

Breann Heckaman (right) is presented the 4-H Gold Star trophy by Garza County Commissioner Lee Norman at last Friday's 4-H Achievement Banquet. The Gold Star award goes to the outstanding 4-H member with the top scoring Record Book recording their activities and achievements in their projects, citizenship and leadership.

# Two men charged in local break-ins

A pair of suspects in a string of burglaries that cost local businesses thousands of dollars in losses and damage has been identi-

A 21-year-old man from Post and a 23-year-old male who recently moved to the community from Anton have admitted to their involvement in eight burglaries of local retailers, Sheriff Kenny Ratke said.

Although Ratke declined to identify the suspects until formal charges are filed later this week, he did indicate that property recovered in the possession of the pair corroborated their statements. Each will likely face eight counts of burglary of a building, Ratke said. Chief Deputy Tommy Binford, who played a major role in the ongoing investigation, is expected to present the case to the district attorney later this week.

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The burglaries began in mid-July and continued throughout August. Sheriff's deputies were frustrated by the cases because there were "no leads — no classifiable fingerprints," Ratke said.

Additionally, items taken in the burglaries were "non-traceable items;" that is, phone cards, cash, available coins, movies and checks. The checks, however, were not passed, according to reports.

Many were recovered in bar ditches around the city, particularly in that area along North G Place. The break law enforcement officials needed in the case came a week ago when several deputies offered to invest some overtime hours in a "foot and rooftop patrol" of various retail areas.

With permission from business owners, the officers manned the rooftops of several retail outlets, using "night vision" equipment to aid their efforts.

"The day we started that is the day we broke this open," the sheriff said. Authorities were able to track down a screwdriver used as a pry tool to a local residence. Once a positive identification was made, the first suspect was brought in for questioning.

The 23-year-old confessed to his involvement in the crimes and provided deputies with the name of his accomplice. The second individual, apparently aware of the situation unfolding at the sheriff's department, came in on his own to give his statement.

Businesses believed to have been burglarized by the suspects include Sonic, which was hit on two separate occasions; Video Showcase, which also was burglarized twice; the Jackson Brothers Meat Locker on South Avenue H; the VFW Hall; Magoo's Pizza at Main and Avenue F; and the Alamo Restaurant on East Main.

Investigations into at least two of the burglaries initially indicated

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# The Host Bispatch

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# Something's gotta give as county squeezes budget

by Wes Burnett

regular meeting Monday morning trying to keep tax rates in line by behaving. whittling away on expenses.

as the court began reviewing the budget.

improvements for a total of approximately \$83,000.

pletely revamping the radio system and replacing it with an esti- none for seven, Shirley Riedel (8) and Fay Maddox (9). mated \$400,000 digital system.

The capital expense for improving the radio system was not included in the budget estimates being discussed by the court Monday.

"We've got to find out where the city stands on this," Dalby emphasized, "before we can go much further."

Dalby pointed out that the Post City Council's proposal to share less than 50 percent of law enforcement budget casts doubts about the continued sharing of jointly funded projects.

"Maybe it's time for a divorce," he said. Commissioner Lee Norman suggested that if the city council decides to fund less than the agreed 50 percent, then the county should consider less funding for its share of city projects.

Norman then outlined a 25 percent county share for the library community center and parks, using population figures as a base from which to determine the appropriate sharing.

A joint meeting between the commissioners court and city council was held Tuesday evening, and although no decisions were made by the council, Mayor Archie Gill said he didn't think there would be any opposition to supporting the county's proposal for upgrading the radio system.

At that meeting, Dalby explained that the city's projected cost of the upgrade would not include equipping the constable's office in support of Lake Alan Henry operations. The revised Sheriff's Department budget shows a city sharing of \$318,000, which Gill said he thought would be included in this year's city budget.

At the Commissioners Court Monday meeting, Treasurer Ruth Ann Young pointed out that the current budget estimates show total rev-

enues of \$2,696,637 with expenses at \$2,729,203. Judge Dalby complained about the Texas Department of Public Safety not properly staffing the local DPS, citing that the office here currently has one vacancy. "They seem to be just swamped with paperwork," Dalby said, "which keeps them off the road too much." Norman asked the sheriff about when the new video cameras would be installed in patrol cars. Ratke said that he is working on a grant from the state, but couldn't say when or if it would be approved. "We have one unit installed, which was done through private donations," he added.

# Sheriff explains radio upgrading

will be looking to squeeze some additional expenditures into the coming year's budget following a report they received Monday on the radio equipment needs within the sheriff's department. Sheriff Kenny Ratke was on hand to deliver the report, which indicated that much of the equipment is worn out and needs to be

Garza County Commissioners iff, the radio console used by his department has been in use for about 15 years.

"The overwhelming use of the console has been such that the control buttons don't function properly, and the interference in the radio traffic during its use make the main console nearly unusable," Ratke said in his re-

"The age of this console also makes if difficult, if not impossible, to repair." Additionally, several of the department's handheld units, used by officers working outside of the sheriff's department facilities, need replacement, the five-watt units are about 12-13 years old, and several of them are undependable, the sheriff told members of the

Compounding the radio equipment needs is Lake Allen Henry - officers working the lake require additional radio wattage to effectively communicate when they are at certain areas of the

The sheriff provided detailed overviews of several options the court might want to consider. Options included the creation of a complete digital radio system; the creation of a second tower site at the lake to accommodate officers working that area; or an upgrade of the existing analog radio system.

Scratching and clawing for a little give here and a little give there, Dalby pointed out that the patrol car video cameras are important the Garza County Commissioners Court spent a big chunk of its in some trials, because the jury can actually see how the accused is

In other action, the court formally amended the list of election "So many requests and so little money," Judge Giles W. Dalby sighed judges, with county clerk Jerry Hays explaining that one alternate judge vacancy is yet to be filled.

The court had agreed earlier in the meeting to Sheriff Kenny Election judges are (by voting box) Lee Ann Hodges (1), Libby Ratke's recommendations for bringing radio service up to standard. McGehee (2), Dianne Windham (3), Peggy Smith (4), Billie J. Cross Ratke recommended repairing the existing equipment and making (5), Jennie Cowdrey (6), Janet Ratliff (7), Mark Odom (8) and Eddie Jo Miller (9).

The decision by commissioners to support the sheriff's recommen- Alternate judges are R. Syd Conner (1), Mary Bassinger (2), Betty dations apparently sidetracks the more expensive proposals for com- Striblin (3), Mary Miller (4), Jane Terry (5), Debarra Ledbetter (6),

Bill Thomas had already been appointed as early voting judge.

# Post Notes

#### Firemen help MDA funding

Members of the Post Volunteer Fire Department will be at Town & Country Saturday pumping gas and washing windows, seeking donations to assist the MDA.

#### Reserved seat tickets available

Post Antelope football fans are encouraged to purchase reserve seat tickets for the home games. They may be purchased at the high school office through noon Friday, August 31. Individual game tickets will be available at the gate.

### Pep rally set for 11:30 a.m. Friday

The Post Antelopes will open the football season Friday night against Hamlin here. A pep rally will be held in the high school gym at 11:35 a.m. The public is invited to attend and participate.

#### Post Junior Cheerleaders meet Sept. 4

Post Junior Cheerleaders, ages three and older, will hold their first session at Vibes on September 4 at 6 p.m. For more information call Bunny Lynch at 495-2519 or Christina Jones at 495-3260.

# PHS Class of '61 reunion Sunday

The Post High School Class of '61 will hold its 40 year class reunion Sunday, Sept. 2 at the Hotel Garza. A coke party int he lobby of the hotel will be from 3-5 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m. and visiting in the garden area until the "wee hours" of the morning. Friends, teachers and parents are invited to drop by duirng the party or for visiting.

# Taking orders for custom curb signs

The Antelope Booster Club is taking orders for custom made curb/driveway signs. The signs are made by "City Stickers" of Lubbock and are made according to individual specifications. The stickers have a lifetime guarantee and are available in white, black, red, green and blue, Prices start at \$20 for one sign, \$39.95 for two, \$44.95 for two with alley signs and custom orders at additional prices. Logos inclue the Texas Tech Double T, Texas Rangers T, State of Texas, Christian fish symbol, paw print and an Antelope Head (black only). Those interested in ordering a sign should call Larry Mills at 495-3719. Samples are available at Wells Fargo and CitizensBank, and will also be on display at the "Meet the Antelopes" night.

# Founders Day booth spaces available

Booth space reservations for the September 15 Founders Day are now being accepted. Contact Tommy Young at 495-3274, JoAnn Stelzer at 495-3393 or Jana Bullard at 495-2804 or 495-2037. Booths with electricity are \$15, without \$10. Special forms for food booths are also avail-

# Money management course offered

"Talking Money," a simple course in money management, will be offered beginning September 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the CitizensBANK community room. The course is designed to teach individuals or couples how to make a budget to fit the earnings they are making, and a method to save for annual expenses, such as insurance, school clothes, tuition, Christmas and vacations. Participants should bring a calculator. Each class is limited to 10 households and costs \$4 for notebook and materials. No children please, call 495-2467

# Antique tractor show entries

Wells Fargo Bank is sponsoring an Antique Tractor Show on September 15 in conjunction with this year's Founder's Day activities. For more information contact Jana Bullard at 806-495-2804. There is no registration fee. Deadline for entries is September 10.

# Jones reception Sept. 18

A special "farewell" reception for Paul and Sherry Jones will be held Tuesday, Sept. 18 at the Trail Blazers begining at 6 p.m.

# "Crazy Quilts of Autumn"

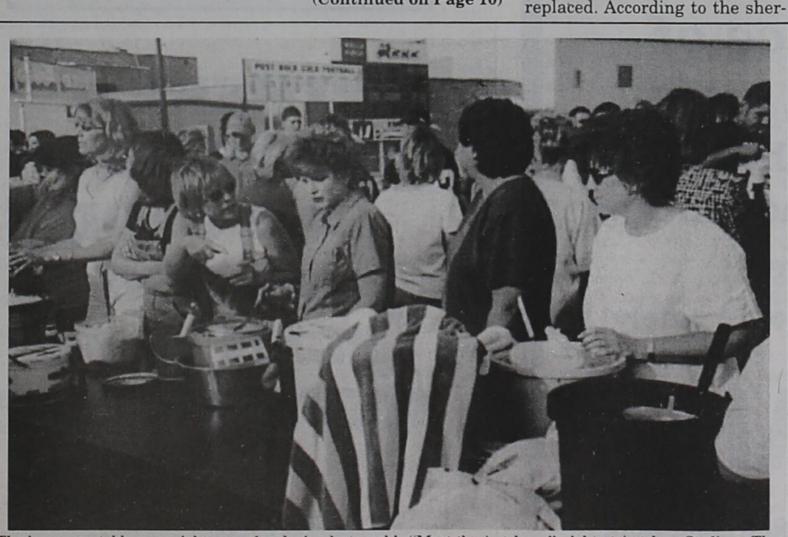
The Post Art Guild will sponsor its 4th Annual "Crazy Quilts of Autumn" during Founders Day weekend, September 15. The special feature this year will be a Members Art Show and Sale with a wide variety of styles from members. For more information call the Caprock Cultural Association.

# Class of '56 class reunion

The PHS Class of 1956 will hold its 45th class reunion on September 1 in the Wells Fargo Bank community room, beginning at 10 a.m. Addresses are needed for Betty Watson Truelock, Toni Palmer Carter and Tommy Mayfield. If you have information about these classmates, please call 495-0305 or 495-3681.

# PHS Band taking calendar orders

The Pride of Post Band members will be taking orders for the 2002 Community Birthday Calendar through Sept. 10th. The calendars cost \$5.00 each which includes up to 5 listings of birthdays, anniversaries, etc. Additional listings can be printed on the calendar for 25 cents each. If you would like to purchase a calendar and a Band member hasn't contacted you, call 495-3057 and someone will be sent to take your or-



The ice cream table was mighty popular during last week's "Meet the Antelopes" night at Antelope Stadium. The traditional event features homemade ice cream, made and served by members of the Post Antelope Booster Club. All Post Antelope football players, seventh grade through high school, were introduced to the fans.

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# Gloria Aguilar, Matt Pennell wed August 17

Gloria Aguilar and Matt Pennell were wed Aug. 17, 2001, in a 2 p.m. ceremony in the Holy Cross Catholic Church in Post. The ceremony was performed by Father Don McMahon of Rome, Italy. Parents of the bride are Sam and Linda Placencia of Lubbock.

The groom is the son of Rick and Margie Maestas of Post and Don Pennell of Lubbock. Given in marriage by her father, the bride's maid of honor was her sister, Anna Esquivel of Lubbock.

The bride's daughter, Jazmin, served as flower girl. Fred Stangl of Lubbock was best man. Mothers of the couple were seated by Richard Hudman of Post. Nancy Gordon provided piano selections for the ceremony. A reception followed in the Holy Cross Catholic Hall, with Delores Redman and Julie Hudman serving wedding guests.

The bride is employed by Fanning, Fanning & Associates Inc., Consulting Engineers of Lubbock.

The groom, a student at Texas Tech University, is employed by J.B. Star Mail Contractors of Lubbock. The couple will make their home in Lubbock.

# Bridal shower honors Holly Hardin

Holly Hardin, bride-elect of Matt Hoel, was honored with a bridal shower Sunday afternoon, Aug. 26, in the parlor of the First Christian Church. Honored guests included Barbara Hardin, mother of the bride-elect; Darlene Hoel, mother of the prospective bridegroom; and Frances Martin and Winnell Hardin, grandmothers of the bride-elect.

The serving table was laid with a white cloth. Lilac flowers and napkins were used, as were crystal appointments. Cookies, fruit, nuts and punch were served to 50 guests.

Hostesses included Rowena Pierce, Margie Maestas, Linda David, Diane Josey, Julie Hudman, Edna Owen, Sandra Alexander, Jamie Cooper, Debbie Palmer, Wanda Cox, Peggy Smith, Sherry Owen, Billie Williams, Jane Odom and Jane Davis.

# Births

# Hayden Paul Husen

Zack and Natalie Husen of Lubbock are proud to announce the birth of their son, Hayden Paul.

Hayden was born Saturday, June 30, 2001 at 8:29 am at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

He weighed eight pounds, 12 and 1/ 4 ounces and was 22 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Jay and Sherry Pollard. Maternal great grandparents are Sammie Pollard and William Hammond.

Paternal grandparents are Richard and Dale Husen of Levelland.

Paternal great grandparents are Viola Husen of Lubbock and Don and Betty Cain of Pampa, Texas.



Hayden Husen

# Gatlyn Lee Hoskins

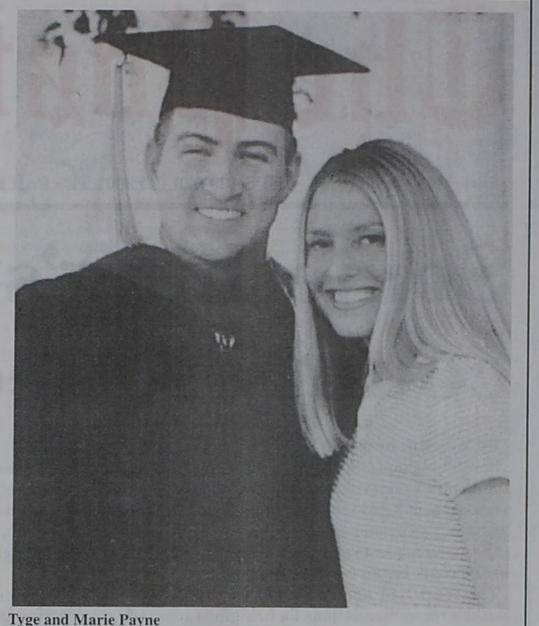
Billy and Doylene Shumard have announced the arrival of their newest grandson, Gatlyn Lee Hoskins. The infant was born Aug. 14, 2001, at 12:59 a.m. in Rolling Plains Hospital in Sweetwater.

He weighed eight pounds, one ounce and was 19 1/2-inches long. Proud parents are Tracy and Dusty Hoskins of Sweetwater. The new big brother is Gage Ray.

The baby also is welcomed by grandmother Craglene Hoskins of San Saba and great-grandparents Flora Fry and V.L. "Buster" Shumard of Post; Horace and Ellen Hoskins of Sweetwater and Maurice Strickland of San Saba.



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# Tyge Payne earns PhD at TTU

Tyge Payne, a 1989 graduate of Post High School, is a recent graduate of the doctoral program in strategic management at the J.S. Rawls College of Business, Texas Tech University.

His PhD follows a master's in business administration, also from Tech, and a bachelor's of science in pharmacy from Southwestern Oklahoma State

He recently accepted a visiting assistant professor position at Texas Tech, beginning in the fall semester. Dr. Payne's dissertation, "Strategy and Structure Configurations: An Examination of Fit and Performance," was defended on June 29.

It empirically analyzes organizational configurations based on strategic and structural elements using both multivarieate and linear techniques. His current research is focused on extending the dissertation's look at and structure.

Secondary interests include corporate entrepreneurship, particularly involving technology and innovation, and basic competitive strate gy. Dr. are not paid, checkbook is still lost, and the cat ate the remote control. Payne recently became the recipient of two reviewer awards.

First, the Academy of Management Business Policy & Strategy Division awarded him the Outstanding Reviewer Award for 2001.

Second, he was named the Best Reviewer for the Southern Management Association's Entrepreneurship/Ethics Track. Each of these awards follow several years of involvement as a presenter, reviewer, discussant and/or session chair in each of these professional organizations

Dr. Payne, son of Don and Carol Payne, has authored or co-authored several journal articles and book chapters, including articles in "Health Care Management Review and Advances" in "Health Care Management." He and his wife, Marie, reside in Lubbock.

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Don't you love these cool mornings. It almost makes you think Fall is in the air, but I don't think so. I think maybe we still have a few more hot days ahead, but what a nice break.

School is in full swing, busy streets and all. Please watch out for those little ones. They have more things on their mind than the streets. Be careful.

This and That

Office Arithmetic:

Smart boss + smart employee= profit

Smart boss + dumb employee= production Dumb boss + smart employee= promotion

Dumb boss + dumb employee= overtime

Happiness: To be happy with a man, you must understand him and love him a little. To be

happy with a woman, you must love her a lot and not try to understand her at all. Any married man should forget his mistakes. There's no use in two people remembering the same thing.

Discussion Technique:

A woman has the last word in any argument. Anything a man says after that is the beginning of another argument.

#### Alma Report

I hear good things about Alma Williams. Alma has had a load to bear this past year, I'm glad she is on the mend. Love you Alma!

#### Thanks to a Trade Day Pal AAADD

I just wanted to let everyone know that I have been diagnosed with Age-Activated Attention Deficit Disorder (AAADD).

Symptoms: This is how it goes....I decide to do the laundry, start down the hall and notice the

newspaper on the table. OK, I'm going to do the laundry...BUT FIRST I'm going to read the newspaper. After that, I notice the mail on the table...OK, I'll just put the newspaper in the recycle stack....BUT FIRST I'll look through the pile of mail and see if there are any bills to be paid. Yes. Now where is the checkbook? Oops....there's the empty glass from yesterday on the coffee table. I'm going to look for that checkbook...BUT FIRST I need to put the glass in the sink.

I head for the kitchen, look out the window, notice my poor flowers need a drink of water, I put the glass in the sink and there's the remote for the TV on the kitchen counter. What's it doing here? I'll just put it away...BUT FIRST need to water those

I head for the door and ... AAAGH! stepped on the cat. Cat needs to be fed. Okay. configurations theory and the relationship between organizational strategy I'll put the remote away and water the plants... BUT FIRST I need to feed the cat. End of day:

Laundry is not done, newspapers are still on the floor, glass is still in the sink, bills

And, when I try to figure out how come nothing got done today, I'm baffled! Because... I KNOW I WAS BUSY ALL DAY!!

I realize this condition is serious....I'd get help...BUT FIRST....I think I'll check my e-mail.....

#### Birthdays

Friday, August 31, Mikey Gonzales, Brenda Nelson, Derek Guthrie, Reagan Payne, Jacoby Bilbo and Bob Johnson; Saturday, September Bobbye Nell Harris; anniversary, Danny and Susan Gonzales; Sunday, September 2, David Mosser, Kristopher Crenshaw, Abigail Hollscher; anniversary, Beatrice and Alejandro Mesa. Monday, September 3, Tate Jefferson, Minerva Salazar, Robbie Palmer Marcie Oden and Bernie Tackitt. Tuesday, September 4, Mario Reyna, Nikki Norman and Dale Wimmer. Wednesday, September 5, Tanisha Paiz, Joshua Timms, Dalton Huffman, Wade Peppers and Paige Lott.. Thursday, September 6, Josh Odom Bruce Bevers, Chris Dawson, John Bilberry, Cliff Walls, and Francesca Davies, anniversary, Rod and Donna Smith. Missed anniversary, David and Rebecca Robles, August 30th.

# Knitting

A highway patrolman pulled alongside a speeding car on the freeway. Glancing at the car, he was astounded to see that the blonde driver was knitting.

Realizing that she was oblivious to his flashing lights and siren, the trooper cranked down his window, turned on his bullhorn and yelled, "Pullover"! "No," the blonde yelled back, "It's a scarf!"

# Till Next Week

Don't forget Old Mill Trade Day's this weekend. The weather should be much cooler! May God hold you in the palm on his hand and the angels watch over you. Pray for rain. See ya next week.

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We encourage you to enjoy the holiday weekend in Post and take advantage of all the many activities here... If you do travel, please be careful and arrive home safely!



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# 4-H Achievement Banquet

"One In A Million" was the theme of the 2001 Achievement Banquet held Friday night honoring 4-H'ers, supporters and leaders of Garza County 4-H. Members of the County Council were in charge of the program recognizing 101 youth, 46 leaders and other individuals and organizations who participated in and supported various activities throughout the 2000-

Breann Heckaman, a six year member and the daughter of Bobby and Nita Jo Heckaman, was presented the coveted "Gold Star" which is the highest award in the county. Breann accomplished this by completing a Record Book recording her work in Leadership and Personal Development, Shooting Sports, Swine and Goat projects. Her book received a Red ribbon at district competition and she was also awarded a Personal Development Achievement medal on the county level. She also place 3rd. at state record book competition.

Allison Blevins was awarded the Junior II Progress award for completing a Record Book in the Swine project. Allison's book received a Red ribbon at district and she received a Food and Nutrition achievement medal on the county level

"Best First Year Record Book" awards are presented to the 4-H'er who completed a Record Book and had the highest judged score on their book. This year we had a tie in the Junior I Division between Allen Heckaman and Jarrett Blevins. The "Best First Year Record Book" award in the Junior 2 Division went to Dionn Heckaman.

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The "Friends of 4-H" award was presented to Mason's Farm and Ranch Supply for their outstanding support of the 4-H Shotgun Club, stock show sale, the purchase of new tables for the show barn, and many fund raising activities in the county.

Jaquita Blevins was chosen by the 4-H Council as "Outstanding Leader for 2001". The award was presented by her daughter Allison Blevins.

Traci Nelson was selected by the 4-H Council to serve as 2001-2002 Sweetheart. Traci, the 14 year old daughter of Danny and Kathy Nelson, has been in 4-H five years,

Agent Greg Jones presented appreciation gifts to 4-H Club Managers Shanna Jaquess and Christy Rutherford for their hard work and dedication to the Golden Clover 4-H Club.

4-H members who completed Project Forms or Record Books were awarded year pins: Recipients were: First Year - Jarrett Blevins, Ashley Crane and Cora Crane. Second Year - Timothy Wilson Third Year - Allison Blevins, Allen Heckaman, and Ashley Wilson. Fifth Year - Dionn Heckaman; Sixth Year - Breann Heckaman.

Pee-Wee 4-H'ers that participated in various activities were recognized and awarded special gifts. Food and Nutrition project Pee-Wee's were: Tereka Cowley, Becca Fannon, Chasiti Rutherford, Jill Thompson and Amber Wilson. Amber Wilson also participated in the Electric Project. Participating in the Pee-Wee Goat Show in January were: Mallory Arguello, Travis Arguello, Julie Boren, Amanda Duran, Gary Farquhar, Hayden Farquhar, Sara Greer, Abbey Hoelscher, Sutton Hoelscher, Kaegan Jeffrey, Pake Jones, Skylar Jones, Lauren Lynch, Ben Mason, Garrett McCarty, Dakota McDonald, Kelbie Oden, Taylor Osborn, Coby Pennell, Kade Smith

4-H'ers who participated in projects on the county level throughout the year included the following Food & Nutrition Project: Victoria Fannon, Katy Nance, Shyann Todd, Claudia Hernandez, Megan Nance, Kadie Vernon, Leonard Lopez, Tyler Odom, Josie Whisenhunt, Monica Lopez, Asa Rutherford, Ashley Wilson, Yuri Lopez, Phynesia Rutherford, Chloe Mason.

Also participating in the Food and Nutrition Project and advancing to the County Food Show last fall were: Allison Blevins, Dionn Heckaman, Jarrett Blevins, Lexi Nobles, Ashley Crane, Toni Wait, Cora Crane, Tim Wilson and Allen Heckaman.

Participants of the 2001 County Livestock Show included: Michael Best-Swine; LaRinda Ledbetter-Beef & Swine; Allison Blevins-Swine; Danielle McCarty-Goats; Camille Blevins-Swine; Chloe Mason-Goats; Jarrett Blevins-Swine; Wes Mason-Swine & Goats; Justin Boren-Goats; Alex Miller-Goats; Brody Conner-Beef; Traci Nelson-Beef & Swine; Brooks Conner-Beef; Justin Norman-Beef; Aaron Cooper-Beef; Stace Norman-Goats; T. J. Copeland-Swine; Steffi Norman-Goats; Ashley Crane-Swine; Heath Palmer-Swine; Cora Crane-Swine; Heather Palmer-Swine; Allen Duran-Goats; C. J. Phillips-Beef; Victoria Fannon-Swine; Kirby Phillips-Beef; Heath Fellhauer-Swine; Pat Reiter-Goats; Timothy Gonzales-Swine; Asa Rutherford-Swine; Allen Heckaman-Swine & Goats; Lesley Rutherford-Swine; Breann Heckaman-Swine & Goats; Toni Wait-Swine; Dionn Heckaman-Swine & Goats; Laci Williams-Beef; D'Nae Johnson-Sheep; J. D. Young-Swine; Coby Jones-Beef & Sheep

Participating in Livestock Judging were: Allison Blevins, Trent McDonald, Aaron Cooper, Traci Nelson, Kayla Dunn and Coby Jones.

County participants in the Shooting Sports Rifle Project included: John David Boren, LaRinda Ledbetter, Allen Heckaman, Colt Vernon, Breann Heckaman, Ashley Wilson and Timothy Wilson.

Participating in the Shooting Sports Shotgun Project were: Caleb Crutcher, Kyle Kirkpatrick, Giles Wilson Dalby, Wes Mason, Brent Furlow, Heath Palmer, Tyler Furlow, Chris Putman, Austin Ham, Pat Reiter, Breann Heckaman and Clinton Yarbro.

Participants of the 4-H Electric Project included: Allison Blevins, Dionn Heckaman, Jarrett Blevins, Ashley Wilson, Allen Heckaman, Timothy Wilson and Breann Heckaman

Participants of the Baby Sitting Clinic were: Ericka Cravy, Kelli Martin, K'Nell Dalby, Bailey Odom, Claire Kirkpatrick and Josie Whisenhunt. Participants in the Clothing Project were: Kaylee Farquhar, Hayley McDaniell and Shelby Farquhar.

District and state participants included:

4-H Fashion Follies: Allison Blevins and Cora Crane.

District Food Show: Ashley Crane, Cora Crane and Toni Wait. District Nutrition Quiz Bowl: Allison Blevins, Jarrett Blevins, Allen

Heckaman and Breann Heckaman.

Garza County was represented at major stock shows across the state including Panhandle South Plains Fair, Dallas State Fair, Fort Worth, San Antonio, Houston, and San Angelo. 4-H'ers participating were: Allison Blevins, D'Nae Johnson, Camille Blevins, Coby Jones, Jarrett Blevins, LaRinda Ledbetter, Justin Boren, Danielle McCarty, Brooks Conner, Traci Nelson, Brody Conner, Justin Norman, Aaron Cooper, C. J. Phillips, Allen Heckaman, Kirby Phillips, Breann Heckaman, J.D. Young and Dionn

We had several teams participating in District Roundup contest in April. Members of the District Rifle Team were: Allen Heckaman, Colt Vernon, Breann Heckaman, Ashley Wilson, LaRinda Ledbetter and Timothy Wilson. Participants of the District Leadership Camp in Levelland were: Allison Blevins, Allen Heckaman, Jarrett Blevins, Danielle McCarty, K'Nell Dalby, Wes Mason, Kaylee Farquhar, Lexi Nobles, Heath Fellhauer and Josie Whisenhunt. Serving as camp counselors were: Breann Heckaman and LaRinda Ledbetter.

Attending District Electric Camp in Cloudcroft, New Mexico, were: Christopher Curb and Breann Heckaman.

Participating in the District Horse Show in June were: Clint Johnson, Colt Vernon and Kadie Vernon. Clint and Colt also received framed certificates for their participation at the state Horse Show.

Members of the district Shooting Sports-Shotgun Team participating at several regional and district Trap and Skeet Shoots were: Brent Furlow, Kyle Kirkpatrick, Tyler Furlow, Caleb Crutcher, Austin Ham, Wes Mason, Breann Heckaman, Heath Palmer and Clinton Yarbro.

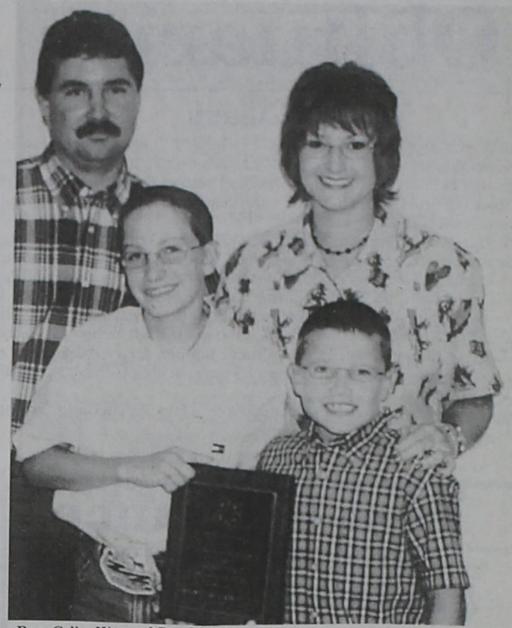
Receiving framed certificates for advancing to the State Trap & Skeet Shoot were: Caleb Crutcher, Breann Heckaman, Kyle Kirkpatrick, Heath Palmer, Wes Mason.

Commissioner Lee Norman presented Achievement pins and District Ribbons to the following: Junior I: Jarrett Blevins - Swine Achievement Pin and District Blue Ribbon for Swine Record Book; Allen Heckaman - Shooting Sports Achievement Pin and District Blue Ribbon for Shooting Sports Record Book.

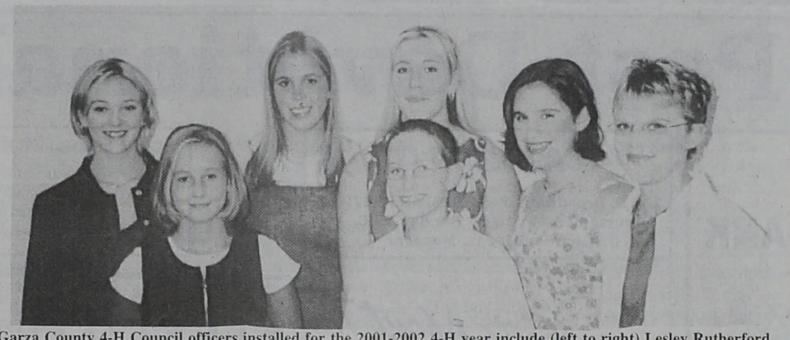
Junior II: Allison Blevins - Food & Nutrition Achievement Pin and District Blue Ribbon for Swine Record Book; Ashley Crane - Food & Nutrition Achievement Pin and District Blue Ribbon for Food & Nutrition Record Book; Cora Crane - Clothing & Textiles Achievement Pin and District Blue Ribbon for Clothing Record Book; Dionn Heckaman - Goat



Traci Nelson was selected as 2001-2002 4-H Sweetheart for Garza County. Traci was presented with a jacket and bear at the 4-H Achievement Banquet last Friday evening.



Ray, Celia, Wes and Ben Mason are shown with the 2001 Friend of 4-H plaque presented to Mason's Farm and Ranch Supply for their outstanding support of the 4-H program in Garza County.



Garza County 4-H Council officers installed for the 2001-2002 4-H year include (left to right) Lesley Rutherford, Alternate District Delegate; Allison Blevins, Reporter; Breann Heckaman, Vice President; LaRinda Ledbetter, President; Wes Mason, Junior District Delegate; Dionn Heckaman, Junior District Delegate and Traci Nelson, Secretary. Not available for photo are Coy Jones, District Delegate; Jarrett Blevins and Cora Crane, Alternate Junior



Award winners at the 2001 Garza County 4-H Achievement Banquet included (left to right) Jarrett Blevins, Best First Year Junior I Record Book; Allison Blevins, Junior II Progress Award; Jaquita Blevins, 2001 Outstanding Leader; Dionn Heckaman, Best First Year Junior II Record Book and Allen Heckaman, who tied with Jarrett for Best First Year Junior I Record Book

Achievement Pin and District Blue Ribbon for Goat Record Book. Senior: Breann Heckaman - Personal Development Achievement Pin and District Red Ribbon for Leadership & Personal Development Record Book. Breann's Record Book placed 3rd. at state last week.

Recognition of Teen Leaders who helped with various projects included: Aaron Cooper - Livestock Judging; Brooks Conner-Beef; Breann Heckaman-Food and Nutrtion and Shooting Sports; Coby Jones-Beef; and LaRinda Ledbetter - Shooting Sports and Swine.

Adult Leaders receiving recognition were: 1st. Year: Jarrett Bland-Shooting Sports; Leisa Farquhar-Clothing; Shanna Jaquess-Club Manager; origin Chris Reiter-Sheep & Goats; Christy Rutherford-Club Manager; Kirk Stevens-Shooting Sports; Robert Wilson-Shooting Sports; 2nd. Year: Syd Conner-Beef; Christie Curb-Beef; Daryl Crutcher-Shooting Sports; Lance Counties of the Texas Cooperative Dunn-Livestock Judging, Swine; David Farquhar-Swine; Jeff Greene-Swine; Extension are sponsoring an Tim Gaydos-Swine; Roger Jaquess-Swine; Nelda Lopez-Food & Nutrition; Artificial Insemination Workshop Celia Mason-Shooting Sports; Jason Porter-Shooting Sports; Denise Thursday, September 6, 7:00 p.m. Thompson-Food & Nutrition; Danny Vernon-Shooting Sports, Horse. 3rd. at the Ralls Community Room. Dr. Year: Gary Blevins-Swine, Shooting Sports, Sheep & Goats; Jaquita Blevins- Steve Kennedy will speak on the Record Books, Food & Nutrition; Nita Jo Heckaman-Food & Nutrition, topics of Cattle Estrus Record Books; Kim Norman-Goats & Sheep; Kelly Smith-Horse; Perry Synchronization and Ways to

Smith-Horse, Sheep & Goats. 4th. Year: Bobby Heckaman-Shooting Sports, Swine; Ray Mason-Shooting Sports, Swine, Sheep & Goats; Danny Nelson-Swine; 5th. Year: Mark Kirkpatrick-Shooting Sports; Brent Mason-Sheep & Goats; Benjie Smith-Shooting Sports. 6th. Year: Monk Palmer-Shooting Sports; Larry McDougal-Beef; Tony Conner-Beef; 8th. Year: Brad Mason-Sheep & Goats; Milton Williams-Beef, Sheep & Goats. 13th. Year: Glenna Reiter-Horse, Sheep & Goats. 16th Year: Bruce Ledbetter-Shooting Sports, Swine; Debbie Ledbetter-Shooting Sports. 24th Year: Diane Graves-Food & Nutrition, Photography, Clothing & Textiles, Record Books.

Recognized for having served on the 4-H & Youth Committee of the Extension Program Council were: Brent Mason, Chair, Aaron Cooper, Bryan Brownlow, Bobby Heckaman, Breann Heckaman, Joe Gregory, Charlotte Saldivar, LaRinda Ledbetter, Linda Martinez, Diane Zubia, Diana Zubia, and Michelle Wischkaemper.

Officers of the 2001-2002 County 4-H Council were installed including: LaRinda Ledbetter-President; Breann Heckaman-Vice-President; Traci Nelson-Secretary; Allison Blevins-Reporter; Coby Jones, Dionn Heckaman and Wes Mason as District Delegates, and serving as Alternate District Delegates will be Lesley Rutherford, Jarrett Blevins, and Cora Crane.

At the end of the banquet, winners of door prizes were Robert Wilson-4-H T-Shirt; Allison Blevins and Traci Nelson, 4-H Bears. Garza County 4-H members, leaders and Extension staff wish to thank everyone for their support during the year. A special thank you to Monk Palmer, Lyntegar Electric Cooperative, Inc., Garza County Commissioners' Court, Garza County 4-H Booster Club, for providing monetary support or items for the banquet. We want to thank everyone who brought food, helped set up and decorate and to those of you who stay to help clean up. It is very much appreciated.

If your name is listed in the above article as having received some type of recognition and you were not present at the banquet, please come by the Extension office at 102 South Avenue L to pick up your award.

# Edge of the Caprock by Greg Jones, CEA-AG

Living on the

#### **Drought-induced Nitrate** and Prussic Acid

Nitrate and prussic acid poisoning are sometimes common in forages that have been drought stricken. There are commonly two asked questions that need addressing after rainfall has been received after a period of drought like we have now.

#1 - Can I salvage sorghum or sorghum sudan that have been just sitting there without growing due to drought?

#2 - Will quick re-growth of drought stressed plants lead to prussic acid?

Nitrates are a concern in forages if they have not been growing. Nitrate may continue to accumulate in plant tissue, especially if Nitrogen fertilizer was applied, when plants cease to grow due to moisture stress. Nitrate accumulations are typically much higher in the bottom of the plants whereas grazing livestock typically eat younger, more tender

Thus nitrate poisoning is often more of a concern in cut forages as cutting "locks in" potentially dangerous nitrate levels, which will not dissipate. After growth is initiated, forages usually return to safe levels of nitrate concentration in the plant. One percent nitrate on a dry weight basis is potentially lethal for healthy animals, .05% on pregnant or unhealthy animals.

Prussic acid concerns are usually associated with the first hard freeze in the region. But prussic acid can also develop in immediate new growth after plants have been stressed. Given 4-5 days of good growth, prussic acid will dissipate It will also dissipate in about 3-4 days in properly cured hay.

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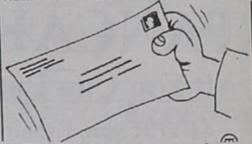
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# B.W. Gary

Military Graveside service for B. W. Gary, 72, of Post and former resident Valera were Monday, 11:00 A.M. August 27, 2001 at the Terrace Cemetery in Post. The Rev. Raymond Gary, retired Baptist minister from Lubbock officiated. Arrangements were under the personal care of Justice-Mason Funeral Home.

Mr. Gary died on Saturday August 25, 2001 at the VA Hospital, Big Spring. He was born on April 14, 1929 to Claude 'C.O.' and Ann (Wilson) Gary in Garza County. He attended Post Schools and served in the Navy during WWII and later in the Marines during the Korean War.

He was employed by Brown And Root until his retirement in 1994. He came to Post June, 2001 to live. He was preceded in death by his wife, Betty, his father, C.O. Gary; mother, Ann Altman; brother, James Dwayne Gary; and a sister, Linda Gordon. He was a lifetime member of the John Miller

He is survived by two sisters, Bonnie Duren of Post, Arleta Gary of Slaton and a brother James E. Gary of Slaton.

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The Close City-Garlyn Reunion was held Aug. 18 in the Post Community Center. Mary Gale Young and Cleo Sappington registered a total of 56 guests.

Harvey Mason traveled the longest oldest present.

prizes for the event. Charles Morris Ford and Earl Ford. was elected president for the next

and treasurer.

of Tahoka; James and Mary Allison Oneita Gunn. of Cedar Park; Kathy Hubbard of Shallowater;

Cooper, J.M. Haley of Lubbock. Also, Arthur Jones of Seminole; Norma Smith, Margaret Grimes of Hawley; Lois Sparks, Aubrey Sparks of Portales, N.M.;

Walter and Joanna Morris of distance for the reunion, coming from Albuquerque, N.M.; Eldon and Eva Loveland, Ohio. W.C. Bush was the Lee Roberts, Dr. D.G. and Alice Porterfield, Melanie Hatchskin, Jim The Frame Shop, the Close City Hatchskin of Abilene; Emma Gin and Chester Morris provided door Harnison of Jayton; and Margaret

Attending from Post were James reunion, which will be held in August and La Verne Aten, W.C. and Maurice Bush, Jerry Bush, Neal and Lanell Oneita Gunn was elected secretary Clary, Billie Cross, Thurman and Annie Laura Frances, Johnnie Those attending from out of town Frances, Odie Kemp, Jody and included Harvey Mason of Loveland, Marilyn Mason, W.C. and Marg Ohio; Ruby Mason of San Angelo; Caffey, Mary Gale Young, Tommy Hazel Moseley of Dallas; Lester and Young, Chester Morris, Charles and Ann Adams, D.R. and Jean Adamson Sharon Morris, Cleo Sappington and

Anyone with information concerning former students of Close Wynona Elder of Weatherford; City, Garlyn, Garnolia or Maginola Harold and Boo Caffey of whose names are not included on the Breckenridge; and Velma Fletcher, mailing list should contact Morris at Carnella Cash, Chester and Patty 806-495-3413 or Gunn at 806-495-

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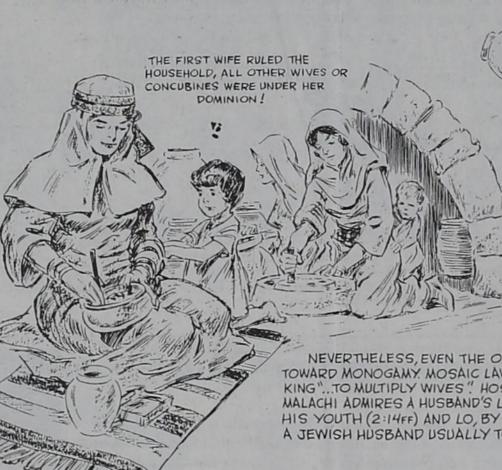
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# Opinions



# And thereafter, a useable Black history

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John McWhorter, linguistics professor at the Berkeley campus of the 2001 issue of City Journal titled, "Toward a Usable Black History."

The pursuit of academic excellence is seen as "acting white" and as real-estate holdings. such amounts to racial betrayal.

In his City Journal article, McWhorter says that, while it would be folly not to teach the history of the injustices of slavery, Jim Crow and gross racial discrimination, "a history of only horrors cannot inspire."

McWhorter says, "When, 'Learn your history,' means, 'Don't get fooled by superficial changes'; and, 'Today's

inner peace when taught to think of their own society as their enemy?"

Instead, a better, more usable history would be one that gives greater odds. That kind of history inspires, instead of breeding victimhood. McWhorter says today's education chaos is not business-as-usual but something entirely new.

School often outscored white students as early as 1899. Schools such as well of a nation in which such gains were possible. Frederick Douglas (Baltimore), Booker T. Washington (Atlanta), P.S. 91 similar level of excellence. These excelling students weren't solely members of our ancestors. of the black elite; most had parents who were manual laborers, domestic servants, porters and maintenance men.

McWhorter says that instead of "romanticizing failure" in black web page at www.creators.com.

Chicago's "Bronzeville" is a handy example. After 1875, blacks occupied Bronzeville was home to several black newspapers and 731 business Last year, he wrote "Losing the Race: Self-Sabotage in Black America," establishments, by 1917 in 61 lines of work. The Binga Bank opened in arguing there's a culture of black anti-intellectualism impeding academic 1908 by its founder Jesse Binga, who started out with a wagon selling excellence, resulting from an ideology of victimization and separatism. coal and oil. By 1929, Bronzeville blacks had amassed \$100 million in

> Chicago wasn't the only city where blacks established a significant business presence. Other cities would include New York; Philadelphia; Durham, N.C.; Atlanta and Washington, D.C. — and Tulsa's Greenwood district, which was destroyed by rioting whites.

Keep in mind that when blacks established business successes such as those in Bronzeville and Durham, it was accomplished in a harsh racial environment. No one can attribute their successes to SBA minority loans, New York City Street Crimes Unit can't be distinguished from yesterday's business set-asides, affirmative action and measures deemed Bull Connor'; and our aggrieved despair over our sense of disinclusion indispensable by today's race experts. It was accomplished through hard from the national fabric remains as sharp as ever, could any people find work, sacrifice and, as my father used to say, coming early and staying

Ignoring or downplaying black achievement promotes the victim emphasis to black successes in the face of seemingly insurmountable attitude, where people believe that in order for them to be successful somebody else must perform some benevolent act.

The bottom line indisputable fact of business is that black Americans have made the greatest gains, over some of the highest hurdles, in a From the late 1800s to 1950, some black schools were models of shorter span of time than any other racial group in mankind's history. academic achievement. Black students at Washington's Dunbar High That speaks well of the intestinal fortitude of a people, and it also speaks

Today's whining and portrayal of black people as a victim class (Brooklyn), McDonough 35 (New Orleans) and others operated at a amounts to an unspeakable betrayal of the sacrifices and the successes

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# communities, young people should be taught that successful economic COPYRIGHT 2001 CREATORS SYNDICATE, INC. communities can be had. George W. Bush, big spender?

that other sources of revenue would have to be found to "pay for" any demonstrated reluctance to spend, spend, spend. Republican tax cuts.

which folks have to struggle to "pay for" — she was adamant: Tax cuts "spends" money when he merely returns some of the excess to the very cost money, and some other source of funds would have to be found to folks who were overtaxed in the first place! compensate "us" for any money lost through tax cuts.

Though it was fun to bait Ms. Tyson — if only rhetorically — this HMO Moghuls' Bill of Rights? We should only wish. "failure to communicate" was actually quite instructive. Obviously, around Washington City long enough, these tax parasites come to as rightfully theirs to spend as they see fit.

Because they literally no longer think of themselves as members of ink stretches to the far horizon. the taxpaying peasant class toiling away out there in the peat bogs of flyover land, anyone who threatens to reduce that tax flow by even a smidgen is "taking what's theirs" and darned well better have a plan to restore those flows to their prior level, right quick.

Today, fans of reactionary consistency will be happy to learn the this year, down from an earlier estimate of \$280 billion. leaders of Ms. Tyson's party have not changed their tune.

Democratic National Committee Chairman and chief party fundraiser Terry McAuliffe was in Las Vegas Aug. 22, addressing a gathering which was promoted at 600 but which in the end drew only 80 party faithful to a local union hall. (It might have helped had former but couldn't be bothered to stop by and wave to the union rank-andfile, so busy was he hosting actor Sir Anthony Hopkins and other bigwigs at a \$200,000-a-plate dinner in a private suite at the Four

Left to his own devices, Mr. McAuliffe told the union faithful "They finally admitted yesterday they have blown our surplus," his "they" clearly referring to the Republican Bush administration. "Eight years we built that surplus up ... and in eight months George Bush has spent it all. There's no money left for education, there's no money left for the Pentagon, there's no money left for the patients' bill of rights."

I must doff our hat in awe and respect at the sheer audacity of such nonsense. (This from a fellow who predicts the Democrats will unseat Nevada Gov. Kenny Guinn in 2002, mind you — despite the fact they have no announced candidate. Perhaps Mr. McAuliffe has inside information that Genie Ohrenschall or Wendell Williams has agreed to bear the party standard.)

First, though George W. Bush is no Cal Coolidge, he's far more likely to veto excessive spending than was his Democratic predecessor.

Second, the president can spend no money on his own — it's Congress that issues all spending bills, and the Democrats in Congress who continually push to spend more and more. In what way can Mr.

It was several years back that Clinton budget Czarina Laura Tyson McAuliffe's "we" — the Democrats — possibly claim to have "built up" participated in a conference phone call from Washington, warning us the surplus? Only by raising taxes, surely — not through any

But most important, what Mr. McAuliffe refers to when he accuses

No money left for federal meddling in the nation's schools? For the

The fact is there's never been any federal surplus. If there were a real the question here was "what the meaning of 'us' is." Once they've hung surplus there would be no need for continued borrowing — yet the Treasury Department continues to hawk T-bills of every denomination think of the torrent of cash that roars in through the IRS aqueducts as fast as they can crank the presses. Then there's the small problem not as "bread stolen from the mouth of labor" (Jefferson's words) but of all those unfunded pension and benefit obligations to current and former military and federal personnel — add those and actuarial red

> But within the context of the way "surpluses" are currently calculated in Washington — as pointed out by Matthew Miller of Occidental College in a piece for Tribune Media Services last week — the currently estimated federal budget surplus is actually \$160 billion

> Given the way the Democrats plan to spend it, the best thing President Bush could do right now — for the health of the economy as well as the safety of our freedoms — is ask for a record of all the tax refund checks sent out to date ... and then double them.

Vin Suprynowicz is assistant editorial page editor of the Las Vegas President Clinton joined Mr. McAuliffe on the stage - he was in town Review-Journal. To receive his longer, better stuff, subscribe to his monthly newsletter by sending \$72 to Privacy Alert, 561 Keystone Ave., Suite 684, Reno, NV 89503 — or dialing 775-348-8591.

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Thomas E. Guinn

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# Reexamining the "Good War"

by Richard M. Ebeling

The Second World War is considered America's "good war" of the 20th century.

The First World War is considered the tragic war. President Woodrow Wilson intended the war to "make the world safe for democracy," but instead it generated the rise of communism, fascism,

and Nazism. The Korean War cost the lives of more than 30,000 Americans but University of California, has written a compelling essay in the summer a three by 15 block enclave on the South Side. During the early 1900s, is the "forgotten war" of the Cold War. And the Vietnam War, which took the lives of more than 50,000 Americans, is considered the

immoral war, fought for the wrong reasons, for the wrong cause, with the wrong methods. But World War II continues to be portrayed as the just war for a just cause that was fought with harsh but necessary and unavoidable

methods. On their course for world domination, Nazi Germany and Imperial Japan had set Europe and Asia on fire with war and conquest. America had tried to steer a course for neutrality, hoping to remain above and outside the political whirlwind enveloping the

But Japan forced war on the United States with its unprovoked and sneak attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, followed a few days later by a declaration of war against America by Hitler. Reluctantly and against their will, the American people were pulled into the Second World War.

But sometimes things are not all that they seem.

As Thomas Fleming points out in his new book, The New Dealers' War: F.D.R. and the War within World War II, in one public opinion poll after another up until the attack on Pearl Harbor, between 75 and 80 percent of the American people had expressed their desire to remain out of the wars in Europe and Asia.

Moreover, when Franklin Roosevelt ran for an unprecedented third term as president of the United States in 1940, he reassured the American people, "While I am talking to you mothers and fathers, I give you one more assurance. I have said this before, but I shall say it again and again and again: Your boys are not going to be sent into any foreign wars."

But in spite of the wishes of the American people and the public rhetoric that FDR used to win reelection, the truth is that he and his administration were actually searching for a successful "back door to war" to bring the United States into the global conflict.

As Fleming documents, in early 1941 Roosevelt had his military and political subordinates prepare plans for an American invasion of Europe in 1943 in conjunction with the British, in violation of the neutrality acts passed by Congress and signed by him.

When he could not find a way to justify asking Congress for a declaration of war against Nazi Germany, FDR turned to the Pacific and followed a diplomatic and military course that forced the Japanese into a tight corner. Tokyo could either accept American When I pointed out to Ms. Tyson that no one needs to "pay for" tax President Bush here of "spending the surplus" is Mr. Bush's modest terms for peace in Asia or face economic strangulation when the cuts because they leave more money in our pockets — it's s tax hikes tax rebate. He actually expects the public to believe that the president United States froze Japanese assets in July 1941 and imposed an oil embargo on Japan in collaboration with the British and the Dutch

(who controlled the oil supplies in Indonesia). FDR's rejection of all compromise gestures by the Japanese government in the autumn of 1941 set the stage for Japan's desperate attempt to force America into peace terms with its attack on Hawaii. Imbued with a spirit of moral right against the forces of evil, FDR

then insisted upon unconditional surrender for both Germany and Japan. When it became clear that there was a large anti-Nazi movement at work in military and political circles in Germany, made up of people willing to risk their own lives to kill Hitler and end the war, FDR refused to recognize them or explore whether there was some way to end the war sooner short of unconditional surrender. And in spite of strong opposition among many American political

and military leaders to instituting and continuing civilian terror bombings of German cities — which they called "baby killing" — Roosevelt insisted on intensifying the air campaign against Germany. FDR's dream of a world set right by America has remained a lasting

legacy of his New Deal, with U.S. political, military, and economic intervention around the world for more than half a century. Indeed, the policies that led America into both the Korean and the Vietnam War, the Persian Gulf War, and the ethnic conflicts in Yugoslavia all have their origin in the precedents set by FDR and his New Dealers. Dr. Richard M. Ebeling is vice president of academic affairs for The Future of Freedom Foundation (www.fff.org) in Fairfax, Va., and coeditor of The Foundation's book The Failure of America's Foreign

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The Post Antelopes open up the 2001 season Friday night at Antelope Stadium, coming off a spirited and successful scrimmage last Thursday at

"I was really pleased with the team," coach Richard Gorman said, "the offense went right out and scored in seven plays, and overall, it was really good." The varsity first string went up against Roscoe's first defense at the three-way scrimmage in Stanton.

On defense, the Antelope first team stood off Stanton's first team offense, taking away three interceptions and two fumbles. "Whenever we make the other team give the ball up, and we manage to hang onto it, we're going to win," Gorman added.

"I told the team that we've got to play that way when it counts, and if so, then we'll be okay.'

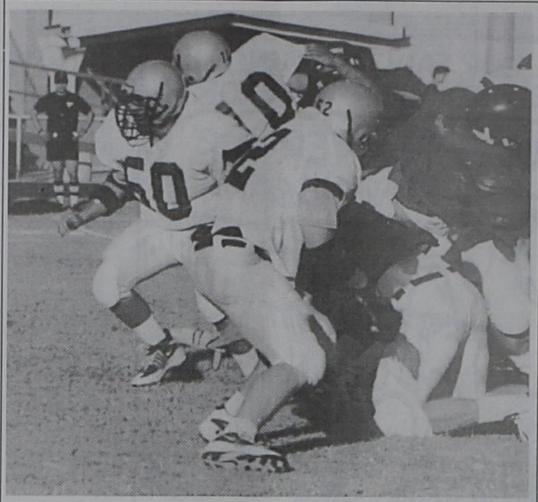
Gorman said that the one weakness on offense has been on making the third and fourth down conversions. "The offensive line is doing a great job getting off the snap," he added, "we're just going to have crank up our intensity in those tight spots."

On defense Gorman said that the Antelopes have as good a linebacker corps as "we've ever had, we just need a bit more game time experience to get where we need to be.'

The starting lineup as of Tuesday afternoon for the Antelopes includes on offense: Hector Reyna, Brody Robertson, Allan Bell, Michael Huff, Jarrett Vickers, Mitchell Mills, Bryan Looney, Mark McCallister, Jonathan Eilenberger, Noah Gutierrez and Mikey Gonzales.

Starting on defense are Reyna, Bell, Huff, Justin Acevedo, Roland Castaneda, Mills, R.C. Curtis, Looney, Eilenberger, Patrick Gonzales and Bryce Easterling.

Game time is at 7:30 p.m. Those who can't make it to the stadium can catch all the live action from Antelope Stadium on Post City Radio, Classic Cable Channel 12, www.postcityradio.net and 97.7 FM (community radio).



Getting the jump on the Roscoe defense, Bryan Looney (50) leads the charge for quarterback Brody Robertson (10) as Jonathan Eilenberer (62) blocks down during the scrimmage last Thursday at Stanton.



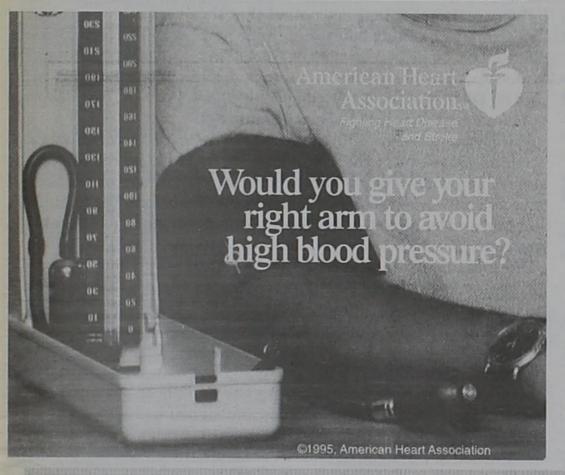
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Michael Huff (12) makes a cut inside for the Post Antelopes during their first 15 play scrimmage at Stanton last Thursday. The Antelope offense scored on highly rated Roscoe after seven plays.



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#### Shell fossils tell global climate change, says A&M researcher

COLLEGE STATION - Long-dead lowly snails and brachiopods (lampshells) provide clues to global change and climate millions of years ago.

Ethan L. Grossman, a professor in the Department of Geology and Geophysics at Texas A&M University, is studying Earth's history by using stable isotopes.

"Most elements have more than one isotope, and they [stable isotopes] don't undergo radioactive decay," Grossman said. "Stable isotopes occurring in nature stay the same throughout Earth's history."

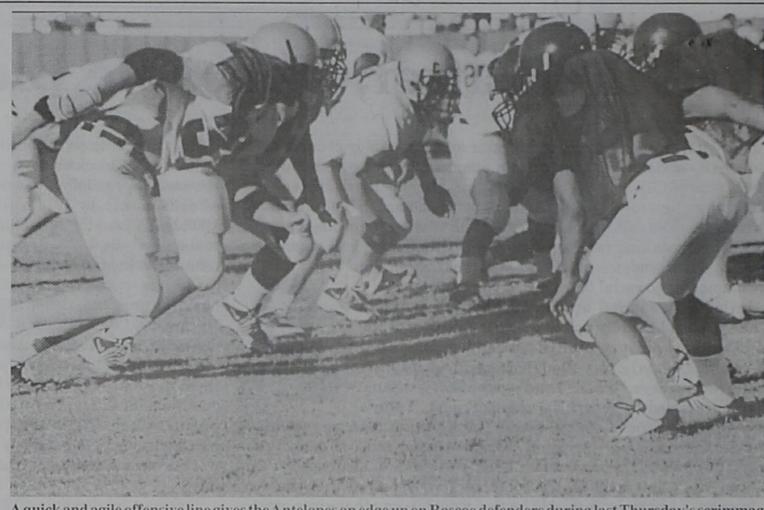
Isotopes belonging to the same element have the same number of protons but different numbers of neutrons, leading to subtle differences in chemical behavior, he added.

"The isotopic makeup of carbon in nature varies, depending upon systems that operate in making that compound," Grossman said. "For instance, carbon in our muscle is much different, isotopically, from carbon in mollusk shells."

By studying the natural variability in stable isotopes, such as the ratio of carbon-13 to carbon-12 in fossil shell, he explores Earth's climate change.

Carbon isotopes give information about Earth's carbon cycle, Grossman said, while oxygen isotopes (oxygen-18, oxygen-16) give information about tem-

By sampling around a snail fossil, which is like a time recorder, unraveling and recording as it grows, Grossman said, he can measure the variation of oxygen isotopes and provide a record of seasonal temperature variation in Earth's past.



A quick and agile offensive line gives the Antelopes an edge up on Roscoe defenders during last Thursday's scrimmage at Stanton. Anchoring the right side offensive line are (left to right) Jarrett Vickers, Noah Gutierrez, Patrick Gonzales with Bryan Looney at center.

#### Texas A&M science faculty to check for textbook errors

COLLEGE STATION - The Texas Education Agency (TEA) has awarded a first-of-its kind \$80,000 contact to Texas A&M University to check proposed science textbooks for accuracy.

The TEA goal is to identify factual errors in proposed textbooks before they are adopted for use by Texas school districts.

Texas A&M science faculty are working with science graduate students and local secondary science teachers to conduct an error review of a variety of middle and high school science instructional materials, including more than 60 textbooks, submitted to the Texas Education Agency for adoption by the state's public schools in the 2002-2003 school year.

Eugene Rios, TEA's director of development for textbook administration, noted that the agency was interested in creating a partnership with universities to ensure the factual accuracy of science textbooks under consideration for adoption in the public schools.

"Because the science textbooks will be in the classroom for the next six-toeight years, it is to our benefit that we solicit the help of Texas A&M faculty to assist us with this important initiative," Rios explains. "We believe including university faculty along with public school teachers will enhance our ability to more accurately document factual errors and ultimately improve our process."

Under the guidelines of the contract, the Texas A&M review team will examine the instructional materials to identify any factual errors, which will be compiled into a list and submitted along with suggested corrections in a final report due to TEA by Aug. 31. In addition to textbooks, they will review CD-ROMs, videotapes and other supporting media in the following subject areas: science (grades 6, 7, 8); physics; chemistry; astronomy; environmental systems; integrated physics and chemistry; advanced placement chemistry,

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# VFW offers youth scholarshipo opportunity

Commander Charles Ratliff of VFW Post 6797 has announced the start of this year's Veterans of Foreign Wars and its Ladies Auxiliary "Voice of Democracy Scholarship Competition.

Students in this area have the opportunity to compete in the 55th annual audio essay competition and win scholarships, trips and awards. According to the local VFW Post commander, the students achieve much more than just scholarships

communications skills; and the Deadline for entry is Nov. 1. "Young

knowledge of our nation's capital city to America," Ratliff said.

during a full, four-day tour of Washington, D.C., plus the prospect of meeting and befriending students from every state.

More than 7 million high school students have participated in this contest over the years. Students interested in participating this year need only write and record a 3- to 5minute audio/essay which expresses their view of the patriotic theme "Reaching Out to America's Future."

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Members of the Post VFW Ladies' Auxiliary presented with special service pins recently were (left to right) Vi Strawhacker (40 years), JoAnn Stelzer, Melvis Taylor, Alva Shephered, Carol Jean Light, Roberta Miller, Shirley Williams and Lora Yoder. Not available for photo was Pauline Mathis (45 years).

#### PHS Class of '46 plans Sept. 15 reunion

The Post High School graduates of 1946 will have a class reunion Saturday, Sept. 15. The reunion will be held in conjunction with Post Founder's Day activities, enabling former classmates to gather and renew friendships while taking part in the celebration marking the establishment of the city of Post.

The initial gathering will be at 3 p.m. on Sept. 15 in the Garden Room at Chapa's Family Restaurant north of Post on the Lubbock Highway. From 3-5 p.m., classmates and friends will meet and greet each other and learn what each has been doing since the

At 7 p.m., former classmates will meet at Chapa's for a sit-down meal and business meeting, as well as a formal recognition of all in attendance and where each is residing.

Written notices have been sent to all former classmates, and attendance of 30 or more in anticipated, along with special guests - teachers and coaches from the 1946 era.

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was considered priority. God will honor that. To all our family and friends thank you for your prayers and faith that God could help us through. Jesus is Lord.

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I want to thank my church family, friends and neighbors for being with me at the hospital during my surgery. Thanks to everyone for the cards, prayers, visits, phone calls and delicious meals. God bless all of you!

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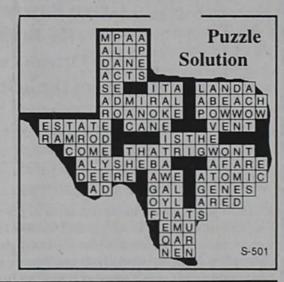
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Bidders are expected to inspect the site of the work and to inform themselves regarding all local conditions under which the work is to be done.

Payment for the work performed on this project will be paid by the City of Post. Information for Bidders, proposal forms, plans and specifications are on file at the office of the City Manager, Post. Texas and Oller Engineering, Inc., 2517 74th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79423, (806) 748-5700.

Copies of the plans (1 set 11" X 17" and one set 24" X 36") and specifications and contract documents may be purchased from Oller Engineering, Inc., for One +24 hundred dollars (\$100.00).

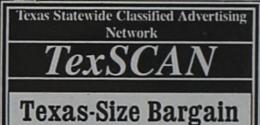
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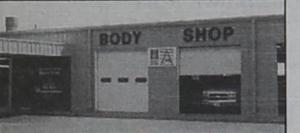
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STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF GARZA

Order Creating a Justice Court Technology Fund and Establishing the Technology Fee, Pursuant to Article 102.0173, Code of Criminal Procedure

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The Commissioners Court of Garza County hereby adopts the following order, persuant to Article 102.0173, Code of Criminal Procedure:

1. A justice court technology fund is created to finance the purchase of technological enhancements of the justice court. All court costs collected under this order shall be maintained in the justice court technology fund in the county treasury, subject to expenditure by the commissioners court as permitted by law.

2. Upon conviction or deferred disposition of an offense committed on or after September 1, 2001, the justice court shall collect a technology fee of \$4.00 for deposit in the justice court technology fund. Read and adopted by a vote of five ayes and no nays this 13th day of August 2001.

Giles W. Dalby Garza County Judge Jerry Hays Garza County Clerk

Application has been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a Package Store Permit and Beer Retail Dealer's Off-Premise License by GWT Distributing, LLC, dba Brady's Package Store, to be located at 503 E. Main, Post, Texas. Members and officers of said corporation are Stephen Gregg Tidmore, President, and Wendy Gay Tidmore, Sec-

of August 2001, in the proceeding indistatutes of limitation, before such estate is closed, and within the time required by law. Shirley Foster, 902 West 12th St., Post, Texas 79356 or in care of Attorney Preton Poole, 311 W. Main, P.O. Box 296, Post, Texas 79356.

Dated: 27 August 2001 Shirley Foster Independent Executrix Estate of Cecil Moses Foster Cause #1753

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY

IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS Sealed proposals for highway improvement contracts will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE CONTRACT(S)

District: Lubbock Contract 6073-62-001 for INSTALL TRAFFIC SIGNAL DETECTORS in LUBBOCK County, etc will be opened on September 12, 2001 at 10:00 a.m. at the District Office for an estimate of

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or District Offices listed below. Bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

NPO: 4426 State Office

Construction Division 200 E. Riverside Dr. Austin, Texas 78704 Phone: 512-416-2540 District Office(s)

Lubbock District District Engineer 135 Slaton

Lubbock, Texas 79404

Phone: 806-745-4411 Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TXDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or



Shakespeare's shortest (and bloodiest) play is Macbeth. Acaddu.

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAV-ING CLAINS AGAINST the estate of Cecil Moses Foster Cause #1753, Garza County, Texas. Notice to all persons is hereby given that the original letters of Independent Executrix upon the estate of CECIL MOSES FOSTER, deceased, was issued to the undersigned on the 27th day cated below my signature hereto, which is still pending, and that I now hold such letter. All persons having claims against said estate, which is being administered, the county below named, are hereby required to present the same to me respectively, at the address below given, before suit upon same are barred by the general

**Lunch Menus** 

Post ISD Monday, September 3

Breakfast: Holiday Tuesday, September 4

Breakfast: Churros, sausage link, fruit and choice of milk. Lunch: Corn dog, French fries, mixed vegetables, apple crisp and choice of milk.

Wednesday, September 5 Breakfast: Malt-o-meal, sausage, toast, fruit and choice of milk. Lunch: Pizza, salad, corn, peaches and choice of milk.

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

Friday, September 7 Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, orange juice and white milk. Lunch: Cheeseburger, H.B. salad, French fries, fruit roll-up and choice

Southland ISD

Monday, September 3 Breakfast: Holiday Tuesday, September 4

Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, sausage, fruit and milk. Lunch: Chili cheese dogs, fries,

pork-n-beans, brownies, and milk. Wednesday, September 5 Breakfast: Eggs, bacon, toast, juice

and milk. Lunch: Lasagna, salad, green beans, garlic toast and milk. Thursday, September 6

Breakfast: Cereal, Graham crackers, juice and milk. Lunch: Enchilada casserole, rice,

beans, pineapple and milk. Friday, September 7 Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit and

Lunch: Chicken sandwich, lettuce, tomato, chips, pickles, cheese, ice cream

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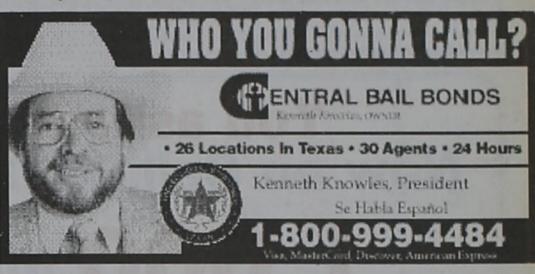
# Sheriff reports 11 arrests

Eleven arrests have been logged in the past week, according to reports from the Garza County Sheriff,s Department.

On Aug. 21, a 42-year-old male was picked up on warrants, as was a 25year-old male. Two arrests were made the following day, including that of a 23-year-old male, revocation of probation, and a 35-year-old male picked up on a warrant.

A 25-year-old male was jailed Aug. 24 for driving while license suspended. Five arrests were made Aug. 25, including that of a 37-year-old female, interference with public servant; a 40-year-old male, interference with a public servant, retaliation and resisting arrest; a 24-year-old male, public intoxication; a 19-year-old male, warrant; and a 22-year-old male, public intoxication and retaliation.

A 21-year-old female was arrested for assault/Class C on Aug. 26.



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# **Bank Vehicle Liquidation Opens** To the Public Labor Day Weekend

Pierce "GM Country" will be disposing of 200 Used & New Vehicles for Only \$59\* down payment. Then arrange Payments with THE BANK\*

Lamesa, TX. - Due to defaulted In order to dispose of the vehicle service. Pierce said, "We can automotive loans, returned lease inventory, we are initiating a \$59\* arrange financing for just about vehicles and daily rentals, banks down payment Auto Auction anyone who is employed despite are having to store and stockpile Alternative Event. According to past credit history. vehicles. Usually these stockpiled Pierce, "It's simple - give us \$59\* vehicles go to auction and are sold down payment, fill out some ins, no matter what condition will at wholesale to other dealers who paperwork, then the payments are be accepted. Due to the urgency of then turn around and sell them for directed right to you. These are this event all participants are retail to their customers. Bargain- purchases not leases. It's easy just encouraged to please bring their seekers take heart: This week pick a vehicle or pick a payment, title or payment book, registration, Pierce "GM Country", to expand Vehicles will be marked with your trade-in and all decision makers its customer base and increase monthly investment right on the because everything is first come, market share, is going to change windshield." all that.

"I've been asked to Sell this This Wednesday inventory immediately - without August 29th through regard to the loss of Dealer profit." and Monday September Shannon Pierce, Pierce "GM Country" will offer 200 New & Experimental Services and Services a

Used vehicles at below market values, and pass the Local customers are urgently Country". "Customers won't see needed to participate in this inventory like this again all year,"

savings on to consumers. These vehicles have been extraordinary Auto Auction said Pierce. acquired from banks, auctions, Alternative Event. All makes, The \$59 down payment Auto credit unions and other sources, models and price ranges will be Auction Alternative ends at 8:00 "It's a car buyers dream," says represented from luxury 4x4's to pm on Monday September 3rd Shannon Pierce, Owner of Pierce basic transportation. There will be Any questions can be directed to "GM Country". "We've been \$2.5 million dollars in inventory to 806-872-2144 or 800-530-4544. asked to sell this inventory choose from, with many still under Pierce "GM Country" is located at immediately - without regard to warranty, or qualifing for extended 202 South 3rd Street, Lamesa, TX the loss of Dealer profit. If that service plans. meens selling these vehicles for Extra finance staff will be on TODAYS NEWSPAPER!

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have never thought in my whole life

about being a politician. Although

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elections are quite a ways off, I did take a look at the idea, and I did kick the thought around a little.

I have given all kinds of reasons to the concerned people why I don't want the job. Actually, there are several reasons why I don't want to run, but there is one real reason that told me to throw the idea out the door. I am a non-practicing alcoholic. I am beginning to get a bit of time behind me without a drink of alcohol. I will not attempt anything

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that might put my sobriety in jeopardy. to live without alcohol. That program Department of Transportation (DOT) has some plans and rules that can be shows two, three, sometimes four times followed, and a person can maintain a week by popular demand (thanks to show on Garza County. sobriety much easier. One of those the commissioners court) this type of suggested rules is maintain "vigorous" non-sense is not about keeping a truck

me out of the idea of a political future. County general fund. I don't mean our politicians are to have to cross it.

talking about when they mention the to motorists passing through.

I belong to a group that teaches how shows concern about the Texas in good shape and roadworthy, it is I suppose that immediately dropped about gathering money for Garza

There is dirt contracting, water dishonest, I mean if I ever came to the trucking companies, pulling unit bridge of being dishonest, I do not want companies, oil haulers, gang trucks and all kinds of things here in Post that I do understand that John P. Public is comes under DOT regulations. All these companies together employ hundreds suddenincline in unnecessary citations of people that pay tax, own, rent or buying homes and cars here in Post.

With the exception of one car payment and Southwestern Public Service, I spend ever penny I make right here in Post, Texas. Since Jan. 1, I personally have missed a few days of work because the DOT was in town and my boss didn't want to send out any trucks.

It is of my opinion that once the DOT pulls me into their money scheme, I'm going to be fined whether anything is wrong or not. Inspecting a truck is like judging a preacher, look long enough, and you'll find something wrong.

ticket. The JP set the fine at between the bank or what?

Now I wonder if the county a day or DOT people fining our local friends and businessmen thousands of dollars.

feel proud to say, "Boy, we really hung it to H&M today," or "boy, we broke it off in ole Joe Marts," or "man, did we ever hit ole Strawn Transport."

I am very disappointed in our commissioners that they can even think of treating John P. Public in this way.

I read somewhere one time that the reason a belt has more than one hole is so that it can be tightened. I wonder if the county government has thought about belt tightening, instead of milking John P. Public out of ever last dime? Sure, I'd like to have a new pickup and a boat... but I owe some local debts. Therefore, I had to tighten my belt. When these people are paid, then maybe I can get a boat and a pickup. I had to learn that my outgo can't be more than my income.

I think the commissioners court has done a good job of everything in general. Judge has made a lot of good accomplishments for the benefit of the people of this county. I think the county roads probably are in better shape now than ever in the history of the county. But to take advantage of every motorist and trucker that enters the county, I am very disappointed in the court.

I've heard people from Levelland, Amarillo and Wichita Falls say that they have no intention of ever coming back to Post and/or Garza County. I love Post and Garza County. I intend to

I understand when John P. Public Truckers Association, which is similar like the National Rifle Association. I've also heard them talking about getting 20/20 or 48 hours to come in and do a

> Surely that won't happen. I've discussed this with the commissioner in my precinct. I think they should take a serious look at what DOT and traffic citations are doing to our county and integrity.

If they need more money, then put in some hot dog and lemonade stands. I think it's a shame to milk every body that comes along out of their hard earned dollars.

I think if the commissioners court can't get a handle on this, then the voters should commence next election changing out the county elected officials. Concerned about the welfare of our county... O.L. (Ferg) Ferguson

#### Texas pride is worldwide

When you're from Texas, people that you meet ask you questions like, "do you have any cows?" It's nice to be able to say yes. They ask you, "do you have During this year I got a overweight horses?" Yup. Bet you got a bunch of guns, eh? Of course. They all want to \$800 and \$900 dollars. Is that money in know if you've been to Southfork. They watched Dallas.

Have you ever looked at a map of the commissioners sleep well at night after world? Hell yes you have. Look at Texas for me just for a second. That picture, with the Panhandle and the Gulf Coast, and the Red River and the Rio Grande I wonder if the commissioners really is as much a part of you as anything ever will be.

As soon as anyone anywhere in the world looks at it they know what it is. It's Texas. Pick any kid off the street in Japan and draw him a picture of Texas in the dirt and he'll know what it is. What happens if I show you a picture of any other state?

You'll get it maybe after a second, but who else would? Even if you do does it ever stir any feelings in you? In every man, woman and child on this little rock the Good Lord put us on, there is somewhere in them a person who wishes just once he could be a real live Texan and get up on a horse or ride in

Did you ever here anyone in a bar go, "Wow... so you're from Ok-la-homa. Cool. Tell me about it"? There is some bit of Texas in everyone.

Do you know why? Because Texas is Texas. Texas is the Alamo. Texas is 183 men standing in a church, facing thousands of Mexican nationals, fighting for freedom, who had the chance to walk out and save themselves but stayed. We send our kids to schools named William B. Travis and Bowie and do you know why? Because those men saw a line in the sand and they decided to be heroes.

John Wayne paid to do the movie himself. That is Texas. Texas is Sam Houston capturing Santa Ana at San

Texas is Juneteenth and Texas Independence Day. Texas is huge forests of Piney Woods like the Davy Crockett National Forest. Texas is breathtaking mountains in Big Bend. Texas is shiny skyscrapers in Houston and Dallas.

Texas is world record bass from places like Lake Fork. Texas is mexican food like nowhere in the world, even Mexico. Texas is larger-than-life legends like Willie Nelson and Buddy Holly, Earl Campbell and Nolan Ryan, Denton Cooley and Michael DeBakey, Lyndon Johnson and George Bush.

Texas is great companies like Dell Computer and Compaq. Texas is huge herds of cattle and miles of crops. Texas is skies blackened with doves and leases full of deer. Texas is the best Barb-que anywhere.

Texas is a place where cities shut down for the Cowboys on Monday Night Football and the streets are deserted during church. Texas is beaches, deserts, lakes and rivers, mountains and prairies. If it isn't in Texas, you don't need it. No one does anything bigger or better.

We place being a Texan as high as being an American down here. Our capitol is the only one in the country that is taller than the capitol building

Texas was its own country. The Republic of Texas. Every time I think of that I tear up. All of that makes you proud to be a Texan. Author Unknown

# Thousands of dollars lost...

(Continued from Page 1) that the crimes might be "inside jobs," with no signs of forced en-

try, Ratke said. But as the crimes and related investigations continued, it became apparent that the crimes were probably not being committed by employees or former employees.

Door jams were damaged at several sites and a significant amount of additional damage was done in gaining access to the busi-

Two businesses were "trashed up pretty good," Ratke said. "This age." Investigators are working to

determine exactly how much was lost and what price tag can be put on damages related to the bur-

Ratke said he hoped to have a better idea of the specific amount next week, but estimated the total cost of damage and losses to be in "the thousands."

The investigation into the summertime burglaries is ongoing, the sheriff said, but he said he does not anticipate any other arrests associated with these

If Ol' Blue would rather walk than run when fetching that stick, he may be feeling the aches and pains of old age.

Dogs, cats and other animals can suffer from arthritis just like people and the severity can be just as painful, says Dr. Alice Blue-McLendon, a veterinarian at Texas A&M University's

College of Veterinary Medicine. The bottom line: a joint is a joint, whether it's on a human or an animal.

"Dogs and cats get arthritis just like we do because the factors that cause the ailment are similar in both species," says Blue-McLendon.

"It's a very common problem in older dogs just as it is in people. Treatment methods are also very similar."

What signs should pet owners look for if they suspect

arthritis in their animals? Blue-McLendon says the pet may walk very stiffly or in some

cases, even limp. The animal might show a reluctance to walk, climb stairs or play, may have difficulty rising from a resting position and may cry out in pain if

touched in a particular area. When walking a dog, the animal may often lag behind the owner because it has trouble keeping pace. All of these are signs that arthritis could be

present in your pet. Treatment for the condition includes several options, Blue-McLendon adds.

"If the arthritis is severe enough, joint replacements such as hip and knee - can be done surgically, but those don't occur too often," she explains.



spend my remainder of my life here. It sort of hurts my feelings or disappoints Authorized Dealer me for someone to degrade or put our county down, but then I can understand Listening to the CB base station radio was expensive, high-dollar dam-Historic Downtown Post - (806) 495-0277 - FAX 495-0511 at night is really a fiasco. The trucks are talking about calling in the National

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