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Elderly woman dies after slipping out of nursing home

by Wes Burnett

Tragedy struck a Post family last Wednesday (5/26/00) afternoon when 81 year old Irene Wagner was found dead in a clump of weeds at the end of West 3rd Street. Mrs Wagner, a resident at Golden Plains Care Center suffering from Alzheimer's, had apparently wandered out of the facility.



Justice of the Peace Sheila Melton had not determined a cause of

death at press time. The temperature hovered above 110 degrees, and is considered to be a factor in her death.

Her body was discovered in southwest Post at about 4:10 p.m. A barking dog alerted a resident in the area who called the Sheriff's Department.

Sheriff's Deputy Tommy Binford said that the sheriff's department at 1:48 p.m. that the elderly woman was missing from the nursing home.

An extensive search was conducted by deputies, volunteer firemen, constable and constable deputies, city employees, the DPS as well as numerous volunteers. A resident in the area had seen

the woman walking earlier, but was not aware of who she was or that she had been reported missing.

Her daughters, Sheri Reidel and Susan Warren, have expressed their gratitude to the community for efforts in locating Mrs Wagner. "We believe she was following God's path for her," Mrs Reidel said, "she was a very independent woman who did what she wanted, she lived her own life."

"This poem says it all," the daughters told us:

I'm free, don't grieve for me. For now I'm free, I'm following the path God laid for me. I took his hand when I heard him call. I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day. To laugh, to love, to work or play, what's left undone must stay that way. I found that place at the close of the day. If my parting has left a void, then fill it with remem-

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Timothy Duran (left) helps his dad, Joe Duran, placing American flags on graves of veterans at Terrace Cemetery during Memorial Day observances Monday. Volunteers spread out through the cemetery locating veterans' gravesites.

Post Notes

Video for plugging abandoned wells

The Garza County Underground and Fresh Water Conservation District has received a video on plugging abandoned wells. The video was developed by the Texas Groundwater Protection Committee through the Texas Agricultural Communications Department of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Those interested in the video may check it out from the district office at the courthouse.

Summer food service program

The Post ISD announces the sponsorship of the Summer Food Service Program, to be held Monday through Thursday beginning June 5, 2000 and continuing through July 13, 2000. Breakfast and lunch will be provided at the school cafeteria, 309 W. 8th Street (behind the elementary school). Breakfast will be served from 9 to 10 a.m. and lunch from noon until 1 p.m. Children 18 years of age and younger are eligible to participate.

Housing Authority public meeting

A public meeting will be held June 8 at the Post Community Center beginning at 7 p.m. to review policies of the Post Housing Authority. The purpose will be to review all policies under the new five year and annual plans and admissions and occupancy policies. Documents are on display at the PHA office. Questions and comments will be considered at a meeting set at a later date.

Post Jr & Sr Baseball Raffle

Post Junior and Senior League baseball players are sponsoring a raffle for four tickets to a Texas Ranger baseball game. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5 and may be purchased from any Junior or Senior League team member. The drawing will be held during closing ceremonies in June. The winner will be able to choose from any Texas Ranger home game in June, July, August or September that they prefer.

PHS Reunion 2000 registration

It's not too late! You can still register to attend the Post High School Reunion 2000, to be held July 1 and 2. The \$20 per person registration covers everything - Saturday morning reception and Saturday night dance at the Post Community Center, and a Sunday barbecue lunch at the Post City Park. There have been 192 former classmates and their spouses registered from as far away as Orange, Calif.; Phoenix, Ariz.; Atkins, Ark.; Mesquite, Granbury, Waco, Houston, Beaumont and Whitehouse. If you don't attend, we'll talk about you. Contact Leslie Acker, 122A East Main, Post, Texas 79356 or call (806) 495-3537 for registration information.

Volunteers needed

The Victim's Assistance program is seeking volunteers to help in various capacities. To find out how you can help, contact Jayta Cravy at 495-2479 or visit the Victim's Assistance Program office at 225 W. Main Street in Post.

Post athletics room at museum

A special room at the Garza County Historical Museum is under construction which will recognize Garza County athletic history. Funding for the project is needed, and those who wish to contribute should designate the donation to the Garza County Museum Athletic Room. For more information or to assist with the project, call Jimmy Redman at 495-2141.

Early deadline for July 4

The Post Dispatch will be closed Tuesday, July 4, and has set a deadline of noon on Monday, July 3 for all copy and advertising. "We will print as usual on Wednesday morning," publisher Wes Burnett said, "but we need help from our contributors and advertisers to meet this early deadline."

Summer reading program

All sixth, seventh and eighth grade students are welcomed to join in the summer reading fun at Post Middle School. Read books of your choice and earn accelerated reading points for next school year. Call the Middle School at 495-2874 for details.

Post swimming pool opens Sunday

The Post swimming pool opens its summer schedule Sunday, May 28 at 1 p.m. The pool will be open 1-5. For more information call 495-4947.

Young woman apparently drowns in home accident

An 18-year-old Post woman died Saturday in what authorities believe was an accidental drowning in her home in the 600 block of West 3rd Street.

April Torres was pronounced dead by Justice of the Peace Sheila Melton shortly after 5 p.m., according to reports from the Garza County Sheriff's Department.

An autopsy has been ordered, but indications have led officials to believe the young woman died following an epileptic seizure.

"She had a history of epilepsy and was on medication," Sheriff Kenny Ratke said.

Torres' body was discovered Saturday afternoon when her husband, Arturo Torres, came home from work and found his wife completely submerged in the water of the bathtub, according to reports. He immediately pulled her from the tub and attempted to do CPR, calling for help. Friends outside the Torres home raced in to help and called 9-1-1, but the young woman was already dead.

The couple's 2-year-old daughter, who was at home at the time of the apparent accident, was not injured.

Duran appointed to serve as clerk

by Wes Burnett

The Garza County Commissioners' Court announced Tuesday afternoon that Lina Duran has been appointed to serve as County Clerk until the November 7 election. Mrs Duran has been serving as deputy clerk.

The appointment came after the death last week of Clerk Sonny Gossett.

"The election code spells out procedures for filling a vacancy of an elected official due to death in office," Judge Giles W. Dalby explained. The Democratic, Republican or Libertarian party chairmen may appoint a candidate for the November election within 60 days. Candidates interested in filing as independents have 30 days in which to file.

Duran announced her plans to file as a Democrat.

Now local news morning and noon on Post City Radio

Post City Radio, operating on Classic Cable Channel 17 and on the Internet at www.postcityradio.com, is now offering live news twice a day. Post City Radio's manager Thomas Zachary, who has hosted the "TTO, This, That and the Other" morning news show for the past two months, started the news show at noon earlier this week.

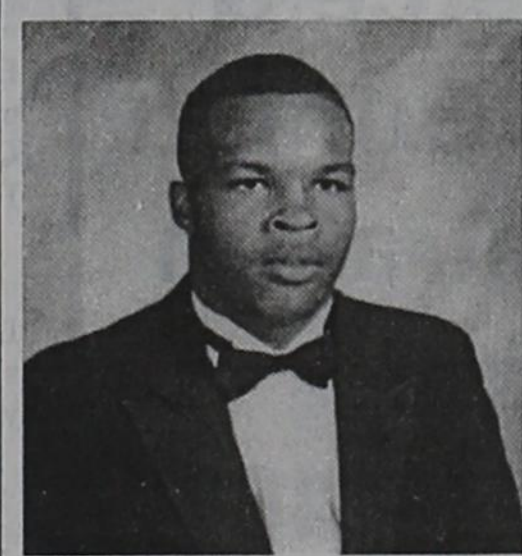
"If you've got something you want everyone to know about," Zachary said, "give us a call at 495-2816." Zachary also said that broadcasting live news shows twice a day will provide better service to the community. "We're really pleased that we were able to fill the void left when KPOS AM went off the air," he said.

Tune in on Classic Cable Channel 17 at 7 a.m. and noon, Monday through Friday. The morning show features live agricultural reports from Lee Barron.

"Remember, we're going to be broadcasting live once again from Trade Days on Saturday," Zachary added. The remote broadcast from Trade Days will begin at 10 a.m. with live reports on the half-hour through 3 p.m. Zachary will be awarding Trade Days Bucks and Trade Days gift certificates at each of the half-hour live remote reports.

"Just look for our tent next to the Lemonade Gazebo," Zachary said.

Crawford picked as All-Star



Post High School Class of 2000 graduate Billy Crawford has been selected to play in the Texas High School Coaches Association all-star football game on August 1 in Houston at Rice University. Crawford, a Baylor University signee, will play for the North team. Crawford was selected after being nominated by PHS head football coach Richard Gorman. The defensive end will begin practice in Houston on July 27. All practices are open to the public.

New agent begins duties here

A recent Texas Tech graduate has been tapped to serve as Garza County's newest extension agent.

Sara Wagner of Roswell, N.M., was appointed to the position last Monday by members of the Garza County Commissioners Court.

Wagner completed her studies in early childhood development earlier this month but holds several years of experience in working with young people. For more than three years, Wagner worked at the Westminster Presbyterian Preschool and Kindergarten in Lubbock, serving as a music specialist, teaching assistant and afternoon teacher. She also served as a peer advisor at Tech's College of Human Sciences.

Wagner's activities at Tech included membership in the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, where she served as both president and vice-president; Texas Association of Family and Consumer Services, chairman and vice-chairman of communications; Phi Upsilon Omicron, president and president-elect; Texas Student Educators Association; Mortar Board, Women's Service Organization; and Phi Eta Sigma and Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Societies.



Sara Wagner

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Brandi Puckett, daughter of Tommy and Linda Puckett of Post, was awarded her Registered Nurse degree during ceremonies May 26 at Covenant School of Nursing.

Nelson earns honors

Case Nelson, seventh grade student at St Joseph's School in Slaton, was named defensive player of the year in basketball and was tabbed as most valuable player at the Faith Temple tournament in Portales, N.M.

He is the son of Steve and Pat Nelson of Post.

Post students earn honors

Kohen Josey and Christie Oden of Post were named to the Dean's List at Lubbock Christian University for the spring semester.

In order to be considered a member of the Dean's List, a student must be taking a minimum of 12 semester hours and achieve a 3.5 grade point average or better for the entire semester.

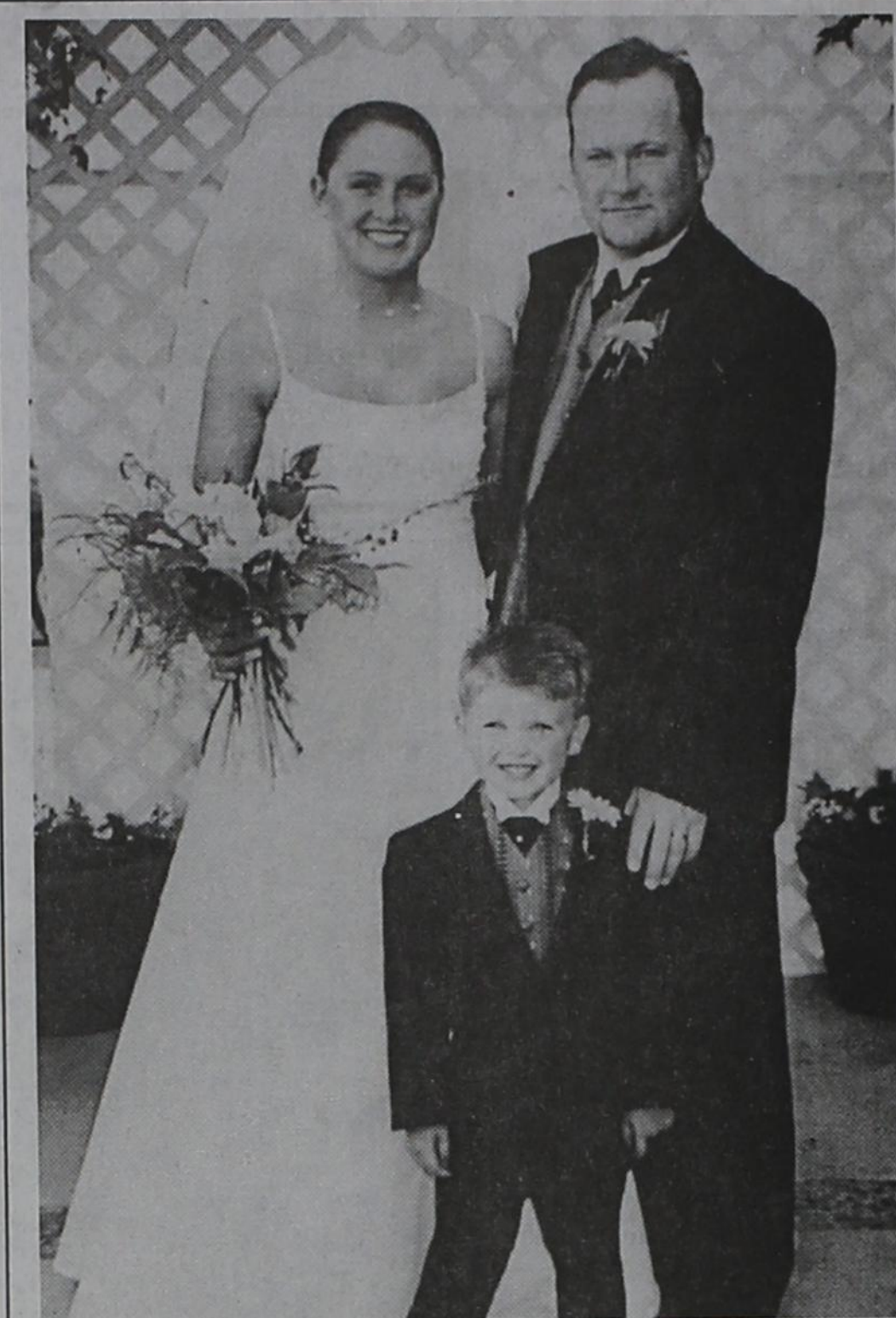
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Cooper, Jeffrey exchange vows

Amber J'Lyn Cooper and Gary Ryan Jeffrey exchanged wedding vows May 13, 2000 at the Hotel Garza-Waterfall Garden. Proud parents of the bride and groom are Steve and Jamie Cooper of Post and Jerry and Carolyn Jeffrey of McCaulley.

The bride is a 1995 graduate of Post High School and will attend Texas Tech University. The groom is a 1990 graduate of Hamilin High School. He is self-employed as owner and operator of Jeffrey Cattle.

The couple will spend their honeymoon in Cazumel, Mexico. Ryan, Amber and their son Kaegan will live in Post.

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Judy's Jabberin'

By Judy B. Bush



Well, I hope all of you had a nice Memorial Day holiday. Boy I tell ya, this year is passing by in a hurry. I think after you pass 50 it is a written rule that the time goes twice as fast!

Class Reunion

Just a reminder to everyone that you still have time to send in your money for the "All School Reunion" which is to be held July 1 and 2. The \$20 fee covers all activities, plus a free ticket to Old Mill Trade Days. Activities include registration 9 am Saturday with coffee, juice and breakfast treats. A dance at the Community Center Saturday night at 8 pm and last a BBQ lunch at the park Sunday at 1 pm.

Get those registration slips in and have a great time.

Kids say the darndest things

A mother was preparing pancakes for her sons, Kevin, 5 and Ryan, 3. The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancake.

Their mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson. "If Jesus were sitting here, He would say, "Let my brother have the first pancake. I can wait."

Kevin turned to his younger brother and said, "Ryan, you be Jesus."

Birthdays this Week

Friday, June 2; Susan Fumagalli, Alejandro Mesa, Ray Morris and Reece Belongia; Anniversary, Jerry and Cindy Taylor; Saturday, June 3; Mario Gomez, Anne Sims, Jeni Irato, Wendy Rivera, Ryan Sladeczek, Angela Robinson, Cathy Courtney, Ashley Hair and Lauren Webb; Sunday, June 4, Dan Fumagalli, Colt Vernon, Robert Walter, Dora Gonzales, Pam Humble, Jill Gossett and Caroline Poe; Anniversary, Darrell and Christi Daily and Jerry and Marinette Tyler; Monday, June 5, Adam Silva, Gilberto Flores, Steven Cooper and Brice Easterling; Anniversary, Betty and Gene Posey; Tuesday, June 6, Ashley Mason, Cruz Castillo, Trent Laurence, Aaron Graves and Tony Bishop; Anniversary, Patsy and Bill Fumagalli, Jr. Ray and Kate Gonzales and Geno and Chanda Solis; Wednesday, June 7, Raymond Silva, Donae Dalby, Chris Cannon, Patricia Hall, Channa Cruse, Lynsey Parrish, Marlee Plummer and Amber Jeffrey; Anniversary, Giles and Mendy Dalby; Thursday, June 8; Janice Mason and Crissy Espinoza; Anniversary, Tommy and Valerie Mize.

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From an anonymous mother in Austin: Things I've learned from my children:

•Certain Lego's will pass through the digestive tract of a four year old..

•You probably do not want to know what that order is.

•No matter how much Jell-O you put in a swimming pool, you still can't walk on water..

Holiday Visitors

I know Sara Ault had visitors for the holiday, because I ran into her and son Leon in United Friday.

That was the first time I had seen Leon since I was a little girl. Don't think he remembered me but it was nice to see him and his Mom together!

Praise The Lord

An elderly lady was well-known for her faith and for her boldness in talking about it. She would stand on her front porch and shout PRAISE THE LORD! Next door to her lived an atheist who would get so angry at her proclamations he would shout, "There ain't no Lord!!!"

Hard times set in on the elderly lady and she prayed for GOD to send her some assistance. She stood on her porch and shouted "PRAISE THE LORD! GOD I NEED SOME FOOD!! I AM HAVING A HARD TIME. PLEASE LORD, SEND ME SOME GROCERIES."

The next morning the lady went out on her porch and noted a large bag of groceries and shouted, "PRAISE THE LORD!! The neighbor jumped from behind a bush and said, "Ha Ha. I told you there was no Lord. I bought those groceries. God didn't."

The lady started jumping up and down and clapping her hands and saying, "PRAISE THE LORD! He not only sent me groceries but HE made the devil pay for them. PRAISE THE LORD!!!!!!!"

Weekend Guests

Those visiting Johnny and Opal Ray and Melody Rose over the weekend were.

Mr and Mrs Don Rose from Henryetta, Ok; Jerry and Mary Ray and Barry and Andy Ray all of Slaton; Michael and Tammy and Justin Self of Petersburg; Janet and Bobby Dean, Russel and Sandra Benham, Quentin, Brad, Wyatt and Hayden and Danny and Kim Allen all of Post. Kyle Josey also came by for a visit.

See Ya Next Week

Guess that is all for this week. Don't forget this is Old Mill Trade Days weekend. This is the "50's" weekend so drag out your poodle skirts and come on out and shop. See ya there! May God bless each of you.

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Garza County 4-H'ers want to thank those who made the fundraiser the success it was. Those who got things started and spent the night cooking included Bobby Heckaman, Gary Blevins, Jeff Greene, Roger Jaquess and Greg Jones; thanks to Rynn Norman, Lance Dunn, Nita Jo and Breann Heckaman for helping Thursday evening and Friday morning; to Allen Grisham and Giles Dalby, Jr. for firewood; to Jessica Mason, Jaquita Blevins, Jody Whisenhunt, Bruce Ledbetter, Lance Dunn and Jarrod Greene for delivering; and to everyone who sold briskets. Thanks to Ray and Celia Mason for their help in cooking and delivering. We appreciate everyone's support.

4-H Steer/Swine Projects

If you need assistance in finding or selecting 4-H animal projects, please call Greg Jones at 495-4400.



1998 PHS graduate Steven Gonzales graduated at Western Texas College on May 5 with a degree in Golf Tech. He left for Michigan on May 15 to assume duties as assistant superintendent at Island Hill Golf Club in Vicksburg, Mich. He is the son of Danny and Susan Gonzales of Post and the grandson of Mike and Eva Gonzales of Post and Ann Case of Rising Star.



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Futures market price charts studied at seminar in Lubbock

Agricultural producers and agribusiness individuals can learn how to read, interpret and understand futures market price charts at a June 20 technical analysis marketing seminar at the Texas A&M Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Lubbock.

The seminar will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The center is located one mile east of I-27 on FM 1294 north of Lubbock.

"This seminar is an introductory training on how to read price charts," said Jackie Smith, extension economist based in Lubbock. "It is designed for beginners in chart watching. It will help prepare them for an advanced technical analysis seminar scheduled later this year."

"Our goal is to teach participants how to read and use future market price charts, and anticipate price movements as part of an effective risk management program."

Smith will explain how to use trend lines, moving price averages, support lines, resistance lines, gaps, corrections and other charting tools — tools producers and traders often employ to decide when to "pull the trigger" on a futures market pricing strategy.

"Many producers believe supply and demand factors and fundamental analyses drive movements in commodity prices. That's true, but there are other factors involved too," Smith said. "In order to obtain a more complete understanding of the futures market, you have to know how to read and interpret the information contained in price charts and in technical analyses."

"It is really useful to understand the basics of charting. We will also discuss terminology and concepts that will help producers better read and understand reports from market analysts."

Registration costs \$30 per person and includes a catered lunch. The deadline for registration is June 15. Registration forms are available at county extension offices or from Smith at the Lubbock Center, 746-6101. Checks should be made payable to TAEX, acct #222108.

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FM - 2 miles West of Close City	39
FM - 1 1/2 miles West Close City (near CRP)	14
RG1 - 5 miles NE on Hwy 651, 1 mile West	34
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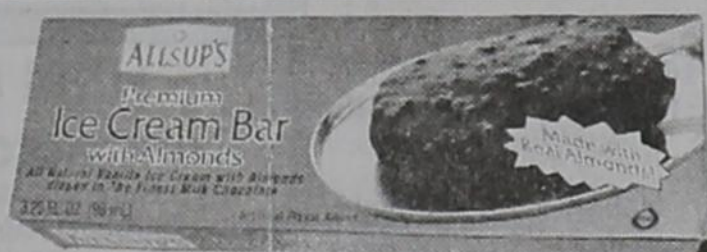
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Obituaries

Sonny Gossett

Services for Sonny Gossett were held Friday, May 26, 2000 at 10:30 a.m. in the First United Methodist Church with Paul D. Jones, minister Post Church of Christ, officiating.



He was assisted by Rev. Buddy Payne, pastor of the First United Methodist Church. Burial was at Resthaven Cemetery in Southland under the personal care of Justice-Mason Funeral Home.

Mr. Gossett died Tuesday, May 23, 2000 at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

He was born July 18, 1944 in Lubbock County to L.E. (Buck) and Vera Mae (Wood) Gossett and attended Post schools and graduated from Post High School. He attended South Plains College and Lubbock Christian College.

He married Barbara Mock on September 29, 1973 in Tahoka. Jerry and Judy Bush were to be at the ceremony in Tahoka and they went to Slaton by mistake and nearly missed the wedding. They have made their home in Post since.

He was a farmer and had worked for Cal-Maine in egg production. He had also worked as the night bookkeeper for Graham Co-op Gin. He owned and operated Radio Shack. He had been the Chief Dispatcher for the Garza County Sheriff's Department.

In 1986 he was elected as the County/District Clerk for Garza County, which he has held for almost 14 years, and had run unopposed since the first election.

He was president of the Satellite School Board. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors: Wife: Barbara of Post; sons: Ed, Robby and Lee Allen all of Slaton; daughter: Sonja Fields of Post; sisters: Patsy Ramage of Crosbyton, Janie Stanaford of Littlefield and Judy Morris of Clovis, N.M.; grandson: Austin Fields of Post.

Pallbearers were: Jerry Bush, Max Haney, Rodney Oden, John Tom Bilberry, Wendell Johnson and Benny Owen. Honorary pallbearers were: Daryl Foster, Bill Hass, Derrick Oden, Jonathan Pwionka, Clint Davis, Matt Thornberry, Rusty Browning, Archie Gill and Jim Curry.

Memorials are suggested to the Sonny Gossett Scholarship Fund C/O Wells Fargo Bank, Post, Texas 79356. Or to a favorite charity.

Donald A. McLendon

Services for Donald A. McLendon were held Tuesday - May 30, 2000 at 10:30 a.m. in the First United Methodist Church in Post with Rev. Buddy Payne, pastor, officiating. Burial was in the Terrace Cemetery under the personal care of Justice-Mason Funeral Home.



Mr. McLendon died at his residence in Lubbock, Saturday - May 27, 2000. He was born March 8, 1925 in the Verbena community to W.A. and Edna (Kennedy) McLendon. He attended school at Verbena and Post. He proudly served his country during World War II from 1944 until 1946 in the Asian Theater.

He was a rancher and farmer in Garza County all of his life. After his father's death on November 22, 1940 he took care of his mother until her death on August 29, 1976. He then married Martha McLendon on April 14, 1978 in Lubbock.

They have lived in the Verbena community and in Lubbock since that time. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Post.

Survivors: Wife, Martha of Post; sons: Dan Dennison of Lubbock, Gary Dennison of Lubbock; daughter: Kathy Dennison of Lubbock; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; aunts: Kathryn Rankin of Post and Helen Faye McQuien of Plainview.

Pallbearers were: Eric Cravy, Walton McQuien, Dan Rankin, Pete Laney, Jimmy Bird, Ken Rankin and Bill Yarbro.

Irene Wagner

Services for Irene Wagner, 81, of Snyder were conducted Saturday, May 27, 2000, at 2 p.m. in the Wright Colonial Funeral Home with the Rev. Bobby Woods, pastor of the Church of God of Snyder, officiating. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery in Post.

She died Wednesday, May 24, in Post following a lengthy illness.

Born in Manitowoc County, Wisconsin, on May 9, 1919, she married Raymond Wagner May 15, 1943, in Wisconsin. A member of the VFW, American Legion and Ladies Auxiliary, she was a homemaker and a nurse's aid in Snyder, Post and Lubbock.

Survivors include one son, David Wagner, of Snyder; eight daughters, Jessie Dahl of Houston, Dixie Kearns of Tulsa, Okla., Sherri Riedel and Susan Warren, both of Post; Nancy Youngblood of Wolfforth, Roberta Sternhagan of Waco, Barbara Furmann of Wisconsin and Neenah McCraw of Lubbock; 30 grandchildren; and 27 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two sisters and three brothers.

The family has requested memorials be made to the VFW or the American Legion in Snyder.

Walter Byron Haynie

Graveside services for Walter Byron Haynie, 83, of Lubbock were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 28, 2000, in the Terrace Cemetery. The Hudman Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

A memorial service was held Tuesday, May 30, at 1 p.m. at the First Christian Church in Lubbock with the Rev. Michael Passmore officiating.

He died Friday, May 26, at Lakeside Rehab & Care Center.

Born Oct. 20, 1916, in Sweetwater, he married Charlene Lennon April 20, 1941, in Post. He farmed in the Post area for 20 years before moving to Lubbock in 1966 where he worked as an electrician for the Lubbock Independent School District. He was a member of the Disciples of Christ where he served as an elder for more than 30 years.

Survivors include his wife, Charlene, of Lubbock; two daughters, Janene Beard of Lubbock and Lana Young of Los Angeles; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Words should be weighed and not counted.
—Yiddish Proverb

Mattie Louzell Chandler

Graveside services for Mattie Louzell Chandler, 90, of Post were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 30, 2000, in the Terrace Cemetery with Paul Jones officiating. The Hudman Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

She died May 27 at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

Born Nov. 5, 1909, in Shelby County, she married Irvin L. Chandler in December 1926. He died Jan. 17, 1977. She had worked for the Postex Cotton Mill and was a Methodist.

Survivors include one daughter, Tommie Woods of Post; one son, Charles Chandler of Post; four sisters, Berneice Lawson of Modesto, Calif., Gertrude Hopkins of Haskell, Dixie Payne of Tahoka and Joy Day of Plainview; six grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

April Abraham Torres

Services for April Abraham Torres, 18, of Post were held at 4 p.m. Wednesday, May 31, 2000, in the Holy Cross Catholic Church with Father Malcolm Neiland officiating. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of the Hudman Funeral Home.

She died May 27 at her home.

Born Aug. 4, 1981, in Slaton to Ollie Joe and Carmen Abraham, she attended Post school and married Arturo Torres Sept. 14, 1999, in Post. She was a housewife and a Catholic.

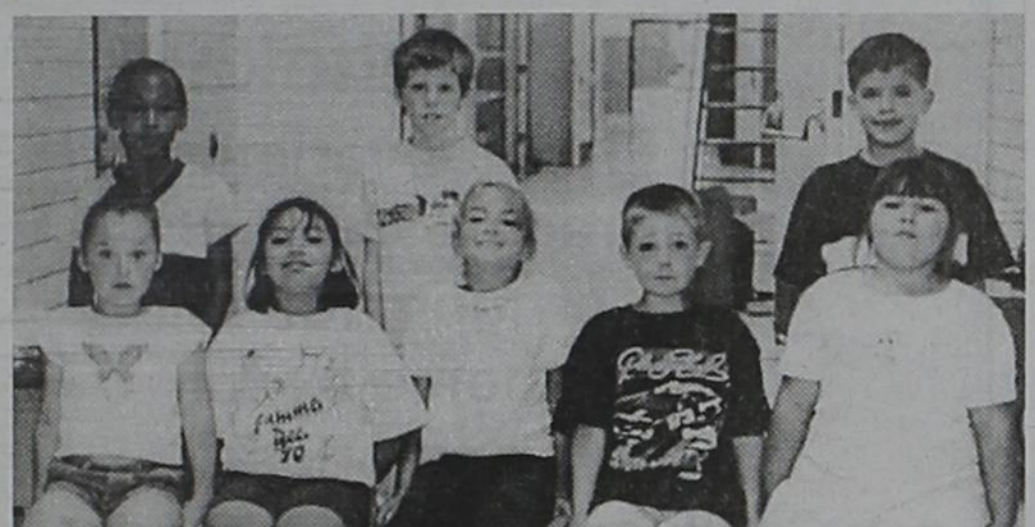
Survivors include her parents; her husband; one daughter, Melissa Deniece Torres; two brothers, Ollie Joe Abraham Jr. and Moses Abraham, both of Post; and three sisters, Sandra Moreno of Sundown, Jeamille Bautista of Dallas and Amy Lyn Flores of Post.



Post Elementary first grade student reading 50-59 books are (back row, left to right) Brandon Martin, Cheyenne Poe, Kelsey Overton, Patricia McDougle, (front row) Chess Postell, Ben Mason, Jacey Jackson, Syrnia Perez and Kyla Perez.

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I remember traveling through Post as a small child on the way to Lubbock to see my Aunt Jo. She was my favorite aunt. We had the same birthday, October 31; a great day to be born on and our sharing it provided a natural bond. She also had a space between her two front teeth through which she could whistle as loud as the AT&SF that still rolls through your quiet little town on the edge of the Staked Plains.

When I started to medical school at age 32, my family packed up and moved to Lubbock. We must have looked like a scene from a "Ma and Pa Kettle" movie, all that furniture strapped on with cotton lashing cord, with a potty-chair hanging off the back.

It's no wonder we received some doubtful looks as we pulled into Holly's Drive In on the edge of town to get a hamburger. This would become a ritual for us and no matter when we had eaten or what we were hungry for, that was the place we would stop. I felt like I got to know several generations of the best of Post's football teams with the owners' kids proudly displayed on center stage.

Others were not excluded, however, and if you looked at the dates on the photos, the social changes that have occurred over the years could be followed in the make-up of those teams. I would pick a different table each time and examine that section of the wall carefully until "mister, your double burger is ready," would bring me back to reality.

Which brings me back to reality. This is supposed to be a column on health related issues. So it shall be. Sort of. We all get plenty of "medical" advice on what to do, eat, and even think about, all in some sort of attempt to get us to squeeze as many miles out of our bodies as we can.

There is probably nothing I can add to that already mixed up equation. Instead, I will focus on topics that my patients have been interested in. Things like controlling pain, what tests are really important for different groups of folks, and even some social issues that affect health, like, gun control (just kidding!). I will probably get into things not commonly thought of as medical.

Many times, I may just write and tell you stories from my childhood and young adulthood about my experiences living in the valley of the Elm down near Abilene. Those stories can be used to assist those of you with insomnia.

Thank you for spending this time with me.
Winston Whitt, M.D.

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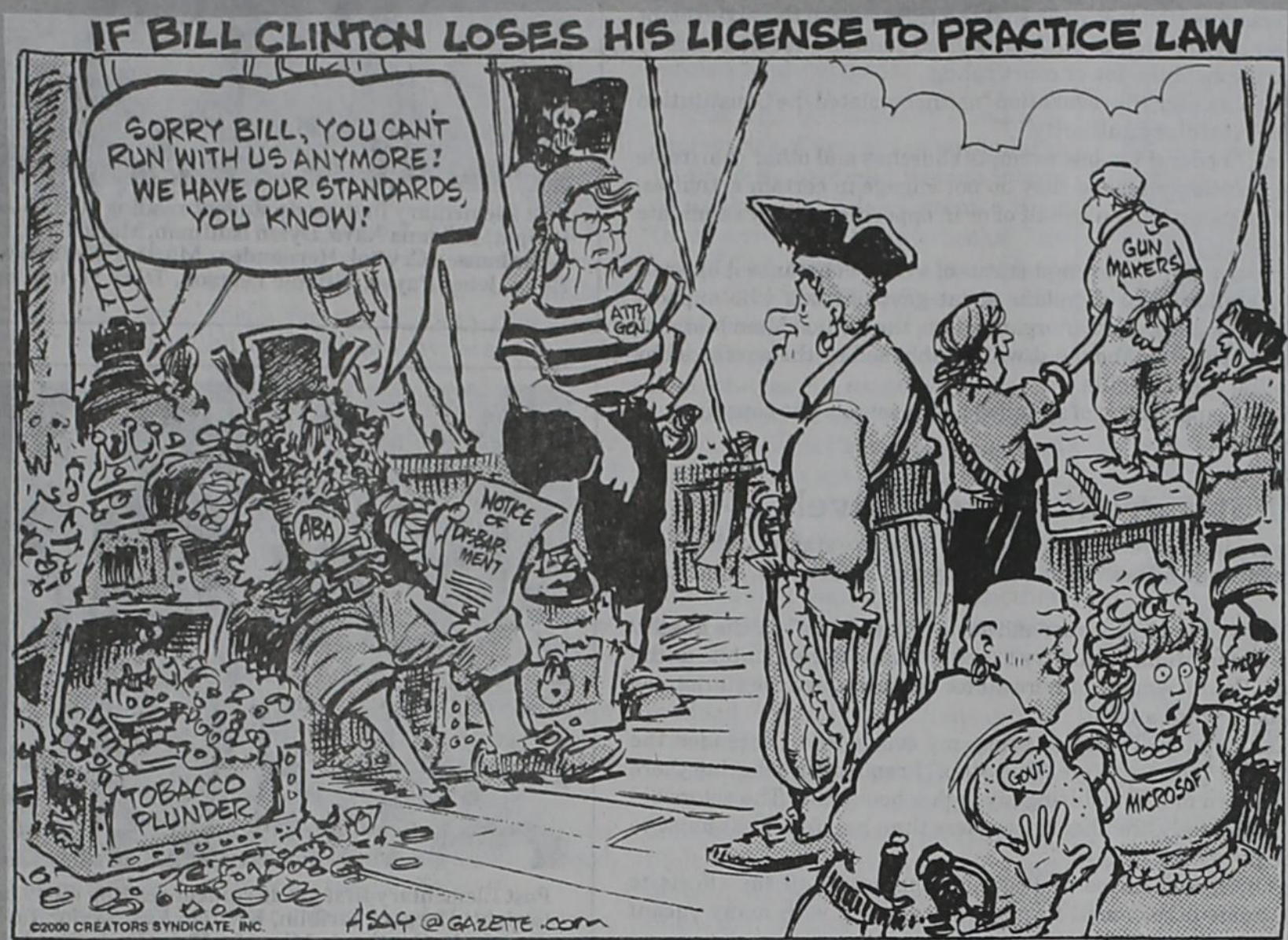
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The awful power of government

by Wes Burnett

This week we have published a letter from an anguished parent, lashing out at what she declares to be discriminatory practices and verbal abuse to her child.

So what's new?

I've been hearing these kind of complaints from parents on a regular basis for the past 20 years or more that I've been involved in weekly newspaper publishing. It's the same old song, second verse. When, I wonder, will parents realize that when they cart off their children to a government school, they lose absolutely all rights and control over what happens?

Fortunately for this child, his parents are willing to make major financial and other sacrifices to free their son of the tyranny that is so rampant in government schools.

I wrote a term paper during my graduate student days at Texas Tech a few years ago, in which I stated my own personal observation: "In government controlled schools, students are taught about democracy, freedom and liberty, but are subjected to a daily dose of tyranny through a manipulative, dictatorial system."

The difference between what is taught and what is practiced does not escape the observation of either students or their parents.

Before we go any further with this topic, let me emphasize that the problem is not so much the people who work in these government schools, but it is the system itself which is the problem. I have great empathy and appreciation for those dedicated folks who work in government schools. They are victims themselves, just as their students.

Remember, as long as we allow government to control our schools, there is absolutely no hope whatsoever for unhappy parents and students unable to escape that environment.

So, here's a portion of an editorial published earlier by The Post Dispatch, which outlines the difficulty parents face when trying to secure the rights of their children.

Truancy? Who's in charge here?

Most people would say that it is the parents' responsibility to see that the child is where he or she should be... whether at school or at home. They would be correct, except that they overlook the power of the corporation which rules their lives.

That corporation is the State of Texas, which implements the corporate rules of its parent corporation, the U.S. federal government. Those corporations have certain codes which specify how its subjects (those who live within the corporate boundaries) are to behave. One set of those codes, written by the Texas legislature and enforced by the judicial and executive branches of the corporation, is the Texas Education Code.

That code specifies the what is and what is not acceptable behavior by both parents and children of the corporation's subjects (those who live within the boundaries of the corporation). The education code defines truancy and the duties of the truant officer, who is an agent of the school superintendent.

Corporations have the power to enforce their codes on those subjected to the corporation's by-laws. In the case of truancy, it is quite clear that parents who fail to enforce the truancy code, will be responsible for violations by their children, and they abdicate their constitutional rights in the process.

Parents voluntarily give up their children

When parents voluntarily take or send their children to one of the state corporation schools, parental rights cease to exist. All the griping and complaining in the world will not shake the administration of the corporate codes.

Incorporation of government in Texas and the U.S. has eliminated the republican form of government that our ancestors originally intended, and that we are guaranteed by our constitutions. The fact that several generations of Texans have accepted this corporate form of government does not make it right, but does make it a matter of fact.

So, we have enforcers of the corporate code all around us... the sheriff, his deputies, truant officers, government school administrators, judges, state police... the whole system is designed to enforce, not the constitution, but the corporation's codes. Individual rights always take a back seat to corporation codes, because the corporation has a contract it can enforce.

The fact that you did not agree to the corporation's contract is of no consequence. As the judge said to William Wallace ("Braveheart") when Wallace denied allegiance to the king of England, "Nevertheless, he is your king."

As long as we allow incorporated government, as we have in Texas throughout this century, there will be no real freedom or liberty for anyone of us. And the idea that parents are responsible for their children's welfare and education will continue to be a myth, for the corporate state has already decreed those rights to be subservient to the corporation's codes.

Corporations operate on behalf of the majority of its stockholders, where democracy rules. And the corporation's stockholders, through their representative in Austin and Washington, D.C., have by majority vote implemented corporate codes to strip you of your parental rights, especially when you voluntarily turn your child over to the corporation's school.

The truant officer is only performing his duties to satisfy his contractual obligation to the corporation, known here as the Post Independent School District, which is a corporate subdivision of the incorporated State of Texas. "But I didn't agree to be a corporate citizen!" one parent exclaimed to me in a recent conversation. "I never gave my permission, this is supposed to be a free country! How do we get rid of this corporation stuff?"

Since we are now at the mercy of a democracy, it is extremely difficult to elect people who will demand a return to a republican form of government. For more than five generations our people have been indoctrinated to the "benefits" of corporate government, especially the socialist concept of taking from those who have and giving it to those who have not.

As long as the corporation sets the rules, those who oppose corporate government will have to affect change outside of the corporation's control. We must dismantle this corporate government.

And thereafter, Social Security lies

by Walter E. Williams



Here's what the 1936 government pamphlet on Social Security said: "After the first 3 years — that is to say, beginning in 1940 — you will pay, and your employer will pay, 1.5 cents for each dollar you earn, up to \$3,000 a year. ... Beginning in 1943, you will pay 2 cents, and so will your employer, for every dollar you earn for the next 3 years. ... And finally, beginning in 1949, 12 years from now, you and your employer will each pay 3 cents on each dollar you earn, up to \$3,000 a year."

Here's Congress' lying promise: "That is the most you will ever pay." Having read the government pamphlet, I consulted Webster's Dictionary. The definition for the word ever contains descriptions like: "at all times," "always" and "at any time."

Had Congress lived up to its promise, our maximum Social Security tax this year would be \$90 instead of over \$6,000. The Social Security Act of 1935 would have never been enacted had Americans back then known that we'd be subject to a \$6,000 tax.

Another lie in the Social Security pamphlet is, "Beginning Nov. 24, 1936, the United States government will set up a Social Security account for you. ... The checks will come to you as a right." Americans were led to believe Social Security was like a retirement account and money placed in it was our property.

President Clinton, Vice President Gore and their sycophants want you to continue to believe that. The fact of the matter is you have no property right whatsoever to your Social Security "contributions."

You say, "Williams, that's crazy, what do you mean?" In a U.S. Supreme Court case, *Helvering vs. Davis* (1937), the Court held that Social Security was not an insurance program, saying, "The proceeds of both employee and employer taxes are to be paid into the treasury like any other internal revenue generally, and are not earmarked in anyway."

In another Supreme Court case, *Fleming vs. Nestor* (1960), the Court said, "To engraft upon Social Security system a concept of

'accrued property rights' would deprive it of the flexibility and boldness in adjustment to ever-changing conditions which it demands."

Again, the Court rejected any comparison of Social Security with insurance or an annuity. Now the Social Security Administration belatedly is trying to clean up its history of deception. Its web site (www.ssa.gov/history/nestor.html) says, "Entitlement to Social Security benefits is not (a) contractual right." Adding, "There has been a temptation throughout the program's history for some people to suppose that their FICA payroll taxes entitle them to a benefit in a legal, contractual sense."

Congress clearly had no such limitation in mind when crafting the law. That's Social Security Administration's dishonest blame evasion. After all, it was they who said, "The checks will come to you as a right." What to do?

First, let's commend George Bush for having the guts to touch the "third rail" of American politics by warning the American people that Social Security is a national disaster waiting to happen in just 20 or 30 years.

His proposal to allow workers to take two or three percent of their FICA taxes and invest them in an approved private investment vehicle is a good first step.

A bolder step would be to honor our current Social Security obligations and allow any person who chooses to do so to opt out of the program altogether and privately manage their retirement needs.

That, of course, would retire funding Social Security obligations out of general revenues for a period, requiring large spending cuts elsewhere. But each year we'd be moving toward a permanent solution.

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Schoolyard petitioning - open to all?

by Vin Supryniewicz

So long as those who are net tax recipients retain the vote (though some do sense a sizeable conflict there), school district employees have the same right to circulate an initiative petition as anyone else.

But when Clark County (Las Vegas) school bus driver Cynthia Knew approached other district employees during a break at the district's Arville Road bus yard on May 2, seeking signatures on a union petition pushing a new 4 percent state income tax on business activity, district Director of Transportation Ronald Despenza told her she'd gone too far.

Mr. Despenza "unlawfully ordered Ms. Knew to not solicit any additional signatures on the district property, even during her off hours," charges the Nevada State Education Association in a lawsuit filed in Clark County District Court Monday.

The suit asks the court to instruct the district to allow employees to circulate the petition on district property during their off hours.

Give Ms. Knew credit for not sneaking around — the way Mr. Despenza found out about the petition was that she handed it to him and asked him to sign.

But there would still be a few problems with such an arrangement.

First, school property is public property. And if a given piece of public property is open to some petition circulators, then it must be open to all petition circulators. The school district can hardly be seen picking and choosing which partisan political cause will receive its tacit endorsement.

Would the school district allow non-employees to enter its faculty lounges, seeking employee signatures on petitions to break up the school district into smaller jurisdictions? Do parents or average citizens now have the right to enter school property seeking signatures on petitions asking that state funds be diverted to private schools through "vouchers" or tax credits?

It would be one way to go. But given today's breathless concern over safety, liability, and control? Highly unlikely.

In this regard, allowing the use of school property for electioneering on a selective basis would be equivalent to allowing district teachers to send home notes with each child, urging parents to vote for this new "hire more educators" income tax proposal.

Would some association of small businessmen, opposed to the tax, then be allowed to deliver hundreds of thousands of anti-tax pamphlets to the school district loading dock, secure in the guarantee that each one would be dutifully sent home with a child in the district?

I didn't think so.

The schools hold enormous potential political power. Already, Denver public school students have been granted academic "extra credit" for attending anti-gun rallies, and the organizers of the recent Million Mom March in Washington, D.C. asked school officials in Montgomery

County, Md., to grant students credit toward their "student service learning requirement" for attending that partisan political demonstration.

Up till now, "drug education" and other such thinly disguised propaganda assemblies have been tolerated on the theory that "No one favors drug use." Though if representatives of the Libertarian Party have been invited to present to student assemblies the case that legalizing drugs might prove a more effective solution — just as relegalizing alcohol in 1933 stopped the violence, corruption, and erosion of our legal rights now remembered as the "Roaring Twenties" — it seems to have gone unannounced.

The government schools would be well advised to guard against venturing any further down this slippery slope toward transparently partisan indoctrination of their "captive audience" — be it student or employee — lest a future court suit arrive on behalf of a major political party representing close to half the populace, arguing that those party members cannot be required to pay school taxes which promote such an antithetical partisan political agenda, any more than they should be required by law to pay dues to the opposition party.

Imagine the school district's plight if the courts were to uphold such a suit as that.

Finally, let us suppose that Mr. Despenza had acted as the union would now have the court order him to act — signing Ms. Knew's petition and heartily congratulating her on her civic activism.

Wouldn't she likely have told the next person, "See, the boss just signed; he says it's a great idea?"

And are we really to believe that next employee solicited would not then have felt some undue pressure not to be seen as the "odd man out" — not merely by a co-worker, but by the very head of his or her department, who might even now be watching out the window to see whether he or she signs?

For all these reasons, Mr. Despenza did the right thing. Here's hoping the court agrees.

Vin Supryniewicz is assistant editorial page editor of the Las Vegas Review-Journal. His book, "Send in the Waco Killers: Essays on the Freedom Movement, 1993-1998," is available at \$24.95 postpaid by dialing 1-800-244-2224; or via web site <http://www.thspiritof76.com/wacokillers.html>.

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"The evils of tyranny are rarely seen but by him who resists it." — John Hay, 1872

"The whole aim of practical politics is to keep the populace alarmed — and thus clamorous to be led to safety — by menacing it with an endless series of hobgoblins, all of them imaginary." — H.L. Mencken

Response Team ready to help with emergencies

by Arnold Fry
The Garza County Response Team would like to thank Mrs. Isabell Stelzer for the recent most generous donation. Team member Arnold Fry was advised Friday afternoon of a lost dog belonging to Brenda and James Barner, Brenda is the daughter of Mrs. Stelzer.

Arnold alerted team members to keep a look out for the dog. After a short search by team members the dog was located by Brad and Cha'la Cimental. The dog (Ashley) a 13 year old mixed breed was in very good condition after being lost since Thursday night.

Team members Brad & Cha'la Cimental and Irene Fry can attest to Ashley's stamina as they gave chase for several blocks.

The Garza County Response Team provides service for the citizens of Post and Garza County in many different ways. Severe Weather watch is our main concern with other services provided as needed.

The G.C.R.T. can be contacted by calling the Garza County Sheriff Department or by calling 781-9498 24 hours a day. The G.C.R.T. is in need of a more reliable computer as the one we have now takes too long to update radar images. Team members with home computers are helping track storms at this time, but
The Team has to use cell phone service to communicate. It would be a great help to have a reliable computer at the G.C.R.T., base where our radio system is located. Anyone with a computer not in use please contact the G.C.R.T. for details.
The Team would like to thank Sheriff Ratke and all the employees of the Garza County Sheriff Department for the good food and fun Monday evening. Everyone who attended had a good time and enjoyed the water gun and water balloon battle.

EPA out of bounds in targeting run-off

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) wants to "run roughshod" over Texas foresters, farmers, ranchers and others, but U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm is moving to rein in the regulators. And he is succeeding.

"Texas is a leading state in voluntarily addressing the environmental issues of small business owners," Gramm said. "I believe we can protect the environment and still provide our families and our future. However, when new federal regulations are proposed that seize control from the states, we must ensure that they are based upon sound science, and that their projected solutions can be justified by scientists as well as politicians and bureaucrats."

Gramm said that he and other senators have introduced legislation to put a halt to the EPA's heavy-handed tactics.

"While there is a need to promote the responsible use of our human and natural resources, such usurping of states' rights is not productive or beneficial," he said.

Because of this threat to livelihoods in Texas, Gramm has co-sponsored legislation which would require the EPA to stop its regulatory plans and initiate a study on the caliber of science used to develop its proposal in the first place. The Water Pollution Program Enhancements Act of 2000 would provide funding to assist states in obtaining high water quality standards, while directing the EPA to request the National Academy of Sciences to report on the costs and benefits of its plan.

"The EPA's attempt at federal regulatory expansion would impose restrictions on uncontrollable run-off from ranches, forests and farms," Gramm said. "The primary impact, for instance, would be to make sustainable forestry and unpredictable for landowners in Texas and throughout the nation.

The economic growth of forest-related industries would be stifled and businesses would close. Our farmers and ranchers would be hamstrung by unnecessary regulations and forced into noncompliance and closure."

Letters to the Editor

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Churches beholden to government

The Associated Press reported last week that the IRS revoked the tax-exempt status of a small New York church which had opposed Clinton's 1992 election. A federal appeals court upheld the lower court ruling.

Here's what their honors said: the revocation "neither violated the Constitution nor exceeded the IRS' statutory authority."

The AP story added, "Federal tax law exempts churches and other charitable organizations from taxation provided they do not engage in certain activities, including any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office."

The government revokes the tax exempt status of a church because it opposes abortion (they aren't allowed to complain about gov't officials who support abortion) but at the same time, another organization, the Million Mom March is granted tax exempt status even though it was established by the gov't to lobby Congress to violate the Bill of Rights.

Heck, with the uneven application of so-called law, it sounds like conspiracy to commit a crime to me.
Rich Martin

What a great place to live!

My cousin and I were in Post recently to visit relatives. We stayed at the Hotel Garza, which is a great bed and breakfast with congenial innkeepers, Janice and Jim Plummer.

We also toured the O.S. Ranch Museum and gave a "thumbs up" for the Easter/Springtime show. I live in Midland and try to see as many of the exhibits at the museum as possible. Four friends and I drove for the day to see the Christmas exhibit last December - what a treat!

After dinner at the hotel on Friday evening, my cousin and I attended the production at the Garza Theatre to see "Bus Stop." I remember ushering there and manning the popcorn machine during my high school years. The actors did a great job, but unfortunately, the theatre was less than half full. That must be discouraging to the people on stage.

Doris and I were born and raised in Post and appreciate all the efforts to improve the town. Some other small towns are drying up with many vacant buildings, but Post is working hard to move ahead.

Please realize what you have in your own backyard and support the various things there - the O.S. Ranch Museum, Garza County Historical Museum, the theatre and the shops that offer such a nice variety of items.
It's a nice town!
Norma Hudman McGrew

Such discrimination at Post schools

I have finally had it up to my eyeballs with the staff at the Post Middle School. The straw that broke the camel's back was not being able to get a list of names and addresses for seventh graders so I could send some birthday invitations.

The secretary at the middle school said that was against the law. I reminded Mrs Sue Cash that she had given out a list to another mother a few months ago who had made the same request.

I then called the superintendent's office, and the secretary told me that it has been a law for some time.

What really made me angry was the selective discrimination these people seem to have. We had problems at the middle school when our son first started at the middle school. There had been an incident about some stolen money, and Bobby Dean (resource/truant officer) had told our son that he was "a liar, and you know you're a liar and I'm not putting up with your crap!"

Is that the kind of language and behavior we need from adults around our children?

These remarks by Mr Dean had been verified by a teacher, but when asked about it in front of (principal) Marita Jackson, Mr Dean was wishy-washy about the whole thing. Mrs Jackson said she would investigate the incident. After two weeks of hearing nothing, we went to discuss this matter with (superintendent) Dr Bobby Bain.

He was more interested in discussing our son's behavior than Mr Dean. The next day our son was transferred to the Alternate Education Program (AEP) at the high school. This is where they sit kids in a cinder block room about eight feet by 10 feet, facing the wall, doing busy work.

A sixth grader was put in with high school students, some of whom allegedly had beaten up their teachers, smoked in class, or other violations. What a horrible environment for a 10 year old.

We have since enrolled our son in a wonderful private school in Slaton. At St Joseph's School, he has just shined like a bright light. It was really a blessing in disguise. But it's a shame that other parents, who children are also subjected to this verbal abuse by the truant officer, aren't able to place their children in a more loving environment.

I have lived here almost four years and I have yet to meet a parent who hasn't had similar horror stories to tell about the middle school. It's a shame, and we should do something about it.
Pat Nelson

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While at Tech, she was named to the President's List four semesters and to the Dean's List three semesters. She was the recipient of several scholarships.

Wagner has also participated in several continuing education opportunities, including the Texas Association of Family and Consumer Sciences annual meetings; the Texas Association of the Education of Young Children Conferences; the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences annual meeting; and Phi U Conclave.

Elderly death...

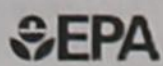
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bered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss. Ah yes, these things I too will miss. Be not burdened in times of sorrow. I wish you sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I've savored much. Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time has been too brief. Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your hearts and share with me. God wanted me now, he set me free.

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Post Elementary first grade student reading 40-49 books are (back row, left to right) Gregory Striblin, Kristian Lee, Skylor Taylor, Ciera Miller, (front row) Kyle Copeland, Miranda Hair, Leah Perez, Franchesca Varela and Caitlin Cravy.

One event can change your life forever

Over the past year and a half I have realized how true it is that one event can change the course of an individual's entire future.

It seems that crime is becoming an all too common part of the fabric of our society and our lives. At times, it feels as though there is nothing that we can do to stop the cycle of cruel and senseless crimes... people killing one another, children and elderly being physically and emotionally abused by those whom they trust and honest individuals who are cheated by the most recent schemes. Not to mention those people whose lives are affected by theft.

Imagine how if must feel to be a hardworking, responsible citizen whose home has been burglarized, now all of the sudden your faith in society is jaded and untrusting. It is hard to think about the difficulties that victims face because we do not want to believe that the same event could potentially happen to us! However, crime affects us all... directly or indirectly!

The reality is that crime is a large problem with no easy solution. But as a Victims' Advocate, I truly believe that by a community pulling together a difference can be made one person at a time. The Victims Assistance over the last year and a half has affected the lives of approx. 400 people in some capacity. However, in order for our program to be productive and beneficial to our community, we need the time and devotion of caring volunteers.

The volunteer base for the program works in many areas. For example, volunteers work directly with victims and their families, assist in the judicial process and give the victim a sense of security and support. On the other hand, there are some volunteers who choose not to work directly with the victims; however, they help out in many other important areas such as general office duties, special projects and/or public relations. Being a volunteer makes a positive change in the lives of not only the victims but also the volunteer.

Perhaps, most important, please remember that every time you help a victim in need, and every time you take the time to assist somebody who is hurting, you are, indeed, doing our community justice.

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." Margaret Mead.

If you would be interested in being a volunteer for The Victims Assistance Program, please contact me at 8-6-495-2479.
Jayta Cravy

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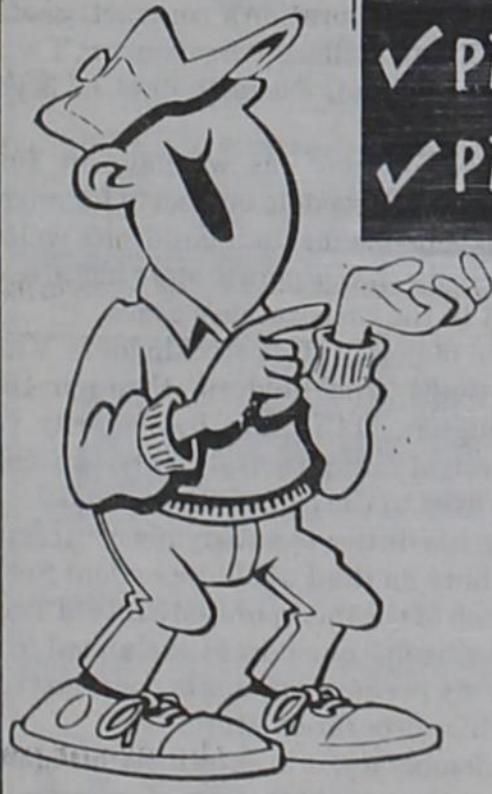
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Memorial Day message from the past

Paul Jones delivered the message at the Memorial Day services held Monday at the Terrace Cemetery.

The text of Jones' message, which was first delivered by Harvey Baker Smith at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington, follows:
"I am the dead soldier. I speak for my comrades who are buried on many fields of struggle. In France the green coverings of sod make gentle their resting places. Over their dust the flowers bring seasonal blooms. From the soil once stained by our blood the poppies blow their beauty into the sun.

"Morning and evening the American soldier-keeper lifts his bugle-call of salutation to our unheeding ears. Nature has healed the earth scars that angry armies left. We speak to the living who pass this way in search of love, work and home. The road of the cities has drowned the voice of our pleading. Greed has opened its hungry mouth and swallowed up the sentiment that once was ours. Let the passing guest pause as he looks over our silent estate and have his heart quickened as death's terrible face is thrust through the lines of the past.

"I speak from the trenches where so much filth and force commanded. We burrowed in the soil like rats. We looked with bated breath across ghastly fields to see the enemy and sought his life in the high adventure of ending all wars.

"From homes of happiness and love we have come to this. Mothers' prayers followed us. Sweethearts' tears were hot on our cheeks. Yet in these trenches we lived, laughed, dared and died. Once on valorous fields men fought as men and left their honor in personal achievements. We of the trenches mined the earth, felt death from the skies, saw its blazing hardness in liquid fire, breathed the anguish of gas that tore out the lining of life and left only wreckage where once strong manhood had its castle.

"Thus wrecked, it was best that we died. To have lived and shared but one crumb of life's feast would have been worse than death.

"When the husbandman turns his furrow, let him remember that his life and safety were paid for by the men who died in those trenches. When homes spread their roofs over the heads of protected ones, let them

remember that we thought of home and loved the ones who waited there in vain.

"War robbed hearts and homes, emptied life of love's story and hushed the song of companionship — war took the singer and the song is done. The chair that once was mine own is empty. In God's acre, where my kindred rest, my place is unfilled. I fell in a strange land. I was hurriedly placed in this company of those who were, but are not. From amidst the roar of guns and the smells of war I have come to this couch of earth. I speak for the children that might have looked into my face and called me father.

"I speak for the empty life of the sweetheart whose lover never returned — for the girl who should have had a lover's lane but now must walk alone, with no heart to share her dreams and plans. War said to her: 'Go, take your broken life to the mills of commerce and thrust your woman's heart into the turmoil where rude men grind at the wheels of toil. Wrest from the world the livelihood that he so gladly would have provided. In the lone room, where grief bares its soul, weep out your hope.'

"War said that grief is better than gladness, and widows are needed more than companions.

"War ordered that all hospitals be filled with the lame, shell-shocked and blind shadows of once princely men.

"Wars commanded riches to be piled into the coffers of its exploiters. It said: 'Sell the youth of the world to satisfy the promoter.'

"War decides that it is better to fill the cemeteries of the world with each country's youth than to urge statesman to reason together as brothers.

"War says to wreck the wealth of the world, accumulated through generations of struggle, and put it into the hands of Mars, who will dump the golden treasures into the bottomless pit of greed, vanity and national conceit.

"War says: 'Give place to me and I will make hate a creed, destruction a god, the devastation of cities a religion, violation of women a virtue, and the starving of babies a delight.'

"We who are dead have no censure for the police power of the land. We honor the man who places the safety

of his home and country above personal comfort. But we have something to say to those who make laws, covenants and treaties. Brotherhood must be stronger than bitterness. Love is greater than lust. There is no tide of national differences that cannot be stemmed by a mutual passion to understand.

"Put into the cabinets of nations secretaries of peace. Let such places be filled by men and women whose souls flame with laws greater than those written on statute-books. The law of God, which is the law of love, will make for unity and peace and for community of purpose and service. Once in the midst of battle I looked into the eyes of a man whose lust to kill brought us face to face. Behold! before the fatal thrust we recognized each other. Bayonets fell to earth. In astonishment and joy we gasped as we embraced each other. We were brothers. He had tarried with his own while I had gone to another land. Political leaders said we were enemies. Thank the great God of men, I saw him as my brother before we prodded out each others' lives as foes.

"On that battlefield I saw One whose face was like light. In the blackness of night I saw Him walk unafraid in the hell of that struggle. I felt the sense of His presence and the calm of His soul. He was on neither side of that conflict. He was the Prince of peace. Love and sorrow mingles in His face, there where foes struggled in death.

"My brother fell as my side. His was a mortal wound. This Friend of man, the Son of God, seemed to touch his brow ere his spirit fled. It seemed a voice said: 'Come unto me; be not afraid.' And, waiting thus, my own spirit flashed through the gates of the unseen.

"From here where I now am I dare to speak. I speak to the nations today. Abolish war; learn peace. Be calm in the face of wrong. Be assured that they who take the sword shall perish with the sword.

"Let the preacher lead on for God and right, and be no longer a tool for parties or prejudices. Hush the disputings of creeds. Rebuke littleness and make it impossible for strife ever again to hold dominion on God's kingdom."



Post Elementary first grade student All-Star readers completing 60 or ore books are (back row, left to right) Jake Wischkaemper, Jill Thompson, Jose Orozco, Macy Blair, Evette Rodriguez, Jessica Jones, Allisha Jones, Vanessa Hampton, (front row) Phynesia Rutherford, Tiny Williams, Sydnee Jones, Jonathan Perez, Tanisha Paiz, Amber Wilson and Shawn Perez.

Corporate governments net \$22,822.25 in April highway collections

by Wes Burnett
The first four months of 2000 have netted \$100,844.54 from travellers on Garza County highways, according to reports from the two Justice of the Peace courts.

April reports show a total of \$22,822.25 in the two courts. JP One collected \$12,945 from 57 corporate criminal subjects. JP Two added \$9,877.25 on 39 corporate code violators.

Most, if not all of these victims of highway theft, have no idea that they are part of a gigantic legislative scheme, which considers all who travel to be doing so within certain boundaries of an incorporated area, therefore the "subjects" are required to follow the corporation's rules.

Although most Texans think of themselves as free to move about as they wish, they discover their true status as corporate "citizens" once they become victimized by the corporation's policy enforcers.

The Texas transportation code is nothing more than a corporate policy, and since the State of Texas is a corporate subdivision of the incorporated U.S., then all who live or travel inside those boundaries are considered corporate subjects, bound to obey corporate policies.

One of those policies is the registration of privately owned modes of travel, such as cars and trucks. Once an individual voluntarily signs over ownership to the corporation (state), the driver or owner automatically agrees to abide by the rules of the real owner of the car or truck.

Notice that when you register your car or truck, you get a "certificate of title," not an actual title or manufacturer's certificate of origin. The real title is held by the real owner, in a vault somewhere in Austin.

Because of the extortionate expense of defending the right of travel in the corporation's court system, most Texans meekly submit to the extortion and voluntarily give up their right of travel by declaring themselves "motor vehicle" operators, through applications for certificates of title as well as "motor vehicle" licenses.

Although the Texas transportation code technically applies only to those people involved in commercial use of the highways, it is obvious that the vast majority of June's "criminals" tagged in highway traffic fines were paid by "volunteers." Very few, if any, of those victims realize that the cars and trucks they drive are not included in the regulations related to the transportation code, unless the original owner voluntarily submitted to the corporation policy.

The Texas Transportation Code defines commercial use of the highways as those carrying passengers or property for hire. Cars and trucks, which are not used for hire in carrying property or passengers, are not "motor vehicles" as defined by the code.

Carrying around a state driver's license is also a severe limit on freedom and liberty...that little piece of paper wrapped in plastic declares the holder to be an "operator of a motor vehicle."

So, when citizens voluntarily apply for a certificate of title to their "motor vehicle," they have placed themselves under the jurisdiction of the corporate (state) traffic laws, which can constitutionally only apply to those who voluntarily declare themselves owners of "motor vehicles."

The system is perpetuated by ignorance and the expensive fees required to defend against the highway theft program. Those who enforce the corporate rules have the full backing of legislative thieves and a judicial system that puts corporate rules above constitutional guarantees of individual rights.

Under the current Texas legal system, it's a "no-win" situation for most people, except those who wear a corporate badge and those who live off the regular highway revenue producing program.

Nifty Fifties Car Club highlights Old Mill

Trade Days June 2-4

Visitors to this weekend's Old Mill Trade Days activities will travel back to the '50s.

Trade Days will observe its annual Nifty '50s celebration, and according to Linda Self, it will be a weekend full of fun.

"We're sold out inside, so there will be plenty of vendors and neat items to see," she said. "Come ready to shop."

The bulk of the '50s observance will take place Saturday, when the Nifty '50 Classic Car Club of Lubbock will have as many as 30 classic vehicles displayed on the north side of the Trade Days park from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Additionally, many of the Trade Days vendors will be decked out in their 1950s garb, and prizes will be awarded to the Best Dressed. Saturday's entertainment will also be geared toward the '50s, with the Guthries taking the Rainmaker Stage at noon for a two-hour performance that will feature Josh Fumagalli on his saxophone.

On Sunday, a group of Harley-Davidson motorcyclists from the Lubbock area are expected to come in as part of a "hog ride." The motorcycles will be on display.

A farmer's market will be operating at the park's south gate all three days.

Trade Days will be open Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Getting Older Needn't Mean Memory Loss

(NAPS)—Getting older needn't mean memory loss, according to recent research funded by the National Institute on Aging (NIA). Keeping your mind active is the key to maintaining brain function.

Various diseases that can have negative effects on brain cells are more likely than normal aging to cause cognitive impairment. Studies conducted in the last couple of years suggest most brain-function loss can be attributed to some kind of pathological event not directly tied to old age.

Medical reasons that can cause brain cells to malfunction or die include viral infections, unhealthy behaviors such as alcoholism and drug abuse, and brain or nervous system disorders such as Alzheimer's disease or a history of mini-strokes.

New evidence suggests that some brain cell loss—especially loss due to disease—may be reversible. Contrary to popular belief, people continue to develop new brain cells throughout their lifetimes.

Doctors caution that the popular notion that one can improve memory by taking dietary supplements such as ginkgo biloba and vitamins is more of a quick fix

than proven fact. Ginkgo has been shown to increase blood circulation, which in turn has been shown to aid brain function. However, the exact role of using ginkgo is not known yet.

The real secret to optimal aging and mind function? Eat well, get plenty of rest and exercise the mind as well as the body. For more information, visit <http://www.nih.gov/health> or contact: The NIH Word on Health, National Institutes of Health, Bldg 1, Room 344, MSC 0188, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, Md. 20892-0188.

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Notice is hereby given that the City of Post will receive written bids for the sale of two parcels of real property in which the city has an ownership interest. Bids may be for one or both tracts. The property is described as:

- Lot 3 in Block 33 of the Original City of Post (311 W.13th).
- Lots 1 & 2 in Block 77 of the Original City of Post (124 N. Ave I).

Bidders are required to submit written and signed bids to the City Secretary of the City of Post by 3:00 pm June 14, 2000, setting forth the amount bid for each of the two parcels. Closing date is open. Terms are cash to seller at Closing...

Bids will be opened at 4:00 pm on June 14, 2000 by the City Secretary or her designee.

Questions should be directed to the City Manager at 495-2811 or at 105 Eat Main in Post.

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Notice of Public Hearing
Texas Community Development Program

The city of Post will hold a public hearing at 6:30 pm on June 6, 2000 at Post City Hall in regard to the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Housing & Community Affairs for a Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) grant. The participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TCDP funding available, all eligible activities, and the use of past TCDP funds. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TCDP application and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to Fred Stephens at City Hall. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Little League Game Results

Astros 5, A's 3

Batting for the A's were D.J. Biaza, one inside-the-park homerun; David Perez, one single and one double; John Norman, two singles and one triple; Jordan Payne, one triple; Timothy Wilson, one single; Jason Worthington, one walk, one base hit by batter; and John Morales, two singles.

Pitching for the A's was D.J. Biaza, five innings pitched, five runs scored and seven strikeouts.

Batting for the Astros were Pat Reiter, one single; Andre Boyd, one walk; Ridge Greathouse, one walk and one score; Colt Mason, two singles and one score; Tyler Odom, one triple and scored once; Jaime Gomez, one walk; Blake Nichols, one single, one triple and scored once; Roman DeLuna, one single; Timothy Crenshaw, one walk; and Chris Gomez, one inside-the-park

homerun.

Astros' pitching included Colt Mason, three innings pitched, one run scored and three strikeouts; Pat Reiter, three innings pitched, two runs scored, two strikeouts and helped by two double plays.

Cubs 7, Dodgers 0

Dodgers batters included Clint Chapman, one triple; Zach Perez, one triple and Cameron Shumard, one single.

Dodgers pitchers included Zach Perez, 3 1/3 innings, five runs scored with five strikeouts; Colton Valdez, 1 2/3 innings pitched, two runs scored and five strikeouts.

Batting for the Cubs were Aaron Fox, two singles, one triple and two scores; Sadler Hair, one walk, one triple, one RBI and scored once; Braden Bratcher, one walk, scored once; Miles Gray, one bases-loaded single, two RBIs and scored once; Eric Soto, one double; Adrian Zobia, one walk; and Giles Dalby, one walk, scored once.

Pitching for the Cubs was Braden Bratcher, six innings, no runs scored, 12 strikeouts and no walks, only three hits.

Little League Standings

	Wins	Losses
Astros	5	2
Dodgers	4	3
Cubs	4	3
Indians		4
3		
A's		1
7		



Post Middle School 7th and 8th grade golfers placed second at the district golf tournament last month. Members of the team are (left to right) coach Chili Black, Jerrad Grisham, Chris Hernandez, Mark Norman, Zach Lopez and Jay Cooper. (Photo courtesy Pam Gorman)



Post Middle School 7th and 8th grade lady golfers placed first at the district golf tournament last month, claiming the District Championship. Members of the team are (left to right) Donae Dalby, Courtney Short, Nikki Norman, Kaycee Gorman and Meagan Hoover. (Photo courtesy Pam Gorman)

Golden Plains News

by Sandy Smith
This week at Golden Plains we all share the tragic loss of Irene Wagner. Our thoughts and prayers are with each and every family member of Irene's. Irene was a special lady and we miss her very much.

All who knew her loved her also. In memory of Irene I would at this time like to share a poem:

Blessed are they that understand
My faltering steps and palsied hand

Blessed who know that my ears today

Must strain to catch the things they say

Blessed are they who seem to know
That my eyes are dim and wits are slow

Blessed are they who looked away
When coffee was spilled at the table today

Blessed are they with a cheery smile

Who stop to catch for a little while
Blessed are they who never say
"You told me that story twice today"

Blessed are they who know the way

To bring back memories of yesterday

Blessed are they who make it known

That I'm loved, respected and not alone

Blessed are they when I am at loss

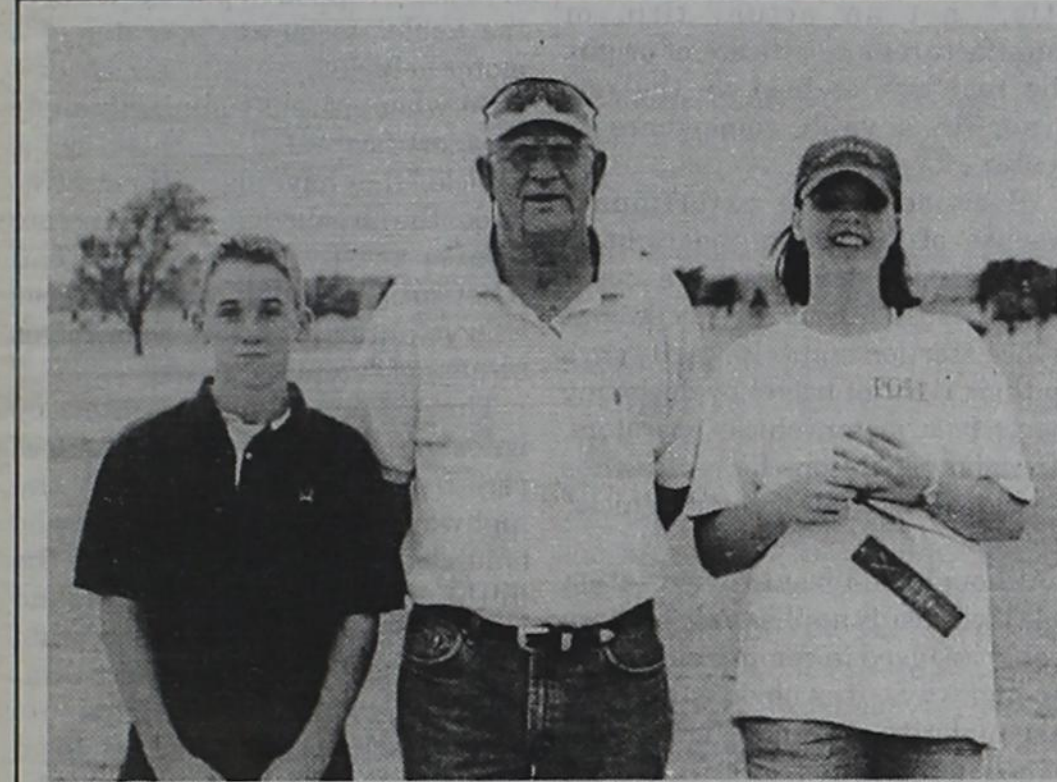
To find the strength to carry the cross

Blessed are they who ease the days
On my journey home in loving ways

By Esther Mary Walker

At this time we would like to thank each of you for your help during the search for Irene. The Fire dept., the Sheriff's dept., the City workers, the schools, housewives and children.

Thank you all.....Good night Irene.



Post Middle School coach Chili Black congratulates District Golf Tournament Medalists Mark Norman (left) and Nikki Norman (right). (Photo courtesy Pam Gorman)

Legal form expresses guardianship wishes

"People worry a lot as they age," said Sam Polk, an attorney for the Legal Hotline for Older Texans. "What will happen to them and their possessions? And they worry especially if there's a greedy relative in the picture."

Fortunately, those who confide such fears to Polk soon hear about a form called Declaration of Guardian Before Need Arises. This form "lets you disqualify people you don't trust and keep them from making decisions about you, your property, your health

care. It also lets you name the people you do want to put in charge in case the need ever arises," said Polk. "People breathe a lot easier after they sign this form and send it back to us."

Only recently, Polk said, he helped thwart the guardianship efforts that a caller's son was making.

"The woman called the hot line," he said, remembering the woman had been in the hospital for six weeks with no medical complaint that warranted hospitalization. She was 87, Polk said, and "really sharp and mentally fit."

"Meanwhile, her son was seeking guardianship. The woman told me he wanted to force her into a nursing home and sell her house. Another relative of hers also told me the son seemed to be more interested in his mom's money than her welfare."

"I told her that legally she was free to leave the hospital and I sent her one of the Legal Hotline for Older Texans' publications. It had information about the form. She shared it with an attorney the court had appointed to represent her. The attorney prepared the Designation of Guardian Before Need Arises form, and the woman signed it and the son backed off."

Oddly, Polk said, few people realize that such a form exists. There are even some lawyers unaware of it. Signing such a form, however, can ease a lot of fears.

The Legal Hotline for Older Texans provides free legal assistance to individuals 60 years of age and older through grants approved by the Texas Supreme Court and administered by the Texas Equal Access to Justice Foundation. Low income Texans who need information about the Designation of Guardianship Before Need Arises form should call the hot line toll-free at 1-800-622-2520.



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Tax 'n Facts

by Terri Cash

Retirement Age Is Rising

More than a hundred years ago, Otto von Bismarck arbitrarily set the retirement age at 65. As of this year, Congress and the Social Security Administration raised it.

In Bismarck's day, few workers lived to 65, so the pension system was not overloaded. In the U.S., though, people are living longer and staying healthy--and our Social Security system is looking forward to a money crunch in a few years. That's why the age to receive full Social Security benefits is starting to creep up to 65 and two months--Next year it will be 65 and four months, slowly moving up to age 67 for those born after 1959.

It's still possible to get benefits at age 62, but there will be a 20.83 percent penalty-trimming benefits for life--this year. In time, the penalty is expected to reach 30 percent.

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Post students graduate at SPC

Four students from Post were among the 643 students who received degrees or certificates during the South Plains College's 42nd annual commencement exercises Friday, May 12, in the Texan Dome.

Post graduates included Melanie Carol Heatherington, recipient of the Associate in Arts Degree; Jose Pasqual Ortiz, recipient of the Associate in Applied Science Degree (drafting technology); Melissa Gutierrez, recipient of the Associate in Science Degree; and Kaylee Self, recipient of the certificate of Proficiency, nursing.

"We extend our sincerest congratulations to these graduates, for they have achieved a significant milestone in their lives," said Dr. Gary McDaniel, president. "They have been an important part of, and we hope that the college will continue to have a positive impact on their lives."

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Yesteryears

by Pat Burnett

May 31, 1990
10 Years Ago

Staff Sgt. Steven M. Shedd has completed a basic noncommissioned officer course.

Shedd is a squad leader with the Fort Huachuca Military Police Company, Ariz.

The sergeant is a 1978 graduate of Post High School.

Angela Tobias, daughter of Frank and Carol Tobias of Post, has been named to the Dean's Honor List for the spring semester at the Texas Academy of Mathematics and Science at North Texas State University. Angela finished the semester with a 3.61 GPA.

Friends of former Dispatch employee, James E. Hill of Lubbock, were saddened by his death last week following an automobile accident on IH 27 north of Abilene.

Many Garza County residents will remember James during the years he worked at the Dispatch. James came to work in the 1940s for Eddie and Pauline Warren and later worked for Jim Cornish during the 1950s, before moving to Knox County where he entered the newspaper business.

Cindy and Robert Hughes, of Dumas, are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter, Allison Ryla, on May 4, 1990.

Allison weighed seven pounds 13 ounces and was 19 inches long at birth.

Maternal grandparents are Patty and K.W. Kirkpatrick.

Paternal grandparents are Glynell and Harold Hughes of Abilene.

Maternal great-grandparents are Mrs. Ruby Kirkpatrick and Ryla and John Lott of Lubbock.

Paternal great-grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. Tilden Armstrong of Paducah and Mrs. Florence Hughes of Abilene.

May 29, 1980
20 Years Ago
Five Post gymnasts to national meet. They are Jeff Lamb, Amy

Thuet, Risa Willard, Keith Hart, all of Post, and Danny Grace of Lubbock.

Nancy Pendley is nursing graduate.

Touch of "old west" seen at Justiceburg last Sunday in the Miller Brothers show.

Fire destroys Pennell gas station in Southland.

Leanna Davis, valedictorian and Melissa Tatum, salutatorian for 1980 Post High School graduating class.

Jo Ella Sparlin and Ann Chaffin from the VFW Ladies Auxiliary pinned red poppies on each resident of the Twin Cedars Nursing Home for Memorial Day.

Dennis, Diane and Jennifer Conrad of Twin Falls, Idaho visits in Post with Dennis' mother and brother, Francis and Eddie Conrad.

May 28, 1970
30 Years Ago

Rev. George L. Miller, First Presbyterian Church minister, was presented the Post Jaycee's "distinguished service award" last Saturday night.

Seventy-one graduate in PHS Class of 1970.

Jackie Curb's blue Falcon was smashed by a falling flag pole at the City Park. No one was injured. It was a very unusual accident as the pole fell without warning.

Jim Pollard is named high school principal.

Outstanding bandmen awards went to Tiana Shiver, fifth grade band; Ken Herron, PHS band; Sherrel Guichard, Jr High band; and Patricia Bilberry, sixth grade band.

Mrs. Janis Choate to become Garza Counties new home demonstration agent. She is to succeed Mrs. Karen Parnell.

May 26, 1960
40 Years Ago

1960 Post seniors are the last graduates from old high school building.

George Ellis, 1956 graduate of Southland High School graduated Summa Cum Laude from McMurry College in Abilene.

Cecil Acker of Lubbock visited last Thursday with Mr and Mrs Charles Didway and attended the open house at Postex Mills.

Willie Bruce Mitchell, daughter of Mr and Mrs Malachi Mitchell, Sr., was this year's only eighth grade graduate at Lincoln Elementary School here.

New arrivals this week are Joel Dan Huddleston, weighing six pounds three and one-half ounces born May 23. He is the son of Mr and Mrs Garland Huddleston. Gregor Tim Miller born May 24, weighing eight pounds five and one-half ounces. He is the son of Mr and Mrs Leon Miller.

June 1, 1950
50 Years Ago

Census head, L.D. Whitley, says the preliminary, unofficial census count for Garza County is 6,259.

Mrs. Sidney Carter, of Wichita Falls, arrived Friday for a visit with her sons, Reese, Jr and Bill and families.

Mrs. Ella Johnston and daughter Wilma and Mrs. Buck Harrison and daughter Margie spent the weekend in Roaring Springs with Mrs. Johnston's mother-in-law and other relatives.

Mr and Mrs Hardin Reed and children of Sundown were rodeo guests of Mr and Mrs Carl Rains.

Walt Disney's "Cinderella" (six years in the making) and "The Story of Scabiscuit" with Shirley Temple and Barry Fitzgerald are two of the movies at the Garza Theater this week.

Private Clifton Wells is visiting his parents, Mr and Mrs J.J. Wells. He will leave June 13 to report to Fort Lawton, Washington for overseas duty.

The Original TEXAS CROSSWORD

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- ACROSS
- 1 once the conference for UTSA (abbr.)
 - 5 Troy's alma mater
 - 6 TXism: "I ever laid eyes on"
 - 7 TXism: "stuffed the gills"
 - 8 alma mater of ex-Cowboy Golden Richards
 - 9 an Inn in TX
 - 15 TXism: "up the river" (jalled)
 - 16 in Williamson Co. on 95
 - 18 Grand
 - 20 TXism: "his feelings on his sleeve" (sensitive)
 - 22 TXism: "he's of the earth"
 - 27 TXism: "middlesin' good"
 - 28 border exchange houses: casas de
 - 29 TXism: "a song and dance" actor Bottoms of TX-based "The Last Picture Show"
 - 32 Spindletop driller
 - 33 Tom Tryon TV role: "Slaughter"
 - 36 Houston Zoo snakes
 - 37 cafe sandwich
 - 38 TX Fairchild TV spoof: "Based on An _____ Story"
 - 39 brother of Oswald assassinator

- DOWN
- 1 bathing vat
 - 2 TXism: "in the hole"
 - 3 Van _____ TX
 - 4 TXism: "let the _____" (tell a secret)
 - 8 TXism: "give me a _____" (drink)
 - 9 body of water north of Denton
 - 10 "Cowpokes" artist (init.)
 - 11 _____ Minyard started TX food store chain
 - 12 TX Lefty Frizzell's _____
 - 13 to judge

- 14 what you run at a honky tonk (2 wds.)
- 15 TX "wheeler dealer" Billie
- 16 cowboy hat part
- 17 Texicans were denied this right by Mexico: "_____ jury"
- 19 TXism: "no _____, no gain"
- 21 sentimental person
- 22 Rangers ex-GM Grieve (init.)
- 23 TXism: "keep it under your _____"
- 24 Dec. 24 or 31
- 25 office harassment
- 26 TXism: "_____ walk the river with" scorch
- 28 _____
- 31 TXism: "horny _____"
- 34 TX shot putter Matson who won gold in '68 (init.)
- 35 Texas _____ Weekend
- 37 TXism: "mean as a rodeo _____"
- 40 Astro Jeff Bagwell stats
- 43 feels ill
- 44 TXism: "doesn't know enough to come _____ the rain"
- 50 Taos, NM gear
- 51 TXism: "his porch light _____ always burning" (friendly)

Million Dollar Brownie Pie



(NAPS)—A pie that combines two of America's favorite desserts — brownies and cheesecake — took the top prize at the recent 50th Anniversary Pillsbury Bake-Off Contest. The sweet treat earned its creator, Bobbie Sonefeld of Hopkins, S.C., the one million grand prize at the country's most prestigious cooking contest. The young mom says her dessert is "easy, inexpensive and my two sons love it." All the recipes from this year's contest are available at www.bakeoff.com.

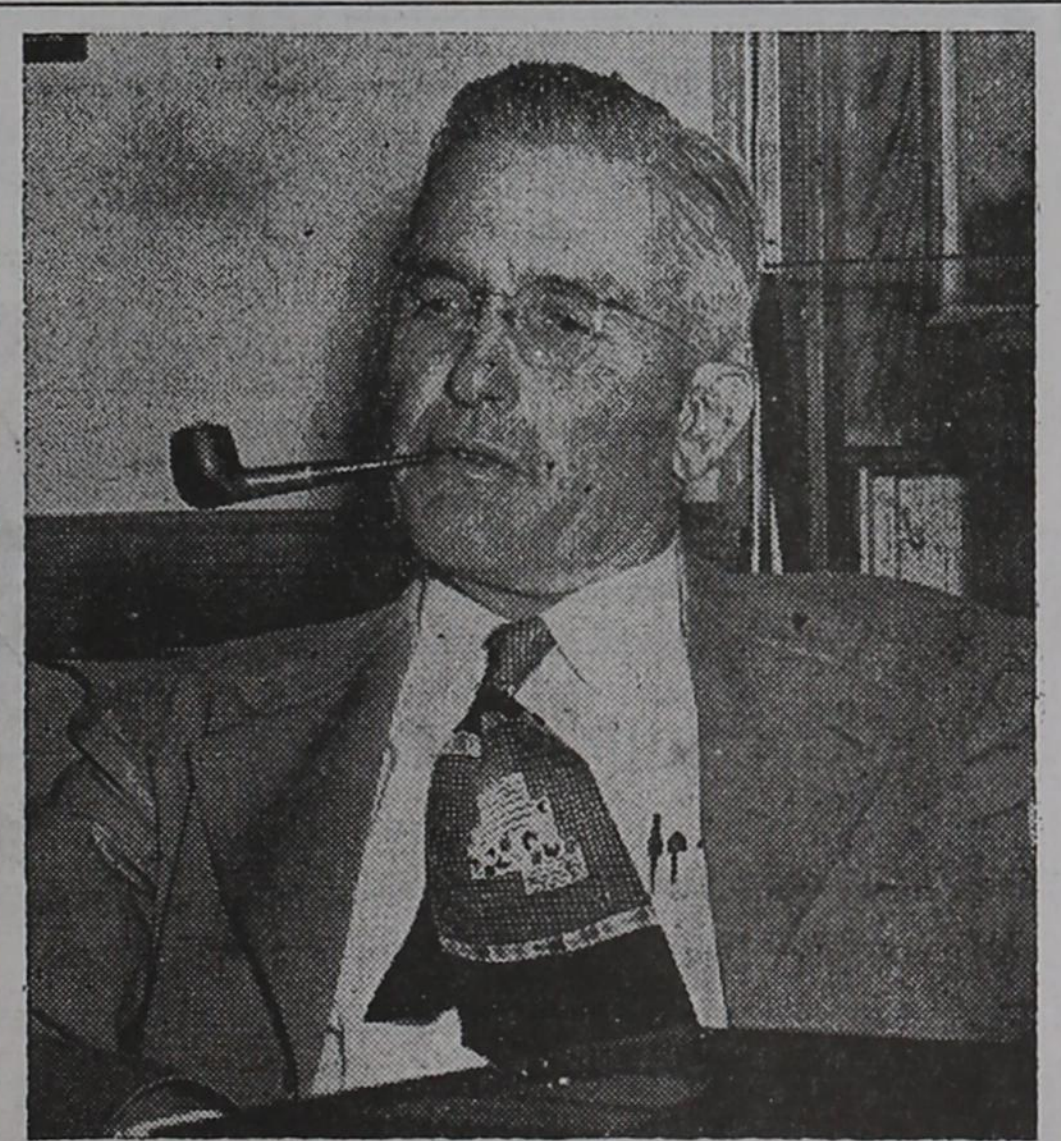
Cream Cheese Brownie Pie

- 1 Pillsbury Refrigerated Pie Crust (from 15-oz. pkg.), softened as directed on package
- 1 (8-oz.) pkg. cream cheese, softened
- 3 tablespoons sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 3 eggs
- 1 (15.1-oz.) pkg. Pillsbury Thick 'n Fudgy Hot Fudge Swirl Deluxe Brownie Mix
- ¼ cup oil
- 2 tablespoons water
- ½ cup chopped pecans

Heat oven to 350°F. Prepare pie crust as directed on package for one-crust filled pie using 9-inch pie pan. In medium bowl, combine cream cheese, sugar, vanilla and 1 of the eggs; beat until smooth. Set aside. Reserve hot fudge packet from brownie mix for topping. In large bowl, combine brownie mix, oil, 1 tablespoon of the water and remaining 2 eggs; beat 50 strokes with spoon. Spread ½ cup brownie mixture in bottom of crust-lined pan. Spoon and carefully spread cream cheese mixture over brownie layer. Top with remaining brownie mixture; spread evenly. Sprinkle with pecans. Bake at 350°F for 40 to 50 minutes or until center is puffed and crust is golden brown. If necessary, cover edge of crust with strips of foil after 15 to 20 minutes of baking to prevent excessive browning. (Pie may have cracks on surface.)

Place hot fudge from packet in small microwave-safe bowl. Microwave on HIGH for 30 seconds. Stir in remaining tablespoon water. Drizzle fudge over top of pie. Cool 3 hours or until completely cooled. Store in refrigerator. 8 servings

HIGH ALTITUDE (ABOVE 3500 FEET): Add 3 tablespoons flour to dry brownie mix. Bake as directed above.



THINKS SMOKING BAN HARMFUL—Frank R. Day (above), former president of the Wayland College board of trustees, calmly smokes his pipe in his office at Plainview after announcing he had resigned from the college's board of trustees. Wayland College has adopted a rule prohibiting its students and faculty from smoking. Day said he considered the rule a "far reaching step and one that will materially affect Wayland adversely."

From The Post Dispatch, June 1, 1950

Age is a question of mind over matter. If you don't mind, age don't matter.

—Satchel Paige



ON FURLOUGH

Wendell Landroop Jr. (above) is home on a 30-day furlough. He received his basic training at Fort Ord, Calif., and since the first of the year has been at Fort Riley, Kan. At the end of his furlough, he will "ship out" to Germany.

From The Post Dispatch May 5, 1960

Post Housewives Add Variety to Menus With Recipes for Vegetables and Meats

Mrs. A. B. Haws is the diplomatic type and this week she has two favorite recipes, one guaranteed to please the men, and another for women. Men especially like her Banana Nut Cake because it isn't dry, says Mrs. Haws.

- Ingredients are:
- ½ cup shortening
 - ½ cup sugar
 - 2 eggs
 - 4 tablespoons buttermilk
 - ½ cups flour
 - 1 teaspoon soda sifted with flour
 - 3 large or 4 small bananas, mashed
 - 1 cup chopped nuts
 - salt
- Cream the shortening and sugar, then add eggs and beat. Put in milk and flour before adding mashed bananas. Add nuts last. Bake in three layer pans in a 350 degree oven until done. To ice this cake, Mrs. Haws uses
- ½ cups sugar
 - ½ cups cream
 - 1 tablespoon flour
- Mix and cook until thick. Cool and put between layers and on top of cake.
- Mrs. Haws and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. A. B. Haws, jr., like this recipe for Imperial Salad:
- 1 package lemon or lime gelatin
 - 1 cup boiling water
 - 1 cup canned pineapple juice
 - 1 tablespoon vinegar
 - 3 slices canned pineapple, diced
 - 2 pimientos, chopped
 - 1 medium cucumber, cut fine, salted and drained
- Dissolve gelatin in boiling

water, add pineapple juice and vinegar and chill. When slightly thickened, fold in pineapple, pimiento and cucumber. Turn into molds and chill until firm.

Busy Mrs. E. A. Warren finds this one-dish meal a delicious time saver. She calls it Beefsteak Pie. Her recipe calls for:

- 2 pounds rump, flank or chuck steak
- pie paste
- 6 hot peppers
- 12 sweet peppers
- 2 tablespoons salt
- 1 quart vinegar
- 3 cups sugar
- ½ teaspoon cinnamon
- ½ teaspoon allspice
- ½ teaspoon nutmeg

Cook until tender, using medium sizes for all fruits and vegetables.

Mrs. Homer Gordon likes Egyptian cake but a recipe for it appeared in a recent Post Dispatch. Her next favorite is Heavenly Hash. It calls for:

- 1 large can fruit cocktail
- 1 pound marshmallows
- ½ pint whipped cream
- 3 cups graham cracker crumbs

Drain juice from fruit cocktail and melt marshmallows in it. Cool and mix in the fruit. Add whipped cream. Cover bottom of baking dish ½-inch deep with crumbs and pour fruit mixture over it. Top with remaining crumbs and chill. Chopped nuts can be added for richness.

Mrs. T. R. Hibbs has lots of favorite recipes but the one she is asked for most is for Chocolate Angel Food Cake. Ingredients include:

- ½ cups egg whites
- 1½ cups sugar
- 3-4 cup cake flour, sifted be-

fore measuring

- ¼ cup cocoa
- 1 teaspoon cream of tartar, level
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1½ teaspoon vanilla

Sift flour, cocoa and one cup sugar together three times. Add salt to egg whites and beat until foamy. Add cream of tartar and beat until stiff. Beat in remaining sugar, then fold in the first sifted dry ingredients. Pour into ungreased tube pan and bake at 325 degrees for one hour.

Mrs. Pete Kennedy has a recipe for White Cake that she has found to be a favorite. Ingredients include:

- 1 cup butter
- 2 cups sugar
- 3 cups flour
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 cup water
- 6 egg whites
- 3 tablespoons baking powder dissolved in a teaspoon of water

Cream butter and sugar, sift all dry ingredients together and fold in beaten egg whites. Last fold in the baking powder and mix well. Bake in layers in a moderate oven. To frost this cake, Mrs. Kennedy uses a filling made of:

- 6 egg yolks
- 1 cup cream
- ½ cup sugar
- 1 package coconut
- 1 cup nuts

Beat egg yolks and add other ingredients, then cook together until thick enough to spread.

Mrs. M. J. Malouf has two recipes that are both timely and economical, besides being delicious. One is for Stuffed Squash.

Ingredients are:

- 1½ pounds ground brisket
- 9 or 10 yellow squash
- 1 cup dry rice
- salt, pepper, cinnamon and allspice to taste
- 2 cans tomato paste

Hollow squash and make stuffing of washed rice, ground meat, seasonings and one can of tomato paste. Stuff squash and place in pan, then cover with remaining can of tomato paste. Cover this with hot water and cook slowly on top of the stove until well done.

To save the centers of the squash, Mrs. Malouf has a second very tasty recipe. It is for Fried Squash and Onion. Ingredients are:

- Centers of squash used in above recipe
- heads of a small bunch of onions
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 2 to 3 eggs

Fry onions in butter until about half brown. Then add squash and cook 15 to 20 minutes. Add salt and pepper and mix in two or three eggs with squash and scramble.

Mrs. J. D. King has a recipe for Warm Weather Salad that housewives should appreciate now. It calls for:

- 1 package orange gelatin
- 1 cup hot water
- 1 can crushed pineapple
- 6 small carrots, grated

Drain juice from crushed pineapple and add to gelatin after it has been dissolved in hot water. Chill until thick. Put in crushed pineapple and grated carrots then pour in molds and place in refrigerator.

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From The Post Dispatch May 26, 1960



MUSIC CLUB OFFICERS — Newly elected officers of the Post music Club were installed during a meeting Monday night at the Woman's Club house. Shown l to r, Andrea Willard, secretary-report; Linda Lewis, historian; Mary Ann Gordon, president and Rhonda Alford, vice president. Not shown is Mary Prather, treasurer. (Staff Photo)

From The Post Dispatch, May 15, 1980

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These three former Post High School football players are looking forward to the July 1-2 PHS Reunion 2000. They're looking a little different today, but in 1962 Leslie Acker, Tommie Bouchier and Bobbie Hudman were in high style. The PHS Reunion 2000 is seeking registrants, call Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau at 495-3461. (Photo courtesy Jan Acker)

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Crosbyton Museum offers glimpse into the fossil past

Amidst the glitz and hooplah of the unveiling of a large dinosaur swirls a controversy that did not make the headlines.
 On May 17, with national television giving live coverage, the Field Museum of Chicago presented a skeleton of the largest discovered meat-eating dinosaur, a Tyrannosaurus rex dubbed "Sue," named after Sue Hendrickson who first found the bones and one of the excavators. The televised report gushed how this lone woman dug up the fossil beast—political correctness and evolutionary dogma could hardly be more evident.
 "Sue" was actually part of a dig conducted by paleontologists Pete and Neal Larson. Their company, the Black Hills Institute of Geology, had been contracted with the landowner to hunt bones there. "Sue" would have eventually been discovered by the Larsons in their systematic search. The Larsons spent \$250,000 excavating this big animal and intended to build a museum around

it in their small town of Hill City, S.D. That was before federal authorities confiscated "Sue" in a move that left the Larsons and their supporters stunned and angry.
 "What happened to these guys was a travesty of justice," said Joe Taylor, a friend of the Larsons. "And to not even mention them at the unveiling of Sue adds insult to injury."
 In 1996, Taylor, director of the Mt. Blanco Fossil Museum, supervised work at a Wyoming site not far from Sue at a place called Dragon's Grave. At the dig, some T-rex teeth similar to those sported by Sue were found. The broken tooth tip was founded in the ribs of a hadrosaur (duck-billed dinosaur). One of the most popular items at the Mt. Blanco Museum with children and adults is the inexpensive replica cast of this very T-rex tooth tip.
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It's not too late! You can still register to attend the Post High School Reunion 2000, to be held July 1 and 2.
 The \$20 per person registration covers everything - Saturday morning reception and Saturday night dance at the Post Community Center, and a Sunday barbecue lunch at the Post City Park.
 There have been 192 former classmates and their spouses registered from as far away as Orange, Calif.; Phoenix, Ariz.; Atkins, Ark.; Mesquite, Granbury, Waco, Houston, Beaumont and Whitehouse.
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Post Elementary recognizes student achievements

Post Elementary School conducted its annual awards presentation Monday, May 22.

Awards were presented to dozens of students, including the following students who received academic recognition based on TAAS test results:

- Third grade — Ullis Garcia, Matthew Owens and Zachary Davis in math; Stacy Bocko, Gabriela Gomez, Patrick Martinez, Adriana Ceja and Dkotoa McAdams in reading, and Alexandra Hart, Jarrett Miller and Jarrett Blevins, math and reading. Alexandra Hart was recognized for receiving a perfect score on the math and reading portions of her TAAS test.

- Fourth grade — Madison Mason, Cathrina Menchaca, Kenneth Crowley and Lauren Gonzales, math; Rancall Jewell, Amber Bustoz, Patrick Courson, Ashleigh Harris, Dylan Davis, Josana Perez and Tamara Raymundo for reading; Timothy Wilson, Steven Short, Robert Heckaman, Carson Windham, Kelsey Sanderson, Victoria Fannon, Samantha Hoover, Brenna Postell, Jeremy Short, Richard Suit and John Boren, math and reading; and Lori Jones, math and writing.

Randall Jewell was recognized for a perfect score on his reading TAAS test, and Timothy Wilson and Steven Short were lauded for their perfect scores in math and reading.

- Fifth grade — Jose Zubia, (Derek) D.J. Biaza, Anahi Garcia, Christina Rodriguez, Jason Worthington, James Fellhauer, Martina Norman, David Pequeno, Cristina Lopez, Davis (D.J.) Rivera, Gabby Paiz, Adrian Nava and Wes Mason, math; Kendra Dalby, Josie Whisenhunt, Rachee Gray, Steven Hair, Chelsey Reed and Kate Nance, reading; and Natasha Scroggins, Claire Kirkpatrick, Allison Blevins, Jackie Hays, Kelli Martin, Steffi Norman, Rebecca Striblin, Zachary Witcher, Kyle Easterling, Edgar Garay, Wilson Cash and Megan Nance, math and reading.

Jose Zubia was recognized for a perfect score in the math section of the test, while Natasha Scroggins, Claire Kirkpatrick and Allison Blevins were singled out for recognition for perfect performances on the math and reading portions of the TAAS.

The following UIL awards were also presented:

- Art contest — 4th grade (Carol Williams) Lori Jones, Pat Reiter, Tamara Raymundo, Kelsey Sanderson and Madison Mason, first place; 5th grade (Carol Williams) Jackie Hays, Rachael Gray, Anahi Garcia and Josie Whisenhunt, first place.

- Music memory — third grade (Karen Nichols and Carol McDonald) Zachary Davis, Zachary Nava and Jarrett Blevins, third place; fourth

grade (Karen Nichols and Marsha Norman) allen Heckaman, Samantha Hoover, Zachary Kocurek, Victoria Hampton and Shelly Gearheart, fourth place; and fifth grade (Pedersen/Tackitt) Jordan Payne, Zachary Witcher, Jose Zubia, Laura Pedersen and Preston Ortiz, sixth place.

- Creative writing — 2nd grade (Lisa Copeland) Tianna Reyna, Kelli Chapa, Brandi Hewitt (third place) and Darlene Araiza.

- Number sense — 4th grade (Peggy Graves) Timothy Wilson (third), Call Windham (fifth), Victoria Fannon, Jeremy Short; 5th grade (Lunell Gribble) Adrian Nava (first

place), Jordan Payne (second place), and Wilson Cash and K'Neil Dalby (tied for fourth).

- Spelling — 5th grade (D'Anne Bishop) Steffi Norman (second), Claire Kirkpatrick (fourth), Allison Blevins, Kylie Easterling (first).

- Story telling — 2nd grade (Natha Jo Henderson) Clint Windham (third), Jarrett White, Joshua Rodriguez, Giles Dalby; 3rd grade (Heather Daneill) Alex Hart (fourth), Patrick Martinez (second), Klent Baker, Victoria Guerrero.

- Oral reading — 3rd grade (Mendy Dalby) Kendra Whitehead, Chad Miller, Angel Duran, Klent Baker; 4th grade (Melanie Morris) Madison

Marson, Kelsey Sanderson (fifth), Marlee Plummer, Brenna Postell (sixth); 5th grade (D'Ann Bishop) K'Neil Dalby (third), Steffi Norman (second), Kylie Easterling, Claire Kirkpatrick.

- Listening skills — 5th grade (Cathy Courtney) Edgar Garay (tied for sixth), Larissa Halford, Asa Rutherford, Natasha Scroggins.

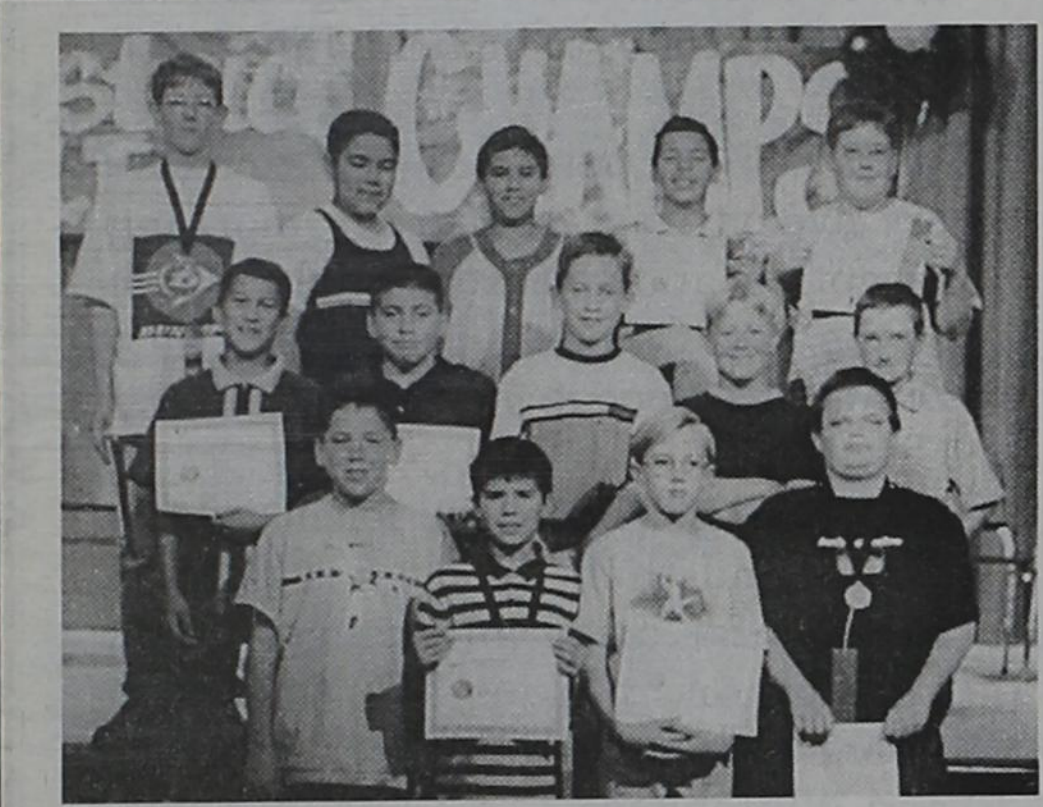
- Maps, graphs & charts — 5th grade (Kathy Fluitt) Jason Worthington (first), James Lee Morgan, Josie Whisenhunt, Bailey Odom.

- Dictionary — 5th grade (Pam Gorman) Gabby Paiz (fourth place), Meagan Nance, Katy Nance, Adrian

Nava (fifth).

- Spelling — 3rd grade (Peggy Ashley) Alex Hart, Zachary Nava, Jarrett Blevins, Valeria Moreno; 4th grade (Debbie Webb) Timothy Wilson, Samantha Hoover, Victoria Hampton, Brenda Menjares.

- Ready writing — 3rd grade (Staci Marts) Alex Hart (fifth), Adrian Ceja (third) and Fabian Soto; 4th grade (Staci Marts) Lori Jones, Randall Jewell (fourth) and Ericka Cravy; 5th (Staci Marts) Josie Whisenhunt, K'Neil Dalby and Kylie Easterling.



Post Elementary students recognized at last week's awards ceremony were (back row, left to right) Jason Worthington, David Pequeno, Preston Ortiz, Edgar Garay, Jose Zubia, (middle row) D.J. Biaza, D.J. Rivera, Wilson Cash, Steven Hair, Wes Mason, (front row) Zachary Witcher, Adrian Nava, Heath Fellhauer and Jordan Payne.



Post Elementary students recognized at last week's awards ceremony were (back row, left to right) Steffi Norman, Martina Norman, Jackie Hays, K'Neil Dalby, Cristina Lopez, Christina Rodriguez, (second from back) Claire Kirkpatrick, Natasha Scroggins, Anahi Garcia, Kelli Martin, Becca Striblin, (third row from back) Laura Pederson, Kylie Easterling, Rachel Gray, Gabby Paiz, Chelsey Reed, (front row) Allison Blevins, Katy Nance, Megan Nance and Josie Whisenhunt.



Post Elementary award students with their teachers (left to right) Clint Windham, Ms Henderson, Nikkie Pewitt and Mrs Copeland.



Post Elementary first grade student reading 20-29 books are (left to right) Tanner Hadderton, Justin Tanner, Alissa Morrow, Eric Adams and Kyle Copeland.



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Post Elementary student Steven Perez was the lucky winner in a drawing held at last week's awards program. Principal Marvin Self presented the new bike. Students names were placed in the drawing box whenever they were seen doing a kind deed for someone else.



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