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# City gets ready for big Hwy 84 reconstruction project

by Wes Burnett

Plans for moving 16 water and sewer lines under U.S. Hwy 84 were considered by the Post City Council during its regular monthly meeting Tuesday (6/5/01). The project is related to the Texas Department of Transportation plan to completely reconstruct the main thoroughfare through Post.

David Moore of Oller Engineering presented the report, and said that 16 inch steel casings will enclose the water and sewer lines which have to be moved before the paving work begins. "We will not have to install any lift stations," Moore said. The city's part of the project could siphon off minerals from the property owner. project must be completed by the end of February 2002.

Moore said that the plans will have to be approved by the state an hopes that bids can be advertised in July, with work to start in September. The highway department is expected to begin the major construction work in April or May 2002. The paving project will replace asphalt with concrete and a storm water drainage system will be installed.

The council also approved participation in a grant application to the Texas Department of Transportation for preservation and improvements to the historic Algerita building on East Main Street. The council agreed to nominate the Maxine Earl Foundation to administer the project.

Lewis Earl explained that the foundation will provide the necessary funding for the matching state grant, which when fully funded will exceed \$600,000. There will be no city funding for the project.

Dr David Murrah also made a presentation, explaining that the Algerita Building will be improved to house a Post Visitors' Center, designed to inform visitors about the unique history here. The center will also promote the Garza County Historical Museum, the OS Ranch Museum, the Garza Theatre, Old Mill Trade Days and other local interests.

Dr Murrah pointed out that thousands of travelers pass through Post daily, and few of them realize the historic significance of this

community. 'This is our last hope to save and restore this historic building," Murrah added.

The council approved the second reading of an ordinance extending the commercial zoning along U.S. Hwy 84 to 500 feet from the current 200 feet limit.

An application by the George R. Brown Partnership to drill an oil well in the city limits was also approved, following a public hearing. An adjacent land owner opposed the drilling, claiming that the

Council members approved an ordinance revision to require newly construction projects to include a back flow preventer on water lines. The ordinance does not affect structures already in place.

A street gutter was approved for the corner of Avenue I and 10th Street, adjacent to the new Trail Blazer building. The old gutter had been destroyed during recent parking lot work.

Former Mayor Giles C. McCrary made a presentation, complaining about "eye sores" around town. He also requested the council to consider requiring heavy trucks to use an alternate route, citing damage to the historic brick lined Main Street. McCrary also said that the huge trucks were a safety hazard, especially when turning north onto US Hwy 84.

Council members requested the city manager and city attorney to research potential ordinances to alleviate the problems.

Redistricting political boundaries for city council elections will be conducted by South Plains Association of Governments, following approval by the council.

City manager Fred Stephens informed the council that serious problems have developed with the IMHOFF sewer water treatment equipment. "We think it's a huge build up of grease," he said, "and we're not sure, but it looks like it's coming from the prison." Stephens said that the city is monitoring sewage flow to determine the source. "We need to install a grease trap, it's really making a mess of our treatment capability.'

# Commissioners hear request for fund transfer

David Murrah briefed Post City Council members about preservation and improvement plans for the old Algerita Building on East Main Street.

County Commissioners worked a brief agenda Monday morning, handling mostly items of routine business.

After paying the bills, the commissioners considered and approved

an application for public assistance.

The court also received the regular 4-H report, which detailed such topics as the babysitting program, leadership camp, an electric project and a 4-H trap shoot. It also was reported that a recent brisket sale raised \$1,400.

Sheriff Kenny Ratke was on hand to discuss his department's budget. He requested that funds be transferred from his department's medical expense allowance to help cover extra dispatcher expenses. Another report indicated that Garza County had strong represen-

tation in the recent Relay for Life event. A total of \$1,805 was raised

Commissioners were scheduled to open food bids for the Garza County Regional Juvenile Center Food Nutrition Program, but that action was postponed until the court's next meeting.

# County begins work on redistricting

A special meeting of the Garza County Commissioners Court will The judge also noted that a tape recording will be made of the justice of the peace and commissioners court precincts.

The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. in the Post Community Center, tice. 113 W. Main.

in addressing the group should sign a speaker's request form pro- commissioners court precincts. vided upon arrival at the community center. Each speaker will be cinct in which they reside.

ments should be reasonably concise and to the point. The hearing according to the judge's press release. will be conducted under rules of judicial decorum."

be conducted Thursday, June 28, to allow county officials to hear hearing, and any comments entered into record will be transcribed public comment on the proposed redistricting of county election, and included with the submission of the proposed Commissioners Court precinct changes to the United States Department of Jus-

Following the public hearing, the court will consider and may take The public is invited to attend the session. Individuals interested action one one or more alternative plans for the redistricting of the

"The Court reserves the right to take any and all appropriate acasked to address the court, identifying themselves and providing tion regarding the redistricting of Garza County political boundtheir address, Commissioners Court precinct and the election pre- aries, including the acceptance of new boundaries for the Commissioners Court precincts, modifications of any boundaries, and/or According to a release from County Judge Giles Dalby's office, "Com-tabling the pending proposals for later consideration and/or action,"

# Post Notes

## Benefit helps with medical expenses

A fish plate dinner benefit June 15 will help Lazaro Moreno with extensive medical expenses. The dinner will begin at 11 a.m. at the Holy Cross Catholic Church and includes fish, mashed potatoes, cole slaw and trimmings. Donations are appreciated. There is also a fund established at Wells Fargo for those who wish to assist

## County redistricting public hearing

The Garza County Commissioners' Court will hold a special session and public hearing on Thursday, June 28 at 7 p.m. in the Post Community Center to receive public comments on redistricting of county elec-

Church softball league sign-ups

It's that time of year again, the church softball league is getting started with sign-up deadline set for June 25. The cost is \$50 per team, which

#### will be due before the first game. To sign up, call the First United Methodist Church office at 495-2942.

"Chill Out" Polar Expedition set The First United Methodist Church invites children to "Chill Out" on a Polar Expedition, sponsored by the church beginning Monday, June 18. The event continues through Friday, June 22. "Explorers" meet at the church each day from 9 a.m. until noon. To pre-register, call 495-2942 or 629-4340. Pregistration is not required, but appreciated, by Fri-

## July 5th deadline Monday noon

A deadline of Monday noon has been set by The Post Dispatch for its Thursday, July 5 edition. Due to July 4th holiday on a Wednesday this year, the newspaper will be printed on Tuesday.

## Booth reservations for July 4

Organizations and businesses interested in booth rental space at the park for this year's July 4th Celebration should call Rodney Tidwell at 495-3960 or 495-1244, or Diana Poe at 495-3069. This year's July 4th Celebration is being coordinated by Mad Dads Inc. Those interested in helping with firework expenses should call Diana Poe at 495-3069.

## True Value Country Showdown June 30

The True Value Country Showdown will be held in Post Saturday, June 30 at the Tower Theater. Performances begin at 7 p.m., with the box office opening at 6 p.m. General admission tickets, sold only at the door, are \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children ages 12 and younger. Aspiring musicians interested in competing for the \$50,000 national prize should contact Sandy Smith at (806) 495-2816 for an application.

# Girls' basketball camp set

July 15 is the registration deadline for the August 13-15 girls' basketball camp for grades third through eighth. T-Shirts and basketballs will be provided. For more information contact Christy Daily 495-4178.

## Bold Gold football camp July 23-26

Boys entering the third through eighth grades are encouraged to sign up for the 2001 Bold Gold Football Camp, which starts July 23. Fundamentals, sills, games and fun are scheduled for participants. Call Coach Darrell Daily at 495-4178 or 495-3164 for more information.

## Youth invited to reading sessions

The Post Middle School is inviting all middle school aged youth to participate in the "reading time" at the school this month. The program is from 8:30 a.m. to 10:15 in Room 113, through June 29.

# Big Country RC&D area quarterly meeting held in Post

RC&D areas are locally led by program. cally elected officials.

opment) Area held its quarterly Agriculture Improvement and opment and solve local problems. grant searches for possible fund-

rized by the Food and Agriculture carry out projects that will help proving sewage treatment.

board of directors meeting at Reform Act of 1996. The Natural Projects under way in the ing sources. Additionally, com-Chapa's Family Restaurant June Resources Conservation Service RC&D areas across Texas are puter equipment for a local (NRCS) administers the RC&D reducing soil erosion, improving church and the Post Convention board of directors comprised of The purpose of the RC&D pro- ational and tourism facilities, vided through the RC&D provolunteers, civic leaders and logram is to encourage the improve developing and diversifying local gram. RC&D local volunteers the capability of designated business opportunities, assisting also co-sponsored a well water The RC&D program was autho- RC&D areas to plan, develop and child and elderly care and im- screening program for county

The Big Country RC&D (Re- The program was reauthorized conservation of natural re- RC&D program has assisted sevsource Conservation and Devel- with the passage of the Federal sources, promote economic devel- eral groups and entities with water quality, enhancing recre- and Tourism Bureau was proresidents and assisted with se-Act of 1962, Public Law 87-703. people in rural areas increase Locally in Garza County, the curing a grant to install two rural fire hydrants to improve fire protection for the Southland

> The RC&D local sponsors are currently working on installing 14 rural fire hydrants, to improve fire protection for rural residents of the county and to secure approval for a Geographic Priority Area (GPA) that would include Garza County. If the GPA is approved, the USDA will provide funds through the Environmental Quality Incentives Program to local farmers and ranchers to address locally identified natural resources concerns.

Locally led RC&D county committees decide which projects will be pursued and implemented. The local county committees consist of sponsors from each county in the RC&D area. In Garza County, the local sponsors are the

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Among those attending last week's RC&D district meeting in Post were (left to right) guest speaker Channell Woodard, Garza County Judge Giles W. Dalby, RC&D director Shug Thomas and Big Country RC&D president Windy Fuller.

# Rev. Lloyd Stice serves First **United Methodist Church**

The Rev. Lloyd Stice has been appointed pastor of the First United Methodist Church for the coming year, according to an announcement read by Bishop D. Max Whitfield at the 92nd session of the Northwest Texas Annual Conference in Abilene June 9.

The Rev. Stice has been a pastor for seven years, previously serving in the First United Methodist Church of Fritch, Texas; Trinity United Methodist; and Union United Methodist of Snyder.

The pastor completed his undergraduate work at West Texas A&M University and did seminary work at Asbury Seminary School of Theology. He and his wife Shirley are the parents of two children, Will and Justin.

# **Trinity Baptist Church** sets revival June 17-22

A revival featuring evangelist the Rev. Mike Butts will be conducted at Trinity Baptist Church Sunday, June 17, through Friday, June 22.

The evangelist is the former pastor of Calvary Baptist Church who has returned from missionary work in Venezuela. Today, he is pastor of the First Baptist Church at Amherst, Texas. He and his wife Bobbie have three

Music will be led by the Rev. Bill Smith, and pianist will be Lois Nantz. Sunday services will be at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Weeknight services will be

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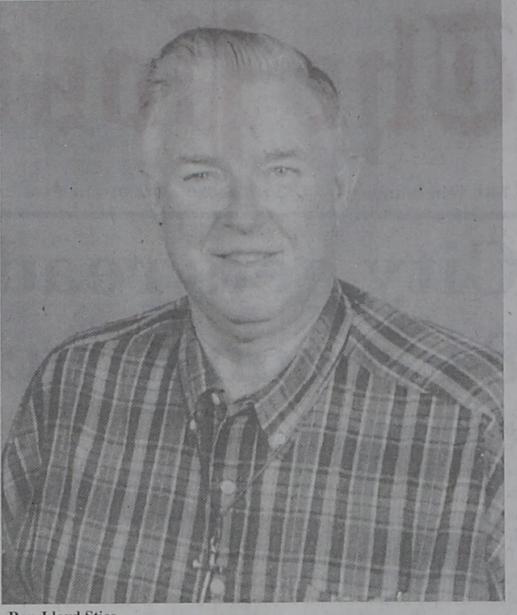
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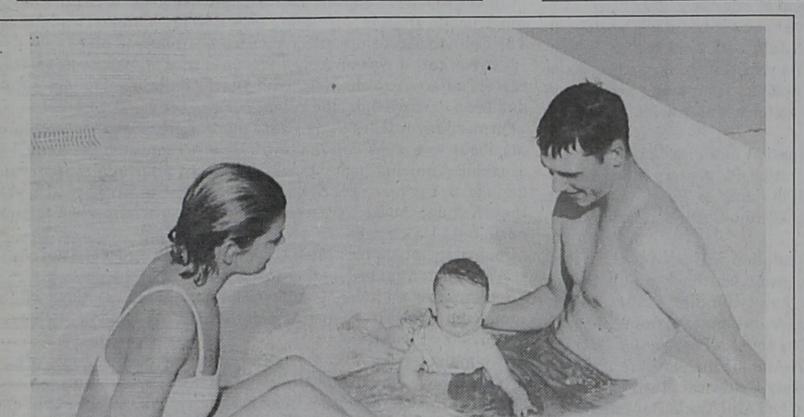
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Jenny Jones and Michael Collazo



Rev. Lloyd Stice



 $Enjoying\ an\ outing\ at\ the\ Post\ Public\ Swimming\ Pool\ last\ weekend\ were\ (left\ to\ right)\ Lindsey, Hayley\ and\ Jonatham$ Smith. They were attending the annual Odom family reunion. (Photo by Sandy Smith)

# Post students earn LCU honors

Four local residents have been tapped for honors for their spring semester academic performances at Lubbock Christian University.

Carol Covert and Melissa Williams were named to the President's List. To be named to the President's List, a student must take a minimum of 12 semester hours and achieve a 4.0 grade average or better for the entire

Kohen Josey and Erica Schooler were each named to the Dean's List. In order to be considered a part 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.



In certain parts of northern Europe, it was believed the man in the moon carried a tar bucket, which accounted for different marks on the moon as seen from earth.

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It seems that once we begin raising a family, we are thrust into the role of a parent with little or no training. Usually we are able to adapt by reading, asking questions, and using common sense. When raising children, there are three stages of fatherhood.

The two-year-old child says "Daddy," the tenyear-old says "Dad," and the teenager says "Father." The loving father knows that while all stages are important, the "Daddy" stage is when you must instill the moral fibers and character which will be carried through life.

Although there have been countless books written on parenting, the best handbook for parents is still the Bible.

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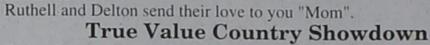
# Judy's Jabberin'

By Judy B. Bush

Reckon its time for everyone to wash their cars? Usually Fred Myers makes some kind of bet to cause a good shower. Where are you Fred?? Everyone say a little prayer, maybe we will get a rain.

Happy Birthday

I had a message from Ruthell and Delton Robinson this past week. Seems that Ruth (Martin) will celebrate her 80th birthday July 6th. Thought some folks might like to send her a card (609 W. 6th.) to help with the



Folks, don't forget this. It will be held at the Tower Theatre on June 30. The tickets will be \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for youth 12 and under.

This show, is a talent show featuring local talent and also others from all over that want to enter. Some of the folks that have been involved with this show are Willie Nelson, Mark Chesnutt, George Gones, Tanya Tucker, Sawyer Brown, The Oak Ridge Boys and many more. The winner will try for state, regional then national. National title winner gets \$50,000.00.

There is going to be lots of good music that night and I promise you will be sorry if you miss it.

#### To Pat

I told some of you last week of Pat Burnett's back and nerve problems. She is to have surgery Thursday. So from one back surgery survivor to another, 'You'll feel so much better, Pat!" Good luck and I love ya.

### Marriage Proposal

There were these two elderly people living in a Florida mobile home park. He was a widower and she a widow. They had known each other for a number of years. Now, one evening there was a community supper in the big activity center. These two were at the same table, across from on another.

As the meal went on, he made a few admiring glances at her and finally gathered up his courage to ask her, "Will you marry me? After about six seconds of "careful consideration" she answered "yes, yes I

The meal ended and with a few more pleasant exchanges, they went to their respective places. Next morning, he was troubled. "Did she say "yes" or did she say "no"? He couldn't remember, try as hard as he would, he just could not

recall. Not even a faint memory With trepidation, he went to the telephone and called her. First, he explained to her that he didn't remember as well as he used to. Then he reviewed the lovely evening past. As he gained a little more courage, he then inquired of her, "When

I asked you to marry me, did you say "yes" or did you say "no"?

He was delighted to hear her say, "Why, I said yes, yes I will. And I meant it with all my heart"

Then she continued, "And I am so glad you called, because I couldn't remember who had asked me."

### White's attend graduation

Noel and Orabeth White were in Throckmorton recently to attend the eighth grade graduation of their oldest granddaughter, Cheyenne White.

Cheyenne gave the salutatorian speech at the graduation ceremony, She is the daughter of Steve and Jackie White.

Keitha Wright and Avery of Lubbock accompanied the White's to

They all also watched Schelli White win two gold medals in the elementary track meet.

Birthdays:

Friday, June 22; Josh Hopper, Cade Mason, Virginia Bevers, Delores Redman and Melina Quintana; anniversary, Bruce and Debbie Ledbetter; Saturday, June 23; Joe Gregory and Dustin Poe; anniversary, Joe and Staci Marts; Sunday, June 24, Bradley Benham, Kayla Bland, Keylin Meritt and Haley Poe; anniversary, Bryan and Francesca Davies; Monday, June 25, Jamie Cooper, Terri Reed, Amy James, Branda Stevens and Quinton and Clinton Yarbro; Tuesday, June 26, Cathy Timms; anniversaries, Greg and Channa Jones and Gary and Jaquita Blevins. Wednesday, June 27; Ashley Van Ausdale, Joe Sanchez, Debbie Martin and Leah Tackitt, Thursday, June 28; Pam Gorman, Sue Maxey, Felix Bustos, Jr. and Jorge Arredondo, Jr.

### Kangaroo

A kangaroo kept getting out of his enclosure at the zoo. Knowing that he could hop pretty high, the zoo officials put up a ten foot fence. However, the next morning the kangaroo was out again, just roaming

The zoo officials raised the height of the fence to twenty feet. Again, the next

morning the kangaroo was out. This kept on, night after night, until the fence was sixty feet high. Finally the

camel in the next enclosure asked the kangaroo, "How high do you think they The kangaroo replied, "Probably a hundred feet, unless somebody starts locking the gate at night!

Till Next Week

Have a great weekend and please be careful of the heat. May God hold you in the palm on his hand and the angels watch over you. See ya next week.



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### Neighbor to Neighbor by Sara Stevens,, CEA-FCS

### Ten Things You Should Know About Mold

Many of you may have noticed the recent news coverage on mold. Many of the specialist at the state level of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service have sent information to County Extension Agents in the Lubbock area because of the many calls they are receiving asking about mold. This is a problem for many and may be a problem for you. The United States Environmental Protection Agency offers

ten things you should know about mold: 1. Potential health effects and symptoms associated with mold exposures include allergic reactions, asthma,

and other respiratory complaints.

2. There is no practical way to eliminate all mold and mold spores in the indoor environment; the way to control indoor mold growth is to control moisture.

3. If mold is a problem in your home or school, you must clean up the mold and eliminate sources of moisture.

4. Fix the sources of the water problem or leak to prevent mold growth. 5. Reduce indoor humidity (to 30-60%) to decrease mold growth by: venting bathrooms, dryers, and other moisture-generating sources to the outside; using air conditioners and de-humidifiers; increasing ventilation; and using exhaust fans whenever cooking, dishwashing, and cleaning.

6. Clean and dry any damp or wet building materials and furnishings

within 24-48 hours to prevent mold growth.

7. Clean mold off hard surfaces with water and detergent, and dry completely. Absorbent materials such as ceiling tiles, that are moldy may 8. Prevent condensation: Reduce the potential for condensation on cold

surfaces (i.e., windows, piping, exterior walls, roof or floors) by adding 9. In areas where there is a perpetual moisture problem, do not install

carpeting (i.e., drinking fountains, by classroom sinks, or on concrete floors with leaks or frequent condensation). 10. Molds can be found almost anywhere; they can grow on virtually any

substance providing moisture. There are molds that can grow on wood, paper, carpet, and foods.

For more information on molds contact the Extension office at 495-4400 or visit the Environmental Protection Agency website at www.epa.gov/iaq/ pubs/moldresources.html

# Post Braves whip Lubbock SW Phillies 7-0

In Senior League action last Friday in Lubbock, the Braves shut down the Southwest Phillies 7-0.

Post remained undefeated with the win, also picking up a forfeit win against the Dixie Phillies earlier in the week.

Bryan Looney pitched the complete game. He pitched six innings, going four batters over the minimum. Looney had 12 strikeouts and allowed only

one hit and three walks. Batting for Post were Kenny Ratke, one walk; Mitchell Mills, two singles, scored once; Cody Fox, one double, scored once; Eric Soto, two walks; Bryan Looney, one walk, two singles, one double, scored once; Coby Jones, one walk, one double, scored once; Brody Robertson, two singles, scored once; Mitch

Holly, one single, scored once; David Rivera, one walk; and Patrick Gonzales, one single, one double, scored once.

Blue Jays 3, Post 2 Post's slumbering bats did not make the early Saturday morning trip up Highway 84 to Lubbock last week as the Post Braves managed only three hits in their first loss of the season.

The Braves did draw five walks and one hit batter off the Blue Jays' pitcher Nathan Mendoza

Pitching for Post was Cody Fox, who threw six complete innings in the morning game and took the loss which ended via the time limit rule. The Dixie Blue Jays took control of the close game in the fourth inning as the first three batters reached base, with two runs coming in — one on a steal of home plate and one run coming in courtesy of a balk by Fox. Dixie's only other run came in the first inning when their lead off batter was plated after a lead off double.

Post's two runs also came in the fourth inning on Brody Robertson's lead off walk and being plated on Jett Lott's RBI triple and Lott's subsequent home plate steal

Fox's pitching stats showed five clean hits (non-error or fielder's choice), no walks, no hit batters with 17 strikeouts. Fox's pitching count shoed 65 strikes and 28 balls thrown in the game.

Batting for Post were Kenny Ratke, two walks; Mitchell Mills, one single, one fielder's choice, one on base by hit batter; Bryan Looney, one single; Brody Robertson, one walk, scored once; Jett Lott, one triple with a RBI, scored once on a home plate steal; David Lee Rivera, one walk; and Mitch Holly, one walk.

The Braves defeated the team earlier this season 6-4.

# Phillies hammer Diamondbacks 9-0 for city title

In Junior League action, the Post Phillies blanked the Post Diamondbacks 9-0 for the city championship.

Pitching for the complete 7-inning win was Randon Blacklock, who threw 109 pitches with no runs, one hit, four walks and no hit batters. He also had

Pitching the complete game for the Diamondbacks was Andrew Espinoza, who worked for 130 pitches with nine runs scored on 10 hits, six walks, no

hit batters and four strikeouts. Batting for the Diamondbacks were Miles Grey, one walk; Stace Norman, one walk; Theo Paez, one single, one fielder's choice hit; Javen Abraham, one walk; and Colt Mason, one walk.

Batting for the Phillies were Colton Valdez, two walks, two singles, one RBI and scored three times; Quinton Odom, one walk, one single, scored twice; Zach Perez, one single, one fielder's choice hit with one RBI; Randon Blacklock, three singles, one RBI and scored three times; Justin Williams, one walk, one single; Eric Reyna, one walk; Braden Bratcher, two singles; Bryce Feagin, one fielder's choice hit; and Keith Meredith, one walk.

# Sgt Massey awarded Medal

After serving a one-year remote tour at Osan Air Force Base Korea, SSgt. Dustin L. Massey received a

medal for meritorious service. He received the award for his leadership qualities, developing a system to reduce repair backlogs and humanitarian service for working with hearing-impaired Korean orphans. He also was presented a Korean sword for dedication and support to his team.

After returning from Korea, Massey attended Sheppard AFB Seven Level School, receiving "honor graduate" recognition for graduating at the top of his class.

Massey is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dickey Massey of Post and the sonin-law of Mr. and Mrs. Jacky Harp of

He and his wife Amber and daughters Ashlee and Allison reside at Dyess AFB in Abilene.

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**Dustin Massey** 

## Jones earns "Who's Who"

Coby Jones, a 15-year-old sophomore, has been named to "Who's Who Among American High School Students.'

Jones is the son of Greg and Channa Jones and the grandson of Ruby and Charles Williams of Post and Margaret and Wayland Jones of Floydada.

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# Obituaries

# **Lonnie Henry Peel**

Services for Lonnie Henry Peel, 88, of Post were Saturday, June 9, 2001 at 2:00 PM, at the Post Church of Christ. Paul Jones, Minister officiated and Homer Jones, retired minister of Lubbock assisted. Burial was in the Terrace Cemetery in Post under the personal care of Justice-Mason Funeral

Mr. Peel died Thursday, June 7, 2001 at his home.

Mr. Peel was born December 10, 1912 to Henry Benton and Effie Lena (Earick) Peel at Wise County. He came to Garza County at an early age with his family to pull cotton. He attended Gossett School. He married Lola Cowdrey Gossett March 16, 1935 here in Garza County. She preceded him in death October 21, 1975. He farmed in the Graham and Close City Communities and served as gin manager for Close City Coop Gin and the Storie Gin. June 24, 1976 he married Mary Clark Cowdrey at Wellman. He retired in 1977 and in 1989 moved into Post to live. He was a member of the Graham Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife: Mary, Lonnie and Lola's children: Lonnie Gene Peel of Post, Delmo Gossett of Lubbock and Mary's children" Bobby Cowdrey of the Graham Community and Billie Windham of Post. One brother: Robert

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Howard Peel of Benkard, NY and two sisters: Inez Thommarson of King City, Ca. and Juanita Coleman of Azle. Lonnie and Lola have seven grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. Mary has 10 grandchildren, 26 great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were: Kraig Peel, Keith Peel, John Gossett, Donnie Windham, Curt Cowdrey, Russell Cowdrey and James Easterling. Honorary Pallbearers were: Quanah Maxey, Mack Ledbetter, Jerry Bush, Jeff Lott, Troy Nelson, Lewis Mason, Jimmy Doggett, Jason Justice, Charles McCook, Randy Peel, Chester Morris and R.B. Wilke.

Memorials are asked to the Lubbock Children's Home, Garza Co. Trail Blazers Senior Citizens Center or to a favorite charity.

## **Dorothy Callaway**

Services for Dorothy Callaway, 83, of Post were held at 3 p.m. Wednesday, June 13, 2001, in the Pleasant Home Baptist Church with the Rev. Aurthur Kelly officiating. Burial was in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of the Hudman Funeral Home.

She died Monday, June 11, at University Medical Center in Lubbock. Born Nov. 27, 1917, in Goliad, Texas, she married John Callaway July 7, 1951, in Post. He died June 16, 1978. She was a housewife and a member of the Pleasant Home Baptist Church.

Survivors include a number of nieces and nephews.

# **Wanda Joy France**

Funeral services were held last week for Wanda Joy France.

Born in Snyder to Dew and Myrtle Goswick Davis, she married Harold D. France Oct. 28, 1950, in Lovington, N.M. The couple lived in Slaton 21 years before moving to Clyde seven years ago. She was retired from Texas Instruments in Lubbock.

Survivors include her husband Harold of Clyde; one son and daughter-inlaw, Larry and Bettrell France of Ropesville; two daughters and one son-inlaw, Sandra and Rick Goldsby of Magnolia and Darlene Carter of Tomball; one brother, Charlie Davis of Palestine; four sisters, Dorothy Reep of Lubbock, Lillie Blacklock and Helen Thomas, both of Post, and Claudine Erwin of Snyder; 10 grandchildren, DeeDee White, Michelle Price, Shara French, Rebecca DuBose, Karen Vaughn, Lance Carter, Zachary France, Tasha France, Erica France and Shane Carter; 11 great-grandchildren; and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

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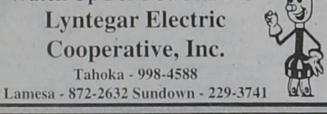
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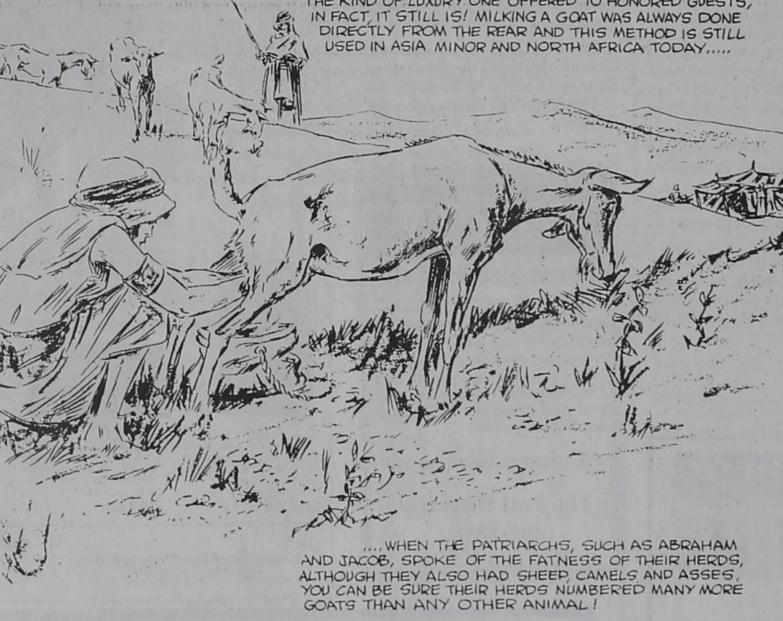
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# And thereafter, ignorance or contempt?

by Walter E. Williams

oath of office swearing to uphold and defend the U.S. Constitution. As if the Constitution itself isn't clear about what they must do, in Federalist Paper No. 45, James Madison, the acknowledged father of the Constitution, described the document thusly:

"The powers delegated by the proposed Constitution to the federal

government are few and defined. Those which are to remain in the State governments are numerous and indefinite. The former will be exercised principally on external objects, as war, peace, negotiation and foreign commerce. ... The powers reserved to the several States will extend to all the objects which in the ordinary course of affairs, concern the lives and liberties, and properties of the people, and the internal order, improvement and prosperity of the State.'

Both Madison's statement and the Constitution leave no doubt about the "few and defined" powers delegated to the federal government and the "numerous and indefinite" powers retained by the people and the states.

I'd like to ask our 535 congressmen, our president and our nine Supreme Court justices which word or phrase in Madison's statement they find beyond comprehension, and which phrase in Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution, which outlines what Congress is

permitted to do, they find beyond comprehension. While congressmen, presidents and Supreme Court justices don't have much understanding, they aren't stupid — which isn't to say they're not ignorant about the Constitution and other matters. Let's explore the most charitable explanation for their day-to-day violations of both the letter and the spirit of our Constitution, namely that

they're ignorant. But, I seriously doubt the suitability of ignorance as an explanation. Why? If ignorance were the explanation, I'd be optimistic. I'd simply send the president, congressmen and Supreme Court justices James

Congressmen, presidents and Supreme Court justices take an Madison's Federalist Paper No. 45, explaining the Constitution. After that, they'd mend their ways and eliminate most federal

> programs, state mandates and other gross constitutional violations. You say, "Williams, if you think they'd do that, you've got to be crazy!" You're right — I would be crazy.

> The only other explanation for what presidents, congressmen and justices do is that they have contempt for the Constitution. But that's only a tiny part of the sad story. Imagine if James Madison or Thomas Jefferson were campaigning for the presidency in 2000. What would you think about their chances?

> They'd clearly lose if they expressed the constitutional values and respect they had when the document was written. They'd clearly be denounced by most Americans and possibly risk assassination. Therefore, before we rush to lay the complete blame for constitutional contempt at the feet of politicians and judges, we might want to look at ourselves — we, the American people.

> That is, politicians are doing what we elect them to office to do, and if our Constitution stands in the way, it's the Constitution that must yield. The Constitution stands in the way of government programs such as business bailouts, food stamps, Social Security, Medicare, Title I education programs and thousands of other federal acts.

> You might ask, "Why should we pay any attention to a 200-year-old document?" I'd say to escape Thomas Jefferson's prediction that "the natural progress of things is for government to gain ground and for liberty to yield." After all, if we ignore the constitutional protections found in Article I, Section 8, why not ignore other constitutional protections and make them just as meaningless?

> If we continue our current path, future generations will curse us for

squandering unprecedented liberty.

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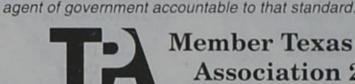
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# **Much Ado About Nothing**

by Jacob G. Hornberger,

president, The Future of Freedom Foundation

So much ado about nothing in Senator James Jeffords' defection from Republican to Independent-Democrat and in speculation that Senator John McCain may do something similar.

The press has tried to tie these shifts to ideological or philosophical differences between the two major parties, but that's impossible, especially since Republicans and Democrats share the exact same statist mindset.

Don't both major parties ardently favor the following aspects of the socialistic welfare state and regulated society: Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid, the drug war, economic regulations, trade restrictions, government-business partnerships, immigration controls, welfare, foreign aid, foreign intervention, gun control, income tax and the IRS, and public schooling?

No, the battle is not over ideology or philosophy. It's over money and power — the power to control the disposition of almost \$2 trillion that the IRS plunders from the American people every year and the power to direct and control the lives of 280 million Americans.

### A final thought on judicial activism...

"You seem...to consider the judges as the ultimate arbiters of all Constitutional questions: a very dangerous doctrine indeed, and one, which would place us under the despotism of an oligarchy. Our judges are as honest as other men, and not more so. They have, with others, the same passions for party, for power, and the privilege of their corps.

...And their power (is) the more dangerous, as they are in office for life and not responsible, as the other functionaries are, to the elective control.

The Constitution has erected no such single tribunal, knowing that to whatever hands confided, with the corruptions of time and party, its members would become despots."

—Thomas Jefferson

## What is liberty?

It is the unrestrained exercise of free will, restricted only when one violates the rights of another.

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# Who would raise their kids to distrust government?

by Vin Suprynowicz

The five McGuckin children — aged 8 to 16 — surrendered June 3 to Bonner County sheriff's deputies who had blocked off the dirt road leading to their home near the town of Sagle in rural northern Idaho. The children "agreed to come out Saturday after authorities said they would try to keep the family together," The Associated Press reports.

Michael McGuckin, who died May 12 at age 61, of poverty and complications of his multiple sclerosis, was hardly an unschooled mountain man; the wire service reports he was the son of a Harvardeducated stockbroker and an heiress of the Shreve family of the Boston jewelers Shreve Crump & Low; he was a classmate of Washington Post book editor and columnist Jonathan Yardley, first at the prestigious Groton prep in Massachusetts and then at the University of North Carolina.

Since they got their hands on the children, local authorities have been at pains to justify their actions, detailing the "unsanitary" conditions in which the family was living after the running water was shut off.

"The situation reached a crisis (May 29)" — four days after her husband's burial — reports the AP, "when JoAnn McGuckin was offered cash and a trip to the store by deputies. She was subsequently arrested on a warrant charging felony injury of a child - a charge authorities have refused to elaborate on. ...

"After her arrest, deputies went to the house for the children, who were to be placed in state custody," the AP notes. "But one of the boys spotted them, yelled, 'Get the guns!' and set the dogs loose."

"I think they have been raised to be leery of government officials and maybe some law," said Alice Wallace, director of the local community food center, who described the children (aged 8 to 16) as "great kids. They're well-mannered, they're polite, they're respectful."

But reports that Mrs. McGuckin, 46, was to be promptly released after the children's surrender seem to have been premature — the mother's court-appointed criminal defense lawyer, Bryce Powell, told the judge June 4 that Mrs. McGuckin refused to leave jail after her \$100,000 bond was lifted. She said she will not stay away from her children as a condition of release.

The McGuckin property, "which is worth nearly \$500,000, was seized for \$5,000 in back taxes and sold at auction for \$50,000" last fall, reports Don Harkins of the Idaho Observer, the conservative and sometimes conspiracy-minded monthly tabloid based in nearby Spirit Lake, Idaho.

their sawmill business went bankrupt in the 1980s," the AP reports. It wasn't immediately clear how heavily federal environmental regulations—which have devastated the timber industry throughout the Pacific Northwest — contributed to that failure. Wire service reporters rarely ask about such things, of course ... even when supposedly trying to figure out why a family would raise its kids to

"fear and distrust government officials."

"I think regulation did play a role, but ... also sometime around last week

well read, intelligent, people who pay their bills. The only thing they is www.proliberty.com/observer. said is occasionally the kids came in and they were a little dirty.

"So they trick this woman into being arrested, and they go and slap \$100,000 bail on her head? And (Bonner County prosecutor Phil Robinson's) comment to the press was, 'I recommended \$100,000 bail to keep her from getting out of jail and going to see her children.' I don't know about you, I thought bond was to prevent flight or perhaps because there's a threat of violence to someone in the

community, not to keep a woman from seeing her children." Now, if you were Mrs. McGuckin — bankrupted by the IRS, your husband dying of a lingering disease, your half-million-dollar homestead in the process of being seized and sold off for a dime on the dollar — how would you have attempted to keep government snoops and child-snatchers from getting the "nexus" the courts say they need to inspect your home and seize your children?

Well, one might refuse to sign up for any form of government welfare. One might also home-school one's children, keeping them out of the clutches of the government welfare schools with their mandatory Ritalin and their endless propaganda assemblies.

Sacrificing material comfort for freedom, Mrs. McGuckin tried

As a result of refusing to sign up for welfare, she is now charged with failing to properly feed and clothe her children — though the local food bank says they had plenty of food in the house. As a result of home-schooling them, she is now charged with failure to provide them with a "proper education."

The only specific allegation authorities have leveled against Mrs. McGuckin to date? They say she drinks.

I don't know JoAnn McGuckin, who appears a plump but pretty, smiling redhead in family photos. But it's hard not to note that her refusal to sign "routine" forms giving up rights to her children in order to gain a quick release from jail certainly demonstrated some courage and presence of mind. If a local government now anxious to discredit her saw the slightest valid reason to send her to the nearest asylum, wouldn't they have done so by now?

Instead we have property seizures, tax sales, government "By all accounts, the family had been relatively prosperous until entrapment and arrest. For nearly a week the AP spoke of a "crisis" (without making clear it was a "crisis" almost entirely of the government's making) at the McGuckin family "compound" (uh-oh) and the "paranoia of a family that had worked hard to cut itself off from the outside world," wondering how any family could possibly raise its children to so "fear and distrust" government officials.

It sure is a puzzle, isn't it — given the way the government has

"only been there to help" JoAnn McGuckin.

Vin Suprynowicz is assistant editorial page editor of the Las Vegas then the IRS came down on him," recalled Harkins when I called him Review-Journal. Subscribe to his monthly newsletter by sending \$72 to Privacy Alert, 1475 Terminal Way, Suite E, Reno, NV 89502 — or "People who knew these guys say they were good people, polite, dialing 775-348-8591. The web sight for Don Harkins' Idaho Observer

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— Eugene V. Debs (1855-1926)

"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

It is easy to be conspicously "compassionate" if others are being forced to pay the cost. M.N. Rothbard

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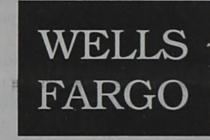
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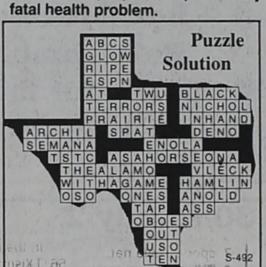
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Most of the flea collars and treatments found at drug and grocery stores are not nearly as effective as those obtained from a veterinarian, Beaver says.

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# Letters to the Editor

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### Calling for forced cleanup

Editor's Note: This letter, dated June 50 ,5, was addressed to Mayor Archie Gill and members of the Post City Council. Its contents are reprinted here:

Dear Post City Council Members, As you know, I had the privilege of being Mayor of the City of Post for 22 'years. With the closing of the Postex Mill, agricultural and the petroleum problems, Post went through a difficult period. We were able to keep "our heads above water." As a result, we have been 'able to maintain progress... sadly, but true, our neighboring towns have not had this good fortune.

I will respectfully urge the council to support and encourage your city manager to review the following:

On East 8th Street, to the south, the new Reese housing area; to the north, an eyesore - a junk yard of rusting equipment located on this site for a

number of years.

· On the Lubbock curve, Highway 84, an extremely prominent visual site, has a rusty, abandoned fire engine truck and the remains of an abandoned

· A new motel on Highway 84 is to be located east of the Trinity Baptist Church. Adjoining this property is an abandoned home which belongs to Mr. Bill Robinson. The house and barn have deteriorated beyond repairs.

• On Oak Street, a junk yard has been created in a residential area that is truly an eyesore. This can also harbor snakes, rats, bugs, etc., which can be very dangerous to children and residents. An existing ordinance

· Numerous mobile homes/trailers have been placed in yards and are being used as living quarters. We have, in the past, had fires/explosions because of propane tanks installed. The city is also losing sewage/garbage fees.

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#### · There are numerous homes deteriorated beyond repairs and usage. I have not attempted to county, but I am confident the number would exceed 50. My recommendation is that a demolition goal of one or more homes per month be established.

· In addition to abandoned homes, there are many abandoned/wrecked cars in the streets and in the yards. A previous city manager, Mr. Rick Hanna, indicated he counted 160-plus abandoned vehicles at one time.

· Heavy trucks are using our streets. The city engineers, in the past, have advised the council that our streets are not designed to carry this weight. In addition to damaging the streets during the summer months, these trucks are pulling over curbs and breaking tree limbs. If this continues, the curbs will be damaged/destroyed and will be replaced at city expense

· Recently, a group of city citizens met with (the) Texas Department of Transportation concerning a truck bypass. An extremely dangerous situation occurs on East Main/Highway 380 with oversized trucks traveling through and turning north or south on 84; this creates a hazard because of wide turns. (The) highway department indicated approval for a by-pass on East Main west of the railroad track to East 8th.

The above items are a concern to me, and I will encourage you, the council, to support and encourage the city manager to pursue and correct these problems. To maintain progress, I will recommend a monthly report to the city council of progress being made concerning the above problems.

Sincerely, Giles C. McCrary

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# What now? Three suggestions to prevent the next Timothy McVeigh

psychopath won't try to murder scores of innocent people," said Steve Dasbach, Libertarian Party national director. "However, Libertarians have five concrete suggestions for the government, each of which would being repeated."

Indiana, for his role in the 1995 bombing that killed 168 people in a

federal building in Oklahoma City. Now, the government should act quickly to try to change the political climate that helped spawn a Timothy McVeigh, said Dasbach. Such reforms could include:

who commit crimes.

building in Oklahoma City to protest the federal government's actions in Waco - and he was quickly apprehended, tried, and punished for his crime," noted Dasbach. "That was proper, even if you might disagree with the morality of the death sentence.

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Now that Oklahoma City bomber "However, not a single FBI or BATF" send. Instead, a commitment to Timothy McVeigh has been executed, agent was arrested for their role in there are specific actions the the fiery deaths of 86 people at the government should immediately take Branch Davidian compound in Waco, States is directly threatened, the U.S. to prevent such a horrific act of Texas. There should not be one domestic terrorism from ever standard of justice for ordinary happening again, Libertarians say. Americans, and another for "Of course, no one can guarantee government officials. Until that that another Timothy McVeigh-style injustice is eliminated, many Americans will continue to view their government with suspicion, fear, and bitterness.'

(2) Embrace an open, vibrant political system.

"People tend to turn to violence reduce the chance of such a crime only when they feel they have no other way to be heard," said Dasbach. On Monday morning, McVeigh was "It is the government's responsibility, executed by lethal injection at a then, to make sure that political federal prison in Terre Haute, discussion is not restricted, regulated, or suppressed.

"When Americans feel they have a role in the political system, they will work through the political system to make productive changes. When that avenue is blocked - either by restrictive ballot access laws, legal curbs on political speech, exclusion (1) Prosecute government officials from debates, or by attempting to discredit unpopular political speech "McVeigh said he blew up the -the Timothy McVeighs of the world turn to violence.

"That's why robust political debate - especially about the abuse of government power - is a healthy way to change the system. And that's why stifling such debate is downright dangerous."

(3) Reject violence on principle.

"Over the past 20 years, the United States government has intervened militarily in Iraq, Yugoslavia, Haiti, Panama, Afghanistan, Bosnia, Kosovo, and other nations," said Dasbach. "In each case, these military actions resulted in innocent civilians being killed, and were done without

"The message of these actions is simple: It's proper to use violence to achieve political goals. That's a message the government should not

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nonviolence should start at the top.

"Unless the security of the United government should not bomb, invade, or drop missiles on people in other nations. Violence breeds violence, and it's time for our government to lead by example and stop the bloodshed.

(5) Repeal the Omnibus Anti-Terrorism Act of 1996.

"This legislation, rushed through Congress after the Oklahoma City bombing, grants the president arbitrary power to declare individuals 'terrorists,' authorizes the use of secret evidence, and reverses the presumption of innocence for suspects," said Dasbach. "Repealing this law would expand freedom without hindering the ability to catch real criminals.

"The freedoms recognized under the Bill of Rights are our strongest bulwark against terrorism. Security measures that infringe on those freedoms will inevitably lead to abuse, ultimately making us less secure in our lives and property."

(5) Reduce the size and power of the federal government.

"No, we're not saying that the growing power of the federal government justifies what Timothy McVeigh did," said Dasbach. "But the fact is, millions of Americans view their own government with suspicion and distrust.

"Americans see a government that can recklessly seize our property under asset forfeiture, eminent domain, or environmental laws; that can detain us at roadblocks for not wearing a seatbelt; that forces banks to spy on their own customers; that shoots innocent people dead in the name of the War on Drugs; that can secretly read our e-mail; that allows the IRS to seize our bank accounts; and that can violate our civil liberties in a thousand different ways.

"A government that was limited to its Constitutionally defined role would be smaller, less intrusive, and less threatening. It would be a government that honors fundamental American liberties, instead of undermining them. And it would be a government that gives Americans little reason to view it with apprehension."

Those five suggestions have something in common, said Dasbach: They would all change the political climate in a positive way - and make future Timothy McVeighs less likely.

"We can never bring back the men, women, and children who were killed in Oklahoma City," he said. "But by using this tragedy to honor and reaffirm our nation's fundamental liberties, we can help make sure that the 168 people who died in Oklahoma City did not die in vain. It would be America's way of standing up and saying: 'Never again.' "



A new program is helping reduce the cost of brand name and generic medications.

### Garza County Regional Juvenile Center Post, Texas

## Administrative Personnel/Assistant

Management and Training Corporation is currently seeking qualified candidates to fill the full time position of Administrative Personnel/Assistant. You will be responsible for performing a variety of clerical and administrative duties and providing human resources support, which requires extreme discretion in compliance with MTC, Texas Youth Commission and Texas Juvenile Probation Commission directives. High School diploma or equivalent and four years related experience required. Associate's degree in business administration, secretarial science or associate field preferred. Must type 50 words per minute and have strong computer skills. Unless waived by management, valid driver's license, or commercial driver's license, in the state of employment with an acceptable driving record.

## (2) Case Managers

Management and Training corporation is currently seeking qualified applicants to fill the full time Case Manager position. You will be responsible for planning, coordinating, developing and implementing a professional individual and group counseling program for assigned juveniles in compliance with MTC, Texas Youth Commission (TYC) and Texas Juvenile Probation Commission (TJPC) directives. Qualified candidates must have a Bachelor's degree in counseling or associated field and two years related experience required. Unless waived by management, valid driver's license or commercial driver's license, in the state of employment with an acceptable driving record.

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Notice is hereby given that a public meeting of the Appraisal Review Board of the Garza Central Appraisal District will convene on June 21, 2001, at the Garza Central Appraisal District Office at 124 East Main, Post, Texas, and will continue in session at that time and place on the appraisal or property values for the Garza Central Appraisal District.

## AGENDA:

- 1. The board will hear and determine taxpayer and taxing unit appeals on all matters permitted by TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE.
  - Real, Personal, Minerals & Utilities (1.)Time: 9:00 A.M. until Noon
  - (2.) Certification of 2000 Appraisal Roll
- (3.) Certification of Supplemental Records for 2000

This notice is given pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code.

# Supreme Court thermal imaging decision start of high-tech privacy battle

If you think the Supreme Court's decision curbing the use of thermal imaging devices means you're safe from government surveillance, think again, the Libertarian Party warned today: Police still have a frightening arsenal of high-tech "Peeping Tom" devices they can use against you.

"Don't celebrate yet," said Steve Dasbach, the party's national director. "Police can still employ an appalling array of science fiction-style devices, including X-rated X-rays that display your naked body; radar guns that see through walls; and ion sniffers that detect traces of drugs

"Yes, police now need a search warrant before using a thermal imager. But the government is like a compulsive voyeur. If you pull the curtain in one window, Uncle Sam just peers

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in another. That's why the battle over "search," the court ruled, since it altech world has just begun."

On Monday, the Supreme Court been unknowable without physical ruled, 5-4, that police violated the intrusion." Fourth Amendment when they used The case involved an Oregon man a thermal imaging device - which convicted of growing marijuana afmonitors heat patterns through the ter police scanned his home with an walls of a house - without a search Agema 210 thermal imager, and de-

Such surveillance is legally a high-intensity growing lamps.

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The ruling is a victory for privacy, acknowledged Dasbach. But it won't be the end of the debate over hightech surveillance versus privacy.

"A whole stampede of Tom Clancystyle spying devices are running headlong into the Fourth Amendment's protections against unreasonable search," he said. "Most Americans would be shocked at the intrusive surveillance equipment now being used by law enforcement."

According to news reports, state governments and federal agencies are using or developing the following exotic, high-tech surveillance

\* A radar gun that allows police to "see" through concrete walls. The handheld device, about the size of a large hair dryer, shoots radio waves through walls and displays movement on a graph. The device will be in police hands by October.

\* High-tech scanners — dubbed "Xrated X-rays" by critics — that can show a clear image of your naked body under your clothes. The machine, called the BodySearch, has already been installed by the FAA in airports around the nation, and is used to examine suspected smugglers.

# RC&D meets...

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Garza Soil & Water Conservation District, the Garza County Commissioners Court, Wells Fargo Bank and the Post Economic Development Corpora-

For additional information on the RC&D program or to become a sponsor, contact the local NRCS office at 495-2056, ext. 3, or go by the USDA Service Center, 210 W. Main, in Naval Surface Warfare Center. The device analyzes the chemical makeup of the air, and can detect, for example, trace molecules of coused to scan truck drivers for possible drug use. A "walk-though" model of the device is now being developed.

\* NASA spy satellites, which have been employed by state governments in North Carolina, Georgia, and Arizona. Satellite photographs are used to search for unreported improvements that might increase property taxes; to check for water-use permits; and to find improper timber cutting.

And currently under development by the Justice Department: A "super X-ray" — combining X-ray technology, ultra-sound imaging, and computer-aided metal detectors - to re-

\* An ion sniffer, developed by the veal items hidden under clothes from up to 60 feet away.

What do all these devices have in common?

"Technology is vastly expanding the caine through the skin. It's being power of the police to spy on you," said Dasbach. "Unreasonable search has become unbelievable search.

"That's why the Supreme Court ruling on thermal imagers was a good first step - but it was not enough. We need the Supreme Court to unequivocally declare that there is no high-tech exemption to the Fourth Amendment. Not for thermal imagers. Not for super X-rays. Not for the next dreadful device that police develop.

"In short, we need a Fourth Amendment that is even more powerful than the high-tech surveillance equipment that police are using to pulverize our privacy.'



It took a special crane to mount an air conditioner on top of the McCrary building downtown last week. (Photo by Thomas Zachary)

The Post Dispatch - 495-2816

Are you over 55?

"It's All Free for Seniors"

Washington DC (Special) An amazing new report out today reveals thousands of little-known Government give-aways for people over 55. Records show that each year, many of these benefits are NOT given away simply because people don't know they're available... and the government doesn't advertise them. There are details about getting free prescription drugs, dental care, legal help, free money to remodel your home, how to get paid to travel, and much, much more. Many of these fabulous freebies can be yours regardless of your income or assets. You can learn more by simply writing for MORE information. To get your copy, send your name and address today to: Free for Seniors, Dept. FS1604, 718 - 12th St. N.W., Box 24500, Canton, Ohio 44701. To help us cover printing and postage, \$1 would be appreciated,



**New Notch Legislation** 

(NAPS)-Thanks to new legislation, a group of retirees who took a cut in Social Security benefits 22 years ago may now receive either a lump sum payment or a



Seniors of a certain age will gain from legislation designed to help eliminate the "notch" of lower benefits.

The Notch Fairness Act of 2001, introduced by Rep. Ralph Hall (D-TX), would compensate retirees born between 1917 and 1926, who receive lower Social Security benefits than retirees with similar work and earnings records who were born before and after them.

These individuals, known as "Notch Babies," are the group hardest hit by spiraling health care and prescription drug cost increases because they are more likely to have chronic health conditions and use more prescription drugs than younger retirees.

The Notch Fairness Act of 2001 is estimated to cost about \$45 billion over a four-year period and would not siphon money from the Social Security Trust Fund. The TREA Senior Citizens League, a national group of politically active seniors, urges people to contact their legislators and ask them to sponsor the bill.

For more information, send \$1 for shipping and handling to: TREA Senior Citizens League, Dept. N10101, 909 N. Washington St., Suite 300, Alexandria, VA 22314. You can also visit the Web site at www.tscl.org.



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