy of Jesus—Rahab, Tamar, Ruth and the "wife of Uriah."

Those present considered the stories of these women and why they may have been important in the gospel writer's mind. Also considered was the role of Mary, Jesus' mother, and the "four" gifts brought to the infant Jesus and the gifts of life we give and receive.

The study was facilitated by Linda Couch and MaryLynn Bell.

The meeting was hosted by Carolyn Black.

Those present included Mary Edwards, Mary Welborn, JoAnn Miller, Jana McCallister, Ada Lou Bird, Kathryn Johnson, Martha McLendon, Suzie Shytles, Diann Windham, Alexa Collier, Paulette Lawrence, Marion Wheatley and Joy Dickson.

The group's next meeting will be April 25 at Zoe Kirkpatrick's home.

Amity Study Club meets at Methodist Church

by Louella Bilberry

The Amity Study Club met March 28 in the Fellowship Hall of the Methodist Church.

Barbara Babb and Anne Sims were our hostesses. We had 13 members present. Our program was to be arthritis and exercise. We had been told to wear loose clothing, so we had a good idea of what was ahead!

Our program was presented by home town girl Jennie Hudman, a PHS graduate of 1987. She is employed by South Plains College as the aquatic director in Levelland. She will have her master's degree in administration of recreation and leisure in May from Texas Tech.

She explained to us how very important it is to exercise if we have arthritis to keep joints flexible. She led us in a series of easy stretching moves from our necks to our toes. She even had one for fingers to help ward off carpal tunnel syndrome. We walked, then marched, around Fellowship Hall. (I hope the DPS never asks me to walk a straight line!) We had a great time laughing at and with each other. Thank you, Jennie! It was fun.

A slate of officers was presented for the club years 2000-2001 to be voted on at the next meeting. I am pleased to report we voted to add

MAD DADS to projects we support. We accepted with sincere regrets the resignation of Ginger Carlisle. We will miss her very much.

We were reminded to bring our items for the victims assistance to the next meeting.

We begin each of our meetings with a meditation. I would like to share the one Barbara Babb read to us from Barbara Jordan's book, "Living Somewhere Between Estrogen and Death." Each spring is a new beginning — let's plant this garden deep in our hearts:

'How to Plant a Special Garden' First, plant five rows of peas; Preparedness, Promptness, Politeness, Perseverance and Prayer.

Next to them plant three rows of squash;

Squash Gossip, Squash Criticism and Squash Indifference.

Then five rows of lettuce:

Let us be faithful, Let us be unselfish, Let us be loyal,


Let us be truthful, and let us love one another.

No garden is complete without turnips;

Turn up for church, Turn up with a smile,

Turn up with determination.

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Lost & Found
Items found after stock show include three keys, a hair clip and a glass baking dish. These may be picked up at the Extension Office.

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DIALYSIS

Last week we discussed kidney failure. The end result can be End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD). In ESRD the kidneys stop functioning and a treatment called dialysis is needed to remove fluid and waste from the blood. There are two types of dialysis treatment, hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis. Hemodialysis pumps the patients blood through an artificial kidney, as the blood is cleaned it is pumped back into the body. This is done through a special catheter placed some where on the patient's body. Later in treatment, a graft is placed in the arm to allow for long term dialysis. This process requires a specially trained staff and is done at a dialysis center. Hemodialysis is usually performed two to three times a week for four to six hours. It may need to be more frequent for those patients that are very ill. Peritoneal dialysis is a process by which the body's waste products and excess fluids are removed from the blood by flushing a special solution into the abdomen, letting it set for about an hour and then draining it out. This must be done 3-4 times a day under normal conditions, sometimes more frequently if the person is ill. Although dialysis patients can lead relatively normal lives, there is an obvious time commitment and the risk of infection is high, especially with peritoneal dialysis. Also, remember without a kidney transplant, dialysis is something the patient must do for the rest of their life. Here in W.Texas the major causes of kidney failure are High Blood Pressure and Diabetes. Keeping these under control will keep you or a loved one off dialysis. **MICHAEL TRAVIS PA-C UMC EMERGENCY CENTER**

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Census On A Postcard

A Simple Proposal to Solve the Growing Backlash Against Long, Nosy, and Expensive Census Forms

by Steve Dasbach

It's embarrassing when a grown man has to beg — but that's what happened to Census Bureau Director Kenneth Prewitt on March 30. At a news conference in Virginia, Prewitt had to "plead" with Americans to fill out their Census forms, according to press reports. Why the pleading? Why must the Census Bureau beg Americans to do something that should be uncontroversial and simple? Because Census 2000 is neither uncontroversial nor simple. In fact, there is a growing "Boycott the Census" movement that is generating headlines across the USA, burning up the phone lines of radio talk shows, spreading like wildfire on the Internet, and putting the Census Bureau's \$7 billion campaign at risk.

The problem: Americans are refusing to answer Census questions they find offensive, prying, and, frankly, none of the government's darned business. And that's no surprise, given many of the questions.

Do you have difficulty bathing?

For example, on the long form, busybody bureaucrats want to know your official government racial category, whether you have "any difficulty bathing," if your house has indoor plumbing, whether you have trouble concentrating, and what time you go to work. Of course, the government promises to protect your confidentiality. But that's the same government that promised to protect the confidentiality of your Social Security number.

No wonder Americans don't believe them. According to a March 13 Gallup/CNN/USA Today poll, 50% of Americans think the Census will share their information with other government agencies.

How do we win back that shattered trust? How can we convince Americans to answer the Census? And how can we spare Director Prewitt the embarrassment of having to beg again?

What's the purpose of the census?

First, let's keep in mind the purpose of the Census. According to Article 1, Section 2 of the Constitution, it's to make an "actual enumeration" of Americans for the purpose of apportioning congressional districts.

The Census is supposed to be a head-count. That's it. Simple, right? Not any more. Sadly, the Census has grown into a massive, expensive program designed to dole out federal dollars.

Even Director Prewitt admits this. At the Census 2000 kick-off ceremony in Washington, he said, "The results of the Census affect power, money, group interests, civil rights; in short, who gets how much of what."

Translation: The government uses Census information to expand wasteful government programs and to divide up an estimated \$180 billion in taxpayer money.

What are the facts?

As a result of this "mission creep," the Census suffers from budget, paper, and employee creep. The facts:

- * The cost of the Census per household has quadrupled from \$13 in 1970 to \$56 in 2000, in inflation-adjusted dollars.

- * If the 120 million Census forms were stacked on top of each other, the pile would be 20 times taller than Mount Everest. (Environmentalists, are you listening?)

- * The Census Bureau has so many employees — 860,000 — that were it a private company, it would be second in size only to General Motors.

Is there a solution? Yes. And all it requires is for the government to follow the old adage: Keep it simple, stupid.

Here's the proposal: Get rid of the long form. Get rid of the short form. And replace them both with a "Census On A Postcard" that asks the one question the Constitution requires: How many people live at this address?

Suddenly, the Census Bureau's problems would be solved: * The postcard would dramatically increase compliance. Now, officials predict only 61% of Americans will return their Census form. But imagine how compliance would skyrocket if a 52-question form were replaced with a one-question postcard.

- * It would save money. Including postage, the Census could probably knock that \$56 per household cost down to about a buck.

- * It would address Americans' privacy concerns. After all, the government can't misuse information it doesn't have.

Could the Census On A Postcard actually happen? Perhaps. With anger over the Census growing, Congress is already stumbling in that direction. On March 19, the House Government Reform Subcommittee on the Census announced it might do away with the long form altogether in 2010.

That's a good first step. But it's not enough. Instead, the government should tell Americans to toss out their current Census forms. Cancel the \$160 million publicity blitz. Tell the hordes of enumerators to stay home. And then start printing up 120 million postcards now — not in the year 2010.

Steve Dasbach is national director of the Washington, DC-based Libertarian Party.

And thereafter, prosperity and freedom

by Walter E. Williams

The National Summit on Africa recently met in Washington, D.C., to discuss economic growth programs for the continent's miserably impoverished nations.

I'm betting they ignored the ticket out of poverty amply demonstrated in the Washington-based Heritage Foundation's 2000 Index of Economic Freedom, authored by Gerald P. O'Driscoll, Kim P. Holmes and Melanie Kirkpatrick. The index is an economic freedom ranking of the world's nations.

The measurement factors include: trade policy, fiscal burden of government, government intervention in the economy, monetary policy, property rights, banking regulation, capital flows and foreign investment, and wages and price controls. The rankings contain no surprises.

Hong Kong has the greatest amount of economic freedom, followed closely by Singapore. New Zealand ranks third, and tied for fourth place are: Bahrain, Luxembourg and the United States.

Rounding out the list of nations the authors categorize as economically free are: Ireland, Australia, Switzerland and the United Kingdom. The rest of the world's economies fit the categories of being: mostly free, mostly unfree or repressed.

At the repressed end of the spectrum are: North Korea, Iraq, Libya, Somalia, Cuba, Congo, Laos, Iran, Angola and 14 other countries. It doesn't take rocket science to figure out which nations' citizens enjoy higher standards of living, per capita income, life expectancy and economic growth rate.

It has nothing to do with natural resources. The United States is rich and also rich in natural resources. Hong and England are rich but poor in natural resources. The two natural resources richest continents are Africa and South America.

Yet South America and Africa are homes to some of the world's most miserably poor people. Sometimes colonialism is used as an excuse for poverty. That's nonsense. The world's richest nations were former colonies — Hong Kong, Australia, New Zealand and the United States — while some of the most miserably poor nations, like Nepal and Ethiopia, were never



colonies.

Without question what produces wealth and high living standards is economic freedom — not democracy, but economic freedom. After all India, politically, is a democracy but economically it is mostly unfree and poor.

There are countries that do not have much of a history of democracy, such as Chile, Taiwan and Hong Kong, which are far wealthier than some of their more democratic counterparts because their economic systems are free or mostly free.

Look at areas of the world considered generally poor, the so-called Third World nations of Africa, Southeast Asia and South America. In the case of south-of-the-Sahara Africa, we find that Mali, Benin, Zambia, Mauritius, Namibia, Botswana and South Africa are better off than their impoverished neighbors.

In Asia and the Pacific, we find that Thailand, South Korea, Taiwan and Japan are richer than their impoverished neighbors. For the most part, it's the same story in South America, where we find nations like Chile and Argentina richer than their neighbors. What's common to these richer nations is their citizens have a greater measure of economic freedom.

The lesson is clear: have economic freedom and grow rich, or have extensive government control and interference, and stagnate and be poor. A country's institutional infrastructure is critical to the well-being of its citizens. The most critical are protection of private property, enforcement of contracts and rule of law — not IMF bailouts, foreign aid and other handouts.

To help our fellow man around the world, we have to convince him to create the institutional infrastructure for wealth creation and ignore the "expert" advice from our State Department and academics. Abundant evidence shows that if a nation does not have a measure of economic freedom, no amount of handouts will make it rich.

To the contrary, handouts make political survival possible for the elite, whose policies keep a nation poor.

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'To count all the people we need to feed'

by Vin Suprynowicz

A couple of mechanically printed schoolchild letters crossed the desk this week. The most charming?

"Dear Editor,

"Hi my name is Stephanie and I am a grade 6 student at John Muir Middle School in Wausau, Wisconsin. I am writing this letter for Language Art's Class. This letter will tell you some reasons why you should fill out your census forms so read on and find out.

"One reason is so the taxis will lower.

"Second reason is to know how many job's to provide for people and how much money to pay them.

"Third reason is you might get funding for roads or schools. Fourth reason is to count all the people we need to feed and if we need to add on to anything. Because the government helps pay for people that are counted and if your not you end up paying more in taxis and other things go up.

"Fifth reason is if you don't hand in your census form in time people will come to your door and ask you in person and that cost money too. So hand in your census forms before it's to late. ...

"Sincerely, Stephanie T."

Dear Stephanie:

My, how pleased the taxpayers of Wausau, Wisconsin, must be to know the "mony" looted from their weekly paychecks is going to continue your course of government instruction (and useful civic exercises) at a school named for the founder of the Sierra Club, where after five-and-a-half years of government instruction you believe the common euphemism for those seizures of "bread from the mouth of labor" (that's Jefferson, as I'm sure you know) is spelled "taxis."

But listen up, Stephanie: We Americans live under a system of government called a constitutional republic, in which the central government in Washington is not supposed to be "providing jobs" for people, nor figuring out how much "mony" to pay them.

Unlike those eastern European regimes fled by my grandparents and (presumably) your great-grandparents, the central government in America has a sharply limited list of powers and duties, each specifically spelled out, and I can't find the ones you mention anywhere on my list, which is called Article I, Section 8, of the Constitution. Have teacher show you her copy.

Anyway, no government can really "create" jobs. Even to fund "public works" projects, government has to take money from private persons and corporations, which could otherwise use those funds to hire more workers of their own — at lower overhead.

Government never creates anything. It just shifts stuff around. That's called "redistribution."

You say another reason for the census is to "count all the people we need to feed and if we need to add on to anything."

But here's another hint: The government doesn't feed anybody, either, except sometimes its own soldiers. The reason you get fed is because your parents use the money they earn at work (after our friend the government takes 40 percent off the top) to buy that food. And I doubt they need to check any census reports to figure out how many places to set at the dinner table.

In fact, Stephanie, that Constitution no longer authorizes any federal agency to ask us about our race, let alone our earnings, our education, our mental health, or our breeding or bathroom habits — all stuff demanded on many of those census forms that teacher wants so badly for us all to return.

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'Lopes baseball team hammers Olton 21-9

The Post Antelopes posted a huge win over Olton last week at the local baseball field.

The 'Lopes won 21-9 on a three-run home run and the ten-run rule. Early on, it looked as though Olton was in control of the game when their team scored six quick runs, started off by a lead-off walk. Then Luis Zubia made a bit catch of a well-hit ball to left for out number one. The next batter singled to start a string of four straight batters to reach base safely. That single was followed by an error which allowed a run to score, which, in turn, was followed by another run-scoring single and a walk.

The number eight batter in Olton's lineup sent a ball deep to the right power alley for a three-run triple. The number nine batter singled to score Olton's sixth and final run of the inning.

Bryan Looney led off with a walk and Roland Castaneda singled, followed by Rocky Gomez hitting an RBI single. After Michael Huff struck out, Mikey Gonzales ripped a low line drive to right field, scoring Castaneda and Gomez. Allen Bell walked and then was forced out at second on a fielder's choice by Waylon Strawn. Adrian Gonzales then stepped up and popped the first of his five hits on the night, scoring Mikey Gonzales.

Olton came right back in the second and scored three more runs. They sent 11 men to the plate in the inning.

Looney started the game on the mound for Post and was, according to the coach, "roughed up" for nine runs on eight hits with five walks.

"We committed three errors during those two innings that really aided them in getting those runs," the coach said.

In the 'Lopes' half of the second inning, they came alive at the plate, scoring 10 runs to take a 14-9 lead. Ten men in a row reached base safely via base hit or walk. Adrian Gonzales had two RBI doubles in the inning, followed by another two RBI doubles by Luis Zubia. Collecting RBI singles in the inning were Gomez, Strawn and Huff.

Huff came in to pitch in the third and finished the game, allowing no runs on one hit and one walk. He had nine strike-outs.

Post put two more runs on the board in the fourth. Adrian Gonzales had his third hit of the game and his fourth RBI and Zubia had a single that scored a run.

In the bottom of the sixth, pinch hitter Cody Fox popped up to second, followed by a walk from pinch hitter Kenny Ratke. Adrian Gonzales then got his fifth hit of the night and a walk by Zubia. Looney then slapped a double down the right field line, scoring Ratke and Gonzales. With runners at second and third and the score at 18-9, Castaneda stepped up and crushed the second pitch to deep over the left field fence for a three-run home run to end the game.

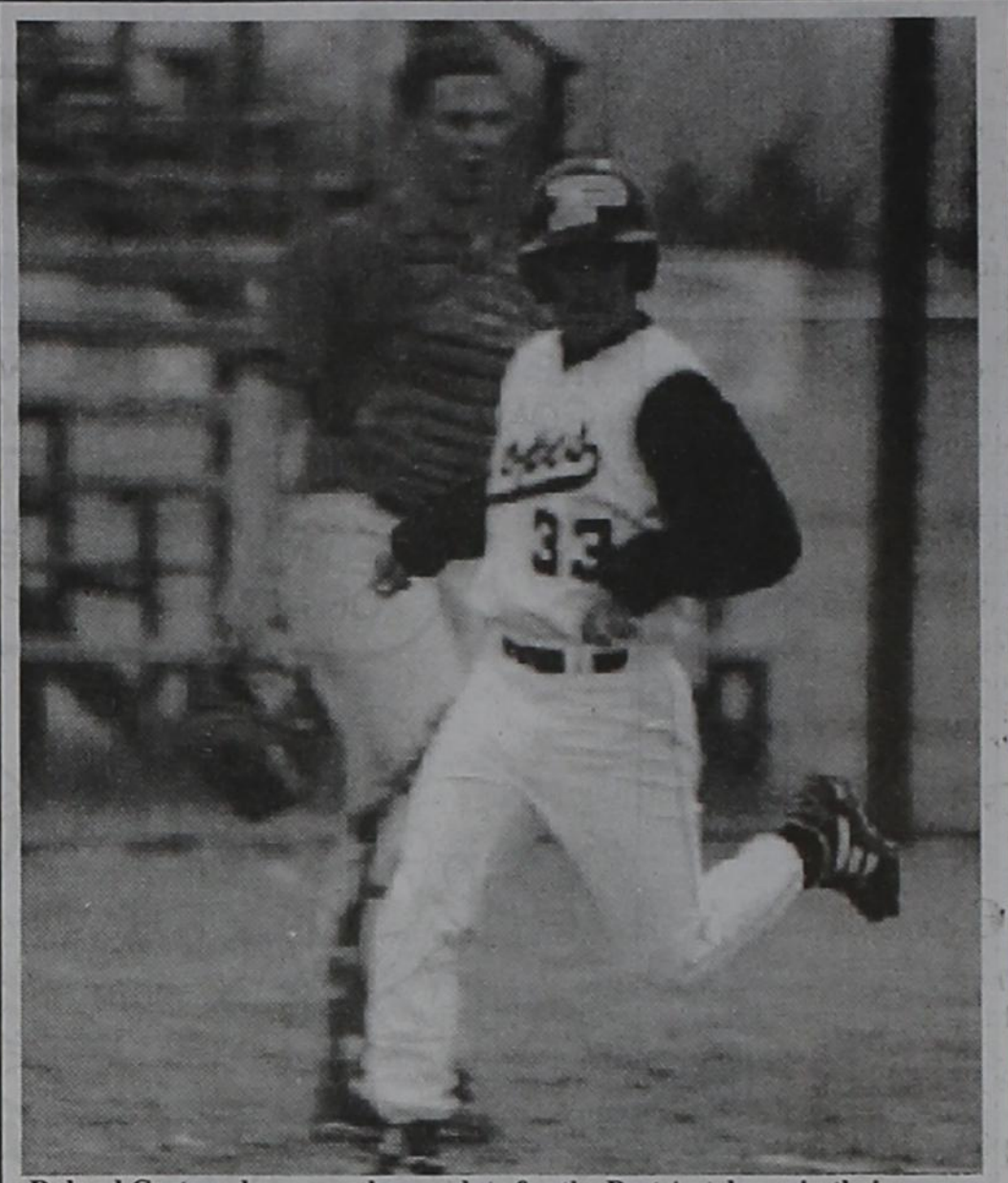
The win put Post at 2-2 in district and 4-6 on the season. The 'Lopes lost their March 31 game against Hale Center by a score of 19-8.

Hale Center jumped out to a four run lead in the second, boosting that lead by two in the third, but Post picked up its offense in the fourth scoring five runs. Hale Center answered with five of their own, followed by two more in the fifth. The 'Lopes scored three in the sixth but allowed their opponents to rake in six more runs in the final inning.

"There's not much to say. We played poorly," the coach said. "We misplayed fly balls and made mental errors."

Of Hale Center's 19 runs, nine were earned.

"They sent 50 men to the plate. Tough way to win," said the coach. "Cody Fox pitched well, but we played poorly behind both he and Michael Huff, who came on in the sixth."



Roland Castaneda crosses home plate for the Post Antelopes in their game last Friday against Hale Center here.

Post Antelope Spring Sports

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Mills on first team, MVP

Meagan Mills of Post High School was recently named to the 1999-2000 Lubbock Avalanche-Journal All-South Plains 2A Basketball Girls First Team.

The sophomore also was tapped as Most Valuable Player in District 3-2A, according to the publication printed Tuesday, March 28.

Mills, a guard, averaged 6.6 points, 3.6 assists and 3.3 steals per game while she and her teammates posted a 26-2 season on their way to their first district championship in 30 years, according to the A-J article.

Injury...

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The accident spun Mrs. Earl's car several times, throwing her out of the car. EMS crews responded at 12:17 p.m., delivering her to the UMC emergency room at 12:23 p.m.

"We are most fortunate," her husband Lewis Earl said, "she got immediate attention and I can't say enough about the special care she has received." Lewis reported that each day she seems to be getting better.

Rounding out the first team were senior post Jamestra Clark of Hale Center, senior post Chelsi Kaltwasser of Farwell, junior post Brandy Collins of Lockney and senior guard Ashley Crawford of Farwell. Coach of the Year was Steve Scott of Farwell.

Kenda Looney, a junior at Post High School, received an honorable mention in the A-J list.

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7th grade girls top Post Relays

Post's 7th grade girls won the Post Junior Caprock Relays held March 23-24 in Post.

The team scored a total of 153 points to win the meet. Post logged a total of a dozen first place finishes, including Belia Hernandez, shot put; Jordan Melious, discus; Lyndee Strawn, 2400 run; Cherrell Reed, Kayla Dunn, Mendi Morgan and Meagan Hoover, 400 m relay; Kaycee Gorman, 800 run; Mendi Morgan, 100 hurdles; Meagan Hoover, 100 dash; and Patricia Hester, Lesley Rutherford, Kayla Dunn and Cherrell Reed, 800 m relay. Also, Courtney Short, 400 dash; Jordan Melious, 300 hurdles; Lyndee Strawn, 1600 run; and Courtney Short, Kayla Dunn, Kaycee Gorman and Meagan Hoover, 1600 m relay.

Second place awards went to Jordan Melious, high jump; Belia Hernandez, discus; Christin Collier, 2400 run; Cherrell Reed, 100 m dash; Mendi Morgan, 300 hurdles; and Patricia Hester, 200 dash.

Dianna Ratke, discus, Tracy Nelson in the 800 run, Donae Dalby, 300 hurdles, and Christin Collier, 1600 run, each finished in third place.

Fourth place finishers included Meagan Hoover, long jump; Donae Dalby, 100 hurdles; Lesley Rutherford, 400 dash; and Christy Shifflett, 200 dash.

Meagan Hoover, triple jump, and Logan Gregory, 400 dash and 200 dash, earned fifth place finishes.

Dianna Ratke finished in sixth place in shot put.

PHS boys' varsity golf team leads district

The Post High School boys golf team led the first round of the District 3-

Southland tracksters take wins at Loop

Southland's boys and girls track teams representing both the junior high and high school made a good showing at the March 25 Loop Longhorn Relays.

Representing Southland Junior High's girls team, R. Navarro took second in long jump with a jump of 14' 1/2".

In shot put, J. Pequeno had a 22'6" toss good enough for a sixth place finish, then turned around and pulled out a 67'1" toss in the discus contest for first place. Taking sixth in discus was Southland's A. Trinidad with a throw of 55'.

In the 100 m dash, J. Patterson took sixth with a 15.16 finish.

In the 400 m relay, the Southland team took sixth with a time of 1:01.82 while in the 800 m relay, Southland earned second place with a time of 2:15.39.

In the 1600 m run, R. Navarro logged a time of 7:06.62 for a third place finish, followed by M. Perez with a time of 8:49.98 for sixth place.

In the 1600 m relay, the Southland squad took sixth place with a time of 5:42.19.

Southland's junior high school boys made a strong showing in the throwing events. In shot put, M. Sadler took third with a 36'9 1/2" throw, followed by A. Guerrero with a 34'5" throw and a fifth place finish.

In discus, Guerrero took third with a throw of 102'5" and Sadler took sixth with an 85'7".

In the 100 m dash, Sadler took third with a 13.13 run.

In the 200 m dash, C. Phillips landed second place with a 26.56 run.

In the 400 m relay, the Southland team took fourth with a time of 52.60.

Southland's team finished in fifth place in the 1600 m relay with a time of 4:30.84.

Z. Ford earned a first place finish in the 100 m dash in the high school boys competition. Ford's time was 11.53.

Southland honors athletes

Several Southland High School athletes were honored at the Southland Athletic Banquet held March 21 at Zookini's at 82nd Street and Quaker Avenue in Lubbock.

Athletes singled out for recognition included Eric Valencia, Most Valuable Player in football; David Martinez, Most Improved in football; Kiley Keith, Most Valuable Player in basketball; Asia Alomari, Most Improved in basketball; Thomas Powell, Most Valuable Player for basketball; and Joel Reyes, Most Improved in basketball.

Amy Little and Zach Ford received the school's Fighting Heart Awards.

Valencia was also recognized for having been named to the Six-Man All State Academic Team.

Dick Milam, who played football for Bear Bryant at Texas A&M, served as speaker for the event.

About 102 attended the banquet.

7th boys track takes fifth place

Post Middle School's seventh grade boys track team finished fifth in the team totals of the Floydada Junior High Track Meet.

Post collected a total of 57 points, topped by Roosevelt with 136; Lubbock Christian, 84; Lockney, 84; and Shallowater, 82. Rounding out the rest of the team scores were Hale Center with 46; Floydada, 17; Slaton, 11; Christ the King, 4; and Kress and Ralls, no points.

Ryan Babb captured Post's only first place finish with an 8' pole vault. Trent McDoanld earned the only second place award for the 'Lopes with a 7' pole vault.

Dajuan Hill and Cody Marts each finished third in his event. Hill had an 82' throw in discus and Marts posted a 26.95 run in the 200 m dash.

Jett Lott captured fourth place in the long jump with a jump of 16'.

Fifth places went to Lott, 31'9" in shot put; Teodora Paiz, 79'2", discus; Eric Pedersen, 4'10", high jump; Israel Landa, Quinton Odom, Cody Marts and Jett Lott, 400 m relay, 52.99; James Soto, 2:43, 800 meters; Israel Landa, 27.4, 200 meters; and Andrew Espinosa, 6:08.46, 1600 meters.

Sixth place finishes were awarded to Trent McDonald, 15'9", long jump; Eric Gonzales, 4'8", high jump; Jerrad Grisham, 20.83, 110 hurdles; Trent McDonald, 56.64, 300 m hurdles; Jett Lott, 28.02, 200 meters; and Ryan Babb, Quinton Odom, Cody Marts and Israel Landa, 4:29, 1600 m relay.

PHS tennis teams in top form

Post High School tennis athletes made a strong showing at the hometown tennis tournament held recently.

In the first round of boys singles, Brice Easterling of Post defeated Lance Lovelady of Idalou, 84 and Taylor Lassiter of Speache defeated Kevin Hart of Post, 8-3. Easterling fell to Joshua Garcia of Anton in the semi-finals by a score of 8-3, but rallied for a win in the third place contest by defeating Steven Rodriguez of Slaton, 803.

In boys doubles, the team of Clint Johnson/Brooks Conner of Post defeated Rene Garcia/Chris Castillo of Anton, 8-6, Jeremy Payne/Steve Norman of Post defeated Isaac Escobedo/Seth Cornigan of Slaton, 8-1, and Post's Noel Gutierrez/Tye Mason were defeated by Isaac Garcia/Daniel Johnson of Specha, 8-5.

In the semi-finals, Johnson/Conner of Post defeated Garcia/Johnson 9-7, while Post's Payne/Norman fell to Ruben Gutierrez/Casey Harris of Anton 8-2. Payne/Norman lost their bid for third place when they fell to Garcia/Johnson, 8-5, and Johnson/Conner lost the finals to Gutierrez/Harris, 8-2.

In girls singles, Ashley Holly of Post defeated Auburn Hammond of Idalou, 8-5, while Kelci Hart of Post fell to Felicia Flores of Slaton, 8-4. In the semi-finals, Holly defeated Sarah Webb of Anton, 9-7, but fell to Jama Nash of Idalou, 1-0.

In the girls doubles, all three Post teams fell in the first round. Amy Pedersen/Brandi Gunn lost to Michelle Gutierrez/Julie Gorski of Anton, 8-6; Meagan Mills/Kelly Moore lost to Meggie Daves/Laura Trammel of Slaton, 8-4; and Tandi Humble/Amy Ledbetter fell to Whitney Harris/Heather Chenault of Anton, 8-2.

2A tournament held last week at the Comanche Trail Golf Course in Big Spring.

The 'Lopes led with a 325, followed by Tahoka with a 337; Stanton A team, 348; Coahoma A team, 368; Plains, 369; Coahoma B team, 422; Stanton B team, 426; and Seagraves, 466.

Marcus Lopez shot a 68 and was medalist, followed by Justin Norman, 79; Justin Gorman, 85; Jarrett Vickers, 93; and John Radle, 95.

In the girls competition, Post's Yvonne Lopez shot a 91 (medalist) and Camie Payne, 116.

The second round of the tournament was set for Tuesday at the Gaines County Golf Course.



8th grade girls take second

Post's 8th grade girls track team earned a second place finish in the Post Junior Caprock Relays held March 23-24 in Post.

The team scored a total of 146 points.

First place finishes went to, in the 800 relay, Paula Voyles, Terri Curtis, Jennifer Reiter and Starlett Greathouse; in 400 dash, Jennifer Reiter; and in the mile relay, Yuri Lopez, Erica Moore, Terri Curtis and Starlett Greathouse.

Second place finishes went to, in the triple jump, Starlett Greathouse; in shot put, Crystal Crawford; long jump, Starlett Greathouse; high jump, Paula Voyles; 100 dash, Terri Curtis; 400 dash, Erica Moore; and mile run, Tana Starkey.

Taking third place ribbons were Yuri Lopez, 800 run; Starlett Greathouse, 100 dash; and Tayler Starkey, 400 dash.

Fourth place finishers included Tayler Starkey, 300 hurdles, and Erica Moore, 200 dash.

Jerica Tyler captured a pair of fifth place finishes in the 2400 run and the mile run.

Taking sixth place was Breann Heckaman, shot put, and Jennifer Reiter, long jump.

8th grade girls take fourth place

The 8th grade Lady 'Lopes roped in a number of top finishes in the Floydada Breezer Relays held March 30 in Floydada.

The team posted four first place finishes, including in the 800 relay. Paula Voyles, Starlett Greathouse, Jennifer Reiter and Terri Curtis ran a time of 2:00.51 for the win.

Other first place finishes for Post included Paula Voyles, 800 run, 2:54.71, and Starlett Greathouse, 100 dash, 13.66, and 400 dash, 67.90.

Second place finishers included Terri Curtis, 100 dash, 13.94; Erica Moore, 200 dash, 30.30; 1600 relay, Paula Voyles, Jeannifer Reiter, Erica Moore and Terri Curtis, 4:52.30; and Starlett Greathouse, long jump, 14'.

Voyles took a third place finish with a 4'6" effort in high jump.

Erica Moore captured a fifth place win in the 400 dash with a time of 68.94.

Yuri Lopez took sixth in the 1600 with a time of 6:59.47 while Jennifer Reiter took sixth in the 400 dash with a time of 71.62.



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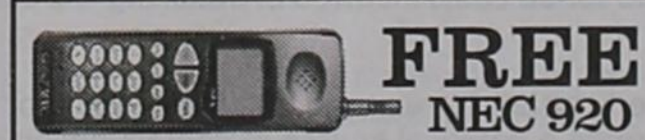
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Movie Hints

by Wes Burnett

Editor's Note: This column is strictly the opinion of the writer, and is provided from time-to-time for the enjoyment of our readers.

Movies I Like

Only two new movies to report about this week, both showing at Tinseltown:

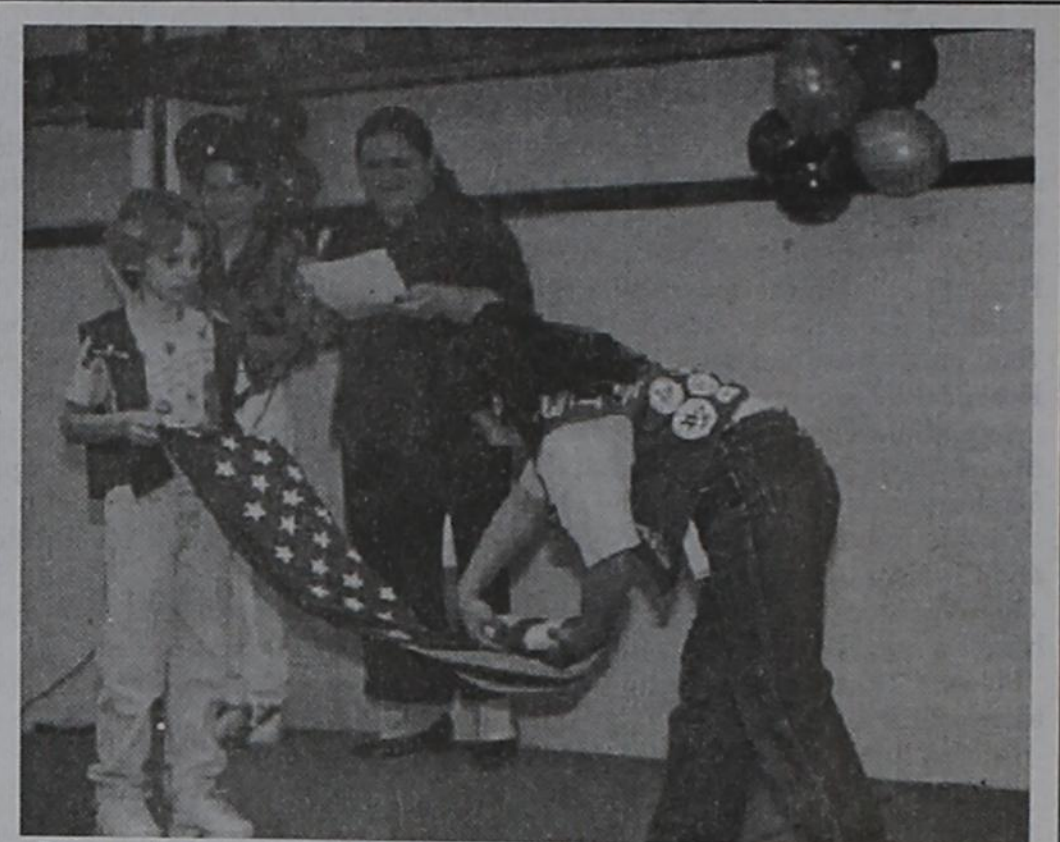
- **Here on Earth** - It started out looking like a movie designed for teenagers, and well, it was, but still, it was a cute love-story. The plot is fairly predictable, but there are some moral issues of importance and shows the maturity that comes with tragedy. Acting is stilted, except for the lead actress who you will no doubt see in future movies.

- **High Fidelity** - John Cusack is always a pleasure to watch, and although this movie is certainly not his best work, it is interesting and entertaining. He plays the part of a young man struggling to figure out why all his love affairs end up in disaster. In the end he finds himself and admits the rest is fantasy.

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Girl Scouts all dressed up for this year's banquet theme "Leap to the Future" were Troop 415 members (left to right) Stacy Bocko, Marla Crenshaw, Alex Cruz, Chasiti Rutherford, Tasha Runnels and D'Nae Johnson. (Photo by Cindy Johnson)



Demonstrating proper flag etiquette at the recent Girl Scout banquet are (left to right) Tasha Runnels, Renee Dobitas, Laura Tobias and Marla Crenshaw. (Photo by Judy Bush)

CITY CODE

Regarding Parking of Trucks

Residential streets in the City of Post are not designed or constructed to handle heavy equipment or trucks. For that reason in 1986 the city adopted an ordinance prohibiting the parking of certain trucks and heavy equipment on city streets.

Most local trucking companies in Post have their own yards or locations on which their equipment is parked overnight or during the day when not in operation. Other parking lots are available for truckers who do not have a company yard located in Post. In part, the code states:

20-1-32.....No person may park, nor may the owner permit to be parked, any vehicle having a load capacity in excess of one (1) ton, or which is more than twenty (20) feet in length, or seven (7) feet in height or width, upon any street, alleyway or public thoroughfare in the City of Post..

The ordinance provides for ticketing owners of trucks, as well as drivers. A Warning Sticker or Warning Letter will be issued to first offenders. Second Offenses will be ticketed and receive a summons to appear in the court.



Marilyn Crenshaw dresses the part for "Leap to the Future" with her "spacehat" at this year's Girl Scout banquet. (Photo by Cindy Johnson)



Young ladies enjoying the recent annual Girl Scout banquet were (back row, left to right) Crystal Sanchez, D'Nae Johnson, Tasha Runnels, Rosa Saenz, Stacy Bocko, Alex Cruz, Melinda Vega, (front row) Sabrina Sanchez, Chasiti Rutherford and Marla Crenshaw. (Photo by Judy Bush)

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Girl Scouts enjoy banquet, fashion show

The local Girl Scouts recently conducted their 2000 Girl Scout Family Banquet and "Leap to the Future" Fashion Show. The event was opened by a welcome and introduction by Laura Tobias and Renee Dobitas, following by a flag ceremony by Brownie Troop 415. Following the meal, Tobias and Dobitas introduced the program, which included examples of the following fashion eras:

- 1950 — Brownie Troop 415 (Stacy Bocko, Marla Crenshaw, Alex Cruz, D'Nae Johnson, Tasha Runnels, Chasiti Rutherford, Rosa Saenz, Crystal Sanchez, Sabrina Sanchez and Melinda Vega).
- 1960 — Daisy Troop (Teraka Cowley and Rebecca Fannon).
- 1970 — Junior Troop (Allison Blevins, Ashley Brown, Kelli Martin, Kattie Nance, Megan Nance, Gabrielle Paiz, Natasha Scroggins and Cheyene Todd).
- ??? — Daisy Troop 473 (Tanisha Paiz, Francesca Varrella and Amber Wilson).
- 2050 — Brownie Troop 415.
- 2060 — Daisy Troop.
- 2070 — Junior Troop 363.

Troop awards were presented as follows: Daisy Troop, Tabitha Cowley, year pins; Brownies, Marilyn Crenshaw, year pins; Juniors, Grace Paiz, year pins; and Seniors, Carol Tobias, year pins.

Response Team displays logo

by Arnold Fry
 The Garza County Response Team members are displaying new logos on their vehicles. The new signs look nice and will help identify the vehicles when activated. The signs were paid for by each member at a cost of \$31.00 per set. The Team has also been furnished with orange safety vest for members protection when directing traffic or assisting motorist. The Team would like to thank Sheriff Ratke for providing the vest and Ronco Fire and Safety Equipment owner Ronnie Metsgar for ordering the vest. The G.C.R.T. was activated during the recent storms and had five responder units out in the county. Garza County received some much needed rain and no severe weather. The severe weather developed to the South and east of Garza County with Scurry and Kent County receiving some very strong storms. The Team would like to assure the citizens of Post and Garza County that we will be giving severe weather reports on Post City Radio Classic Cable channel 17.

The White River Municipal Water District has adopted an Ordinance establishing a Cross-Connection and Lead Control Regulation. The complete Ordinance may be examined at the District office. The following is a brief summary of the Ordinance and is provided to give the public a general overview of the Ordinance and associated penalties for failure to comply with the Ordinance.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE WHITE RIVER MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT ESTABLISHING A CROSS-CONNECTION AND LEAD CONTROL REGULATION AND AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT'S GENERAL MANAGER TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THE CROSS-CONNECTION AND LEAD CONTROL REGULATION AND NOTIFY CUSTOMERS OF REQUIREMENTS

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the White River Municipal Water District (District), Texas, has determined an urgent need in the best interest of the District's Customers to adopt a Cross-Connection and Lead Control Regulation to protect the District's public drinking water system from contamination or health hazards; and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Directors of the White River Municipal Water District, Texas, that:

The White River Municipal Water District approves and adopts the Cross-Connection and Lead Control Regulation (Regulation) attached hereto and incorporated herein. The District commits to implement the Regulation according to the procedures set forth in the Regulation. The General Manager of the White River Municipal Water District is hereby empowered to implement said Regulation and shall take the necessary steps to put this Regulation into effect by notifying and requesting the appropriate customers of the District to meet the minimum requirements of this Regulation. PASSED AND APPROVED this 13th day of January, 2000 by the following votes:
 Ayes: Davey Abel, Bill Campbell, Charles Gray, Compton Cornelius, Randy Arnold, Charles Morris, Charles Hardin, Bo Jackson and David Stelzer
 Nays: None

CROSS-CONNECTION AND LEAD CONTROL REGULATION

This Cross-Connection and Lead Control Regulation ("Regulation") is implemented in compliance with the rules and regulations promulgated by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, as set forth in Chapter 290, Subchapter D, Title 30, Texas Administrative Code.

- I. **GENERAL.** The purpose of this Regulation is to protect the District's public drinking water system from contamination or health hazards resulting from the improper connection and/or operation of private water systems. This Regulation applies to the District Customers billed directly by the District. It does not apply to the Member cities of Crosbyton, Post, Ralls and Spur.
- II. **DEFINITIONS**
- III. **CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL**
 - A. No connection shall be made where any actual/potential contamination or health hazard exists without an air gap or backflow prevention assembly.
 - B. All backflow prevention assemblies shall be tested on installation and annually by a recognized backflow prevention assembly tester.
 - C. The District Customer shall pay all expenses to install/test/maintain backflow prevention assembly.
- IV. **LEAD BAN.** The use of pipes/pipe fittings containing more than 8.0% lead, or solders/flux containing more than 0.2% lead, is prohibited in the installation or repair of (i) any public water supply; and (ii) any plumbing in a residential or nonresidential facility providing water for human consumption and connected to a public drinking water supply system.
- V. **CUSTOMER SERVICE INSPECTIONS**
 - A. A Customer Service Inspection Certification shall be completed prior to providing water service to (i) new construction, (ii) on any existing service when the District believes a cross-connection or other potential contaminant hazards exist, or (iii) after any improvement/correction/addition to private water system.
 - B. District Customers are responsible for all costs incurred in obtaining a Customer Service Inspection Certification.
- VI. **ENFORCEMENT**
 - A. Any private water system improperly installed, repaired, maintained and/or operated in violation of this Regulation shall be deemed to create a potential source of contamination or health hazard affecting the District's public drinking water system and shall be eliminated. Failure of any District Customer to promptly eliminate any such condition shall be sufficient grounds for immediate termination of District water service.
 - B. District water service may be disconnected without notice where, in the District's sole determination, there exists a serious and immediate threat to the integrity of the District's public drinking water system.
 - C. District water service may be disconnected, after proper notice, for any of the following reasons: 1. The failure of any District Customer to provide the District with a Customer Service Inspection Certification as required by the District, certifying compliance with this Regulation. 2. The failure of any District Customer to allow the District reasonable access to property to observe the installation, repair, maintenance and/or operation of any private water system connected or to be connected to the District's public drinking water system.
- VII. **DISTRICT CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITY**
- VIII. **SEVERABILITY**
- IX. **MODIFICATION AND AMENDMENT**

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Yesteryears

by Pat Burnett

April 4, 1990
10 Years Ago

Bessie Windham's 90th Birthday
Bessie Windham's family is inviting friends to a special 90th birthday this Sunday, April 8, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at the Calvary Baptist Church.

An interview with Dee C. Justice of Post by Gene Valentini on KXTX Channel 5 in Lubbock will be aired next Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. Valentini interviews for the program "Human Services Journal" and Justice describes his job as justice of the peace.

Robin Must and daughter Vikki were visiting in Snyder. Their home is in London, England.

Staff Sgt. Robert E. Brown has participated in the NATO-sponsored exercise, Return of Forces to Germany '90 (REFORGER).

Brown is a fire direction computer chief with the 14th Field Artillery in West Germany. He is the son of Lockie C. Brown of Post and Alberta L. Brown of Fort Worth, Texas.

His wife, Debra, is the daughter of Billy and Erma Levingston of Fort Worth, Texas.

April 3, 1980
20 Years Ago

Amy Cowdrey, daughter of Mr and Mrs Bobby Cowdrey, has been inducted into Alpha Chi, a national honor society at Abilene Christian University.

Post Public Library patrons checked out 778 books in March to bring the library's circulation to 2,289 for 1980 to date.

A memorial for Lois (Cowboy) Nance has been established at the National Cowgirl Hall of Fame and Western Heritage Center in Herford, Texas.

The Post High School Ag students took first place honors in the Dairy Cattle Judging Contest in Canyon, Texas. They are Kenneth Bullard, Mike Gonzales, Carolina Basquez and Mary Castro. The students were instructed by Ray Conner, Ag teacher.

Post has experienced a rabies scare and Frances Cendalski, a seventh grade student is now receiving a series of painful anti-rabies shots.

"Happy Birthday David" from Mom, Dad, Albert and Margarita.

Carol Ann Brazier is the new secretary for the Post Chamber of Commerce.

April 2, 1970
30 Years Ago

Dr and Mrs Victor Hudman and son Victor II of Tishomingo, Okla., and Mr and Mrs Curtis Hudman of College Station were Easter weekend guests of their parents, Mr and Mrs Victor Hudman.

Pete Morales of Baylor won both the one mile and two mile runs in a quadrangular track meet. Morales, a Post High School graduate, won the mile in 4:22.8 and the two mile in 9:26.9. He is attending Baylor on a track scholarship.

Derrick Lin, son of Mr and Mrs Alfred Doyle Oden of Post was born March 18. Timothy Joe, son of Mr and Mrs Darrell R. Shafer of Fluvanna was born March 26.

An official Texas Historical marker erected at Duffy's Peak will be dedicated in a program sponsored by the Garza County Historical Survey Committee. This is the 28th official Texas Historical marker to be erected in Garza County according to Mrs Walter Boren, acting Chairman of the GCHSC.

Deborah Huddley visited PHS all of last week. We were glad to see her in Post again. She now lives in Santa Fe, N.M.

April 7, 1960
40 Years Ago

Post's first "Town Hall Meeting" scheduled by the Ministerial Alliance, to give the 13 candidates for city and school offices an opportunity to present their views to the public.

The freshman class of Post High School had a combination hobo party and scavenger hunt last Friday night. The costumes were judged and the winners were Wanda Williams and Kent Wheatley.

The showdown on legal liquor will come at the polls Saturday, April 9 in Garza County precincts 3 & 4.

Ralph Cockrell is the newly elected commander of John F. Miller Post 6797 of the VFW. He succeeds Morris Neff.

Kenneth Thompson joined Delwin and Jimmy Hodges and their parents for a rattlesnake hunt Thursday afternoon. Others joining them were Mr and Mrs W.O.

Stewart, Beth and Linda. Eight rattlesnakes and one bobcat were killed.

Diane Maxcy is the victim this week of measles. Sandy Jones has been on the sick list.

April 6, 1950
50 Years Ago

James Minor heads cancer campaign with goal of \$897.

Paul Jones and Monta Moore were re-elected to the school board Saturday.

Monday night is Fight Night in Post high school gymnasium with 15 bouts scheduled, coach V.F. Bingham announced. Among the larger boys fighting will be Jimmy Smith, 201; Maurice Stelzer, 231; John Sullivan, 156; Fred Long, 160; Roy Biggs, 160; Don Ross, 160; Billy Ramage, 180; and Billy Ross Sullivan, 205.

Four Garza County residents were part of a 120 men fishing party who enjoyed a fishing trip to Sugar Lake, Mexico sponsored by Meads Bakery of Lubbock. The four are J.H. Huddleston and Ray Norman of Gordon, J.I. Cook of Close City and E.M. Walker of Grassland.

Robert Lee and Barbara Mock spent Monday with their grandmother, Mrs Martha Mock and their aunt, Mrs Rudd of Slaton.

Bobby Jack Trimble is celebrating his birthday today.

John Herd, mayor, spoke to members of the Rotary Club at lunch today, as well as R.H. Tate, water commissioner.

The box supper at the Justiceburg school Friday evening sponsored by the sixth grade students netted \$57.

Mrs Boy Hart entertained for her son, Royce Ray, with a party on his seventh birthday Monday at her home. Guest include Jerry and Wynana Windham, Virginia Young, Joe Bob Trammell, Janny Jones, Pat, Clara Frances and Billy Smiley, Beth Kemp, Lois Jones, Jimmy Minor, Chapoy Murphy and Sonny and Richard Hart. Adults present were Mrs Everett Windham, Mrs Bobby Murphy, Mrs James Minor and Mr and Mrs Joe Kallin.

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- Palmeiro's wood in Johnson Co. off I-35
- TX teenager's 2nd year in h.s. (abbr.)
- TX Gene Autry's "Buttons and"
- TXism: "too many fire"
- blackthorn fruit
- book by TX Sandra Brown: "French"
- 1st lotto director Linares
- TX Nimitz was head of the Pacific
- globetrotter Meadowlark from Colleyville (init.)
- result of using a "Texas toothpick" (2 wds.)
- layered
- DFW arrival guess
- town near Abilene Buffalo
- Japanese Yokado Co. bought 7-11 in '91
- former Waco attraction: "Tex Zoo"
- TX Tanya hit: "San you couldn't stir a stick"
- the U.S. "interior extends into no. central TX"
- TXism: "happy as slop"
- crime code in TX
- TXism: "Big Tex wears his hand-me-downs"
- TXism: "plain as the on your face"
- cable network that shows old TX films
- TXism: "two-steps to his own beat"
- TXism: "so many you couldn't stir a stick"
- TX Evelyn Keyes book: "Scarlett O' Younger Sister"
- 42-across pen name: St. Claire
- San Antonio's "River Show"
- TXism: "dog stink?"
- documents filed by TX lawyers
- Dallas Zoo asks that be
- TXism: "tossed in seal pond"
- TX electronics co.
- TXism for clothes
- drugs
- TXism for pond
- TXism: "hitched but not church"
- showed displeasure with the team
- "S" in TX Bush's START 2 pact
- TX chili has proper of spices
- TXism: "a lick"
- turn on an axis
- song: "Texas"
- TXism: "equalizer"

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BRENT MASON (left) accepts a certificate of election to the Garza County ASCS Committee from David Tyler, chairman of the committee. Mason has been selected for a one year term to represent the farms of the Graham and Close City communities. ASCS is responsible for administering the federal farm programs.

From The Post Dispatch, April 4, 1990



TEAM MEMBER
James Mathis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Mathis and a student at Bethany Nazarene College, Bethany, Okla., is a member of the college's Gospel Outreach team that will preach and sing at the Church of the Nazarene here this Friday and Saturday nights and at two services on Sunday.

From The Post Dispatch, April 2, 1970



CHAMP COOKIE SALESMEN

These five girls earned Cookie Champ patches for selling 100 or more boxes of cookies in the 1970 Girl Scout Cookie Sale. From left to right are: Donna Josey, Jodine Tipton, Connie Halford, Karla Scrivner and Terri Clary.

From The Post Dispatch, April 2, 1970

Post Has Changed Since 1915, Says Mrs. B. K. Bowen, but Sand Remains

Post has changed a lot since 1915 when Mrs. B. K. Bowen came here with her husband and family from McCulloch county, but the sandstorms remain the same.

At least, they are almost the same, although Mrs. Bowen cannot remember one in recent years to compare to a two-day duster that occurred while her children were in school.

"The sand blew and blew for two days and nights," recalled Mrs. Bowen. "On the third morning when we got up, the only clean surfaces we could see were where our heads had been on the pillows that night."

There was no natural gas in Post then and very little wood in this part of the country to burn, so the Bowens were burning coal. The family swept up the sand in the coal shovel, loaded it into the scuttle and carried it out of the house.

Mrs. Bowen was born Mattie Dockum. She was reared in Erath county and lived in Concho and McCulloch before coming here.

"I was always used to trees and then when we came here and there was nothing but this bleak country as far as the eye could see—I'd hate to tell you what I thought about it," she said.

"When the sandstorms came," she recalled, "I was ready to leave."

Tiny, alert Mrs. Bowen was 80, October 22. She is the mother of nine living children and had three children to die in infancy. She has numerous grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Her children are Mrs. Noah Reeves of Snyder, Aaron Bowen

of Stacy, Willie Bowen of Brownwood, and Charlie, Mitchell, Lee Oscar, Mrs. Lell Pearce and Mrs. W. W. Stephens, all of Post. Her husband died in January 1949.

When the family came here, only three of the children were married. They lived on a farm on the plains but during the cold winter, they moved to town so the children could attend school. When the weather got warm enough for them to go back and forth, the family moved back to the farm.

At that time, there were very few residences in Post. The jail, courthouse, mill and three or four stores were here. C. W. Post had "built himself a fine house here," Mrs. Bowen recalled.

"There were very few residences here. In fact, where I'm living now was completely out in the country," she said.

She recalls that the year they moved here, every day wagonload after wagonload of lumber passed on the way to the plains. Houses were built there for the first time and that country was just beginning to be settled.

Mrs. Bowen remembered the building of Close City. At first, she said, there were no frame houses there, just tents. A storm came and tore them all to pieces, leaving a bunch of rags. Hence the name, Ragtown. At that time, there was no schoolhouse there and school was kept in the church.

Mrs. Bowen's son, Mitchell, went into the army during the first World War. Just as he was about to be shipped overseas, the Armistice was declared. Sugar

was hard to get, Mrs. Bowen recalls, and they had to eat cornbread for breakfast.

"I've never witnessed such a winter as this one," Mrs. Bowen declared. "We usually have some rain and snow. One time the snow was on the ground a month before it melted. Always before the last two or three years we have had rain in the fall usually right at cotton picking time."

The Bowens confined their crops to cotton and feed, never planting much oats or wheat.

Mrs. Bowen is a member of the Baptist church. She attends the TEL Sunday school class as often as she can.

There wasn't much to do here when the Bowens first came, Mrs. Bowen said. Their children weren't allowed to go out on school nights and about all there was to do was go to church and Sunday school and to home singings occasionally.

"Children are as different now as they were when mine were young as daylight and dark," Mrs. Bowen stated. "Now parents mind their children, instead of children minding their parents. The children are not to blame. They are not polite or mannerly any more."

Post has certainly changed in every respect, Mrs. Bowen feels. There is now a large number of houses and stores here and people have something to do every night. Even the sandstorms are not quite as bad, she says.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Garner, grandson-in-law and granddaughter of Mrs. Bowen, live with her in her home in north Post.

From The Post Dispatch, April 6, 1950

GARZA COUNTY JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Job Title: Secretary (Field Secretary, Multiple Services)
Location: Texas Department of Public Safety / Garza Co. Constable's Office-Post, Tx
Posting Date: April 4, 2000
Closing Date: April 14, 2000

Openings: 1
HRS/Week: 40

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:
AGE: 18
EDUCATION: HS Grad/GED
Experience: 12 Months
Clerical Test: Yes
Typing Test: 45wpm (corrected speed)

Minimum Qualifications: Graduation from a standard senior high school or the equivalent with 12 months minimum general office/secretarial work experience which included routine use of a personal computer with processing and spreadsheet software.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities: Knowledge of pertinent record-retention/record-keeping systems and generally accepted office procedure/practices. Skill in the proper use of English grammar, punctuation, and spelling and in using standard office equipment including a personal computer with word processing and data base software, computer terminal, electric typewriter, calculator, copier, shredder and facsimile machines. Ability to: compose routine business correspondence; perform multiple tasks simultaneously in a timely manner; obtain, record, and disseminate accurate information from telephone conversations; and maintain confidentiality of information encountered in work activities.

Job Duties: Performs responsible secretarial and routine administration support work. Prepares reports/forms/memoranda/etc. Performs data entry and generates statistical summaries. Answers correspondence and telephone calls and procedural and general information questions. Performs related duties as assigned.

Required Testing: Applicants must qualify on the clerical aptitude test and the typing test with a minimum of forty-five (45) words per minute corrected speed. It is the responsibility of the applicant to make arrangements for any necessary testing. All necessary testing must be completed no later than the FIRST AVAILABLE day after the job closing date.

Other: Felony conviction will be cause for rejection. Any history of actions or activities deemed illegal or inappropriate may be cause for rejection. All applicable Garza County policies and procedures will be adhered to.

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Wanda Blacklock

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Painting on the inside will be needed, paint will be provided. Ten (10) units will require double windows 30x36 each. Bids need to be received by April 10, 2000 at 1:00 P.M. If you need more information please call or come by office at

709 Caprock Drive, or call (806) 495-2233. We will require Proof of Insurance and Performance Bond.

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The Housing Authority of the City of Post, Texas will be accepting bids for painting the exterior of our buildings, 47 residential, 2 storage, 1 office building.

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Post students competed in 22 events. Individual results, as supplied by school officials, included:

- Art Contest 4 — Lori Jones, Pat Reiter, Tamara Raymundo, Kelsey Sanderson, Madison Mason/team first place.
- Art Contest 5 — Jackie Hays, Rachael Gray, Anahi Garcia, Josie Whisenhunt/team first place.
- Number Sense 4 — Call Windham, fifth place; Timothy Wilson, third place.
- Number Sense 5 — Adrian Nava, first place; Jordan Payne, first place;

- K'Nell Dalby and Wilson Cash, tied for fourth.
- Oral Reading 4 — Kelsey Sanderson, fifth place; Brenna Postell, sixth.
- Oral Reading 5 — Steffi Norman, second place; K'Nell Dalby, third.
- Storytelling 2 — Clint Windham, third.
- Storytelling 3 — Patrick Martinez, second; Alex Hart, fourth.
- Creative Writing 2 — Brandi Hewitt, third.
- Ready Writing 3 — Adrian Ceja, third; Alex Hart, fifth.
- Ready Writing 4 — Randall Jewell, fourth.
- Spelling 5 — Kylie Easterling, first place; Steffi Norman, second place;

- Claire Kirkpatrick, fourth place.
- Maps, Graphs & Charts 5 — Jason Worthington, first place.
- Listening 5 — Edgar Garay, tied for sixth place.
- Dictionary 5 — Gabby Paiz, fourth; Adrian Nava, fifth.
- Music Memory 5 — Jordan Payne, Zachary Witcher, Jose Zubia, Laura Pederson, Preston Ortiz/team, fifth place.
- Music Memory 4 — Allen Heckaman, Samantha Hoover, Zachary Kocurek, Victoria Hampton, Shelly Gearhart/team, fourth place.
- Music Memory 3 — Zachary Davis, Zachary Nava, Jarrett Blevins/team, third place.



PHS Ag mechanics and applied students (left to right) Bryan Ellison, Jonathan Smith, Matt Norman and Joshua Timms are working on modifying a Post Volunteer Fire Department water tanker. Under the supervision of Lance Dunn and Rodney Tidwell, the students are raising the structure to clear the tires.

Blood drive nets 35 pints

Monday's blood drive conducted at the Church of God of Prophecy on West 14th Street netted 35 pints for United Blood Services. The scheduled blood drive will be held May 4 at the Post Church of Christ.

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