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## Llano Estacado Tourism Society promotes Post

Local members and potential members of a regional tourism society met last week to outline joint efforts to increase exposure for area tourist attractions. Meeting with Llano Estacado Tourism Society director Sandy Parker, several Post merchants

and organizations shared ideas about the regional project. Parker explained the purpose and background of the society. She pointed out that Individual, organizational and commercial memberships are now available in the Llano Estacado Tourism Society, a group whose primary interest is economic development through tourism in the Llano Estacado region.

The group includes chambers of commerce, accommodations, key businesses and institutions, attractions, convention and tourism bureaus, publications, public relations and advertising firms, restaurants, travel agencies and proud Llano Estacado citizens.

"The total picture of the Llano Estacado is one of physical isolation that holds within it a natural collection of assets, a people of rare fortitude and proud spirit, break taking scenic beauty and stark contrasts," reads a news release recently issued by the society.

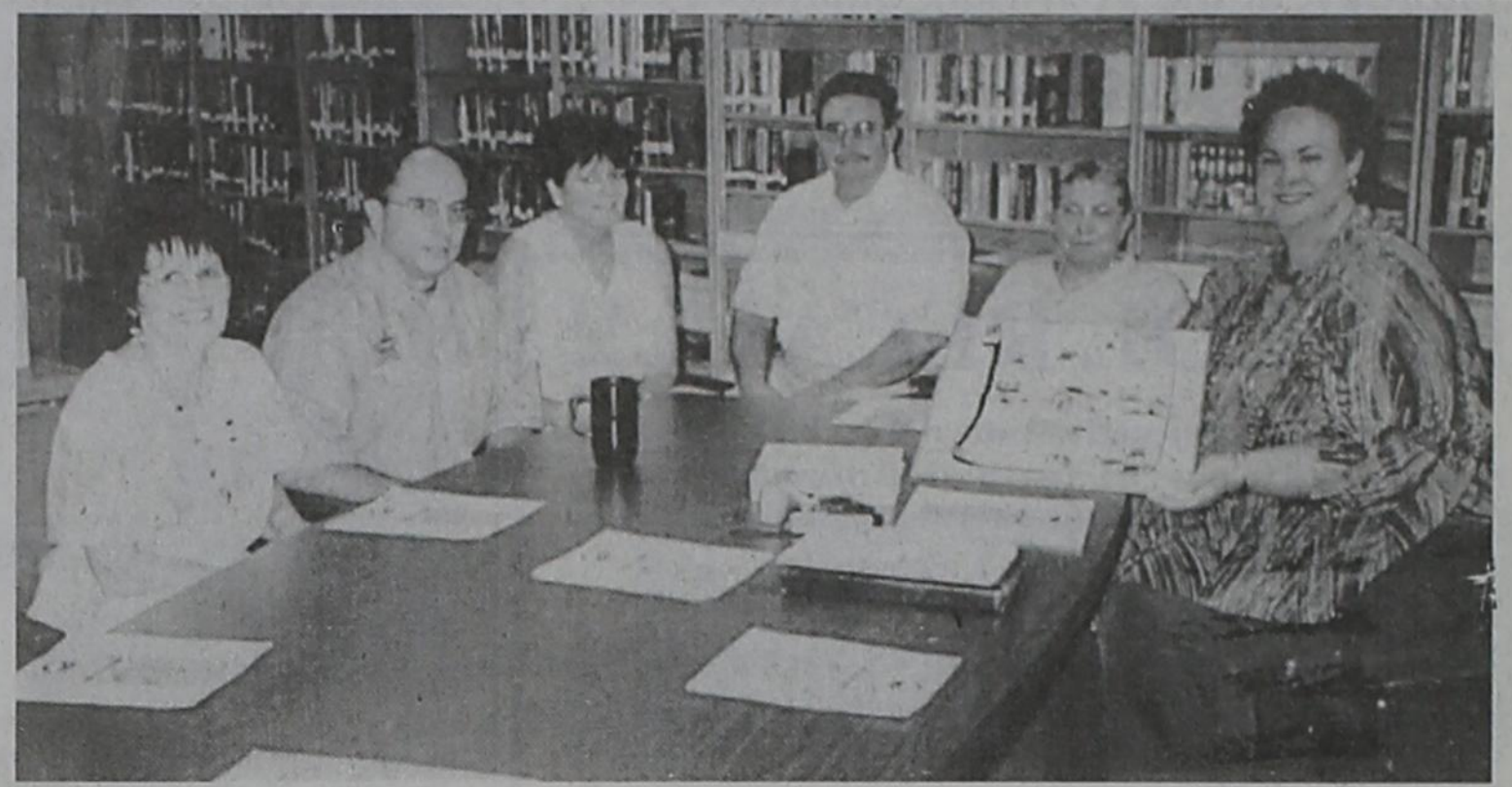
"The culture of this society is particularly diverse, including everyday scenes like the wild west to unparalleled entertainment and music legends (Buddy Holly, Bob Willis, Natalie Maines of the Dixie Chicks and many more), to the sophistication of museums and fine arts, to the beauty of the windmills, cattle, tractors, spurs, cowboys and other icons of the last frontier of Texas."

The Llano Estacado is literally described as a geological formation, a high mesa reaching from Amarillo on the north to the Midland/Odessa area on the south. Its eastern boundary is defined by the "irregular and deeply incised Caprock escarpment."

Francisco Vasques de Coronado, in a letter to the king of Spain Oct. 20, 1541, was the first to try to capture the essence of the area in words. "I have reached a plains so vast that I did not find their limits anywhere..." he wrote.

The Llano Estacado comprises all or part of 33 Texas and four New Mexico counties and covers approximately 32,000 square miles, an area larger than all of New England.

To join the Llano Estacado Tourism Society, dues range from \$250-1,000 for municipalities, counties and chamber of commerce, depending upon populations. Attractions/events/museums may join at rates of \$250 or \$500, depending upon atten-



Studying ways to increase tourism for Post and the South Plains are (left to right) Linda Self, Jim Plummer, Linda Puckett, Paul Hudspeth, Wanda Mitchell and Sandy Parker during a review of tourism promotion last week.

### Amendment election Tuesday

Early voting in the Tuesday, Nov. 6, special constitutional amendment election will run through Friday at the Garza County courthouse.

As of Tuesday afternoon, an estimated 15 early ballots had been cast, according to one county official.

Voters interested in casting an early ballot may do so at the Garza County clerk's office between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Voters are asked to bring their voter registration card.

On Tuesday, Garza County will consolidate voting election precincts, reducing the number of polling precincts from nine to five, according to Jerry Hays, county and district clerk. There will be one polling location in each commissioner's precinct, except for Precinct 1. That precinct will have two polling places.

Polling Precincts 1, 7, 8 and 9 will be consolidated with polling Precinct 3, and balloting will take place in the Wells Fargo Bank Community Room. Dianna Windham will serve as presiding judge, and Betty Striblin will serve as alternate for the consolidated voting precincts.

The polling place for Precinct 4, previously held at the Justiceburg School, will be moved to the Justiceburg First Baptist Church. This change will be permanent, effective in future elections, Hays said. Polling places will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

## Ambulance committee studies future

by Carol Tobias

The Post Ambulance Committee held a called meeting Monday as more of a brainstorming session than anything else. Since the recent loss of one of long-time EMT leader John Redman, the already short-staffed ambulance service is feeling the need to do something before being caught without enough trained people.

County commissioner Lee Norman, opened the meeting by asking Wayne Thomas, one of the remaining paramedics, to explain the different levels of ambulance personnel and what is required of each.

The first level, ECA (Emergency Care Assistant), takes several months of study. The second level, EMT Basic, is essentially the same as the ECA but with a significant number of hours observing in emergency rooms and on ambulance runs.

The third and fourth levels, EMT Intermediate and Paramedic, both require further training and experience. The higher the classification, the higher level of care which they are trained to perform.

Currently, there are eight EMT Basics and two Paramedics making ambulance calls here. Debbie Jenkins, paramedic, stated that it is not required that we have any higher than EMT Basics to operate our ambulance service, however for the higher level of care which some runs need, it is advisable to have at least one Paramedic on call 24-7.

She also stated that several ambulance personnel in nearby towns had told her that if we needed them, they could come to fill in for us in Post.

They would need some place to stay, however, when not out on a run. All of ambulance personnel are considered "volunteer" and receive only \$15 per call to reimburse them for their time, uniforms, etc.

Their training costs, including

Continuing Education hours required, are paid out of their own pockets or by Post EMT Club which holds fundraisers and receives memorials occasionally toward that purpose. Ms. Jenkins also stated that

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Dressing up pumpkins at Post Elementary School last week were Ericka Ortiz (left) and Laura Quintana in Pam Gorman's fourth grade class.



Earning first place honors for last week's drug awareness poster contest at Post Elementary School are (left to right) Ayda Lopez, Joanna Menjares and Adriana Ceja.

## Post Notes

### Church offers Gorditas

The Holy Cross Catholic Church is offering gorditas, rice and beans for donations on Sunday, November 4 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. as a fund raiser for church activities.

### Church celebrates revival November 4

The Bethel Assembly of God is celebrating a revival November 4-9 with speaker Chris Klock. Revival starts at 7 p.m. Sunday through Friday at the church, 401 May Street.

### Early voting for amendments

Early voting in the November 6 general election continues this week. Voters casting early ballots may do so at the Garza County Clerk's office during hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., please bring voter registration card. The general election includes amendment proposals to the State of Texas Constitution.

### Methodists set Sunday evening services

The First United Methodist Church of Post has announced Sunday evening "Contemporary Worship Service" at 6 p.m. The church invites all who do not have a church home to attend.

### VFW garage sale November 3

The Ladies Auxiliary of the VFW will host a garage sale and bake sale Saturday, November 3. Those interested in donating items for the sale may call JoAnn Stelzer at 495-3393, Lana Comer at 495-2173 or Ruth Walls at 495-4185. Proceeds for the bake sale will be to support the Susan B. Cohen Cancer Research. Garage sale proceeds will support children's parties, Meals on Wheels and Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets for the needy.

### PHS seniors recognized Friday night

Post High School senior football players and cheerleaders will be recognized prior to the game Friday night. This will be the final home game for these seniors: Post Antelopes Hector Reyna, Allan Bell, Michael Huff, Rene Mendoza, Jonathan Curtis, Justin Acevedo, Roland Castaneda, Mikey Gonzales and Jay Cole; cheerleaders Meagan Mills, Manuela Hernandez, Kelly Moore and Danny Reiter.

### Church offers Mexican plate lunch

Templa Bethel Assembly of God Church is offering lunch plates of carne quisada, rice, beans, salad and two homemade tortillas for \$5 a plate on Friday, November 2 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Phone orders are accepted at 781-9536 or 781-2300 or at the church, 407 May St. Delivery available.

### Dispatch sets holiday deadlines

Deadlines for The Post Dispatch for upcoming holidays are Tuesday noon (November 20) for the November 22 edition; Monday noon (December 24) for the December 27 edition and Monday noon (December 31) for the January 3 edition.

### Dispatch offers new "on-line" pages

The Post Dispatch has added sports to its "on-line" pages found at www.postcityradio.net web site. Updated every Thursday, the on-line service offers Page One, Obituaries, Opinion Page and now the Sports Page.

### Lighted Christmas Parade plans

Plans for the Lighted Christmas Parade are being made. Those interested in entering the parade should contact Tommy Young at 495-3274 or Wanda Mitchell at 495-3461. Cash prizes will be awarded and all businesses are encouraged to participate. The parade will be held Saturday, December 1 at 6 p.m. on Historic Main Street in Post.

### Blood drive at Church of Nazarene

A blood drive will be conducted in Post on November 1 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Church of the Nazarene, 202 W.10th Street

## Meet Lady Lopes set for November 5

The new Antelope Arena will be the scene for this year's "Meet the Lady Lopes" night on November 5 at 7 p.m.

All Lady Lope basketball players, from seventh grade to high school, will be introduced.

A meal will be provided for the high school Lady Lopes and coaches at 6 p.m. in the high school food lab.

Fans should enter the new gym on the north side.



Garza Theatre's "Ten Little Indians" cast closed out a very successful run last Saturday evening. Members of the cast were (back row, left to right) Jay Young, Mitchell Britton, Scott Fletcher, Jeff Conner, Mark Martin, Tim McIntire, Stan Tucker, Anthony Burton, (front, left to right) director Steve Berry, Patricia McCaleb, Kindyl Keeton and Christy Morris.

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Post Junior Cheer performing routines at Golden Plains Care Center recently were (back row, left to right) Paulina Hernandez, with resident Faye Ogle, Teraka Cowley, (front, left to right) Destiny Cowley, Lauren Lynch, Leslie Pierce, Tiffany Hall and Kelbie Oden. (Photo courtesy Bunny Lynch)



Post Junior Cheer performing routines at Golden Plains Care Center recently were (back row, left to right) Andie Polanco, Michaela Taylor, Danica Williams, Paulina Hernandez, Teraka Cowley, with resident Lela Smith, (front, left to right) Sydnee Jones, Tiffanie Pearson and Tanisha Paiz. (Photo courtesy Bunny Lynch)

**Judy's Jabberin'**

By Judy B. Bush

You know, the news is absolutely depressing now days. I listened this morning as the FBI warn of another terrorist attack within the week.

Now I know people have to be alert, but for many people, especially people who reside in large populated areas, they are not just alert, they are scared to death.

Sometimes, I agree with Paul Bean (105.7). There is just too much on the news, TOO much info.

I know there is just one thing that can get all of us through this scary time. Faith in our Lord and prayer. Guess that's two things huh?



**Trick or Treat**

All of you kids out there have a great time trick or treating. Please be careful.

**Happy Birthday to Ethan and Ricky**

Saturday will bring a big celebration for our family. Our grandson, Ethan Quisenberry of Lubbock will turn a year old and his old granddad will turn 7. (Never mind).

Of course you could never top a birthday present of a grandson, so most of the celebrating will be for Ethan. He is the son of Stephen and Amanda Quisenberry. We are looking forward to the fun.

**Priceless gift lost**

Jane Redman is offering a reward for the return of a bracelet she lost last week. It is of great sentimental value, as it was given to her by her late husband John Redman. It was lost somewhere between the Calvary Baptist Church and Hudman Funeral Home. If found, please call Jane at 495-2370

(I'm leaving this in this week. Please if you have any information about this, please call Jane. The bracelet means so much to her.)

**Get Well Naomi**

I heard yesterday that Naomi Mastler was injured in a fall. I don't know exactly what the injuries were but wanted to let her know that she is in my prayers and I hope she has a speedy recovery.

**Birthdays**

Friday, November 2, Bob Redman, Lori Jones; Saturday, November 3: My hubby, Ricky and grandson Ethan Quisenberry, Danny Nelson, Diann Heckaman and Ronnie Pruitt; Sunday, November 4, Luis Ordonez, Steve Mosser, W.R. Tucker, Callie Johnston and Daniel Gonzales; Monday, November 5, Amy Easterling and Cailee Dolberry; Tuesday, November 6, Melinda Jesko, Ruth Gonzales, Brody Conner and Melinda Mason; Wednesday, November 7, Kelli Melton and Celia Mason; Thursday, November 8, Quanah Maxey, Betty Davies, Anita Abraham and Blace Stevens.

**GET Well**

I wanted to let two special ladies know that they are in my prayers. Alma Williams and Hooter Terry. Hooter has been in the hospital for the last few days and Alma has some treatments ahead. Wanted them both to know I love them.

**Till Next Week**

May God hold you in the palm on his hand and the angels watch over you. God Bless America. See ya next week.

**Amity Study Club  
enjoys "just havin' fun"**

Amity Study Club met Oct. 23 in the home of Joy Dickson. It was a fun, "laid back, just us girls having fun" night. We had no business to conduct except paying our dues and being reminded to start working to collect names for our annual Christmas greeting page in the Post Dispatch.

We answered roll call with the titles of our favorite movies. I must say John Wayne movies were the most mentioned. Other movies were "Casablanca," "The Cowboys," "The African Queen," "Man from Snowy River (my choice!)." I didn't keep notes

on roll call — sorry 'bout that!

Kathie Rankin gave our program, "Movie Friends." Our yearbook theme is "Friendship" and one of the most enduring friendships in Hollywood was Spencer Tracy's and Katherine Hepburn's. They met in 1942 with the filming of "Woman of the Year."

He was a married man and a heavy drinker. His wife was completely devoted to their deaf son, Spencer and Katherine were drawn to each other. Their relationship was very discrete through the years, becoming public knowledge only four years before his death.

Their last movie together was "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner." He was very ill at the time. Katherine and Mrs. Tracy together took care of him. Other Tracy-Hepburn movies were "Sea of Grass," "State of the Union," "Adam's Rib," "Pat and Mike" and "Desk Set," nine films together in 25 years. She always insisted he get top billing.

Members attending were Sandra Alexander, Margaret Bull, Jane Davis, Suzanne Hudman, Naomi Matsler, Janey Middleton, JoAnn Miller, Joy Pool, Anne Sims and guest Juanelle Etheredge.

**EMTs...**

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Medicare had changed its payment structure and would only pay for certain types of ambulance runs now. This leaves many runs which our ambulance service makes unpaid for and also many people refuse to pay their ambulance bill because "they pay taxes".

Unfortunately, many ambulance users they fail to realize that our ambulance service does not receive tax money, but is a separate entity.

Both city and county representatives expressed their confidence that the city council and commissioners court would probably be willing to help fund training for people willing to take it and agree to stay in Post.

Mike Travis, Garza Hospital District Board representative, stated that the Post Hospital Foundation has significant funds, of which a portion could be used for training people for ambulance service.

The committee, which also included county commissioner Mike Sanchez, city council member Juanita Pantoja as well as EMTs Gina Palmer and Betty Posey, decided that they wanted to see what they could do to recruit people to train for service on our ambulances.

It was agreed to contact the fire department members and law enforcement personnel as well as others for possible trainees.

If there are at least 10 interested in taking the training, Debbie Jenkins stated that she was qualified as an instructor and could teach the course eliminating the necessity to travel out-of-town for it.

**Congratulations Post High School  
Lady Lopes Cross Country Team**



PHS Lady Lopes Cross Country Team - (left to right) Christin Collier, Kaycee Gorman, Lyndee Strawn, Miranda Hernandez, Meagn Mills, Tandi Humble and Manuela Hernandez.

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## Lunch Menus

### Trailblazers

**Monday, November 5**  
Chicken and dressing, green beans, tossed salad, hot rolls and apple cobbler.

**Tuesday, November 6**  
Beef tips with rice, hominy, brussels sprouts, carrot sticks, cornbread and peach cobbler.

**Wednesday, November 7**  
Polish sausage with bar-b-que sauce, Italian vegetables, cucumber/onion salad, hot roll and stuffed pears.

**Thursday, November 8**  
Chicken with mushroom sauce, black-eyed peas, carrots, wheat roll, orange sections and chocolate cake.

**Friday, November 9**  
Chicken fry, cream gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, coleslaw, wheat roll and jello.

### Post ISD

**Monday, November 5**  
Breakfast: Muffin, sausage link, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Frito pie, Ranch Style Beans, broccoli, corn bread, fruit cocktail and choice of milk.

**Tuesday, November 6**  
Breakfast: Cinnamon toast, sausage, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Chicken fried steak, gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, jello and choice of milk.

**Wednesday, November 7**  
Breakfast: Oatmeal, bacon, toast, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Burrito, salad, peaches, Snicker Bar and choice of milk.

**Thursday, November 8**  
Breakfast: Donut, sausage link, fruit, and milk.

Lunch: B-B-Que on bun, salad, pinto beans, ice cream and choice of milk.

**Friday, November 9**  
Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, orange juice and milk.

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

### Southland ISD

**Monday, November 5**  
Breakfast: French toast sticks, sausage, juice and milk.

Lunch: Fajitas, rice, beans, baked apple and milk.

**Tuesday, November 6**  
Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Ham and cheese sandwiches, pickle spears, salad, chips, and milk.

**Wednesday, November 7**  
Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls, juice and milk.

Lunch: Meatloaf, green beans, mashed potatoes, lemon delight and milk.

**Thursday, November 8**  
Breakfast: Cereal, Graham Crackers, juice and milk.

Lunch: Chili cheese burritos, salad, corn, sherbert and milk.

**Friday, November 9**  
Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, sausage, juice and milk.

Lunch: BBQ sandwich, French fries, corn, cookies and milk.

## The Cooper Fiddlers at Old Mill Trade Days

The Cooper Fiddlers will be on hand to perform during this weekend's Old Mill Trade Days activities.

The group is routinely booked for engagements across the state, from Corpus Christi to Amarillo. In 1998, they performed with Sony classical recording artist and fiddler Mark O'Connor in San Antonio at the Texas Music Educators Association Convention. Following that, the Fiddlers were invited to Russia to perform for the International Junior Olympics.

They opened a show for the Country Tonight Theatre in Branson, Missouri, and were selected to perform for a crowd of more than 8,000 at the National School Boards Association's 1999 annual conference in San Francisco. Last February, the Cooper Fiddlers performed for the Texas State Computer Educators Association in Austin and the Texas Orchestra Directors Association in San Antonio.

The group has recorded a new CD, "Texas Fiddle Brand" and has "This Texas That I See" and "Texas Fiddle Standard Time" and four new music videos under its belt.

Now in their sixth year of performing together, the Cooper Fiddlers are directed by Mark Best, who also serves as guitarist.

The Cooper Fiddlers include Ashlee McKinney, Lori Sims, Selenia Jerez, Shirley Quionez, Sarah Morris, Nicole Shamblyn, Chevon Wiles, Katie Merck, Lindsey Pecina, Krystal Elzey, Megan McIntire, Ashley Haytt and Jennifer Dury.

Other band members include Jay Bubenik, drums; Jeremy James and Shirley Ward, bass; Stan Smith, pedal steel and electric guitar; and Anthony Denton, sound.

For more information on the group, contact Best at 915-690-3463.



Post Middle School students earning costume awards last week were (back row, left to right) Jonathan McGregor, Jace Pollard, D.J. Biaz, Eric Reyna, Cass Tatum, (front, left to right) Erica Cracy, Becca Striblin, Ani Saucedo, Josie Whisenhunt, Brenna Postell, Allison Blevins, Larissa Halford, Brandi Fowler and Kelsey Sanderson.

## Post Middle School students observe Red Ribbon week

Post Middle School kicked off its annual Red Ribbon Week observance Oct. 20 by decorating the town and school red. Red Ribbon Week was observed Oct. 20-26 and marks a unified and visible commitment to create a drug-free community and state.

On the evening of Oct. 20, a school dance celebrating drug-free lifestyles and Red Ribbon Week was conducted in the Teen Room. Winners in the dance competitions included Becca Striblin, best costume, and Zack Witcher, most creative.

The local observance actually began a few days early for middle school students who attended a special assembly featuring speaker Richard Santana of California.

During the actual Red Ribbon Week observance, Monday through Friday saw a different theme for each day. Monday was "Drugs Make You Old" day, so students dressed as older people; Tuesday was "Wake Up Drug-free" day, so students were encouraged to wear their pajamas to school;

Wednesday was "Real Friends Don't Let Friends Use Drugs," so best friends were asked to dress alike; Thursday was "Spook Out Drugs," and students dressed in all-white outfits; and Friday was "Drugs and I Don't Mix," which allowed students to dress in "mismatched" clothing.

School staff and faculty members participated in the daily observances as well.

Prizes were awarded for the best look each day for each grade level, and the best overall winner received a T-shirt. Winners included, for Monday, Ericka Cravy, Zachary Witcher and Israel Barbosa (judged best overall); Tuesday, Paige Bullard, Josie Whisenhunt and Jace Pollard (best overall); Wednesday, Brenna Postell, Madison Mason and Josie Whisenhunt (best overall), Larissa Halford and Allison Blevins, Kayla Morris and Hayley Massey; Thursday, Cass Tatum (best overall), Brandi Fowler and Eric Reyna; and Friday, Kelsey Sanderson, D.J. Biaz (best overall) and Laurel Tatum.

Contests also were held. "Born to be Drug-free" allowed students to guess the identity of faculty baby photos, while "Blow Away Drugs" was a competition enabling students to guess the number of pieces of bubble gum in a jar (275). Ani Saucedo won the photo-guessing contest, while Kassie Parrish was the winner in the bubble gum competition.

Each day saw positive messages distributed in the forms of pencils, ribbons, buttons, lollipops and wrapped candy. Merchants were

given red ribbons to wear in honor of the week, and faculty members at the school were provided with red ribbon lapel pins to wear.

In conjunction with the observance, the middle school's STARS organization organized a project to help Victim Assistance Services. Red Ribbon was a start, as the theme for the week was "I can be drug-free." Each day, students were asked to bring a can of food for the project. The Saturday dance was a sock hop, and participants were asked to bring a pair of new socks to donate to the program. All items were delivered to Victim Assistance, the Post Food Pantry and the Clothes Pantry.

"We do care about the people of Post," the STARS sponsor said. "The Post community has been great to STARS by sponsoring students to go to Leadership Camp in the summer. We appreciate all they do to help us. It is truly a community-wide effort to make Post a better place for all."

The Red Ribbon campaign began as a grassroots expression of concern initiated by a group of parents in Illinois and Virginia in 1985 in response to the murder of a Drug Enforcement Administration agent by drug traffickers. The campaign has evolved into a national movement.



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### Extension Extras

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#### Animal Projects

Anyone interested in feeding hogs in the 4-H program, contact Greg Jones. Hogs must be on feed by December 1, 2001.

#### Dairy in the Classroom

Post Elementary and Southland School will have the Dairy in the Classroom at their schools November 1st. and 2nd., respectively. Dairy in the Classroom is sponsored by Southwest Dairy Farmers and brought to the schools through the Garza County Extension office.

#### Safety Seat Checkpoint

Do you need a safety check on your child's car seat? Call 495-4400 to make an appointment to have your car seats checked on November 15 between 2:00 and 4:00 p.m. Amy Erwin, Crosby County Extension Agent-Family and Consumer Sciences, will be at the Texas Cooperative Extension office at 102 South Avenue L, Post, to inspect and install safety seats. If you need an infant or toddler safety seat, there are a limited number available to be installed free of charge. You must call to make an appointment!

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The Houston Chronicle, 10-6-01  
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The Dallas Morning News, 10-16-01  
**"The water bonds have helped communities in all regions of the state and the program urgently needs to be extended..."**  
San Antonio Express-News, 10-15-01  
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**The smallest fish is the pygmy goby of the Philippines. It measures less than 1/2 inch.**



# Obituaries

## Barnie C. Jones

Services for Barnie C. Jones, 86, of Post will be 2:00 PM today (Thursday) at the Trinity Baptist Church. The Rev. Billie S. Smith, pastor will officiate and the Rev. Mike Butts of the First Baptist Church of Amherst will assist. Burial will follow in the Terrace Cemetery under the personal care of Justice-Mason Funeral Home.

Mr. Jones died Tuesday, October 30, 2001 at the Golden Plains Care Center.

He was born to Eger Z. and Erin Mae (Jones) Jones December 17, 1914 at Hamilton County. They came to the Close City community in 1921 to farm. He attended school at Close City and married the former Evelyn Sanders, December 4, 1936 at Snyder.

They made their home in the Close City Community and farmed and ranched until his retirement. At that time they moved into Post to live. Mr. Jones had served on the Close City School Board, was an adult leader for 4-H for 30 years, and served on the advisory committee for Home Farm Administration.

After retirement he enjoyed his coffee time, playing 42 and 88 with friends and going to cattle sales. He was preceded in death by a son in law: Clarence Gunn, October 31, 1996. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife and one son: Darrell L. and his wife Ruby Jones of Post. Two daughters: Oneita Gunn of Post and Reta and husband Norman Settlemire of Lubbock. One brother: Arthur and wife Virginia Jones of Seminole. Eight grandchildren: Darlene Speck, Nita Heckaman, Danny Gunn, Carol DeLeon, Amy Finch, Janell Jones, Labeth Jones and Becky Settlemire. 13 great grandchildren: Rene Gonzales, Breann Heckaman, Dionn Heckaman, Jessica Speck, Tatum Gunn, Allen Heckaman, Scott Speck, Garrett Gunn, Brady Gunn, Brittane DeLeon, Gabby Settlemire,



Haleigh Finch and Hannah Finch. 1 great-great-grandchild: Sadie Garner. Pallbearers will be grandsons and nephews. Memorials are suggested to a favorite charity.

## Betty Horton

Services for Betty Horton, 72, of Lake Brownwood will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 1, 2001, in the Heartland Funeral Home with the Rev. Dick Williams officiating. Burial will follow in the Rising Star Cemetery.

She died Monday, Oct. 29, at Brownwood Regional Medical Center. Born in Lamkin, Texas, to George and Veda Cole Stewart, she married Weldon Horton Sept. 29, 1947, in Brownwood. She was a retired laundry supervisor for Brownwood Regional Medical Center.

Formerly of Post, she had been a resident of Brown County since 1977. A Baptist, she was a member of the Trinity Baptist Church in Post.

Survivors include her husband, Weldon Horton of Lake Brownwood; four sons and three daughters-in-law, Mike and Carolyn Horton Sr. of Blanket, Weldon and Terry Horton Jr. of Rising Star, Truett and Debra Horton of Cross Plains and Andrew Horton of Early; one daughter, Deborah Morris of Early; 14 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a sister-in-law, Lucille Hayter of Midland. She was preceded in death by her parents, three sisters and two great-grandsons.

The family has requested memorials be made to New Horizons, P.O. Box 549, Goldthwaite, TX 76844.

## John Michael Scott

Services for John Michael Scott, 49, of Tow, Texas, were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 27, 2001, at the First Baptist Church of Tow with Gerald Moore and Stanley Nixon officiating. Burial followed in the Tow Cemetery under the direction of the Waldrope Hawthorne Funeral Home of Llano.

He died Thursday, Oct. 25.

Born in Lubbock, he lived in Post until his graduation from Post High School in 1968. He had worked as assistant manager of radio station KATT in Oklahoma City, Okla., for several years, and in the years preceding his illness served as program director for radio station KLBK in Austin. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Tow and was the founder and coordinator of Austin Cleansweep.

Survivors include one son, Garland, of Tow; his parents, Wesley and Betty Scott of Tow; and one brother, Dr. Ted Scott of Lubbock.

The family has suggested memorials be made to Seton Highland Lakes Hospice, Highway 281 South, P.O. 1219, Burnet, Texas 78611.

## Hazel L. Cash Gardner

Services for Hazel L. Cash Gardner, 74, were held at 11 a.m. Monday, Oct. 29, 2001, in the Episcopal Church of the Heavenly Rest in Abilene under the direction of Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home.

She died Friday, Oct. 19, at a Dallas hospital following a lengthy battle from complications of a brain aneurysm.

Born July 8, 1927, in Victorville, Calif., to Guy and Esma Cash, she graduated from Post High School in 1944, attended Texas State College for Women in Denton and received a bachelor of science from McMurry College in Abilene. She married Robert Carl Gardner Aug. 31, 1947, in Post. They moved to Abilene in 1953. She began her teaching career at Hamlin High School in Hamlin, Texas, where she taught English and speech. She taught for 40 years, including more than 30 years at St. John's Episcopal School in Abilene.

Following her retirement, she continued her involvement in education, volunteering as a mentor in the Abilene Independent School District and the Abilene Literacy Program and serving as a reader at the Abilene Day Nursery. She was a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church where she frequently assisted with the children's church.

Survivors include one son, Robert Carl Jr. of New Orleans, Louisiana; one daughter and son-in-law, Jill M. Gardner and Lee Cox of Austin; a granddaughter, Sara Esma Gardner-Cox of Austin; one sister, Maxine Sigman of San Antonio; two brothers and sisters-in-law, Robert L. and Evelyn Cash of Lubbock and Jay G. and Jo Cash of Austin; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert; her father, Guy Cash; her mother, Esma Cash; and two brothers, C.C. Cash and Kendrick Cash.

The family has requested memorials be made to the Esma Morris Cash Scholarship at McMurry University (established by the family to benefit women in the field of education), or to the St. John's Episcopal School Scholarship Fund, 1600 Sherman, Austin, TX 79603.

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# Opinions

SOMETIME, PERHAPS, IN THE NOT-TOO-DISTANT FUTURE...



## What's wrong with education?

by Walter E. Williams

Here are some test questions. Question 1: Which of the following is equal to a quarter of a million? (a) 40,000 (b) 250,000 (c) 2,500,000 (d) 1/4,000,000 or (e) 4/1,000,000? Question 2: Martin Luther King Jr. (insert the correct choice) for the poor of all races. (a) spoke out passionately (b) spoke out passionate (c) did spoke out passionately (d) has spoke out passionately or (e) had spoken out passionate. Question 3: What would you do if your student sprained an ankle? (a) Put a Band-Aid on it (b) Ice it (c) Rinse it with water.

Having reviewed the questions, guess which school grade gets these kind of test questions: sixth grade, ninth grade or 12th grade. I'm betting that the average reader guesses: sixth grade. You'd be wrong. How about ninth grade? You'd still be wrong. You say, "OK, Williams, I can't believe they're 12th grade test questions!" Wrong again. According to a School Reform News (Sept. 1) article "Who Tells Teachers They Can Teach?" those test questions came from tests for prospective teachers. The first two questions are samples from Praxis I test for teachers, and the third is from the 1999 teacher certification test in Illinois. And guess what. Thirty-one percent of New York City public school teachers fail teacher certification tests.

According to the Chicago Sun-Times (Sept. 6) 5,243 Illinois teachers failed their teacher certification tests. The Chicago Sun-Times also reported, "One teacher failed 24 of 25 teacher tests — including 11 of 12 Basic Skills tests and all 12 tests on teaching learning-disabled children. Yet, that teacher was assigned to teach learning-disabled children in Chicago. That's classic: the blind leading the blind."

Most of these inept teachers are graduates of the nation's schools of education. Unfortunately, for the most part, schools of education, either graduate or undergraduate, are home to students who have the lowest academic achievement test scores when they enter college, and they score the lowest among college graduates taking tests, such as GRE, MCAT or LSAT, to enter professional schools. If we're really

serious about improving public education, we'd shut down schools of education. There is absolutely no relationship between teacher quality and having graduated from a teacher's college and being teacher certified. There may even be a negative relationship as suggested by the fact that students who are home-schooled by parents who have had no teacher training have achievement scores higher than 85 percent of all other students.

Another serious education problem is the fact that many teachers have little or no training in the subjects they teach. According to the U.S. Department of Education, 36 percent of public school teachers — 972,000 teachers out of 2.7 million nationwide — didn't major or minor in the core subjects they teach. In other words, there are teachers teaching math and science who might not have taken a single class in those subjects.

The long-term solution to our education problem is to break the education monopoly by introducing the kind of competition that can come from school vouchers, tuition tax credits and other school choice programs. Of course, the powerful education establishment fights tooth and nail against anything that even smacks of competition. There are some shorter-term measures that can help stem the decline in education quality. State legislators and school boards have it in their power to eliminate standard certification requirements. As it stands now, a Nobel Laureate in physics wouldn't meet teacher qualifications in most school districts.

Finally, my education question to the NAACP, Urban League, the Congressional Black Caucus, black mayors and city councilmen who walk lock step with the teaching establishment and do their bidding: In which schools do you think you'll find the absolutely worst teacher quality?

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## A powerfully worded opinion

by Vin Suprynowicz

Yes, there's that half-hearted version of a "war" going on in Afghanistan — we apologize if our bombs hit any houses, certainly didn't mean to kill anyone, while floating trial balloons about month-long bombing halts out of respect for Ramadan. And no, I don't think anyone here at Fort MacDill has the authority to order the death of the Taliban's top guy even when we have him in our sights; lawyers say it wouldn't be prudent ...

And then, yes, there was our two-tiered response to the threat of Anthrax in the mails to pay attention to — Gov. Pataki and Sen. Daschle getting a full course of the expensive antibiotic Cipro "just in case", while postal workers showing actual symptoms of the disease get "The Negro Plan" — take two antacids and call us back on Monday.

So I'll acknowledge they've been busy. Nonetheless, one has to suspect the relative silence of the East Coast press on the topic of 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals' Oct. 16 ruling out of New Orleans in the Emerson case can be attributed to the fact they simply don't like what it says, and hope it will go away.

Quite simply, the appeals court found the Constitution guarantees an individual right to keep and bear arms.

On Aug. 28, 1998, Sacha Emerson, wife of Timothy Joe Emerson, filed a petition for divorce in Tom Green County, Texas. The petition also sought standard divorce-court boilerplate injunctions against the good doctor harming or threatening to harm her or their daughter.

On Dec. 8, 1998, a grand jury for the Northern District of Texas returned an indictment against Dr. Emerson alleging that on Nov. 16, 1998, the doctor possessed "a Beretta pistol, while subject to the above mentioned Sept. 14, 1998 order, in violation of 18 U.S.C. 922(g)(8)," the bizarre federal law known at the time of its passage as the "Violence Against Women Act," which attempts to bar possession of firearms while one is subject to such protective orders.

Since Dr. Emerson had owned the pistol prior to the divorce filing, he sought to have the charge dismissed, arguing the law infringed his Second Amendment "right to keep and bear arms," as well as high due process rights under the Fifth Amendment (retroactive denial of rights without a chance at rebuttal).

The case ended up before a three-judge panel of the 5th Circuit in New Orleans. On Oct. 16, that court remanded the case to the lower court for trial, finding that Dr. Emerson's right to keep and bear arms is not absolute.

That part of the ruling is, unfortunately, bogus, wrongheaded, and probably cynically tailored to achieve a desired political result — the judges simply didn't want to throw out all firearm regulation in the states under their jurisdiction, as they should have (though some legal scholars believe the appeals court merely wants to give Emerson grounds for further appeal, inviting the U.S. Supreme Court to do just that.)

However, none of this is what will generate the most discussion about this ruling. For no matter how they finally weaseled out of what

would be the only honest, just and equitable outcome — giving Dr. Emerson back his gun — the court in the process of deciding the constitutional claims in this case confirmed that Americans have an individual, constitutional right to keep and bear arms of military usefulness.

"We find that the history of the Second Amendment reinforces the plain meaning of its text, namely that it protects individual Americans in their right to keep and bear arms whether or not they are a member of a select militia or performing active military service or training," the Fifth Circuit ruled.

"We reject the collective rights and sophisticated collective rights models for interpreting the Second Amendment. We hold, consistent with Miller, that it protects the right of individuals, including those not then actually a member of any militia or engaged in active military service or training, to privately possess and bear their own firearms, such as the pistol involved here. ..."

Recognition of the significance of the Oct. 16 ruling was swift.

Complimenting the court's "scholarly and powerfully worded opinion," Robert A. Levy, the Cato Institute senior fellow in constitutional studies and a Second Amendment expert, commented: "The implications of the Emerson case are especially important today. On Sept. 11, we learned that the state cannot defend us against all acts of terror. It is imperative, therefore, that we be able to defend ourselves. A disarmed society, because its citizens are defenseless, tends to adopt police state tactics. ... An individual right to bear arms is thus prophylactic — it reduces the demand for a police state."

"This is truly a victory for firearms civil rights," echoed Dave LaCourse, public affairs director for the Second Amendment Foundation, of Bellevue Washington. "For years, gun control extremists and constitutional revisionists have insisted that there is no individual right to keep and bear arms. We now can say with the support of the federal court that we have been right, and they have been wrong, all along."

The Fifth Circuit's historical research and legal analysis are unassailable. Those who would deny the plain language of the Second Amendment have merely been indulging in the same wishful thinking and statist wet dreams common to cringing freedom-haters everywhere. What is needed now is a federal bench that will match its own personal and political courage to that of the men who drew up this historic charter of freedom ... taking all 20,000 of this nation's unconstitutional "gun control" laws out behind the barn, and shooting them.

Paging Clarence Thomas ...  
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## American taxpayers are paying big bucks to Pakistan general

by Jacob G. Hornberger  
president, The Future of Freedom Foundation

U.S. officials are pleased that Army General Pervez Musharraf, the non-democratically elected head of Pakistan, agreed to help President Bush attack Afghanistan. (Neither the general nor the president secured a parliamentary or congressional declaration of war against Afghanistan prior to the attacks.)

Of course, the general was made the proverbial offer he couldn't refuse: General, if you're not with us on this one, we might just deposit hundreds of millions of dollars in American bombs on top on your head; on the other hand, if you're with us, we will deposit \$600 million in cool cash into your bank account, compliments of the U.S. taxpayer.

Now, what army general anywhere in the world could refuse that offer?

Of course, one can only wonder whether the good general (who took control of the Pakistani government in a coup) can be trusted not to play two ends against the middle by sharing some of his new moolah with Mullah Omar, his old friend who heads the Taliban.

Some Pentagon officials are expressing misgivings about the president's decision to attack Afghanistan as part of his war against terrorism. According to an article in the October 20 issue of the Washington Post, "Some Pentagon officials are concerned about where the conflict ultimately will lead, and whether tactical military gains in Afghanistan could lead to bigger strategic problems for the United States and its allies."

One Pentagon general said that the Afghan war "seems to be a short-term, possibly shortsighted strategy. Our actions so far show only short-term thinking."

According to the Post, the officers wish to remain anonymous due to the "tight lid clamped down on the Pentagon." But one cannot help but wonder whether another reason for the anonymity is that the officers are concerned about being accused of being unpatriotic Americans for not having blind allegiance to whatever the president does and instead questioning the wisdom of some of his actions.

Question: If the war on terrorism's bombing of Afghanistan ends up killing Osama bin Laden, the Taliban leaders, and all the current terrorists but ends up producing a larger number of new terrorists, will it be considered a success?

Could public schooling, as well as religious indoctrination in public schools, be a principal cause of terrorism?

According to an article in the October 20 issue of the New York Times, it just might be so: "The textbook for one of the five religion classes required of all 10th graders in Saudi public high schools tackles the complicated issue of who good Muslims should befriend."

After examining a number of scriptures which warn of the dangers of having Christian and Jewish friends, the lesson concludes: "It is compulsory for the Muslims to be loyal to each other and to consider the infidels their enemy."

That extremist, anti-Western world view has gradually pervaded the Saudi education system with its heavy doses of mandatory religious instruction, according to Saudi officials and intellectuals. Since the U.S. government is devoted to spreading freedom and Western values around the world, why hasn't it recommended that the Saudis separate both church and school from the state and end all government involvement in both areas?

Better yet, maybe the United States should lead by example by repealing all compulsory school-attendance laws and school taxes and leaving both education and religion totally to the free market rather than trying to use U.S. public (e.g., government) schools to inculcate students with Christian values?

### Vote NO on constitutional amendments

by Wesley W. Burnett

If history is any guide, relatively few Texas voters will take time to vote on 19 more proposed amendments to the State of Texas constitution in the November 6 election.

The paltry turnout is a result of the convoluted and unworkable state constitution, which allows the legislature the power to propose changes, without even publishing the full text of those changes. Oh, aggressive voters can find the actual wording if they are persistent, but the law only requires the publishing of a "summary" of each proposed amendment.

So, the few who do actually vote, are not casting their ballot on an informed decision, they are voting as somewhat, or barely informed voters. That is a dangerous and self-destructive method for self-government.

Rather than take a chance, we urge voters to reject them all.

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# Sports

## Another big win for 'Lopes

by Wes Burnett

It took the Post Antelopes most of the first quarter to get things moving their way, but when they did it was for real, leading the Tahoka Bulldogs 31-3 at halftime. The feisty Bulldogs put up a valiant fight, but were no match for the high powered 'Lope running attack.

The 'Lopes took the opening kickoff and roared down the field, getting inside the Bulldog 25 yard line before running out of steam. On second down at the 24, Huff rolled to his right and was sacked for a big loss to the 36. Mills couldn't penetrate on third down, and the fourth down pass sailed out of the reach of the receiver.

Tahoka took the ball and ran off an impressive 10 play drive, getting a 40 plus yard field goal on fourth down at the Post 27 yard line. Brandon Bell and Lance Curtis played key defensive roles in halting the Bulldog drive. With 4:59 left in the first quarter, Tahoka led 3-0.

### Touchdown #1

It didn't take long for the Post offense to take control. Seven plays after the kickoff Post led 7-3. The drive was highlighted by a fake punt on fourth down at the Post 37. Bryan Looney dropped back to punt and the ball went to Huff, who dodged defenders at the line of scrimmage, breaking out to the 49 for a first down.

Jonathan Eilenberger got two and Mills blasted through defenders to the Tahoka 34 for a first down. Huff pitched the ball to Curtis, who took it around his left end, breaking through tacklers, maintaining his balance and out raced defenders to the end zone. Looney's kick at 1:30 left in the first quarter put the 'Lopes out front 7-3.

The Post defense stopped the Bulldogs cold, including a crucial fourth down effort that fell short by six inches, turning the ball over to the 'Lopes at the Tahoka 37. Key defensive plays by Roland Castaneda, Brandon Bell, Mills, R.C. Curtis and Patrick Gonzales made the difference.

### Field Goal

Taking the ball early in the second quarter, Jonathan Curtis, Brandon Bell and Huff shared the running chores. After Bell got to the

two, the 'Lopes were caught on an illegal procedure call, setting the ball back at the seven. Then Curtis rammed to the four. On third down Huff lost the football, but fell on it at the 11. Looney came in and kicked a 26 yard field goal to put the 'Lopes out front 10-3 with 9:11 left on the first half clock.

Once again the Post defense showed why it is one of the top squads on the South Plains. R.C. Curtis, Justin Acevedo and Hector Reyna led the defensive charge, forcing a fourth down punt.

### Touchdown #3

The Post offense trotted on the field with a first down at their own 41 yard line following the punt. Mills carried twice, getting to the 49, then Jonathan Curtis broke through tacklers to the Tahoka 38 and a first down. Curtis squirmed to the 37, then Tahoka was caught offside, setting the ball at the 32.

Mills took it to the 29, then was stopped at the line. Huff pulled a quarterback keeper around left end, racing into the end zone untouched. Looney's extra point kick set the score at 17-3 with 3:34 left on the clock.

### Touchdown #4

Jonathan Eilenberger and R.C. Curtis kept Tahoka bottled up after the kickoff, and on third down quarterback Brandon McCord's pass was picked off by Mills at the 31 and he set the goal line in sight, running down Post's left side to the end zone. Looney's kick put the 'Lopes ahead 24-3 with 2:30 left in the first half.

### Touchdown #5

Once again the Post defense forced a fourth down punt. The Post offense got the ball at the Tahoka 48 with 54 seconds showing on the clock. It took six plays to seal the first half scoring. Huff connected with Curtis to the 23, then Curtis broke through defenders on the right side, getting a big block from Allan Bell to set up a first down at the three.

Referees called the play back for an illegal block, setting up second down at the 15. Two plays failed to gain any yardage, then Huff threw a perfect pass to Lance Curtis, who made a perfect catch at the one and slid into the end zone with four seconds left on the clock. Looney capped off the first half scoring, putting the 'Lopes ahead 31-3.

### Second Half Action

Post defenders Chris Hernandez and Acevedo led the defensive charge on Tahoka's first possession after the half. On third down Stephen Solorzano was stripped of the ball and Eilenberger pounced on it for the 'Lopes at the 26. One of the few mishaps of the night then struck the 'Lopes when Huff's pass to Allan Bell was intercepted by Solorzano at the Tahoka 19.

Another strong defensive effort stopped the Bulldogs. Highlights included Acevedo trapping Solorzano for a loss and Hernandez sacking McCord at the 7. The punt rolled dead at the Tahoka 38.

Mills and Curtis shared running honors in the next touchdown drive for Post. A key play came on second down at the Tahoka 24 when Curtis took a screen pass over the middle, bursting through potential tacklers to the five yard line. Two tries later Curtis roared into the end zone. With 5:49 left in the third quarter, Looney's accurate extra point kicking set the score at 38-3.

Tahoka then mounted a successful drive to the end zone, scoring in four plays. The extra point attempt was blocked by Eilenberger, narrowing the Post lead to 38-9. Tahoka got the ball again after the touchdown when the 'Lope reserves couldn't convert a first down. The defense held, forcing a punt, but on second down Curtis coughed up the football after a long run, giving Tahoka another shot.

The Bulldogs took advantage of the opportunity and scored again with 10:09 on the fourth quarter clock. The two point conversion put the cap on Tahoka scoring at 17.

### Touchdown #6

Tahoka didn't give up, recovering a squib kick at the 50 yard line. But the Post defense came alive, with R.C. Curtis applying heavy pressure on McCord. The ball went over on downs when McCord was smothered by Post defenders at the 50 yard line. Quarterback Brody Robertson pitched the ball to Mills, who broke through the line and tacklers to the 38. A face mask penalty on Tahoka set up first down at the 23. Four plays later Curtis scored from the two. With 7:45 left in the game, the 'Lopes sealed the game at 45-17.

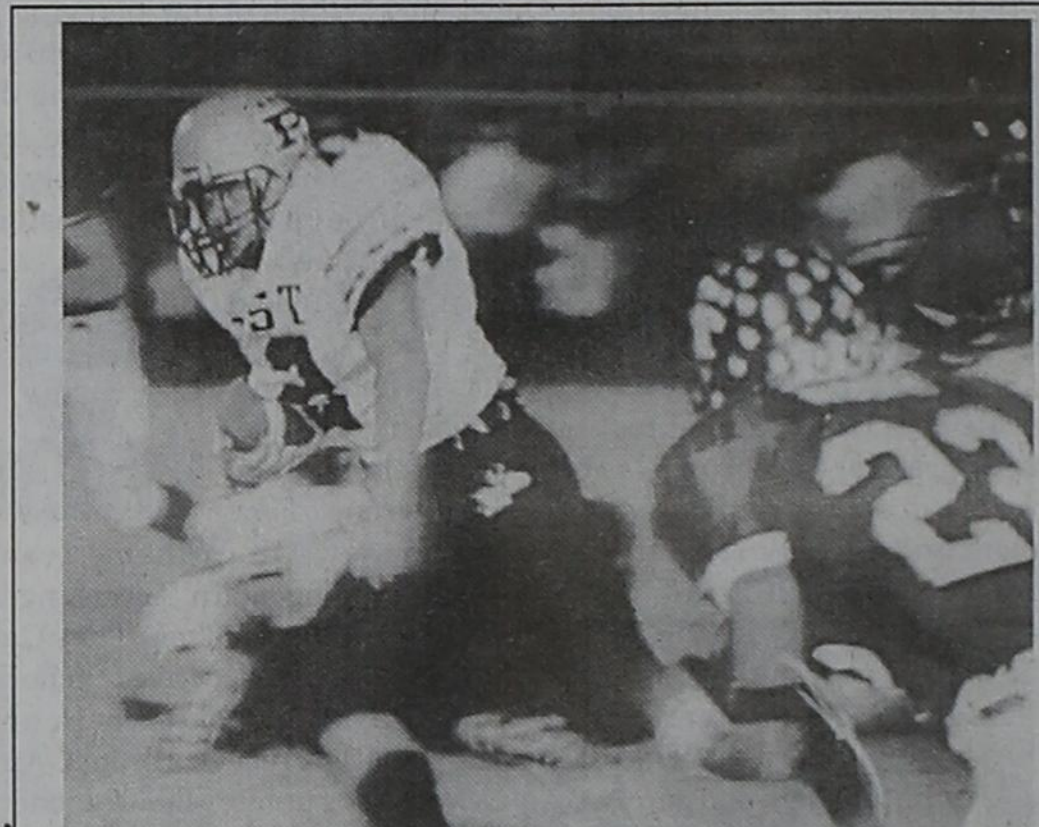
The defense continued to hammer the Bulldogs and the 'Lope offense managed to run-out the clock late in the fourth quarter. Idalou defeated Ralls and Sundown edged New Deal, setting up a big showdown in the

district championship race between Post and Idalou.

The Antelopes host New Deal Friday for a 7:30 p.m. kickoff. Those who aren't able to make it to the stadium will appreciate all the live, play-by-play action on Post City Radio ([www.postcityradio.net](http://www.postcityradio.net)), Classic Cable Channel 12 or 97.7 FM (community radio), beginning at 7:15 p.m.



Justin Acevedo brings down a Tahoka running back, stripping the football on the tackle, during the district win there last Friday. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)



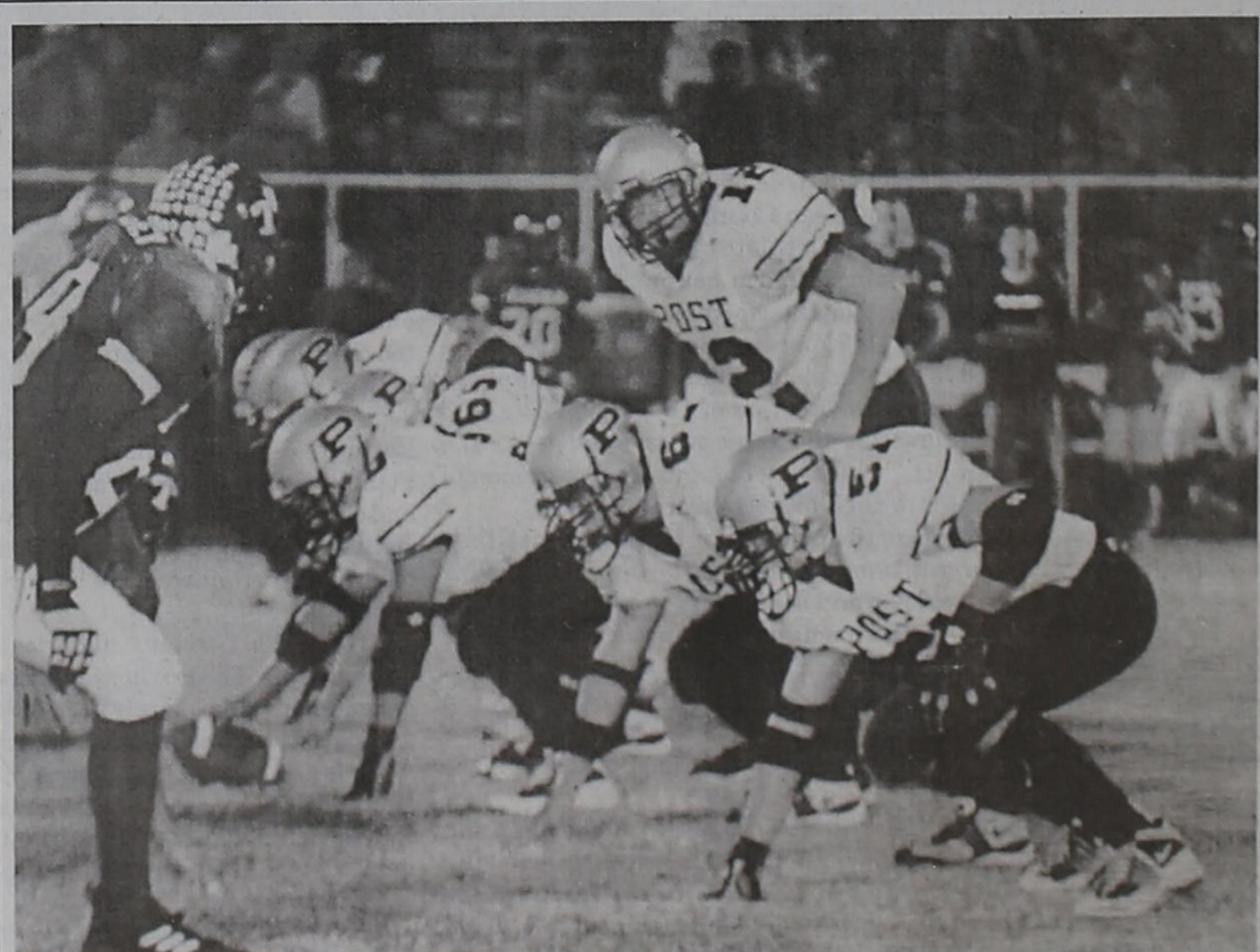
Post Antelope quarterback Michael Huff breaks past the line of scrimmage on the way to the goal line. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)



Mitchell Mills timed an interception just right during first half action at Tahoka last Friday, then roared down his left side line into the end zone. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)



Brandon Bell (20) slips away from a Bulldog defender on the way to a big gainer for the Post Antelopes at Tahoka last Friday. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)



It all starts at the line of scrimmage...

Post offensive linemen making opening big lanes for running backs are (left to right) Mikey Gonzales (65), Bryan Looney (50), Jonathan Eilenberger (62) and Mark McCallister (51). (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

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## J.V. take 30-24 win

The Post combined junior varsity squad handed Tahoka a 30-24 defeat last Thursday thanks to a 20-yard touchdown run made with less than two minutes left in the game.

The 'Lopes scored with 1:17 left on the clock. Randon Blacklock made the 20-yard dash to the end zone and followed it up with a two-point conversion to put Post on top.

Blacklock had 157 yards on 14 carries with one touchdown. He also scored three two-point conversions.

Russell Merritt got things started for the 'Lopes, scoring on a 35-yard option keeper around left end. That was set up by Coby Jones' 26-yard run up the middle to start the game.

Martin Garcia scored the other two touchdowns for the 'Lopes, one on a 12-yard run and the other on a four-yard sprint.

Jones had seven carries for 44 yards, Merritt had nine carries for 57 yards and a touchdown and Garcia had 13 carries for 90 yards.

Merritt was two of four, passing for 20 yards. Jones had one catch for 11 yards and Carlos Hernandez had one reception for nine yards.

Hernandez intercepted a ball at the 1-yard line with time running out to end the game.

Also turning in solid performances for the evening, according to the coach's report, were Kyle Gunn and Quinton Odem on defense and Kam Baker on the offensive line.

Post had 348 yards rushing in 43 carries completed two of nine passes for 20 yards in the air.

Tahoka had 167 yards rushing in 33 carries. They were 10 for 24 in passing with 117 yards and one interception.

## 7th grade edges Tahoka 8-0

The Post Middle School eighth grade football team edged Tahoka 8-0 last week at Tahoka. D.J. Biaza scored the lone touchdown on an 11 yard scamper. Colter Creech put the other two points on the board with the conversion.

"The offense executed well on the first drive of the ball game," coach Brian Davenport commented. Steven Hair, Creech, Biaza and Wilson Cash "all ran the ball well on the drive," the coach added.

the offensive line and receivers were also praised by the coach for their blocking. "The team completed two fourth down attempts into first downs on the drive prior to the score," Davenport said.

The defense held the Bulldogs to a shut out. It is the seventh grade's fourth shutout in five games. The team record is 4-1, 3-0 in district. The team hosts New Deal Thursday.

## 8th grade edges Tahoka 46-0

The Post Antelope eighth grade football dominated Tahoka 46-0 in action there last week. "The team controlled the ball game from the opening kickoff," coach Brian Davenport reports.

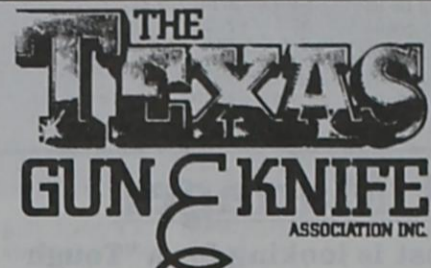
The young 'Lopes led 20-0 at the end of the first quarter. "The defense

scored twice on interception returns and a special team touchdown," Davenport adds.

He praised offensive players Sterling Smith, Stace Norman, Bryan Hart, Fernando Soto, Israel Beggs and Adrian Zubia. Defensive players getting praise were David Vega, Jose Contreras, Vince Robles, John Morales, Jarred Smith, Keith Meredith, Colt Mason and Robert Apolar.

Scoring came from a Smith pass to Kenny Garay, Smith intercepted a pass for 25 yard touchdown, Barbosa got the extra point and later recovered a fumble for a 15 yard touchdown return and another extra point kick.

Norman scored on a 16 yard run, and again on a 35 yard scamper. Vega got a 45 yard interception return and Hart ran 12 yards for the final score. The team hosts New Deal Thursday.



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Dear Jackson: When I talked to you last night over the phone I could tell you were worried, even though you acted bravely, especially for a fifth grader. I understand your school administrators decided to let the parents of students tell their youngsters about the tragic events.

That's fine with me. Your mother told me she went to your school yesterday and had lunch with you. I'm sure that was a comfort, even if you didn't know about what was going on in the news.

That was a good move on her part. Jackson, your generation now has a landmark news event. I can remember a few: the death of Roosevelt, the first atomic bomb, the Kennedy assassination, the civil rights movement, the first moon walk, Tiannanmen Square and the Oklahoma City bombing.

People never forget these things. I'll always remember exactly where I was when they occurred. Chances are you'll always remember your mother having lunch with you at school, then coming home to be told about the suicide pilots. My dear boy, these are just isolated events.

They don't represent our usual way of life in the US, where we have freedom and opportunity. We're not accustomed to having war on our home turf. We'll be more careful now. When the story began to unfold, all I wanted to do was get with you, your grandmother, your daddy and Jill, your uncle and Margaret and just huddle up together.

I am certainly not alone in that. After hearing the news from New York and Washington, everybody quickly learned what is important: love. They just wanted to be with their families. The things we held precious early yesterday morning will be so much more precious now.

The kamikaze murderers were religious zealots who thought they were doing a noble deed and would be rewarded with a special place in heaven. That's sick. Even more sick are the people in the middle east cheering the fact that America had

been damaged. But we are strong. We will not be brought to our knees by bullies. The best way to back down a bully is to stand up to him. And that's what we're doing now. If this develops into a real war, we'll be more careful and love each other more.

And we'll be stronger. Sorry you had to lose your innocence so young. But you'll pull through because you're tough and you have the love of so many people pouring out on you. Love is the best security you could have.

I know when you saw the pictures of what happened, you remembered being in New York City just a couple of months ago. You did all the tourist things, including climbing up to the crown of the statue of liberty.

That's something you'll never forget either. And that's a better memory.

Tracks can be used to guess at dinosaur speed and it's estimated that speeds ranged between 20 and 40 miles per hour.



Billy Renfro won third place in last week's Post Elementary School drug awareness poster contest.

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### ACROSS

- 1 TXism: "catterwall"
- 5 "African Queen" screenwriter James
- 6 camping beds
- 7 TX Boys Ranch founder Farley and baseballer Ripken
- 8 TXism: "high as popcorn" picture show"
- 9 Yasir Arafat org.
- 12 thick porterhouse
- 17 in Hunt Co. on 69
- 19 TXism: "no muss,

- 21 co. directly south of Gaines Co.
- 22 this country singer Conway got last name from TX town
- 23 TXism: "don't let 'em (stay calm)
- 28 TXism: "she has to stand in the place twice to cast a shadow" (thin)
- 29 TX Tanya Tucker's "Cowboy-Lovin' Night"
- 30 "enter own risk"
- 31 Rockne, TX was named for Dame coach
- 35 unable to speak
- 36 they bring in illegal drugs across TX southern border
- 42 TXism: "took (like)
- 44 '93 state rep. from Uvalde, Pete

### DOWN

- 1 undergraduate degree at TX univ.
- 2 TXism: "hungry as a concrete pasture"
- 3 TX Caddo Lake: "of International Importance"
- 4 smaller amount
- 9 Ima Hogg was named after heroine in a
- 10 TX DPS trooper's concern (2 wds.)
- 11 short approvals
- 12 explosive initials
- 13 famous TX blade
- 14 TXism: "got the hang (learned)
- 15 Spanish meaning of TX river Nueces
- 16 TXism: "como (How are you?)
- 18 stat. for Astro Shane Reynolds
- 20 49er QB Steve who didn't win much against Boys (init.)
- 23 see 1-down (abbr.)
- 24 Bevo's sch.

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- 34 Aggie coach Slocum
- 36 best little puzzle in TX (abbr.)
- 37 TX pitcher Nolan
- 38 dined at home
- 39 no. of sec. cowboys have to die
- 40 "Millionaire" Philbin
- 41 TXism: "a winder" (exciting)
- 43 Jim Creek
- 45 TXism: "it's root hog - die"
- 48 Fredericksburg event: "fest
- 49 ex FW mayor Bob
- 56 little horse

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## Nine arrests reported here

Nine new names were logged into the records of the Garza County Jail over the past week, according to sheriff's department records.

Two arrests were made Oct. 24. Two men, ages 29 and 21, were picked up on local arrest warrants.

Another 21-year-old male was picked up on a local warrant on Oct. 25. Other arrests logged on that date included those of a 25-year-old female for driving while license suspended and a 26-year-old male for public intoxication.

A 21-year-old male was picked up for driving while license suspended on Oct. 26. Also arrested on that date was a 24-year-old female picked up on warrants.

On Oct. 27, a 49-year-old female was arrested for driving while intoxicated, and a 45-year-old male was arrested on a warrant.

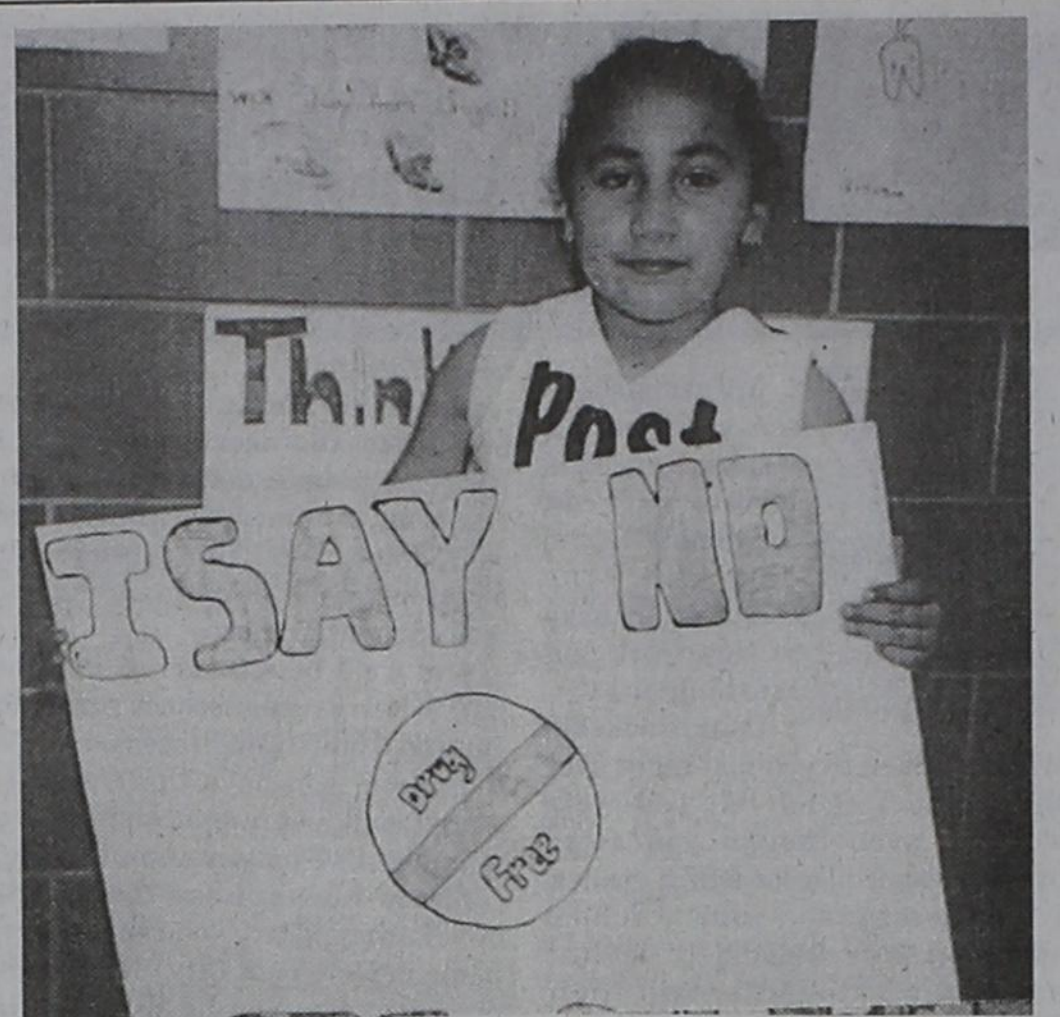
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Victoria Muñoz won second place in the Post Elementary School's drug awareness poster contest.

## Letters to the Editor

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

### Greed is the answer

Curiosity has dogged me since I have lived in Post, as to why gasoline is always higher right here than nearly anywhere else in Texas. I looked in the dictionary to see if Posts might mean "the city of rip-off."

In the Webster's, I found that Post meant four different things. But the last one took my eye (Post- prefix meaning... "after, subsequent to... BEHIND"). I don't believe we are at behind, in fact we might be out front. We have a lot of things other towns don't have such as Post Toasties and Grape-Nuts.

It's understandable that small town businesses are a bit more expensive because of a lower volume of movement on their products. But I see a trap out there. Gas is so damn high here that we (the poor folks) can't afford to go out of town to do our shopping.

I can smell money, I can smell where there is a bunch of it around. The last couple of years, that money smell has been in the air in the Post area.

With Lubbock installing the fancy water hole at Justiceburg, and the Airforce getting ready to fly their big bombers over our area, and U.S. 84 becoming a nationwide route for the truckers... the greed for money has increased in this area.

I wonder if the County has ever thought about lengthening the airport runway, then requiring the Airforce to land out there so our local convenience stores could sell them jet fuel at a ripoff price, the DOT could even set up out there and check their strobe lites and tires, etc.

Whatever the "why Post" reason for gouging on fuel and food prices may be, it is because we are becoming a Lubbock controlled Tourist and Truck Stop. Greed takes over and they (people passing through) will be ripped off.

The disgusting thing to me is that we (the local people are getting the shaft, along with plenty of vaseline to boot) are getting something that our neighboring towns aren't getting, and that is being severely gouged. Most other areas or towns are anywhere from 10 to 20 cents cheaper than Post.

I have nothing against the local convenience store clerks, they are all nice and considerate folks, in fact I am friends with most of them. But as far as I am concerned, the convenience store people can load 'em up and take 'em back to Clovis or San Angelo, or wherever they come from.

Looks like they do outta town to make their money, so starting now, I am gonna go outta town to get my gas. From now on I will get United gas at Slaton, Tx. As a suggestion, I'd like to see other folks do the same.

When Post lays the big water hose from Slaton to Post, I wonder if United Stores might lay a gasoline hose along with it. Local people should contact United in Lubbock and ask if they would put gas pumps in Post. It's kinda like praying, if you pray for some thing long enough, you'll probably get it. So if we start a project of bugging United for gas pumps with Slaton prices... we might get 'em.

By the way, my son in Amarillo says regular unleaded is \$1.03 on 10/28/01. Come on... United, give 'em a run for their money!

O.L. (Ferg) Ferguson

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## Stolen artifacts draw cash reward offer

The FBI, the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the University of Texas Police are investigating the theft of 24 near-perfect Caddoan vessels from the Texas Archeological Research Laboratory in Austin.

The artifacts are invaluable to archeologists because of the information they provide on the ancient inhabitants of Texas and adjacent states. UT archeologists collected many of the artifacts, used primarily in association with Caddoan Indian burials, in the late 1930s in an effort to salvage information on Texas Native American ancestors before the sites were destroyed by looters or other destruction.

The theft took place in late July, and TARL officials are offering a \$5,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those responsible. Images of the stolen artifacts are posted on the TARL Web site at [www.utexas.edu/research/tarl](http://www.utexas.edu/research/tarl).

THC archeologists fear the pottery may be sold in underground markets, noting that Caddoan grave robbing in East Texas is an ongoing problem.

For more information, contact TARL Director Darrell Creel at 512-471-6007.

## Methodist Women open new study

The First United Methodist Women met Tuesday, Oct. 23, in the home of Carolyn Black.

Mary Edwards, president, discussed several items of business, including the collecting of household cleaning products to be taken to the Interfaith Hospitality Network in Lubbock.

Mary Lynn Bell presented the program, which was the introduction to the study for the year, "Jesus and Courageous Women."

Members attending were Patty Kirkpatrick, Joy Dickson, Janey Middleton, Margaret Bull, Doris Giddens, Jo Ann Miller, Bell, Edwards and the hostess.

The next meeting will be Nov. 27 in the home of Joy Dickson.

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