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New Roof at Algerita

Construction crews have been busy the past week or so putting a new roof on the Algerita Art building downtown. The project was arranged through efforts by the Caprock Cultural Association and a grant from the Texas Department of Transportation.

New lawsuit hits hospital district on election process

by Wesley W. Burnett

A new legal challenge to the Garza County Hospital District's at-large election system was filed Monday in the U.S. District Court in Lubbock. The filing listed Maria Bertha Fuentes and Francisco Tobias as plaintiffs. Defendants in the case are the Garza County Hospital District, Jack Alexander (former president), Michael Travis (president), David Nichols (former secretary), Zoe Kirkpatrick (secretary), David Tyler (vice president) and Leon Miller, "all in their respective official capacities as members of the Board of Directors for the Garza County Hospital District."

In addition to challenging the at-large election system, the suit also seeks to terminate the 1997 agreement between the district and League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC), which has yet to be implemented by the board.

Houston attorney Tom Stults, representing the new plaintiffs, said that the 1997 agreement does not satisfy the requirements for single-member districts because candidates could file in any of the four districts without regard to residency. "That's basically an at-large scheme," Stults said, "and if there is to be a balance in voting, candidates must live in the districts which they intend to serve, just as county commissioners must live in the precincts in which they are representing."

The new lawsuit also seeks to establish five individual single-member districts, instead of the four districts and one at-large position set in the 1997 agreement.

The lawsuit requests the federal court to take the following action:

- "a) Assume jurisdiction of this matter;
- "b) Cite Defendants to appear and answer herein;
- "c) Issue a Declaratory Judgment finding that the existing method of electing members at-large to the Board of Directors for the GARZA COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT is unconstitutional and/or unlawful and null and void;

County searching for ways to trim expenses

by Wesley W. Burnett

After weeks of searching for ways to trim an almost \$200,000 deficit, the Garza County Commissioners Court Monday arrived at a property tax rate of \$3.780 and continue to fine tune expenses.

Although the tax rate is lower than last year's \$4.35, the proposed rate will raise an additional seven percent in revenue due to increase property valuations. A big chunk of the additional values comes from minerals.

The two biggest expense items are the proposed four percent pay increases for all county employees and officials, as well as an 18 percent increase in health insurance premiums.

Monday morning the court discussed a wide variety of ideas about trimming those two big items, including revising health insurance coverage and trimming pay increases.

Another expense item getting attention is the cost of law enforcement at Lake Alan Henry. Judge Dalby said that he is recommending an increase in the City of Lubbock payment to Garza County to \$111,434 from last year's \$65,000. The additional costs are related to the constable's expenses.

The court also got some disturbing news from City of Post officials, who aired a problem with solid materials being dumped into the sewer system from the Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility and the Garza County Juvenile Detention Center. City manager Fred Stephens presented information about the problem, explaining that sheets, towels, pillow cases and other items are clogging up the city's sewer system.

The solution, according to Stephens, is for the prison and detention center to install expensive "bar screens" and clean them

on a regular basis. The estimated cost for the equipment and installation is \$145,000. The county owns both facilities and leases them to Management Training Corp.

County Judge Giles Dalby requested a joint meeting with city officials on September 11 at city hall.

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Sheriff defends jail budget increases

by Sheri Lewis

As Garza County Commissioners continue working on the budget for the new fiscal year, Sheriff Kenny Ratke remains steadfast in his request for an additional \$25,000 to operate the county jail.

Ratke has again requested \$40,000 to operate the county jail, compared to the \$15,000 earmarked for the facility in the current fiscal year.

"You can't operate a county jail on that budget," said the sheriff. "I don't care who you are or how good you are.... It just can't happen."

With several weeks remaining in the current fiscal year, expenses incurred in the operation of the county jail are already well above the allotted \$15,000. Ratke (Continued on Page 8)



Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railroad crews are finishing up repairs to the railroad crossing on East Main street. Detours were necessary for most of last week.

Post Notes

Schools out early Friday

Post schools will release students at 12:30 p.m. Friday and all schools will be closed Monday, September 4 in observance of Labor Day.

Jerry McGee heads revival

Evangelist Jerry McGee will lead a revival at the Grassland Church of the Nazarene beginning Sunday, August 27 and continuing through Thursday, August 31. Services are at 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday and weekdays at 7 p.m. for more information contact the church at (806) 327-5656.

Post City Radio broadcasts live Friday

Post City Radio, operating on the Internet at postcityradio.com and in Post on Classic Cable Channel 17, will broadcast Post Antelope football games live during the football season. Pre-game show begins at 7:15 p.m. TSN scoreboard airs after the game.

Old photos at Slaton library

The Slaton Public Library has old photographs and proofs of Post people from the 1930s and 1940s in its possession, and wishes to transfer them to family members. The photographs are from the ArtCraft Studios of Slaton. The library is asking \$2.00 per packet for a donation.

Flag football sign-ups

Post Flag Football sign-ups began August 21 and will continue through September 5. The program is open to youngsters first through sixth grade, with a \$15 per child registration fee. The fee includes a t-shirt, first mouthpiece and trophy at the end of the season. Sign-up at Mad Dads Inc., 108 N. Broadway.

PHS Band birthday calendar orders

The Pride of Post Band members are now taking orders for the 2001 Community Birthday Calendar. Cost for each calendar is \$5 and includes 5 birthday, anniversary or other event date listings. Block and line advertising on the calendar is also being accepted by Band Boosters. Order yours today by contacting any Band member or Band Booster or call 629-4331 and someone will contact you.

Antelope Booster Club Memberships

The Post Antelope Booster Club meets each Monday at 7 p.m. at the high school commons. Meetings are open to everyone. Membership is \$10 for individuals and \$20 per family.

Foster parenting orientation

The Lubbock Outreach Office of Methodist Children's Home is sponsoring an Orientation to Foster Parenting on Tuesday, Sept. 12 for people interested in learning more about becoming foster parents. For more information call 792-0099.

Trailblazers hold bake sale Sept. 9

The Garza County Trailblazers will hold a bake sale on Saturday, September 9 at United Supermarkets beginning at 9 a.m. The event is to assist in funds for the new building.

Reserve seat tickets on sale

Reserve seat tickets for Post Antelope football games are now on sale at the high school office. The five-game package is \$15 (\$3 per game, per person). The office is open Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"Meet me at the pole" Sept. 20

The Post Middle School flag pole will be the center of attention at 7:30 a.m. September 20 as students and citizens participate in the "Meet Me at the Pole" prayer service. The event is open to anyone interested in attending.

Quilt and Folk Art show Sept. 29

The Third Annual Algerita Quilt and Contemporary Folk Art Show will be held at the Algerita Art Center September 29 through October 1. All quilting pieces will be accepted, even quilt tops. Folk art must be original in concept and execution. Any medium is accepted, including wood, clay, paper, metal or findings. There is a \$3 per piece entry fee. For more information call Polly Cravy at 629-4286 or Sheri Riedel at 495-3493.

Founders Day Church Service

The Post Founders Day community church service will be held Sunday, October 1 at the Elementary School auditorium beginning at 11 a.m. Many churches plan to shift their morning worship service in order to attend this community-wide event. Pastor Jerry Graham of the Calvary Baptist Church will be the keynote speaker.

Energy assistance for needy

South Plains Community Action Association (SPCAA) is administering emergency funds to assist low-income residents with high utility bills related to recent extreme heat conditions. Call Ysabel Overton or Billie Williams at 495-2329 for details.

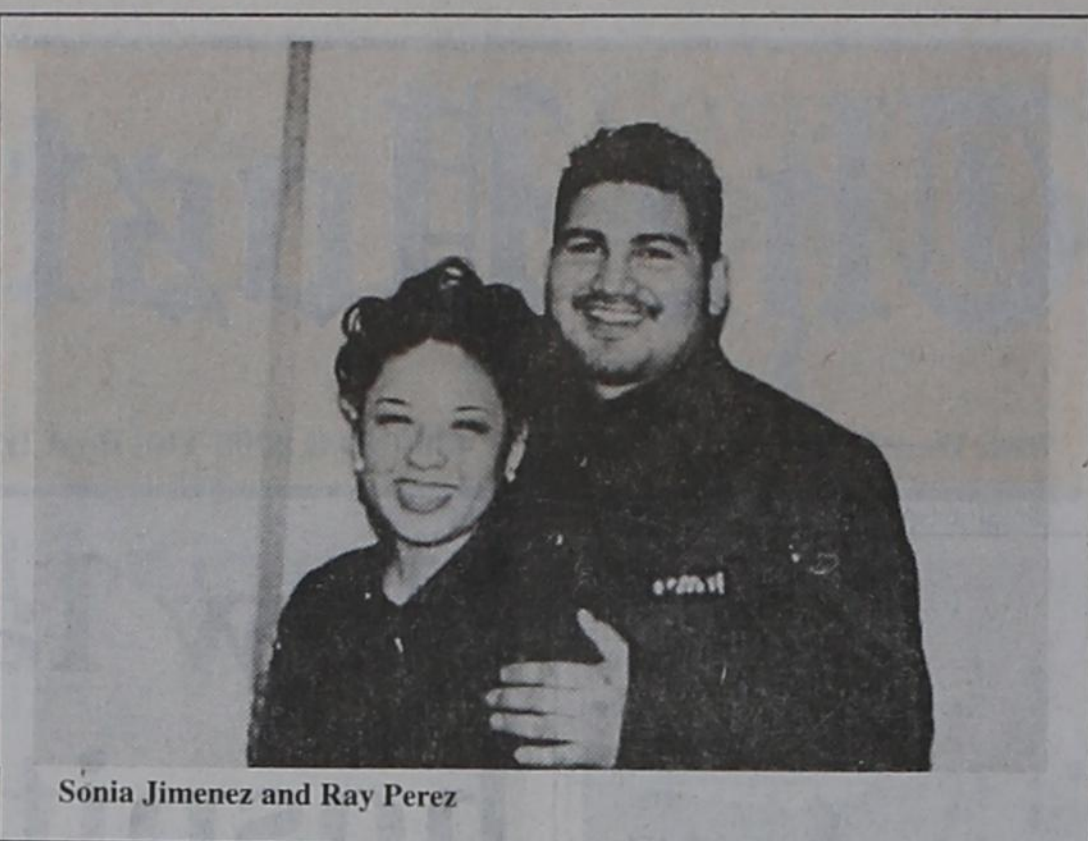
Blazing the Trail

by Katharine Trammell
The bakers are baking and the cooks are cooking!
The Garza Trailblazers are having a bake sale at United Saturday, Sept. 9, from 9 a.m. until sold out. Come fill your deep freezers. Proceeds will go toward our building fund.
Sarah Ault is at home recuperating nicely from her recent surgery.
Lanelle Clary is recovering from a broken foot.
Alvin Young has been in the hospital has we wish him a speedy recovery.
Ray Brown, former Post resident, has been reported to be in the hospital.
Construction on our new building is progressing day by day.
T.C. Polk, Lewis Holly and Ray Raymond have been honored with

donations to our memorial fund.
Make your checks for your tax deductible donations to the Garza Co. Trailblazers Building Fund. "Honor your family name. Have it on the Trailblazers Wall of Fame."

Hardin named to dean's list

Kasey Hardin, a 1999 Post High School graduate, was named to the Dean's Honor Roll at the University of North Texas in Denton.
Students completing 12 or more hours during the semester with a grade point average of 3.5 or better were named to the honor roll for the spring semester.
In addition to her academic achievements, Hardin is a member of the Lady Eagle Golf Team.



Sonia Jimenez and Ray Perez

Perez, Jimenez exchange vows

Ray Perez and Sonia Jimenez were wed Aug. 3, 2000, in a ceremony conducted in Las Vegas, Nevada.
The bride is the daughter of Ramiro Jimenez and Norma Jimenez.
The groom is the son of David Perez and the late Mattie Perez.
The couple honeymooned in Las Vegas.

Births

Lauren Annette Sneed

Alexia Sneed would like to announce the birth of her baby sister, Lauren Annette.
Lauren was born at 9:34 am, August 24, 2000 at Greenville Presbyterian Hospital in Greenville.
She weighed ten pounds, seven ounces and was 21 inches long.
Proud parents are Derek and Raenell Sneed formally of Post.
Maternal grandparents are Tommy and Rosemary Cole.
Paternal grandmother is Pat Sneed of Oklahoma City, Ok.
Maternal great grandmother is Edith Crispin of Post.
Paternal great grandmother is Gladys Gibbs of Bedford.

Meagan Renee Ayala

Tyler Ayala is proud to announce the birth of his sister Meagan Renee Ayala born August 17, 2000 at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock at 7:57 am.
Meagan weighed seven pounds, eight ounces and was 19 inches long.
Proud parents are Jonathan and Amy Ayala of Lubbock.
Paternal grandparents are Anita and Pat Ayala of Post.
Paternal great grandparents is Francisca Ayala of Post and Martina Vavela of Jauéz, Mexico.
Maternal grandparents are Debbie Vasquez of Fountain, Co. and Mark Born of Columbia City, Indiana.
Maternal great grandmothers are Alberta Nichols and Marjorie Born of Columbia City, Indiana.

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Judy's Jabberin'

By Judy B. Bush

O.K. folks, the seven day forecast shows cooler temps and a CHANCE of rain for the weekend. Think RAIN! Say an extra prayer, we need the moisture.

Class of 65

Guess everyone got their info on the reunion. Looks like October 27, 28 and 29th. will be lively for Post.



Signs Seen on Church Property:

1. People are like tea bags-you have to put them in hot water before you know how strong they are.
2. When down in the mouth, remember Johah. He came out all right.
3. How will you spend eternity- smoking or non-smoking.
4. If you're headed in the wrong direction, God allows U-turns.
5. Come in and pray today. Beat the Christmas rush.
6. Sign broken. Message inside this Sunday.

Founder's Day

You will notice in this weeks paper as well as the Old Mill Trade Day's Tab all of the info on Founder's Day. Now I am going to repeat it here because I think this is such an important event for Post. Our merchants down town worked really hard last year to make Founders Day Saturday special for everyone, as I am sure they will this year. That weekend is just a great way to celebrate our town.

There will be a free street dance Friday, Sept. 29th in front of Algerita Park at 9 pm with music by the "Texas Connection".

On Saturday the 30th, downtown activities will last all day, Old Mill Trade Day's will be open, The Senior Steer Roping at 11 am in the rodeo arena, bar-b-que cook-off judging at 12 noon, long neck toss, 2 pm at Algerita Park, dinner with Gary P. Nunn at 6 pm Hotel Garza (tickets sold in advance), BYOB dance to Gary P. Nunn at rodeo slab at 8 pm (tickets sold at door) and to close the weekend out the Community Worship Service at the school auditorium at 11 am.

There is truly something for everyone so go out and celebrate Post!

To My Special Friend

I just wanted to send my sympathy to my friend Donna Baker who lost her grandfather Massey last week. My prayers are with her and her family.

Visiting in Post

Lorene McCrary was visiting in Post last week with Twana McCrary and friends while here to attend the funeral of her brother Brode Puckett of Spur.

Birthdays this Week

Friday, September 1; Bobbie Nell Harris; anniversary, Danny and Susan Gonzales; Saturday, September 2, Kristopher Crenshaw, Paul Lynn Robinson and Abigail Hollscher; anniversary, Beatrice and Alejandro Mesa (39 yrs); Sunday, September 3, Montie Boles, Marcie Oden, Robby Palmer and Bernie Tackitt; Monday, September 4, Dale Wimmer, Joe Duran and Nikki Norman; Tuesday, September 5, Wade Peppers, Tanisha Paiz, Rene Gomez, Bud Anderson, Adrian Nava and Paige Lott; Wednesday, September 6, Cliff Walls, Jesse Jones, Chris Dawson, Bruce Bevers and Francesca Davies; anniversary, Rod and Donna Smith; Thursday, September 7, Chad Davis, Joel Castillo, Gloria Leyva, Marie Payne, Chad Miller, Jessica Mason, Jennifer Morgan and Keyli Townsend.

Then VS. Now

- 1970-Getting out to a new hip joint.
- 2000-Getting a new hip joint.
- 1970-Our presidents struggle with Fidel.
- 2000-Our presidents struggle with fidelity.
- 1970-Hoping for a BMW
- 2000-Hoping for a BM
- 1970-Rolling Stones
- 2000-kidney stones
- 1970-Being called to the principle's office.
- 2000-Calling the principle's office.
- 1970-Passing the drivers test.
- 2000-Passing the vision test.

See Ya Next Week

Guess that it is for this week. Hope you all have a great weekend. Please remember to pray for rain. This is Old Mill Trade Day weekend. What's better than shopping in the rain? NOTHING!!! God bless each of you.

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Tax 'n Facts

by Terri Cash

What Are I Bonds?

The federal government has come out with yet another savings bond, the I bond, and it offers certain advantages for some investors. Unlike old-fashioned "war bonds" and the newer EE bonds, the I bonds are sold at face value, rather than discounted. They earn interest until they are redeemed or reach maturity in 30 years.

I bonds pay two types of interest: a fixed rate of 3.74 percent and a rate that is adjusted for inflation every six months. (If there is deflation, the value of the bond does not go down.) Through April of this year, the combined rate was 6.98 percent, compared with 5.19 percent for EE bonds.

Note these tax angles: There's no local or state tax on I bond interest, and the federal tax can be deferred until redemption or maturity. Any interest used to pay higher education costs may be partially or fully excludable from income. They may be ideal to buy for youngsters with an eye to paying college costs.

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Algerita Quilt and Folk Art Show opens Sept. 29

The third annual Algerita Quilt and Contemporary Folk Art Show has been scheduled for next month. The show will be open to the public Friday, Sept. 29, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; on Saturday, Sept. 30, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and on Sunday, Oct. 1, from noon to 3 p.m.

Entries are now being accepted. All quilting pieces will be accepted, including quilt tops. All folk art must be original in concept and execution. Any medium (wood, clay, paper, metal, etc.) is welcome.

All entries will be treated "with great care," according to the show's organizers.

Entry fee is \$3 per piece. People's Choice Awards will be given as part of the show. Entries may be picked up after the show on Sunday, Oct. 1, from 3-5 p.m. and on Monday, Oct. 2, from 1-3 p.m.

The show will sideline the Post Founders Day observation, as well as the weekend of Old Mill Trade Days.

For more information, contact Polly Cravy at 629-4286 or Sheri J. Riedel at 495-3493.

We should all be concerned about the future because we will have to spend the rest of our lives there.

—Charles Kettering

Neighbor to Neighbor

by Sara Wagner, CEA-FCS

Don't Let Your Life Go Up in Smoke!

The verdict is in: Tobacco use is the leading preventable cause of death in the United States. More deaths are caused by people choosing to smoke or dip than by AIDS, alcohol, car accidents, fires, illegal drugs, murders, and suicides combined!



More than eight out of every ten cases of lung cancer are caused by smoking, and ninety percent of those with lung cancer will die within five years. Smoking is also associated with the risk of a host of other cancers, as well as diseases of the heart and lungs. The bottom line?

The single best thing you can do for the health of yourself and your family is not to smoke. If you don't smoke, don't start. If you do smoke, get the help and support you need to quit.

Here are some other reasons to stay Smoke-Free:

- Smoking causes bad breath
- Every cigarette a person smokes takes about 12 minutes off his life.
- Fires started by cigarettes kill 25,000 people each year in this country.
- If you smoke while pregnant, you could hurt your baby.
- Smoking in the presence of small children substantially increases their risk for developing asthma and allergies.

The majority of people who smoke say they would like to quit. But the fact is, nicotine is addictive in the same way that cocaine and heroin are addictive. Even so, 46 million Americans have quit smoking and you can do it too!

For more information on the consequences of smoking and how to quit, please contact the American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345 or the county Extension Office at 490-4400.



Post Volunteer Firemen were at Lake Alan Henry last Saturday during a "Fill the Boot" fund raising effort to support "Jerry's Kids" in the MD campaign. (Photo by Lannie Lee)



Post McDonald's franchise owner Bill Cohen (left) and manager Carey Kidd (center) congratulate Mary Owens on winning the Dr Pepper bike. Mrs. Owens said the bike will make a great gift for one of her grandchildren.

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Extension Extras

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Golden Clover meeting

A 4-H Club meeting for Golden Clover has been set for September 5, 2000 at the show barn beginning at 7:00 p.m. A hot dog supper will be provided to all of those in attendance. Please R.S.V.P. to the Nita Jo Heckaman by Friday, September 1. We look forward to seeing you all there!

EPC executive board meets

An EPC Executive Board Meeting will be held on September 6, 2000 at noon at the Extension Office. Please bring a sack lunch and come prepared to discuss upcoming Extension events.

4-H Youth Committee meeting

A 4-H and Youth Committee meeting is scheduled for September 11, 2000 at 11:55 to 12:30 at Post High School Home Economics Lab. Pizza will be provided but you must R.S.V.P. to the Extension Office at 495-4400 by Friday, September 8.

County Resource Fair

The Garza County Resource Fair 2000 is set for September 19, 2000 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Post Community Center. If you are interested in being a part of the fair please call the Extension Office at 495-4400.

Cattle sales reported at Graham

Receipts 2335, consisting of 549 packer cows, bulls, bred cows and pairs, 224 yearlings and 1562 calves.

Packer cows and bulls were 50 cents to \$1 lower, mostly on lower yielding cows. Bred cows were steady. Pairs were steady with not many choice pairs offered.

200 to 300# heifers were \$3 to \$5 lower, 300 to 400# heifers were \$2 to mostly \$3 lower, 400 to 500# heifers were \$2 to \$4 lower, 500 to 600# heifers were \$2 to \$3 lower, 600 to 800# heifers were \$2 to \$3 lower.

200 to 400# steers were \$3 to \$5 lower, 400 to 600# steers were \$3 to \$4 lower. Bull calves \$4 lower, 600 to 800# steers were \$2 to \$3 lower, bulls \$3 lower.

Buyer attendance was good. Bidding moderately active on a lower level. The hot, dry weather has now reached across Oklahoma into Kansas and Nebraska.

Six loads of cattle leaving direct to this area. No local or wheat field buying with all the best kinds of cattle going to growing yards north. Yes, we will have a sale next Monday.

Representative sales:
Paul Carmack, Straw, 390# blk str, \$101; three brg str, 487#, \$96.

David Smith, Graham, three blk hfrs, 485#, \$85; two blk hfrs, 420#, \$86.

Mike Adkins, Mineral Wells, 1240# ctr cow, \$43; 1485# fat cow, \$42.
Charlie Miller, Olney, 325# redwf hfr, \$92; 450# redwf hfr, \$87.

Rhodes Ranch Ltd., Breckenridge, seven blk heifers, 525#, \$84.50; six black hfrs, 472#, \$83.50.

Ron Cody, J/boro, 445# blk bull, \$98; 380# blk bull, \$110.

Stacy Rogers, Olney, 385# blk wfr, \$95; 505# blk str, \$96.

S.R. Davis Ranch, Throckmorton, 10 blk str, 378#, \$105; nine blk str, 419#, \$101.

Robert Bryan, Lipan, 440# blk wfbull, \$106; 1125# ctr cow, \$40.

King-Rosenbrough, Graham, seven Char bulls, 580# \$95; five Char hfrs, 510#, \$83.50.

Collins Creek Ranch, Albany, 360# blk wfbull, \$117; 290# blk wfbull, \$130.

Thomas Ash, Throckmorton, two blk hfrs, 422#, \$90; 630# blk bull, \$78.

Eddie Francis, Perrin, 600# blk str, \$84.

Paul Leatherwood, J/boro, 745# blk bull, \$78.

David Wheeler, Granbury, 330# blk str, \$132.50.

Schneider Land & Cattle, Abilene, 510# blk str, \$85; 660# blk str, \$80.

Leeman-Abbot, Palo Pinto, 310#

blkwf bull, \$124; 430# brndl bull, \$87.

Ronnie Tuttle, Breckenridge, 430# redwf bull, \$85; 405# redwf hfr, \$89.

Melissa Wharton, Mineral Wells, 10 Char hfrs, 495#, \$84; seven Char str, 449#, \$100.

Mike Beasley, Weatherford, six Char hfrs, \$70; 475# Char hfr, \$84.

Ed Wood, Olney, 185# blk wfr, \$87; 475# blk wfr, \$94.

C.D. Bloodworth, J/boro, two Char bulls, 437#, \$84.

Blaine Burger, Archer City, 595# blk hfr, \$85.

K.M. Farms, Albany, 440# redwf str, \$98.

Sale every Monday starting at noon. For more information or to consign cattle, call Jackie Bishop, Graham, 940/549-9016; Stewart Heighten, Graham, 940-549-4871; or Greg Sublet, Mineral Wells, 940-328-0625; or Bud Harrell, Abilene, 915-673-5456.

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A dog with no nose?

I have a new little friend. His name is Angus and he has no nose. Well, I suppose he has one but I can't see it very well.

He is a little Pug dog and he makes a great case for the creationist argument. The reason I say this is that I can see absolutely no survival advantage for a dog not to have a nose, or one you can't see. I mean, how could such a schnoz help this tiny beast survive through the ages. Would it allow him to hide from the saber toothed tiger and not require as much room? Hiding would be the best defense for a dog like Angus, unless you happened to be scared of his curly tail.

On the other side of the argument, he can scoot along pretty low to the ground and keep his eyes looking basically forward. They are set wide and high on his head, naturally sort of pointing up and out when he is facing you square on. Lord only knows. Literally.

Whatever path you take to arriving at Angus it is the nose that first gets your attention. It is one of those "opposites" in life. It is so ugly that it is beautiful. You just want to grab him and put him up to your face. That is usually where the infatuation ends because his nose is about as wet as the end of a squeezed out mop.

And boy is it busy! Angus breathing through his would-be nose sounds like an entire waiting room full of allergy and cold sufferers. While Bonnie and Dada are trying to teach him to you know what outside and not on the carpet, I'm trying to teach him how to blow his nose. Neither of us are having much luck. I thought we were through raising kids!

Pretty obvious where I'm heading with this. We are entering into the fall allergy season in West Texas. There are probably less members of the autumn allergy club than the spring conclave. They are no less miserable.

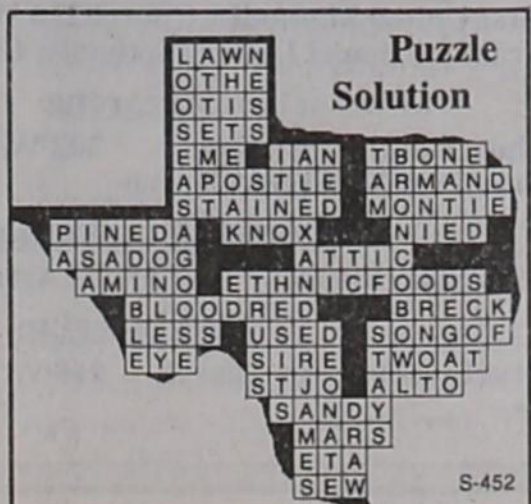
Treatments continue to be aimed toward symptom control at the level of over the counter treatments. The Primary Care Provider (previously known as your family doctor) will be able to provide you with a fundamental prevention and treatment program using both antihistamines and nasal steroids. The newer antihistamines are non sedating. The nasal steroids are safe to use and "non addicting." I mention this because people have become afraid of nose sprays due to the unfortunate problem of rebound stuffiness that eventually occurs with those sprays that work so quickly. And besides, when that word "addicting" is used, nerves in the brain send direct signals to that area of memory where things like "Jane Fonda" and "Communism" are stored. You don't have to tell folks twice that something is addicting. They'd rather suffer.

On the other hand it's no wonder people use them. They work well when used as directed. They are cheap. You do not have to go to the doctor and then to the pharmacy, pay both of those places, and get a spray that takes three weeks to work at ten times the cost!

However, folks, the prescription spray is an attempt to provide a cure and not necessarily a quick fix. The Doctor can help you with that as well, but you just have to do the spray on faith alone for a while until the benefits become apparent

Angus, though, will just have to do the best he can with what he's got, or rather, what he hasn't got. Thank you for spending this time with me.

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Obituaries

Brode M. Puckett

Services for Brode Milton Puckett, 90, of Spur were held at 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 25, 2000, in the First United Methodist Church in Spur with the Rev. Larry Burton officiating. Burial followed in the Espuela Cemetery under the direction of the Campbell Funeral Home.

He died Tuesday, Aug. 22, in the Crosbyton Hospital. Born April 28, 1910, in Dean, he moved to Dickens County in 1919, coming from Hopkins County. He graduated from Spur High School in 1930 where he played football and was captain of the team that set a state record for the most points scored — 186 — in a single high school game. He graduated from Texas Tech in 1942 where he also played football. He was a sergeant in the U.S. Air Force during World War II. He married Winona Chaney April 5, 1942, in Childress. She preceded him in death in 1960. He moved to Wichita Falls in 1952 and lived there 25 years. He worked for CIT Financial as an insurance agent in Lubbock and Wichita Falls for many years. In 1962, he worked for Metropolitan Life until his retirement in 1975. He married Adren Morgan Karr in 1977 in Spur and returned to live in Dickens County that same year.

Survivors include his wife, Adren Puckett of Spur; two daughters, Judy Puckett of Arlington and Sandy Stafford of Spur; one sister, Lorene McCrary of Amarillo; two grandsons; three great-grandchildren; two nieces, Twana McCrary of Post and Janet Green of Fort Worth; and numerous great-nieces and great-nephews.

The family has suggested memorials be made to the Red Raider Club General Scholarship Fund in memory of Brode Milton Puckett, P.O. Box 456, Lubbock, Texas 79408.

There are toys for all ages.
—English proverb

Feasts must be solemn and rare, or else they cease to be feasts.
—Aldous Huxley

L. Dean Sims

Services for L. Dean Sims, 59, of Lubbock were held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Aug. 28, 2000, at the Resthaven Funeral Home with Paul Jantzen, pastor of Trinity Church, officiating. Burial followed in the Wheeler Cemetery.

He died Friday, July 28, at University Medical Center in Lubbock. Born March 7, 1941, in Dalhart, he graduated from Wheeler High School and attended Texas Tech University and McMurry University. He had been an administrator at Cavazos Junior High School for the past several years and had been a resident of Lubbock since 1983. He was a member and former Sunday school teacher at Trinity Church.

Survivors include one daughter, Tracy of San Antonio; one son, Steven of Lubbock; one brother, Kent of Wheeler; two sisters, Joyce Haddox of Austin and Carolyn Jolly of Arlington; his mother, Amelia of Arlington; and one granddaughter.

The family has suggested memorials be made to the American Cancer Society or to the donor's favorite charity.

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Golden Plains Care Center News

by Sandy Smith

Hello everyone! We had a great time in Bible Study this week. Even though Bro. Jerry could not attend this meeting he sure sent us a blessing, his wife Betty. What a fantastic job she did. Everyone enjoyed her lesson on contentment.

We just had to try our hand at painting T-shirts this week in art. Mrs. Bland sure made a pretty one with sea shells and fish. We are going to try it again this week just because we had so much fun.

With school started back, we are looking forward to the visits from all of the children again. I hope to begin an adopted grandparent program. We sure have some of the best grandparents in town with lots of love, hugs and kisses.

Carl Jones had a short visit in the hospital this week. He is already back at home and doing much better. Good to have you back Carl!!

Anna Byrd had a busy week. She had several family members in to visit. The whole family took her out for an evening of fun at Chapa's. Anna, you sure did look pretty.

Our men's club met this week and discussed fishing! They are ready to go again as soon as the weather cools down some. Dempsey Zachary is ready, he is already telling some good fish stories. Thomas can you recall any of these?

That's it for this week folks, keep us in your prayers and....Keep Smiling!

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UZZIAH, SON OF AMAZIAH, ASCENDED THE THRONE OF JUDAH AT THE AGE OF SIXTEEN TO REIGN FOR FIFTY-TWO YEARS (809-757 B.C.). DURING THIS RULE, HE SERVED AS A WISE AND PIOUS KING. HE REBUILT JERUSALEM, STRENGTHENED ITS WALLS, ENCOURAGED THE ARTS, WAS VICTORIOUS IN BATTLE WITH HIS NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES AND, IN FACT, RAISED THE KINGDOM BACK TO THE POWER AND GLORY IT ENJOYED IN KING SOLOMON'S DAY! HOWEVER, WHEN HE MADE HIS ONE AND ONLY MISTAKE, IT WAS AS STUPENDOUS AS WERE HIS MANY TRIUMPHS! ELATED BY ALL HIS GOOD DEEDS, HE DECIDED HE SHOULD ALSO BE HEAD MAN IN THE TEMPLE, CERTAINLY ON HIGH OCCASIONS—AFTER ALL, OTHER KINGS DID THIS, DIDN'T THEY? WHO BETTER TO SERVE GOD IN THE HOLY OF HOLIES THAN UZZIAH HIMSELF, WHO HAD DONE SO MUCH FOR HIS KINGDOM? BUT...

...WHEN HE MADE THIS ATTEMPT, HE WAS WARNED BY THE HIGH PRIEST, AZARIAH, THAT ONLY A PRIEST COULD LAWFULLY ENTER THE HOLY PLACE AND OFFER INCENSE ON THE ALTAR (2ND CHRON. 26:17-19). UZZIAH WAS ENRAGED AND ABOUT TO USE FORCE WHEN, THE BIBLE TELLS US, GOD, IN HIS ANGER, INTERVENED AND UZZIAH WAS SMITTEN WITH LEPROSY, THEN AND THERE! NOT ONLY THAT—THE DIVINE WRATH WAS SO TEMPESTUOUS THAT IT CAUSED AN EARTHQUAKE WHICH SPLIT THE ROOF OF THE TEMPLE AND SENT ONE HALF OF A MOUNTAIN, SITUATED TO THE WEST OF JERUSALEM, CRASHING INTO THE VALLEY BELOW, WHICH DESTROYED AND COMPLETELY COVERED UP THE ROYAL GARDENS! THIS WE HAVE ON THE WORD OF JOSEPHUS, THE ANCIENT HISTORIAN OF THE JEWS, WITH FURTHER CORROBORATION IN THE BIBLE (AMOS 1:1) (ZECH 14:5). FROM THAT DAY ON, UZZIAH HAD TO LIVE IN SECLUSION AS A LEPER. HIS SON, JOTHAM, ADMINISTERING THE AFFAIRS OF GOVERNMENT IN HIS FATHER'S NAME, A RATHER FORCEFUL REMINDER TO ALL ISRAEL THAT, NO MATTER HOW GREAT, NO ONE COULD GET AWAY WITH BREAKING GOD'S LAW!

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The right to choose what?

by Sheldon Richman
 Regardless of one's position on abortion, believers in freedom and individual rights should be offended by the pro-abortion advocates' opportunistic shrinking of "a woman's right to choose" down to a single choice. The use of that euphemism hints at a certain squeamishness on its users' part. Can't they say the word "abortion"?

If a woman has a "right to choose" an abortion — if this is a matter of her very dignity — then it is perplexing why, according to these folks, she doesn't also have the right to choose to:

- Keep a handgun in her purse and nightstand drawer without having to get permission from the government.
- Send her kids to private schools without having also to pay taxes for the government's schools, which are playgrounds for unionized teachers.
- Decide how to plan and save for her own retirement and to opt out of the government's dependency-inducing Social Security system.
- Decide how to plan and save for her own medical care in retirement and to opt out of the government's dependency-inducing Medicare program.
- Purchase medical insurance free of government mandates requiring coverage she does not want.
- Ingest whatever substances she wishes without checking to see whether they are on the government's controlled-substances list.

Gamble however she pleases.
 Trade sexual favors for money.
 Keep all her income without fearing a visit from armed agents of the Internal Revenue Service.

- Buy imports from anywhere in the world, such as clothing for her children, free of tariffs and quotas designed to protect domestic products she finds inferior or too expensive.
- Buy milk for her children without paying artificially high prices created by government programs to subsidize the dairy industry.
- Take a job that pays less than the legislated minimum wage.
- Abstain from paying dues to a labor union she wishes not to join.
- Select an automobile from an array not tilted toward more dangerous lighter models by the government's superfluous fuel-efficiency standards.
- Buy gasoline for her car that is not made artificially expensive by taxes and irrational environmental regulations.

Earn a higher salary instead of seeing some of her income diverted to satisfying the government's OSHA regulations, which have had no bearing on workplace safety anyway.
 Use life-saving medicines and medical devices currently kept off the market by irrational and onerous FDA procedures.
 Patronize doctors, lawyers, and other professionals whose credentials are vouchered for by someone other than government licensing boards, which exist simply to keep the licensees' incomes artificially high.

- Smoke tobacco free from government regulations.
- Throw trash away without wasting time recycling.
- Give more than \$1,000 to a political candidate.
- Leave her entire estate to her children and not a penny to the government.
- Go to college without having to pay a tuition artificially inflated by government loans and grants.
- Start a business without undergoing a gauntlet of licenses, taxes, and regulations.

Surf the Web without fearing that the government is monitoring her journey through cyberspace.
 Send e-mail without fearing that the government is reading it.
 Put an NRA or pro-tax-cut bumper sticker on her car without wondering whether the police will think she's an "extremist."

Join an off-beat religious group without fearing that the government will decide to launch a SWAT invasion and gas her and her children.
 Develop her land even if the Army Corps of Engineers insists it's a wetland.
 Develop her land even if the Environmental Protection Agency believes that some insect, rodent, or bird is "endangered."
 Buy something to make her life more pleasant rather than see that portion of her income spent to bomb people in other countries or to starve them with economic sanctions.

Go about her business without fearing that the government is compiling dossiers on her.
 Associate in any way with people born in other countries regardless of whether the INS thinks they should be here.
 Purchase a toilet that flushes properly, rather than one conforming to idiotic environmental regulations.
 Not pay for someone else's "right to choose" to have an abortion if it violates her convictions or if she simply doesn't want to.
 By the way, why shouldn't men have these same rights to choose?
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And thereafter, groveling 101

by Walter E. Williams



When Vice President Al Gore announced that Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., was his running mate, many people applauded. Lieberman, an honorable man, was seen as a refreshing choice that just might help voters forget the immorality and corruption emblematic of the Clinton-Gore administration.

Having had the occasion to share a couple of dinners and conversations with Lieberman, I am among those who respect his honor and integrity. Since Lieberman's selection as Gore's running mate, I've come to have a bit less respect for his honor and integrity.

Lieberman has seen it necessary to accommodate political reality and learn to grovel, defined by Webster's dictionary as: to behave humbly or abjectly, as before authority; debase oneself in a servile fashion. Why? He has taken some policy positions inimical to powerful voting blocs within the Democratic Party.

One of those offended blocs is the Congressional Black Caucus and the civil-rights establishment. Lieberman has come out strongly against racial preferences and quotas. He also voiced support for California's Proposition 209, which banned racial preferences in college admissions.

In a 1995 speech on the Senate floor, Lieberman said, "Affirmative action is dividing us in ways its creators could never have intended because most Americans who do support equal opportunity and are not biased don't think it is fair to discriminate."

For after all, if you discriminate in favor of one group on the basis of race, you thereby discriminate against another group on the basis of race. That kind of talk earned Lieberman the ire and suspicion of black congressmen such as John Conyers, D-Mich., and Maxine Waters, D-Calif.

During the Democratic Convention, Lieberman had a private meeting with Waters and he addressed 300 members of the Black Congressional Caucus and the Democratic National Committee's Black Caucus and others.

He backpedaled and recanted, and swore that he'd be a team player in a Gore administration and support racial preferences. I sincerely feel

regret for Lieberman. He hasn't changed his thinking about racial preferences, but in the name of political expediency he has had to grovel and dishonor himself.

A Gore-Lieberman ticket has no chance for the White House without the enthusiastic support of black voters. A vice presidential candidate hostile to racial preferences puts that support at risk.

A Gore-Lieberman ticket also has no chance without the support of the powerful National Education Association (NEA), the teachers' union. Lieberman earned their ire and suspicion by coming out in support of education vouchers.

In an interview in the summer 1990 issue Policy Review, when asked about solutions to rotten public education, Lieberman said: "I am intrigued by the ideas of vouchers and choice as a way to create competition in the educational marketplace. I bet such competition would be popular, and would excite a lot of families, a lot of parents, a lot of students."

The notion of competition and accountability is not only an anathema to the public education establishment but to the Black Caucus and civil rights organizations, as well. The largest percentage of black professionals are members of the public education establishment, and like their white counterparts, they don't want competition and accountability.

So Lieberman has backpedaled, saying he only wanted to test vouchers. The fact that vouchers are favored by up to 80 percent of black parents, and routinely condemned by the so-called black leadership, is just another example of divergent interests between that leadership and the majority of their constituents.

Often, when privately funded vouchers are about to be awarded, 20,000 parents might line up for 1,000 vouchers. Lieberman's transformation is an object lesson on how politics can separate honor and dignity, and political expediency.

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Sanctifying the expansion of federal power

by Vin Suprynowicz

Washington journalist Jim Bovard, frequent contributor to the American Spectator and the Wall Street Journal, is the author of "The Farm Fiasco" (1989), "The Fair Trade Fraud" (1991), and "Lost Rights: The Destruction of American Liberty" (1994).

Each of Mr. Bovard's books has been a welcome addition to the library of those who harbor a lingering suspicion that — behind all the stage-managed "compassion" — today's regulatory bureaucracies really function as little more than costly protection rackets for the kind of vested interests who can afford to pony up massive "campaign contributions" to congressmen who know which side their toast is buttered on.

Bovard has always been good at unflinching and tacking down complex government schemes like butterflies under glass. More importantly, one refers the casual inquirer to Mr. Bovard's tomes in full confidence they will find there not merely the opinionated spoutings of some free-market theoretician, but rather the kind of rigorous scholarship which habitually appends 70 pages of careful notes and indices to the back of each 350-page volume.

If Bovard's early works deserved a criticism, I would have to focus on his apparent reluctance to inject into his work much judgmental, emotional content. That started to change in last year's "Freedom in Chains." Now, with the pending September release of Bovard's latest book, "feeling your pain: The Explosion and Abuse of Government Power in the Clinton-Gore Years" (\$26.95 from St. Martin's Press) I believe we are finally seeing the emergence of a mature and fully formed Jim Bovard, no longer content to merely shine a light into the rat warren and expect his readers to reach their own conclusions. Rather, the author now seems fully emotionally invested in exposing and rooting out the way the fast-talkers and the scalawags.

After eight years of Clintonism, hostility to government is now so widespread that even census takers take their lives in their hands to announce "I'm from the government and I'm here to help." And with good reason, Bovard says:

"From concocting new prerogatives to confiscate private property, to championing FBI agents' right to shoot innocent Americans, to bankrolling the militarization of local police forces, the Clinton administration stretched the power of government on all fronts," Bovard writes. "From the soaring number of wiretaps, to converting cell phones into homing devices for law enforcement, to turning bankers into spies against their customers, free speech and privacy were undermined again and again. From dictating how many pairs of Chinese silk panties Americans could buy, to President Clinton's heroic efforts to require trigger locks for all handguns in crack houses, no aspect of Americans' lives was too arcane for federal intervention."

Although Clinton famously announced in his 1996 State of the Union address that "the era of Big Government is over," that turned out to be nothing but an "intellectual shell game," masking a pattern of "stealth statism," Bovard asserts. Once the president had won re-election by again

campaigning as a moderate, he "opened the floodgates" of racial blackmail, IRS plunder, and one assault after another on our Bill of Rights, all justified by one cynical appeal or another to "the safety of the children."

"The Clinton administration built its 'bridge to the twenty-first century' by filling every sinkhole along the way with taxpayer dollars," Bovard reports. "From AmeriCorps projects that beat the bushes to recruit new food stamp recipients, to a flood insurance program that multiplied flood damage, to programs to give the keys to lavish new single-family homes to public housing residents, the Clinton administration's record domestic spending produced record fiascoes. For Clinton, the only wasted tax dollar was one that did not buy a vote, garner a campaign contribution, or provide a chance to bite his lip on national television."

Yet "While the media focused primarily on the new benefits that Clinton promised, little attention was paid to the swelling tax burden on working Americans. Federal income tax revenue doubled between 1992 and 2000. The total tax burden on the average family with two earners rose three times faster than inflation. Though the IRS wrongfully seized hundreds of thousands of Americans' paychecks and bank accounts during Clinton's reign, almost all of the agency's powers survived unscathed."

And that's just the introduction. From there, Mr. Bovard goes on to document every word.

Jim Bovard finally appears to be hopping mad, and I for one am glad to see it. Though many a "tell-all" book about the unlamented Clinton years is doubtless yet to come, I suspect "feeling your pain" (yes, it's officially all lower-case) may well survive as the best political obituary of the Clinton era — earning Jim Bovard an honor he might just as soon have forgone as our modern Cassandra, prophesying doom to an audience deafened by the happy din of the Wall Street jackpot machine.

For if anyone believes all this makes Mr. Bovard's work a George W. Bush campaign book — if anyone out there still believes that merely replacing the face at the ribbon-cuttings can change the kind of institutionalized corruption Jim Bovard has spent the better part of the past decade documenting — then perhaps we should close by quoting from Mario Puzo's hero Michael Corleone, who in "The Godfather" turned to his fiancée at his sister Connie's wedding to ask:
 "Now who's being naive?"

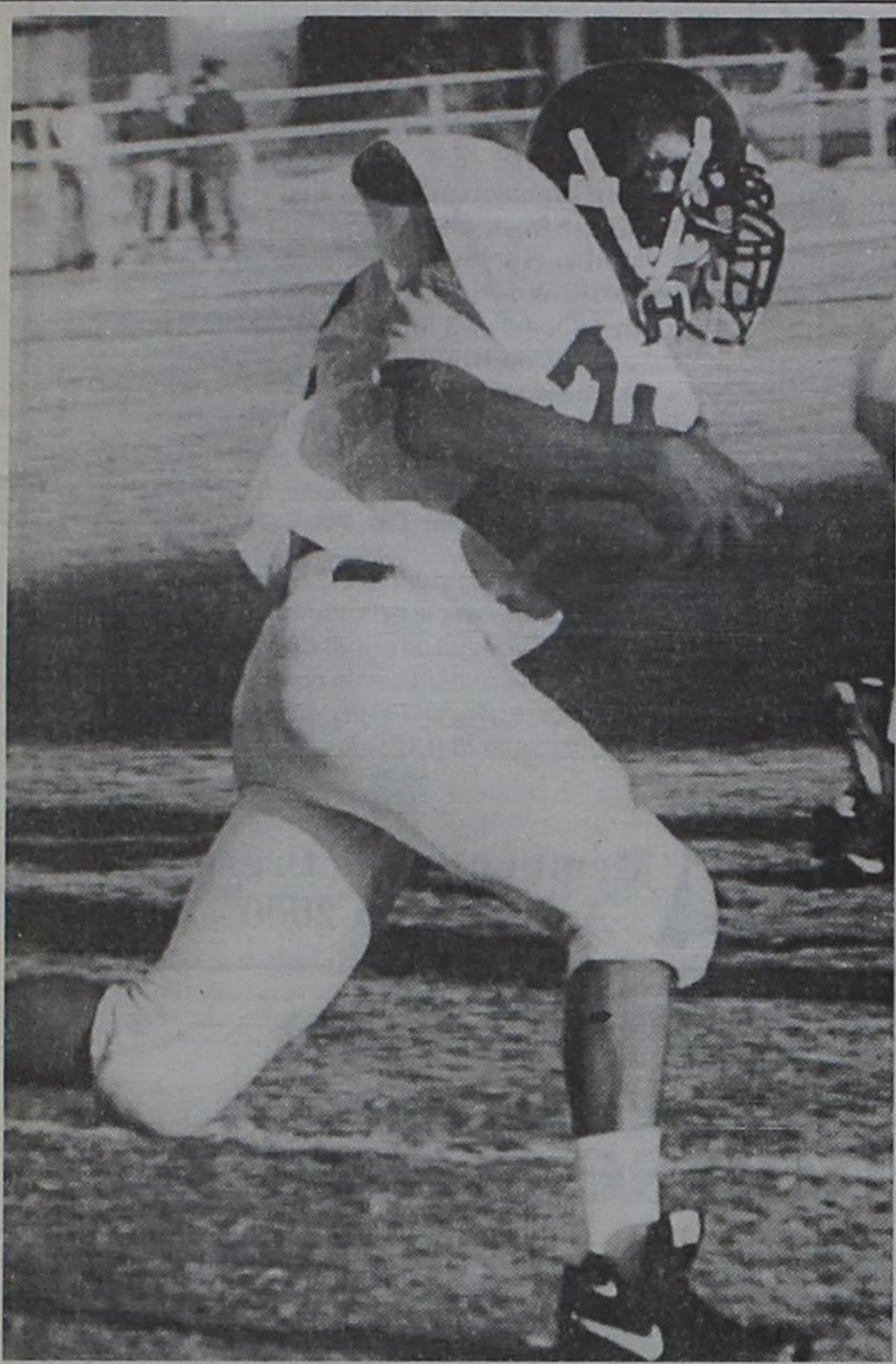
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Jonathan Curtis holds onto the football during a big gainer for the Post Antelope varsity in last Thursday's scrimmage with Stanton here. (Photo by Lannie Lee)

Antelopes open 2000 season at Hamlin Friday

by Wes Burnett

Post Antelope head coach Richard Gorman is pleased with the varsity's performance last Thursday in a controlled scrimmage with Stanton. "It's not nearly the same as game conditions," he said, "but I think the players stepped up and did the things we expected."

The Antelopes travel to Hamlin Friday for the season opener with the Pied Pipers. "We'll find out if we're ready," Gorman added.

In the Stanton scrimmage the first team offense scored on its first possession, demonstrating a balanced attack of running and throwing. "We've got to throw the ball to keep defenses from bunching up on us," Gorman said. He complimented the offense for its consistency. "We converted long third down situations and one fourth down conversion on that drive," he said.

The score came on a pass completion from quarterback Michael Huff to Jarrett Vickers.

On defense the 'Lopes showed poise, and kept Stanton's best running back hemmed in. "We're going to have to get great effort from our defensive line at Hamlin," Gorman observed. "They've got a big, fast and experienced tailback, and we're going to have to get a hold of him

at the line before he has a chance to rip off long runs."

"We're known for stout defense," Gorman added, "and I think we're going to be good on defense, but right now I'd have to say that we're a bit behind where we were this time last year." The coach pointed out that the team has a lot of good talent but not much varsity experience.

Six seniors are returning for action: Ross Babb, Jeremy Baker, Allen Bell, Jamie Collazo, Clinton Curtis, Tyrone Jefferson and C.J. Sims. "We're counting on these seniors to lead us," Gorman said.

The coach had not decided as of Tuesday on a starting lineup, but said that Bryan Looney will handle punting and kickoff chores, with Clinton Curtis taking care of extra point attempts.

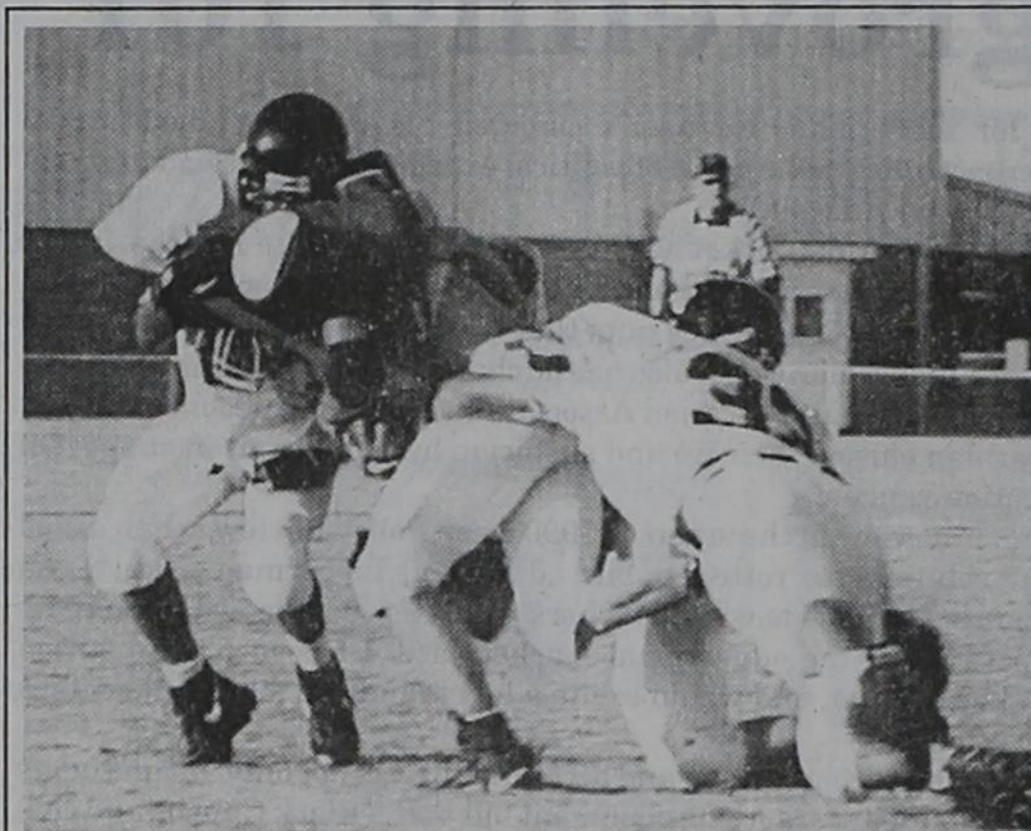
"Hamlin is going to be more physical and aggressive than they were when we played them last year," Gorman noted. "They play a 4-3 defense, moved about a lot, but are more of a reading and pursuit defense. We'll have to spread them out by throwing the ball well."

Huff, expected to start at quarterback, will be looking for Lance Curtis, Bell, Collazo and Luis Zubia as receivers.

Game time is 7:30 at Hamlin.



Clinton Curtis (left) and Jay Cole (74) show Stanton what defense is all about during last Thursday's scrimmage here. (Photo by Lannie Lee)



Jarrett Vickers (35) stops a Stanton running back with an unidentified Antelope defender during scrimmage action against Stanton last Thursday. (Photo by Lannie Lee)



Post football moms served a "ton" of homemade ice cream last Thursday at "Meet the Antelope Night." Fans were introduced to middle school and high school players and cheerleaders. High school action opens Thursday with Gold and Black teams hosting Coahoma and Hamlin.

All words are pegs to hang ideas on.

—Henry Ward Beecher

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Youngsters enjoy Kids Fest 2000

by Linda Puckett

Kids Fest 2000 was a fun filled day for kids and adults, held at the Garza County Historical Museum, Saturday August 12.

This project was funded in part by a grant from Texas Commission On the Arts, the Kids 'N' Art program, Garza County Historical Museum, and the Caprock Cultural Association. Sponsors for the event were, McDonalds, Sonic, Pizza Hut, Dairy Queen, United, Citizens Bank, Sara Wagner, Gary Puckett, Randy White, and Kenny Ratke.

Special thanks to our volunteers, Gina Rodriguez, Dianna Basquez, JoAnn Mock, Jackie Gonzales, Jean Davenport, Polly Cravy, Sheri Riedel, BSA Troop 316, and Nelva Sybertz

The stick horse barrel racing event winners were, 1st place, Vanessa Hampton and 2nd place, Ruby Rodriguez. Clown contest winners were, 1st place, Victoria Hampton, 2nd place, Evette Rodriguez.

We congratulate all the young artist who entered their work in the annual youth art show, which exhibits not only their artistic talents, but represents a body of works which took an entire year to create. Great show Kids!

Youth Art Show

Top winners were:

Best of Show Award went to Eric Green of Tahoka, pencil drawing of "Picasso."

Best entry in two age groups, 6 and under, and 7-10, went to Victoria Hampton of Post.

Best entry age 11-13 went to Chad Miller of Tulia.

Best entry age 14-18 went to Craig Mahagan of Bloomfield, Colorado. Victoria Hampton also won the prize for having the most entries (13) in the show.

Ribbon winners were:

LANDSCAPES

6 AND UNDER, 1st Victoria Hampton; 2nd Jessica Jones and 3rd Cody Pickett

7-10, 1st Kindace Druessedow; 1st Mycah Druessedow; 2nd Courtney Basquez; 2nd Victoria Hampton; 3rd Tianna Reyna; 3rd Kindace Druessedow; and HM Christina Aguilar.

LANDSCAPES WITH STRUCTURE

6 AND UNDER, 2nd Jessica Jones; 2nd Victoria Hampton and 3rd Cody Pickett.

7-10, 1st Victoria Hampton; 2nd Kindace Druessedow; 2nd & 3rd Jason Worthington; HM Taylor Ford; HM Mycah Druessedow and HM Tianna Reyna.

14-18, 1st Clinton Yarbrow; 1st Eric Green and HM Eric Green.

PORTRAITS

11-13, 1st Chad Miller
14-18, 1st Eric Green; 1st Chris Delombro; 2nd & 3rd Chris Torres

and HM Eric Green.

PHOTOGRAPHY

14-18, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, & 2-HM Craig Mahagan.

POTTERY

7-10, 3rd Jason Worthington
14-18, 1st Clinton Yarbrow and 2nd Quinton Yarbrow.

SCULPTURE

6 AND UNDER, 1st Cody Pickett
7-10, 2nd Tianna Reyna; 3rd Evette Rodriguez and HM Courtney Basquez.

ROCK PAINTING

6 & UNDER, 1st Jessie Jones
7-10, 1st Courtney Basquez and 2nd Evette Rodriguez.

EMPRESSIONS OF PICASSO

6 AND UNDER, 2nd, 3rd Mycah Druessedow.

7-10, 1st Kindace Druessedow; 2nd Mandi Strickland; 2nd Monica Strickland; 3rd Mandi Strickland; 3rd Taylor Ford and HM Kindace

Druessedow.

11-13, 2nd Monty Jolly
14-18, 1st, 2nd Eric Green

MINIATURE

7-10, 1st Tianna Reyna; 2nd Jason Worthington and 3rd Victoria Hampton.

14-18, HM Eric Green

ANIMAL/FOWL

7-10, 1st Courtney Basquez; 2nd Evette Rodriguez; 2nd Jessica Jones; 2-3rd Victoria Hampton.

11-13, 1st, 2nd and 3rd Chad Miller.
14-18, 1st Quinton Yarbrow and 2nd Eric Green.

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6 AND UNDER, 1st Victoria Hampton and 2nd Jessica Jones.

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6 AND UNDER, 2nd Victoria Hampton and 3rd Jessica Jones.
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Clinton Curtis puts Stanton's quarterback on the ground with the help of other Post Antelope defenders during action here last Thursday in a controlled scrimmage with Stanton.

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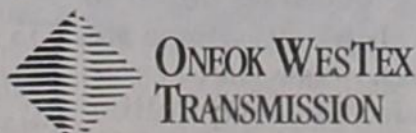
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Hints for helping children with lunches

Most parents know that their children need proper nutrients to help them grow. For many parents, however, packing a healthy school lunch that their children will eat can be a nightmare.

"Involve your child in shopping and preparing their lunch," said Cheri Moore, R.D., a dietitian at Covenant Health System. "Keeping them involved will keep them interested and ensure they are eating healthy foods that they enjoy."

Following these tips can help parents and children feel better about nutrition:

- Send a frozen pack with any perishables (such as sandwich meat).
- Remind children to store their lunch boxes in a safe place away from sunlight.

- Pack easy-to-eat foods such as raw vegetables, an oatmeal cookie, cheese slices or individual containers of pudding or yogurt.

- Plan menus with your children.
- Select and prepare foods appropriate to your child's age.

- Avoid prepackaged meat, cheese and cracker meals targeted at children that are high in fat and sodium.

- Allow some "extras" so their favorite foods are factored into the lunches.
- Give children milk money so they will get the calcium they need.

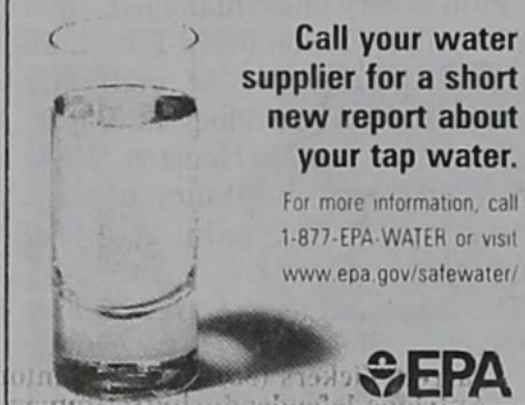
"Children like variety," Moore said. "Vary the bread you use. For example, use hot dog buns, tortillas and pita bread for sandwiches to avoid monotony."

She also suggests using cookie cutters to cut sandwiches into shapes to help make lunch fun. Use hearts

for Valentine's Day, snowmen in the winter or stars for that sandwich that says, "You're a star!"

"Kids love to dip foods," she said. "Try packing fresh fruits with a yogurt dip or vegetables with a low-fat ranch dressing."

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Hector Rodriguez (center) of Post is congratulated by McDonald's franchise owner Bill Cohen (left) and manager Carey Kidd as winner of the Coca-Cola bike.

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The GARZA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 7.9741 percent. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The public hearing will be held on MONDAY-SEPTEMBER 11TH at 1:30 PM - COMMUNITY CENTER.

FOR the proposal: LEE NORMAN, MASON MCCLELLAN, JOHN VALDRZ, MIKE SANCHEZ

AGAINST the proposal: NONE

PRESENT and not voting: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	Last Year	This Year
Average residence homestead value	\$ 20,089	\$ 20,402
General exemptions available (amount available on the average homestead, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Average taxable value	\$ 20,089	\$ 20,402
Tax rate	.435	.38780
Tax	\$ 87.38	\$ 79.11

Under this proposal, taxes on the average homestead would DECREASE by \$ 8.27 or 10.45 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would DECREASE by \$.0472 per \$100 of taxable value or 10.85 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

Criminal Justice Mandate (for counties):

The GARZA County Sheriff certifies that GARZA County has spent \$ -0- in the previous 12 months beginning JULY 1, 1999, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. KENNY RATKE County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

Sonic launches interactive program

Sonic Drive-In is about to launch a fun and interactive program for parents and children that's sure to make them see stars.

In September, Sonic will introduce the Super Sonic Rocket Topper in its Wacky Pack kid's meal. The Wacky Pack characters will each have their own space ship rocket in which the top ejects and spins. Even more exciting is the program's educational aspect that offers families a chance to win a trip to Space Camp in Titusville, Fla.

The Parent/Child Space Camp is designed to give a boost to kids' confidence and self-esteem. Parents and children will master an assignment in mission control and successfully build rockets that actually lift off the launch pad. The camp revolves around education and offers an environment for parents to get to know their children better in a positive and fun setting.

"The entire Wacky Pack program is designed to encourage interaction between parents and children," said Patty Moore, executive vice president of the Sonic Corporation. "With the help of an 'Accent on Activity' card — an insert place in each Sonic Wacky Pack kid's meal — parents can teach their children universal values, encourage learning and thinking and improve problem-solving skills while at the same time, having fun as a family."

"The Space Camp trip is another way for parents and children to develop strong, open relationships. Our hope is that the parents and children who attend the Space Camp will create memories that will last a lifetime."

The trip will be awarded to three parent/child entries in November. To win, contestants register through entry blanks available in September Wacky Packs kid's meals. Trips will be redeemed in the summer of 2001 and will include airfare, meals, educational programs and materials, accommodations and T-shirts for the parent and child.

El Cid Cutting Horse competition

Allsup said last year's fund raiser generated a number of items, including a F-16 simulator ride from the United States Air Force, a vintage gasoline pump, a Denver Bronco helmet signed by John Elway and a handmade quilt.

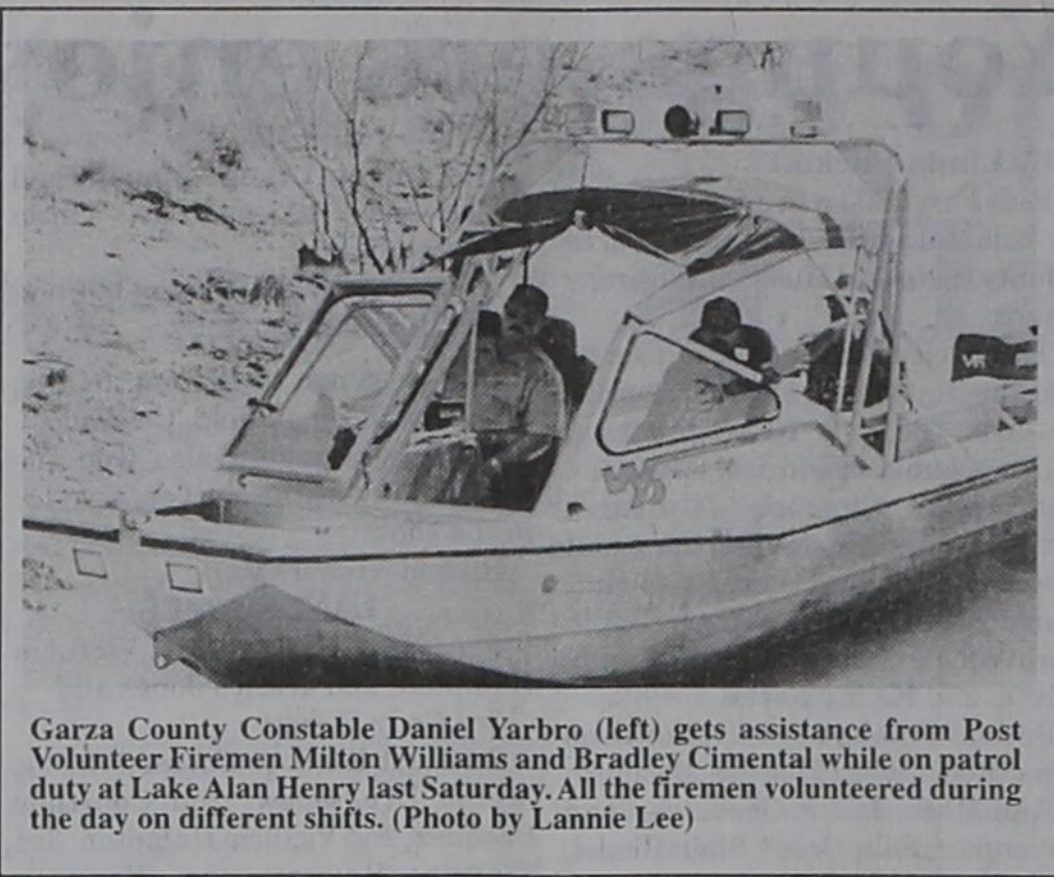
Items received in the past that have sold well included any type of logo item (shirts, coolers, radios, watches, etc.); grills; bikes; sculptures; boots; phones; camping gear; toys; drink vending machines; sports equipment, particularly that used for golf, hunting and fishing; luggage; paintings; jewelry; computers; tours and trips; beef, motorcycle gear; tools; tack; photography; appliances; musical equipment; cars; and jet skis.

"We will be grateful for everything and assure you the end result will help someone who needs help," Allsup said.

For more information, call Barbara Allsup at 505-769-2311.

Door prizes and items for the live and silent auctions which will sideline the annual El Cid Cutting Horse Competition are needed, according to organizers of the event.

The competition, conducted near



Garza County Constable Daniel Yarbro (left) gets assistance from Post Volunteer Firemen Milton Williams and Bradley Cimental while on patrol duty at Lake Alan Henry last Saturday. All the firemen volunteered during the day on different shifts. (Photo by Lannie Lee)

Clovis, New Mexico, is ranked #10 in the nation and thousands of invitations are distributed throughout the United States. Many states and a handful of foreign countries are routinely represented at the show, which is sponsored by Allsup's Convenience Stores, Zia Broadcasting, Allsup Petroleum and El Cid out of Clovis.

"We have added enhancements to the show and expect this one to be the best ever," said Lonnie D. Allsup, president of Allsup's. "During the show, we host a dinner for all competitors and sell tickets to the general public. Dinner is followed by Website addresses pain management"

Website addresses pain management

A new website addresses the issues of pain management in children. "Pain is very undermanaged," said Dr. Marilyn Hockenberry-Eaton, an associate professor of pediatric hematology and oncology at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "Even today there is a hesitancy to treat young people for pain. A lot of misconceptions exist."

The Texas Children's Cancer Center website, located at www.childcancerpain.org, addresses those myths as well as provides educational information to caregivers on effective pain management in children. "Cancer Pain Management in Children" is a project funded by the Texas Cancer Council. Though the website is designed for cancer patient caregivers, it provides information useful for all health professionals and parents.

Letters to the Editor

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

Happy with Kids Fest

I was visiting in Post with my grandmother during the Kids Fest on August 12 at the museum. I had lots of fun. I won lots of prizes. The best thing was a bow and arrow. Next year I think it will be even better. All the Post kids who missed this fun would have had a great time.

Mrs Puckett sure is nice. Sterling Simpson, Lubbock

A teacher's lament in government controlled schools

Let me see if I've got this straight, Mr. Clinton and fellow Democrats: You want me to go into a schoolroom full of kids, and fill their every waking moment with a sense of being nurtured, and a love for learning.

Not only that...I'm to instill a sense of pride in their ethnicity, modify their disruptive behavior and observe them for signs of abuse, drugs, and T-shirt messages, all while television is teaching them that sexual perversion is okay, and killing people is cool.

I am to fight the war on drugs and sexually transmitted diseases, check their backpacks for weapons, and raise their self-esteem, without damaging their fragile egos by telling them that such behavior is wrong.

I'm to teach them patriotism, good citizenship, sportsmanship and fair play, while answering their snickering questions about how it is okay for you to subvert the Constitution, take illegal campaign contributions, molest women and bomb innocent people to death to divert the media attention from your own unlawful behavior.

I'm supposed to tell them how and where to register to vote, how to balance a checkbook and how to apply for a job, even if I know they are in this country illegally.

I am supposed to check their heads occasionally for lice, maintain a safe environment, recognize signs of potential antisocial behavior, and provide them the sound advice and guidance that used to come from their parents and pastor. I am to be held responsible for deciding who might be potentially dangerous and/or liable to commit crimes in school, and I can be sent to jail for not mentioning these suspicious to those in authority.

I'm supposed to instill the idea in them that respect for cultural diversity means being a clone in dress, achievement and political philosophy, and that it is wrong to excel over others or be different by working harder or being innovative. In short, that individuality and personal liberty are bad things. I'm to write letters of recommendation for student employment and scholarships, and, oh yes, to teach them the three R's, in two languages, always making sure to equally distribute my attention according to sex, race and ethnicity.

I'm to demonstrate my school spirit by sponsoring the cheerleaders or some other collateral class activity, and after school I am to attend committee and faculty meetings and participate in staff development training in order to maintain my current certification and employment status.

I'm required by my contract to be working on my own time, at my own expense, summers and evenings, towards advanced certification and a master's degree, so that the school I work for can maintain its accreditation and reputation, and continue to receive federal dollars.

I am to collect personal data on students and their families, and maintain all records to support and document our progress in the state-mandated program to "assess and upgrade educational excellence in the public schools."

I am to be a paragon of morality, larger than life, such that my very presence will awe my students into being obedient and respectful of authority. I am to pledge allegiance to supporting family values, a return to the basics, and loyalty to the National Teachers Union and your administration, even though you and your "progressive" entertainment and media friends demonstrate none of these virtues.

I am to take time away from teaching the basics to incorporate Internet technology into their learning, but I'm to monitor all Web sites for appropriate content, while at the same time providing a personal one-on-one relationship with each student.

I am to make sure ALL students pass all classes, and state- and federally mandated tests, whether or not they attend school on a regular basis, cooperate with me, or complete any of the work I assign them. I am to communicate frequently with each student's parents by letter, phone, newsletter and grade card.

I'm to accomplish all these duties with just a piece of chalk, a computer, a few books and a bulletin board, in a 50 minute class, while exuding a friendly, nonthreatening smile, on a starting salary that qualifies my family for food stamps in many states.

I'm to remain loyal to you in all ways, never breaking ranks or disparaging

GHD...

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attorneys' fees, "i) Retain jurisdiction to render any and all further orders that this Court may from time to time deem appropriate, and "j) Grant any and all further relief at law and in equity to which the Plaintiffs are entitled."

Legal citation for the cause are listed as follows:

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County...

(Continued from Page 1)
Sheriff Kenny Ratke blamed GTE for problems related to answering 911 calls. The issue revolved around a citizen complaint that a recent call to 911 was not answered. Ratke and dispatchers told the court that regular complaints to GTE about equipment and systems failures have been basically ignored.

"This is the absolute worst condition of equipment I've ever seen," Ratke emphasized. "We get calls from people in Lynn County and Lubbock County, and there is so much static on the 911 line we frequently have trouble with the system."

A letter from South Plains Association of Governments, which coordinates the 911 systems, brought the subject to light. "We could have gotten on this a lot faster if the complaint had been filed sooner," Ratke added. Ratke said that every GTE customer is charged every month for 911 service, "and folks, I'm here to tell you that we're not getting our money's worth."

Judge Dalby suggested that GTE should provide an explanation for the system failures. "They're going through a change of ownership," Ratke added, "and they're using that as an excuse for not solving these problems we're having."

The court agreed to include a contract of \$3,000 for the updating of the county emergency management plan, and requested the city to share one half of the expense. Stephens said he felt that the city council would approve such a proposal, but it would have to be approved by the council. Commissioner Lee Norman recommended a six month deadline for completing the project.

JoAnn Mock submitted a request on behalf of the Garza County Historical Museum for the county to pay the salary for the museum's assistant. The Caprock Cultural Association has been funding the part time position.

The court agreed to participate with other counties in seeking additional funding from the legislature for preserving historic county buildings. Norman was elected by the court to serve as chairman of the county preservation committee.

Half of our mistakes in life arise from feeling where we ought to think, and thinking where we ought to feel.
—John Churton Collins

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the party line, even though I have to sign this lament as "anonymous" in order to protect my job and my future.

Is that all? And you expect me to do all of this without praying?
Author unknown, Contributed by a reader

Jail costs...

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said the total has already climbed beyond the \$40,000 mark, including more than \$20,000 in medical bills incurred when a county prisoner being housed at the Giles Dalby Correctional Facility was involved in a fight.

"Still, we're just meeting medical needs and the bare minimum required by law," he said, noting that the county jail handles more than 500 prisoners each year.

Ratke said his request for \$40,000 for the county jail's operation is "conservative" and reflects no increase from the requests he's made over the past several years. Two years ago, the budget for the jail stood at \$40,000, but commissioners trimmed that figure in anticipation of the October 1999 opening of the Dalby Correctional Facility.

The Dalby unit, as part of its operational agreement with the county, has 10 beds set aside for use by the county. These beds are used when the county jail, which is certified to house up to six individuals, fills up.

"The commissioners court made an error in decreasing (the county jail operations budget) so much," Ratke said. "The line item (for the county jail) has been underfunded for numerous years."

County officials estimated they with the opening of the Dalby unit, the county would realize savings of approximately \$30,000 per year in jail operations, the sheriff said. But several unbudgeted expenses assessed of the county jail's operations budget have failed to result in the expected savings.

Ratke said his budget is taking a hit of \$5 per day for each of the 10 beds at the Dalby unit dedicated for Garza County's use. That, plus "incidental costs" which the sheriff said remain substantially undefined, have cost his jail budget anywhere from \$1,200-1,600 per month in unbudgeted expenses.

These bills started coming in as soon as the Dalby unit began accepting county prisoners; however, Ratke said the paperwork "floated through the county system" without his knowledge until about two months ago.

In addition to these bills, the sheriff said his jail budget has taken another hit recently when the annual inspection for the Dalby unit, which carries a \$1,500 fee, was paid for county jail operations funds.

"There are a bunch of hidden costs that we were never made aware of — me or the commissioners court," Ratke said. "They budgeted absolutely nothing on the Dalby unit."

In the meantime, Ratke said he has to "think long and hard" when it comes to deciding how to best use the beds in the county jail or the overflow beds at the Dalby unit.

"I'm trying to keep costs down, but I'm trying to do my job too," he said. "Sometimes it can be a tough call."

Think Texas
by Agriculture Commissioner
SUSAN COMBS

The demand for corn on the cob at family picnics is often fervent — even fierce at times — but now there may be another group craving for more corn. And this could mean even bigger dollars for the corn industry in Texas.

The federal government is looking for an alternative for the gasoline additive MTBE, which is used to help gasoline burner cleaner. And that's where ethanol, made primarily from corn, comes in.

If MTBE is banned, the market for ethanol will be tremendous in Texas since some 254 million gallons a year would be needed. Corn is the primary source of ethanol in the United States, so an increased demand means a better market for our farmers. Producers may earn an additional 14 cents for every bushel of corn they sell.

While this is good news for the corn industry, the demand may also carry over to other agricultural products. Ethanol can be made not only from corn, but also from other agricultural products, including rubber residue in East Texas, rice straw on the Gulf Coast and grain sorghum and peanut hulls in West Texas.

While MTBE has not been officially phased out, the outlook might be promising for agriculture to step in as an alternative.

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Screen of the
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Yesteryears

by Pat Burnett

August 29, 1990
10 Years Ago

Andreas (Andy) Heinrich, 19, of Munich, Germany, has been a visitor this month in the Shumard home finally meeting "pen pal" Becky Shumard after corresponding since 1987. While a seventh grader at Post Middle School, Becky participated in a "pen pal" program through Dedra Adams' class, and after choosing Germany as the country she preferred, the correspondence with Andy began.

A total of 994 students entered the halls of the three Post ISD campuses Monday when school started, according to information from Superintendent Bill Shiver.

Doris Cornett of Justiceburg and Deanna Baxter of Post were among the Western Texas College vocational nursing students taking part in graduation and capping ceremonies Thursday night.

August 28, 1980
20 Years Ago

Wedding vows between Nancy Carol Clary and Jimmy Charles Norman were read Saturday, August 23 at 7 p.m. in the First Baptist Church.

Dennis Conrad, son of Frances Conrad of Post, has been named Radio Personality of the Year by the Idaho State Broadcasters Association.

Rosemary Rogers will be Post's pledge center coordinator for the 1980 Jerry Lewis telethon.

A new birth in Post is Arimy Jane Gradine born Monday, August 25, 1980 at 5:33 a.m. in Garza Memorial Hospital.

A new lunchroom for the Post schools opens its door for the 1980 school year. Mrs. Johnnie Wilson is the supervisor for the lunchroom.

Mr and Mrs D.T. Tarvis, former Garza County teachers, celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.

August 27, 1970
30 Years Ago

Champions in the Post Public Library's Summer Reading Program were cousin's Patricia Raymundo and Julie Raymundo.

The children of the late Mr and Mrs J.N. Gossett met at the Graham Community center for a reunion Sunday.

Steven Jay White was honored with a surprise weiner roast on his 11th birthday.

Melvin Lynn Byrd received his B.A. degree in Bible from Hardin College.

The Antelope Booster Club's second annual "Meet our Antelopes" event will be Friday at Antelope stadium at 7:30 p.m.

August 25, 1960
40 Years Ago

Lonnie Peel, was injured in a go-kart accident. He was on crutches after leaving the hospital.

Open house set for Sunday for new high school.

Mrs Glen Potts finds rattlesnake in front yard.

Mrs Willa Faye Graves and Walter Didway wed Saturday.

Gloria Thompson honored on 13th birthday with party. Guests were Sandy Gary, Darlene Jones, Brenda Mason, Diane Maxey, Theresa and Bobby Dean, Wesley Gene Morris, Sandy, Gary Dee and Stanley Jones.

The Post Bowling Center opened with Billy Miller as manager.

Bobby, Skipper and Junior Bevers helped their grandfather, S.S. Bevers with his hoeing for two days.

Southland cheerleaders attend SMU's cheerleading school. They are Sharla Taylor, Janice Ellis, Brenda Dabbs and Kelly Davies.

August 31, 1950
50 Years Ago

Richard John Nott, British "young farmer" visits Post.

Tom Power to attend the First Calvary Associations fourth annual reunion in New York.

Movie of the year "Stars in My

Crown" with Joel McCrea will show at Garza Theater.

Eddie Warren, Clint Herring and Marvin Hudman left Tuesday for a fishing trip to South Texas and Mexico.

Two former Post boys are now practicing law in Washington, D.C. They are Kent Presson and Darrell Jones.

Miss Bonnie Gary to be honored at a tea shower.



AT FORT HOOD

Army Pvt. James E. Sparks, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donley Sparks, Post, Tex., recently completed advanced individual training with the 2d Armored Division's 51st Infantry at Fort Hood. He entered the Army last February and completed basic training at Fort Carson, Colo. Sparks attended Moore High School in Waco. (U. S. Army Photo.)

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The Post Dispatch
July 28, 1960

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1 yard cover
5 in east TX: Lake _____ Pines _____
6 singer Redding _____
7 Rockport is "where the fun never _____"
8 Tex-Mex mafia: "El _____"
9 James Bond creator Fleming _____
10 steak cut _____
11 Duvall film ('97) _____
12 TXism: "costs an _____ a leg"
13 Levis with grass on the knee
14 owner of famous TX JA Ranch: _____
15 _____ Ritchie _____
16 he mapped the TX coastline: Alonso Alvarez de _____
17 Benjamin is the seat of this county
18 pro pitcher from Duncanville, David _____
19 TXism: "happy _____ with two tails"
20 TXism: "there are no lights in the _____" (dim witted)
21 acid type _____
22 varied tastes at "Night in Old San Antonio" (2 wds.) _____
23 TX Tanya Tucker's _____ and _____
24 Goin' Down _____
25 this Peter starred in TX-filmed "Benji"
26 TXism: "use _____ as earrings on a sow"
27 hand-me-down _____

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50 TXism: "in a pig's _____" (never)
51 colt's papa _____
52 Noah's ark-loading regimen: "_____ a time"
53 in Montague Co. on 82 Monte _____ TX _____
54 Blg _____ TX _____
55 TX Tommy Lee film: "Eyes of Laura _____"

15 ex-Cowboy Newton _____
16 Oklahoma town _____
17 TXism: "as ugly as _____"
18 a flag over TX: fleur-de-lis _____
19 Gov. James E. _____ Ferguson _____
20 TX Sly Stone's "Everybody _____ Star"
21 where Texans fought in the '70s _____
22 fit to eat _____
23 Clarendon is seat of this county _____
24 TX electronics co. _____
25 best little puzzle in TX (abbr.) _____

39 Ripley's Believe It _____
40 Dr. Pepper Chinese beverage co. _____
41 person from the northern pt. of UK _____
42 "JFK" director (init.) _____
43 this Karl was a "Son of the Pioneers" (init.) _____
44 founder of El Paso: Juan _____
45 TXism: "his axle _____ hot" (active)
46 TXism: "quick on the _____" (fast)



MRS. JIMMY NORMAN (Nancy Carol Clary)

From The Post Dispatch, August 28, 1980



MRS. WALTER FRANK DIDWAY (Willa Faye Graves)

Miss Willa Faye Graves and Walter Didway wed Saturday

From The Post Dispatch August 25, 1960



READERS GET CERTIFICATES

Sixteen of the 34 children who received certificates in the party in their honor at the library Saturday morning, at which time the certificates were distributed.

From The Post Dispatch, August 27, 1970

Lunch Menus

Trailblazers

Monday, September 4, 2000
Closed

Tuesday, September 5, 2000
Brisket, au gratin potatoes, fried okra, sliced tomatoes, wheat roll and apricot cobbler.

Wednesday, September 6, 2000
Catfish, oven potatoes, carrot salad, cornbread, bananas and oranges and sugar cookies.

Thursday, September 7, 2000
Baked chicken, w/mushroom sausage, creamed potatoes, broccoli, tossed salad, biscuit and lemon cake.

Friday, September 8, 2000
Meatloaf, corn, green beans, coleslaw, wheat roll and dry jello salad.

SATURDAY, BAKE SALE AT UNITED..

Post ISD

Monday, September 4, 2000
Breakfast: _____
Lunch: Holiday

Tuesday, September 5, 2000
Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit and choice of milk.
Lunch: Corn dog, French fries, mixed vegetables, pears and choice of milk.

Wednesday, September 6, 2000
Breakfast: French toast, sausage link, fruit and choice of milk.
Lunch: Chicken nuggets, gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, pudding and choice of milk.

Thursday, September 7, 2000
Breakfast: Oatmeal, bacon, toast, fruit and choice of milk.
Lunch: Pizza, salad, corn, cake and choice of milk.

Friday, September 8, 2000
Breakfast: Cereal, fruit, toast, orange juice and white milk.
Lunch: Cheeseburger, H.B. salad, tater tots, fruit-roll-up and choice of milk.

Southland ISD

Monday, September 4, 2000
Breakfast: _____
Lunch: Holiday

Tuesday, September 5, 2000
Breakfast: Sausage, egg and cheese burrito, juice and milk.
Lunch: Chicken nuggets, cream potatoes, gravy, mixed vegetables, rolls, brownie and milk.

Wednesday, September 6, 2000
Breakfast: French toast, bacon, fruit and milk.
Lunch: Polish sausage, sauerkraut, beans, cream potatoes, cookie and milk.

Thursday, September 7, 2000
Breakfast: Cereal, toast, juice and milk.
Lunch: Frito pie, pinto beans, salad, pineapple and milk.

Friday, September 1, 2000
Breakfast: Oatmeal, toast, fruit and milk.
Lunch: Chicken sandwich, salad, fries, ice cream and milk.



FOUNDER'S DAY COMMITTEE members working on this year's celebration are (back row, left to right) Wanda Mitchell, Patty Kirkpatrick, Jo Ann Mock, Jack Lott, Giles Dalby, Nelda Dalby, Linda Waldrip, (seated, left to right) Molly Lott, Barbara Hardin, Larry Mills, Rex Cash, Danny Gunn and Ruby Williams.

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Draft regional water plan public hearing slated Sept. 26 at Lubbock civic center

Garza County residents are invited to offer comments about the content of the draft Llano Estacado Regional Water Management Plan at a public hearing to be held Tuesday, Sept. 26, at 6 p.m. in the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center Theater, 1501 6th St., in Lubbock.

"This public hearing will give area residents the opportunity to comment on various water management strategies in the draft plan which are recommended to help conserve and preserve our region's surface and ground water resources for the next 50 years," said A. Wayne Wyatt of Lubbock, chairman of the Llano Estacado Regional Water Management Planning Group.

As part of the provisions of SB 1 passed during the 75th Texas Legislature, the Texas Water Development Board in Austin divided the state into 16 regional water planning areas. The Llano Estacado Regional Water Planning region is managed by a group of area citizens representing 11 water use interest

groups. These water user interest groups include agriculture, public sector, county governments, municipalities, industries, environmental issues, small businesses, electric generating utilities, river authorities, water districts and water utilities.

The Llano Estacado Regional Water Planning Group has been working since February 1998 to develop a regional water plan that identifies both short-term and long-term water supply needs and recommends water management strategies.

"The draft plan contains a description of the Llano Estacado Regional Water Planning area, population and water demand projections, water supplies identified by the planning group, projected water supplies and needs for counties within the planning region, and the recommended short-term and long-term management strategies," Wyatt said.

Copies of the draft plan are

available in the county clerk's office in each of the 21 counties within the planning region, including Garza, Bailey, Brisco, Castro, Cochran, Crosby, Dawson, Deaf Smith, Dickens, Floyd, Gaines, Hale, Hockley, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Motley, Parmer, Swisher, Terry and Yoakum. In addition, a copy is available for review in the public library in each of these counties.

Copies of the draft plan are also available for review in the office of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1, 2930 Ave. Q, in Lubbock. Single copies of the report may be checked out of the district's library for no more than five days. A \$100 deposit is required. A copy of the draft plan may be purchased for \$75, which is the approximate cost of reproduction.

The plan and executive summary are also available on the Internet at the Llano Estacado Regional Water Planning Group web site at www.llanoplan.org.

Written comments about the content of the plan should be directed to A. Wayne Wyatt, Chairman of the Llano Estacado Regional Water Planning Group, 2930 Ave. Q, Lubbock, TX 79405-1499. Comments will be accepted through Oct. 13.

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Natural gas costs force SPS rate hike

Dramatically escalating prices of natural gas used at power plants to generate electricity are forcing Southwestern Public Service Co. to ask Texas utility regulators to increase the "fuel cost recovery" portion of bills beginning at the end of August.

If the Texas Public Utility Commission approves the request, Texas residential customers of SPS using 800 kilowatt-hours of service monthly would see an ongoing price increase of \$3.44, an increase of about 6.7 percent.

SPS also has requested a short-term "rider" increase that would be in effect for eight months. The rider would allow the company to recover higher costs of natural gas already used to produce power during recent months. The rider would bring the total increase to \$6.76 per month from October through May. During the eight-month period, the total increase would be about 13 percent above today's prices.

"We are asking to spread the 'catch-up' phase of this increase over eight

months in order to minimize the effect on a customer's monthly bill," said David Hudson, SPS director of regulatory administration.

The last change SPS made in the fuel cost recovery portion of its bills to Texas customers was a reduction in early 1999. A residential customer using 800 kilowatt-hours saw a price decrease of about \$38.50 per year. The ongoing increase SPS has requested would total \$41.28 annually.

SPS is requesting the "fuel cost factor," charged on a per-kilowatt-hour basis, also be increased for its commercial and industrial accounts in Texas.

"Even with these potential increases, SPS's overall prices—for all classes of customers everywhere we serve—will continue to be among the lowest in the Southwest and even the nation," Hudson said. "The total price for service from SPS will remain among the lowest offered by a regulated utility in Texas. All utilities are paying higher natural gas-fuel prices—much like drivers are paying

higher gasoline prices."

SPS prices have decreased markedly from a peak in 1983 when Southwestern brought its fifth coal-fueled unit on line, Hudson said.

"Even with the higher costs of natural gas reflected in the fuel-cost factor, our ongoing total prices for services will be approximately 20 percent lower than they were 17 years ago. Meanwhile, by contract, overall consumer prices have increased by 71 percent. The inflation-adjusted cost of electricity from SPS has declined 53 percent since 1983," he said.

Fiber guidelines for kids outlined

"Age + 5" is a dietitian's rule of thumb for the daily fiber needs of children ages 3 to 18, say nutritionists at the USDA/ARS Children's Nutrition Research Center at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

"To calculate a child's daily fiber requirements, add the child's age to the number five," said Dr. Karen Cullen.

For example, an 8-year-old needs 13 grams of fiber per day.

Eating the recommended minimum or more servings of fruit and vegetables and one or more servings of whole-grain foods each day is a healthy way for kids to get all the fiber they need.

Other fiber-filled tips include:
• Look for the word 'whole' before the name of the grain on food labels and ingredient lists. Some brown-hued breads are simply white bread with coloring.
• Leave the peeler in the drawer when preparing fresh potatoes.
• Serve blended fresh, canned or frozen fruit whenever possible.
• Keep ready-to-eat "dippable" veggies on child-accessible shelves in the refrigerator.
• Toss extra vegetables into soups. Sprinkle beans or lentils in salads.

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