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Post Notes

Carne Guisada at Holy Cross Church
The Holy Cross Catholic Church is offering a Carne Guisada dinner Sunday for \$5 per plate. The meal, a fund raising event for the church, includes rice, beans, salad, fresh tortillas and tea.

ABCs of Parenting

Post Elementary School is inviting parents to join the "ABC's of Parenting" on Thursdays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the school. The free family time helps parents learn about stress management, discipline, personal power and more. Door prizes, arts and crafts, free snacks and drinks will be feature.

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SPCAA meals policy outlined

The South Plains Community Action Association (SPCAA) has announced its policy for free and reduced-price meals under the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). Each facility and SPCAA have a copy of the policy, which is open to review by members of the public. Local day care facilities include Shaping Success Head Start, 212 S. Avenue E. Information provided by each household is confidential and will be used only to determine eligibility and data verification.

Antelope "Play-Off" T-shirt sale

The Post Antelope Booster Club is taking orders for 2001 Post Antelope "play-off" t-shirts. Various sizes are available at \$17.50 each, advance orders only. Call Larry Mills at 495-3726 or 495-3719 to place orders.

Trailblazers offer bake sale Nov. 17

The Garza County Trailblazers will offer a bake sale at United Supermarket November 17 beginning at 9 a.m. Proceeds support Senior Citizens Center projects.

Gail organizes "Toys for Tots"

A campaign in Gail for Borden County "Toys for Tots" has begun. Deadline for contributing is December 14, with contributions being accepted at the courthouse.

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.

Share the Warmth project

The First United Methodist Church is working in conjunction with Free 107 radio to "Share the Warmth" by collecting coats and gloves for area needy families. Drop donations by the church office at 216 W. 10th, or call 495-2942.

Toys for Tots applications

The Post Lions Club is accepting applications for families needing help with Christmas toys for children. Applications may be obtained at Post City Communications (CellularOne) at 208 E. Main Street or at the Garza County Probation Office on West Main. Deadline for applications to be submitted is December 3.

Donations sought for Toys for Tots

Post Lions Club members are seeking donations of new toys or cash contributions to support this year's "Toys for Tots" campaign. Last year approximately 100 needy children received gifts through the program. Contact Joe Duran at 495-5383 or mail cash contributions to P.O. Box 644, Post, Texas 79356 before December 3.

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Community Christmas Sing Dec. 12

The annual Community Christmas Sing will be hosted again this year by the First United Methodist Church on December 12 at 7 p.m. Solo or group selections should be submitted to Patty Kirkpatrick at 495-2868 or at the church office by calling 495-2942 no later than December 8 for the program. Individuals, groups or choirs are encouraged to share one or two selections in this joyous occasion.

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.

The Post Dispatch

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Commissioners hear report on airport renovation, area water

by Sheri Lewis

Garza County commissioners spent much of their Monday morning meeting hearing from Oller Engineering's Rich Oller, who provided an airport construction update and an overview of the proposed development of a water district board.

Oller said the airport project, for which Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) funding has been earmarked, will likely be delayed due to a statewide funding glitch within the agency. The project could be released for bids in December or January, he said, but it will likely be at least April before any construction will begin.

The project calls for the construction of drainage facilities around the airport hangars, including 24-inch concrete culverts.

Oller also discussed with county officials the water problems area residents are facing. White River Lake, which supplies water for Post, Ralls, Spur and Crosbyton, is "at its lowest level ever," he said, and city council members are looking at various solutions. City officials were to have met with representatives of the City of Slaton Tuesday to discuss the possible purchase of surplus Canadian River Municipal Water Authority water from the neighboring community. Such a project will require the construction of a line from Slaton to Post to provide immediate relief, but Oller said local officials also need to make plans for providing additional water storage facilities.

On peak summer days, for example, Post residents used as many as 1.2 million gallons of water per day. Existing tanks have a capacity of only 980,000 gallons, Oller said. The provision of added storage facilities would serve as a "buffer," enabling local officials to store enough water for a couple of weeks in the event of an emergency situation.

"All of us are in this boat together," he said. "We need to bring the commissioners court and the city together... for a combined effort."

Oller said the Slaton project, if it can be hammered out, would require a minimum of four months worth of paperwork. The project

might possibly be online by the fall of 2002.

Some time back, Post entered into a joint project with other White River Water District-served communities — Ralls, Crosbyton and Spur — to begin drilling some water wells for the provision of "emergency" water.

These wells are "not up yet," Oller said, but when they are, they will likely serve Ralls and Crosbyton, allowing Spur and Post to rely on the remaining water at White River.

The problem with that scenario, however, is that White River Lake is rapidly dropping to the level that only sedimentary water remains — the water that requires the most treatment and is the least desirable, he said.

In addition to the Slaton proposal, Oller said local officials need to look at long-range solutions to this problem. One such solution would be the development of well fields for long-range supplemental water supplies.

In other business, commissioners:

- Discussed and agreed to continue the burn ban currently in place in the county.

- Approved a resolution to allow for the purchase of a pickup in Precinct 3.

- Tabled action on the opening of three bids submitted regarding the advertised exchange of real property described as a 4.479-acre tract of land in Section 10, Block 6, Abstract 11.2. According to the county attorney, this land appears to be state property, and there is no record that it has been conveyed to the county. The county attorney is working to contact a state right-of-way official regarding the matter, but to date has been unable to receive a final determination. The court agreed that the bids should remain unopened until the county can get the matter cleared.

- Nominated Commissioner Mike Sanchez for continued service on the SPAG board of directors.

- Passed on a discussion on the amendment of the wild animal ordinance.

- Passed on a discussion on the proposed bidding out of the county's electrical supplier.

- Passed on a discussion concerning the imposition of a Crimestoppers fee upon defendants under community supervision. It was suggested that the sheriff's input might be helpful in considering this proposal.

- Passed on a discussion on voluntary life insurance offered by the Texas Association of Counties.

- Heard from Commissioner Lee Norman, who said although he had no formal electrician's report on the status of wiring within the county courthouse, he could provide some insight into the matter. Norman said repairs can be made to make the existing wiring workable, but a total renovation of the wiring will require the involvement of an electrical engineer who will need to draw up specifications the county will need to use in advertising for bids.

Valor issues correction notice

A contract construction company working for South Plains Electric Co-op cut a Southwestern Bell fiber between Lubbock and Wolfforth before noon on Tuesday, Nov. 6, disrupting long distance service for more than 25,000 VALOR customers, including those in Post.

Affected communities included Smyer, Morton, Wolfforth, Levelland, Brownfield, Anton, Lamesa, Seagraves, Hurlwood, Abernathy, Amherst, Crosbyton, Idalou, Littlefield, Lorenzo, Petersburg, Ralls, Shallowater, Spade, Sundown, Whiteface, Whitharral, Forsan, Meadow, Ropesville, Tahoka, Denver City, Wilson and Post.

Service to all VALOR customers was restored at 3:50 p.m. that afternoon.



Top Post Middle School fund raisers to help the Red Cross disaster relief were (left to right) Pat Reiter, Roman DeLuna, Kelsey Sanderson and Chelsey Reed. Reiter and DeLuna ran the most laps while Sanderson and Reed raised the most money in the recent event.



Post Middle School students in recent U.I.L. One Act Play competition were (back row, left to right) Ashley Powell, A'Lana Zubia, Ashley Wilson, Kylie Easterling, Allen Heckaman, Timothy Wilson, Lauren Hair, (middle row) Laurel Tatum, Kadie Vernon, Dionn Heckaman, Crystal Price, Zachary Kocurek, Lexi Nobles, (front) Josie Wisenhunt, Madison Mason, Marlee Plummer, Cass Tatum and Kelsey Sanderson.

City paving streets adjacent to new gym

by Wes Burnett

The Post City Council approved paving of 3rd and 4th streets adjacent to Post ISD property during its regular meeting last week. The paving project includes 4th Street on the north side of the new gymnasium.

The council also approved new ward boundaries for upcoming elections, following the recommendations of the citizen redistricting committee. Specifics on the new boundaries for the five city wards are being published in this week and two future editions of The Post Dispatch.

City attorney Harvey Morton explained that the geographic boundaries for each ward were slightly changed to reflect populations shifts reported by the 2000 census. The voting plan is expected to meet U.S. Department of Justice approval and be in place for the May 2002 election.

Council members approved a special scholarship program in memory of the late John Redman, a long time Garza County EMS leader and city council member. Redman's widow, Jane, was recognized at the meeting as council members expressed their continued support for the volunteer organization.

Prior to the meeting, the council conducted a public hearing condemnation of vacated and dilapidated structures. Council members approved the list for condemnation proceedings.

A request by John Strubhart to construct a carport to the front of his garage was approved after reviewing the application. The structure is in the back of Strubhart's home at 109 S. Avenue Q. All adjacent neighbors

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The Garza County Historical Museum
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We invite you to enter your collectables in this unique exhibit of vintage dolls and toys of days gone by. Great care will be taken of all entries and will be placed behind glass upon request for security.

Entry: November 27, 28 ~ 10:00 am to 5:00pm

- Best Entry Award
- First second and third place awards will be presented in each category as deemed appropriate by the Juror.
- All entries must remain on exhibit through the month of December.

For more information
Contact Linda Puckett or Jackie Gonzales
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119 North Avenue N ~ Post, Texas 79356
garzamuseum@door.net



Latham Chad Huckaby (left), with his mother Paige Hucakby, was inducted as an honorary member of the Post Rotary Club recently. Latham was recognized as being the first child born to a Rotary mom in the club's 76 year history. Latham demonstrated his Rotarian skills by eating a hearty meal and taking a nap during the program. (Photo courtesy Leon Miller)

Births

Zoe Cooper Jeffrey

Ryan and Amber Jeffrey are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Zoe Cooper Jeffrey, born Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2001, at 1:05 p.m.

She weighed six pounds and 12 ounces and was 20 1/4 inches long.

The newborn is welcomed home by her big brother Kaegan and her grandparents, Steven and Jamie Cooper and Carolyn Jeffrey.



Benjamin Glenn Taylor

Glenn and Angie Taylor of Austin are proud to announce the birth of their son, Benjamin Glenn Taylor, on Oct. 27, 2001.

He weighed eight pounds, 11 ounces and was 20 inches long.

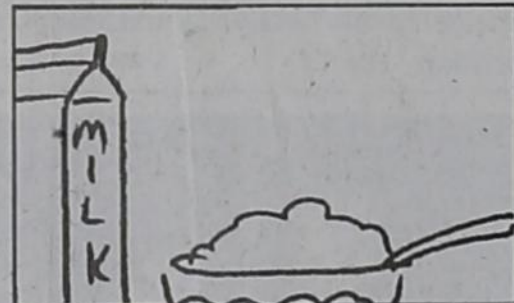
Welcomed home by his sisters Lauren and Charlotte, the infant is the grandson of Jerry and Cindy Taylor of Post. His great-grandmothers are Peggy Sargent of Slaton and Melba Taylor of Morrow. His great-great-grandmother is Frances Sargent of Slaton. He also is the nephew of Lisa and David Dean of Post.



The thickest nerve in the human body is the sciatic, which runs down the back of each leg from the spinal cord. It's about 0.78 inches thick.

City...

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agreed with the application.
A contract with Municipal Tax Consulting & Management was approved for the collection of state sales tax on fuel paid by the city during the past year.
January's regular meeting was rescheduled to January 8.



The word "cereal" comes from the Greek grain goddess Ceres.

Judy's Jabberin'

By Judy B. Bush

What a football buzz there is?? Even on Lubbock station 107.5. They are going to carry the game Friday night and they were bragging on the Antelopes this morning.
Best of luck to you guys.

Sympathy

Want to send my prayers to Billy McKamie. His mom, Ethel McKamie, passed away Monday.
There will be graveside services Friday at 10 am in Moody, Texas.



From Chunky Johnson

Three handsome male dogs are walking down the street when they see a beautiful, enticing female Poodle. The three male dogs fall all over themselves in an effort to be the one to reach her first, but end up arriving in front of her all at the same time.

The males are speechless before her beauty, slobbering on themselves and hoping for just a glance from her in return.

Aware of her charms and her obvious effect on the three suitors, the Poodle decides to be kind and tells them, "The first one of you who uses the words "liver" and "cheese" together in an imaginative, intelligent sentence can go out with me."

The sturdy, muscular black Labrador Retriever speaks up quickly and says, "I love liver and cheese."

"Oh how childish," said the Poodle, "that shows no imagination or intelligence whatsoever."

She turned to the tall, shiny Golden Retriever and said, "How well can you do?" "Um...I HATE liver and cheese!! blurts the Golden Retriever.

"My, my," said the Poodle, "I guess it's hopeless. That's just as dumb as the Lab's sentence."

She turns to the last of the three dogs and says, "How about you?"

The last of the three males is a handsome exiled Cuban dog. He gives her a big smile, a sly wink, turns to the Golden Retriever and the Lab and says....."Liver alone, Cheese mine."

Great Trip

Sandy Smith reports that their family enjoyed a great trip to Lake Tawinkini (near Greenville) for a Smith family reunion.

They spent Friday, Saturday and Sunday just "laying back"! Those attending from Sandy's family: John and Sandy Smith, Jason, Jonathan and Lindsey with Hayley, Jonna and Trey with Allisha and Ty.

Birthdays

Friday, November 16. Kelee Teague, Geno Solis, Dana Tanner, Tino Alaniz, Bruce Sanderson and Joyce Taylor; Saturday, November 17: Pacey Blevins, Milton Williams, Donnie Lawrence, K'Leigh Babb and Estella Martinez; Sunday, November 18, Ronnie Bratcher and Jessica Espinoza; anniversary, Danny and Cindy Guthrie; Monday, November 19, Amber Bustoz, Jaden Wiseman, Morgan Lynch and Michael Huffman; Tuesday, November 20, no one; Wednesday, November 21, Riley Feagin and Suzi Clary; Thursday, November 22, Happy Thanksgiving; Kelli Collier and Alicia Foreman and a very special Happy Birthday to Miss Taylor Osborn!!!

Go Freshmen!!

To the freshmen football team, congratulations!! These guys are district champs.

Till Next Week

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

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BAYCOL RECALL!!

The cholesterol reduction drug, BAYCOL, has been linked to over 31 deaths and numerous other injuries. As a result, Bayer Pharmaceuticals has withdrawn BAYCOL from U.S. markets.

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"Light Up a Life" Memorial Tree Lighting Ceremony set December 12

Hospice of Lubbock will throw switches to set ablaze hundreds of lights that will burn bright all through the holiday season in remembrance or in honor of special friends and loved ones during special ceremonies set for Wednesday, Dec. 12.

The public is invited to the annual "Light Up a Life" Memorial Tree Lighting Ceremony at 6:30 p.m. Dec. 12 in Post outside the First United Methodist Church, 216 W. 10th. A traditional community Christmas music program and reception will follow.

The "Light Up a Life" ceremony will begin outside the church by the memorial tree facing 10th Street. The ceremony will consist of an inspirational message, the tree lighting by a family served by hospice and a special candle lighting closing. Special signage will be posted beside the memorial tree where individuals may view the names of those being honored or memorialized.

The reception will be conducted inside the church immediately after the ceremony.

Individuals may wish to consider the following opportunities for participation in the "Light Up a Life" project: 1) Memorialize a special friend or family member; 2) Honor someone held in special regard; 3) Give in lieu of cards or gifts; 4) Celebrate the birth of a child; or 5) Mark the birthday of a special friend or family member.

All contributions received will be listed on the signage displayed beside the memorial tree, and the tree will remain lighted throughout the month. Donations may be made throughout the month of December.

Hospice of Lubbock offers a comprehensive program of physical, spiritual and emotional care for the terminally ill and their families, as well as comprehensive bereavement programs open to the community at no charge.

The Hospice Memorial Christmas Tree symbolizes that hospice exists to affirm life by providing care and support to persons in the last phases of a terminal illness that enables them to live life as fully and as comfortably as possible.

This is accomplished through an interdisciplinary team of an attending physician, a registered nurse, social worker, chaplain, home health aide and volunteer who provide assistance

and support for the family.

A \$10 donation will light one light on the tree in honor or in memory of a special friend or family member. To make a donation, send a check for \$10 per light made payable to Hospice of Lubbock, P.O. Box 53276, Lubbock, TX 79543. Donation forms may also be requested by calling the hospice office at 795-2751 or 1-800-658-2648.

An acknowledgement card of your gift will be sent to the person being honored or to the family of the individual being memorialized. Proceeds from the campaign benefit Hospice of Lubbock and are used to support unfunded and under-funded patients, services and programs provided by the non-profit organization.

For more information about the "Light Up a Life" campaign or the services of Hospice of Lubbock, contact Jody Lewis at 795-2751 or Leon Miller in Post at 495-0305.

Computers to help doctors identify rare diseases

COLLEGE STATION - What do you do when you contract a disease that usually strikes cows?

If you're veterinarian Craig Carter, after you've recovered, you write a computer program to help physicians diagnose diseases they rarely see.

Carter, head of epidemiology and informatics for the Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory at Texas A&M University, contracted brucellosis

through an occupational exposure. Since brucellosis normally affects cattle, none of the doctors Carter consulted recognized the disease; he finally diagnosed himself through analyzing his own laboratory blood test results.

"Many diseases caused by infectious agents or parasites spread from animals to humans present difficult diagnostic challenges because they are so rare in people," Carter said. "Physicians can overlook, misinterpret or disregard important clues that could lead to an initial diagnosis because they are unfamiliar with these diseases."

"In my case, I consulted six different doctors, and none of them could tell me what was wrong," he observed. "That's when I got the idea that a computer diagnostic database might be helpful in pinpointing the identity of such diseases."



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Extension Extras

Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

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 by a certified safety seat technician, November 15, 2:00-4:00 p.m. at the Texas Cooperative Extension office at 102 South Avenue L, Post. If you need an infant or toddler safety seat, there are a limited number available to be installed free of charge but you must call to make an appointment by Noon, November 15.

Major Show Entry Day

Any 4-H'er planning to participate in 2002 Ft. Worth, San Antonio, Houston or San Angelo stock shows, must enter between 8:00-12:00 or 1:00-5:00, November 20, at the Extension office.

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4-H Food & Nutrition Project.....

.....starts Wednesday, November 28, 3:30 - 5:00 in the Post High School Foods Lab. The schedule includes additional meetings to be held December 5, December 10 (Home for the Holidays program), and December 12.

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Obituaries

Alice 'Lucy' Dewees

Graveside services for Alice 'Lucy' Dewees, 73 of Odessa were Monday, November 12, 2001 2:00 P.M. at the Justiceburg Cemetery. Jack Alexander, minister, First Christian Church of Post officiated. Services were under the personal care of Justice-Mason Funeral Home of Post.

Mrs. Dewees died Friday, November 9, 2001 at her home in Odessa.

She was born to Elvin Amos (Son) and Gladys Jewell (Green) Morgan August 21, 1928 at Justiceburg. She graduated Post High School and married Luther Pratt (Red) Dewees June 19, 1952 in Hobbs, New Mexico. They made their first home in Hobbs and later moved to Odessa. She worked as a beauty operator and operated Stuckey's at Hooks and a dress shop in Odessa. She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. She was a life long member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband, three daughters: Candace Ridge and husband Rick of Magnolia, Ark., Tona Finney and husband Jesse of Odessa and Nona Mitchell of DeKalb. Two sisters: Geraldine Dickinson of St. Charles, Iowa and Dorrace Lowry of Clinton, Ark.. Six grandchildren: Neil Turner and Patricia Turner, both of Odessa; Marcus Finney of Bay City, Morgan Finney of Odessa, Billy Mitchell and Donna Mitchell both of DeKalb; and two step-grandchildren: Kathy Ridge and Kay Ridge of Horatio, Arkansas. One son in law: Don Mitchell of DeKalb. Two sister in laws: Wilma Turner of Odessa and Billy Dewees of Lubbock.

Grandsons will be pallbearers. Memorials in lieu of flowers are asked to the Star Hospice of Odessa or a favorite charity.



Mark Ora Forbus

Services for Mark Ora Forbus, 72, of Amarillo were held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 8, 2001, at the Jermyn Baptist Church at Jermyn with the Rev. Eddie Capps officiating. Burial followed in the Wesley Chapel Cemetery at Jacksboro under the direction of the Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors of Amarillo.

He died Monday, Nov. 5. Born in Olney, he served as a corporal with the U.S. Air Force. He was employed as an oilfield worker for 20 years prior to working in the oilfield supply business until his retirement in 1986. He moved to Amarillo in 1987 and was employed by the Amarillo Country Club. A Baptist and a member of the VFW, he married Frances Gordon on Jan. 31, 1953, at Carlsbad, N.M.

Survivors include his wife, Frances Forbus of Amarillo; one daughter, Connie Fritter of Brackettville; one son, Ken Forbus of Amarillo; four grandchildren, Cody Carl Shannon of Uvalde, Dedra Boutwell of Corpus Christi and Makenzie Forbus and Matthew Forbus, both of Amarillo; and three great-grandchildren, Cody Carl Shannon Jr. of Uvalde and Taylor Boutwell and Micaela Boutwell, both of Corpus Christi.

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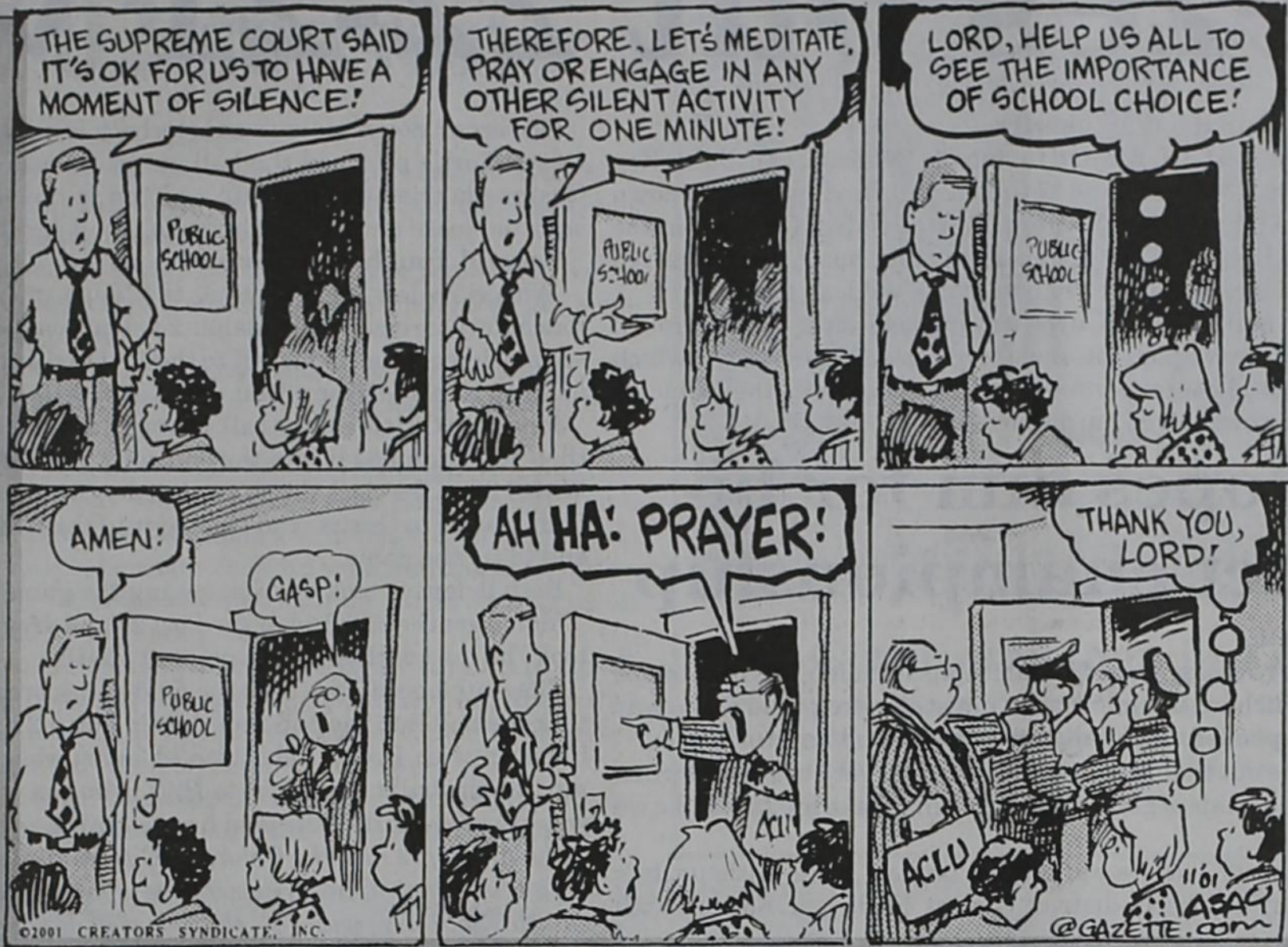
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An Unkeepable Promise

by Sheldon Richman

President Bush should be wary of making promises he may not be able to keep. He's vowed to prosecute a long and victorious war against "terrorism," an amorphous "entity" if there ever was one. But before he embarks on his campaign, which will have as its inevitable casualties a long list of civil liberties, he might want to consult with some others who have attempted similar feats, although on a far smaller scale.

For example, the Israelis, have been at war with "terrorism" for over 50 years, with no end in sight. In 1982, led by current prime minister Ariel Sharon and with an American okay, Israel invaded Lebanon and waged a brutal and bloody war against guerilla organizations, only to leave years later with mission unaccomplished — but not before Israel's Christian allies slaughtered 1,800 Palestinian refugees in the Sabra and Shatilla camps. I imagine that no one would reply that Israel lacked resolve.

The Russians, our welcome ally in this allegedly new war, have had something of a difficult time in Chechnya, despite a good deal of resolve and ordnance. The resemblance of the Chechens, in religion and determination, to those the U.S. government is about to engage is hard to miss. Let us also not forget that the Russians spent years trying to subdue the recalcitrant Afghans, only to withdraw in utter humiliation. Oh yes, the U.S. government had a hand in that conflict, arming and financing the Afghans and their compatriot, one Osama bin Laden, who's been much in the news of late.

Let's recall, too, the years of turmoil in Britain at the hands of the Irish Republican Army. Even the Iron Lady, Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher was unable to subdue that dedicated group of militants.

Then there was an episode out of the America's own history: the U.S. military worked very hard to rid South Vietnam of the Vietcong, to little avail. Some will say that war was fought half-heartedly. But that's not the way the Vietnamese on the ground saw things. Between the carpet bombing and the special operations designed to decapitate the guerilla resistance, the U.S. government can be said to have given it the old college try. But that war didn't end well for the Robert McNamaras and Henry Kissingers of the American establishment.

More than one commentator has offered that whoever is responsible for the spectacularly barbarian acts of mass murder and destruction on September 11 is probably hoping that the president of the United States responds by commencing hostilities throughout the Middle East. Robert Fisk of the British newspaper *The Independent*, who has interviewed bin Laden, points out that he "wishes to overthrow the pro-American regime [sic] of the Middle East, starting with Saudi Arabia and moving on to Egypt, Jordan and other Gulf states. In an Arab world sunk in corruption and dictatorships — most of them supported by the West — the only act that might bring Muslims to strike at their own leaders would be a brutal, indiscriminate assault by the United States."

Should Mr. Bush really be so hasty in giving bin Laden what he apparently wants? Isn't it more likely that, rather than "defeat terrorism" the contemplated American action will only kill more innocents and provoke more terrorism? Perhaps the focus instead should be on the U.S. policy that inflames such hatred against the United States in the first place.

In 1917, when virtually everyone in the United States was lustily calling for the kaiser's head, a lonely voice of reason, Randolph Bourne, counseled that going to war is like riding a wild elephant. You may have a direction in mind, but the chances are slim that's where you'll end up. This was a vivid way of invoking the Law of Unintended Consequences. Nowhere does that law operate with such ironic justice than in war.

Bourne also coined the memorable phrase, "War is the health of the state." It would be good for all Americans to meditate on those words. In our context they mean that however justified it would be for the perpetrators of September 11 to be violently punished, the cost of war in liberty and innocent lives, could well be too high.

Sheldon Richman is senior fellow at *The Future of Freedom Foundation* (www.fff.org) in Fairfax, Va. and author of *Tethered Citizens: Time to Repeal the Welfare State*.

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And thereafter, business and government

by Walter E. Williams

Adam Smith, the father of modern economics, published "The Wealth of Nations" in 1776. His laissez faire economics played a significant role in the libertarian market philosophy surrounding the founding of our nation.

Leftist professors have taught generations of students that Adam Smith was an apologist for businessmen. I challenge anyone to read "The Wealth of Nations" and find one complimentary statement about businessmen. Smith wasn't anti-business; he understood human nature.

Run this question by anyone you know: Is deregulation pro-big business or is it pro-consumer? Five will get you 10 that the response will be: pro-big business. Let's look at it.

During the 1980s, a major U.S. textile manufacturer launched a "Buy American" campaign, maintaining that foreign manufacturers were driving U.S. textile companies out of business with cheaper imports. These businessmen descended on Washington demanding that Congress regulate textile imports through tariffs, quotas and other restrictions. This is hardly a story of businessmen advocating laissez faire policy; it's more akin to the mercantilism that Adam Smith protested.

Their arguments appeal to emotion but are otherwise vacuous. They claim that foreign manufacturers are running them out of business. That's balderdash. Have you seen a foreign manufacturer forcibly stopping an American manufacturer from doing business? If you did, the persons acting for the foreign manufacturer should be arrested and jailed.

You say, "Williams, we don't mean literally, but figuratively driving American companies out of business with cheap prices." I'm going to insist on being literal so we can get at the heart of the matter.

Say there's a foreign-made pair of jeans selling for \$23 and an American made pair of jeans selling for \$39. The American consumer has a clear choice. He can purchase the \$23 pair or the \$39 pair. Say most consumers prefer the \$23 pair. The manufacturer of the \$39 pair

might go out of business. Had consumers chosen to buy the \$39 pair, the outcome would be different.

Now comes the big question: If the American jean manufacturer goes out of business, who is directly responsible? Surely it's not the foreign jean manufacturer; he has no power to force consumers to do anything. The villain is the American consumer, who could have purchased the \$39 pair of jeans but didn't. Thus, the challenge for American manufacturers, and their workers, is to find ways to protect themselves against not foreign manufacturers, but American consumers who prefer cheaper prices to higher prices. One way manufacturers can do that is to lobby Congress to use their powers to deny Americans, through tariffs and quotas, the choice to purchase \$23 jeans.

I'd be remiss if I didn't identify another part of the problem. Congress imposes a huge regulatory burden on American businesses, such as environmental, health and safety regulations, tax compliance, and endless bureaucracy and litigation costs. While Congress has the power to impose these costs on U.S. businesses, it has no such jurisdiction in other countries. That puts American businesses at a cost disadvantage.

The bottom line is that consumers benefit from deregulation, open competition and choice. Many businessmen benefit from regulation, monopoly and restricted consumer choice. Most often, Congress comes down on the side of business and against consumers.

Some years ago, I was visiting a textile mill of one of the founders of "Buy American." I couldn't help but notice foreign-made textile machinery. When I queried my guide about the obvious contradiction, he replied, "We try to get the cheapest prices." I wasn't that surprised. Businessmen are enthusiastic supporters for a modified form of laissez faire: free markets in what they buy, and a monopoly in what they sell.

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Remove public funding for doctors' anti-gun quackery

by Vin Suprynowicz

Violence "due to gunfire should be treated like any other epidemic disease," Dr. Bernard Feldman of the Department of Pediatrics of the University of Nevada School of Medicine wrote to me on April 9, 1997. "If society wishes to protect children from having a slug of lead slamming into their heads or chests and succumbing to this disease ... parents should know whether guns are present in the homes of their children's friends. ... In this way parents can make informed decisions about allowing their children to play in such a home. ..."

Dr. Feldman asserted that one American child was killed every 92 minutes by gunfire — including as "children" 19-year-olds and thus arguing that 19-year-old dueling drug dealers are "innocent children."

In fact, only five American children under the age of 10 died of accidents involving handguns in 1997, according to Competitive Enterprise Institute scholar (formerly of the University of Chicago and then the Yale Law School) Dr. John Lott, author of the book "More Guns, Less Crime."

"People get the impression that kids under 10 are killing each other. In fact this is very rare: three to four per year," Dr. Lott tells me.

But for a really big-bore rebuttal to this memorized nonsense, now comes the book "Armed: New Perspectives on Gun Control" (Prometheus Books, 2001) by attorney Don P. Kates and Prof. Gary Kleck (professor of criminology at Florida State University). It again dispatches the "more likely to harm their owners" shibboleth, by the way, but its second chapter, "Guns and Public Health: Epidemic of Violence, or Pandemic of Propaganda?" is based on an article of Mr. Kates' in the 1995 Tennessee Law Review, to which none of the baby doctors therein debunked found themselves able to respond, even when invited to do so by the editors.

I cannot substantially recreate here the findings of this fine 75-page chapter (including footnotes), with its scathing indictment of the disinformation, fraud, suppression of inconvenient data, and "outright mendacity" which have become so typical of the anti-gun "public health" sages.

Instead, let me settle for quoting primarily from Kates & Kleck's introduction and conclusion, and urging all interested readers to lay hands on this fine book themselves (at 800-421-0351, or e-mail pbooks6205@aol.com):

"In 1979 the American public health community adopted the 'objective to reduce the number of handguns in private ownership,' the initial target being a 25 percent reduction by the year 2000," Kates and Kleck begin.

"Based on studies and leadership from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the objective has broadened so that it now includes banning and confiscation of all handguns, and restrictive licensing of owners of other firearms, with the goal of eliminating firearms from American life, excepting (perhaps) only a small elite of extremely wealthy collectors, hunters or target shooters as in Europe," the authors continue.

"Antigun health advocates seem blind or unconcerned about the danger that their emotions may preclude a rational evaluation of gun ownership.

Psychiatrist Emmanuel Tanay, M.D., who admits that he loathes guns to the point of being unable to look upon or touch them with equanimity, asserts that gun ownership betokens sexual immaturity or neuroticism. ... Dr. Tanay invokes Freud's view of the sexual significance of firearms in the interpretation of dreams. This is particularly ironic because Freud's comments were not directed at gun ownership or owners. Insofar as Freud addressed the matter at all, he seems to have deemed (start it!) fear and loathing of guns (end it!) a sign of sexual immaturity and neuroticism. ..."

A 1989 article in the *Journal of the American Medical Association* approvingly quotes a Center for Disease Control official's assertion that his work for the CDC involved "systematically building a case that owning firearms causes death." The CDC officials later claimed JAMA had misquoted him, protesting that acting on such a political agenda would be "anathema to any unbiased scientific inquiry because it assumes the conclusion at the outset and then attempts to find evidence to support it."

This "constitutes the only repudiation of the antigun political agenda we have found in a health advocacy publication," Kates and Kleck report.

"The health advocacy literature exists in a vacuum of lock-step orthodoxy almost hermetically sealed from the existence of contrary data or scholarship," Kates and Kleck state in their chapter conclusion. "Such data and scholarship routinely goes unmentioned and the adverse emotional reaction of the gatekeepers of the health journals assures the elimination of contrary views from their pages. ..."

The *New England Journal of Medicine*, particularly, "has an editorial policy which is strongly and explicitly antigun, and not only has published poorly executed antigun articles, but has excluded articles which disagree with this editorial policy. These actions forfeit its claim to be a research journal rather than just a political advocacy publication. ..."

The solution? Remove all government funding from the CDC (and the University of Nevada School of Medicine, while we're at it); if these political "doctors" choose to militate for repeal of the Second Amendment, make them raise their own funds and register as a political lobby. If they whine that they "do other good works," the answer is that if they valued nonpartisan public funding for those ventures they should have stuck to medicine, and let our freedoms alone.

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 "When great changes occur in history, when great principles are involved, as a rule the majority are wrong. The minority are right." — Eugene V. Debs (1855-1926)

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

Sports

Idalou squeezes out 22-21 win

by Wes Burnett

Two top notch football teams clashed in Idalou last Friday night, with the Wildcats outlasting the Post Antelopes 22-21 in overtime. The win put the Wildcats into the playoffs and a share of the district title with Post and Tahoka.

Post led the game 7-0 going into the third quarter, but the offense coughed up the football on three fumbles, giving the Wildcats ideal field position and two touchdowns as a result of the fumbles. Heading into the fourth quarter, trailing 15-7, the 'Lopes mounted a comeback, tied the game and forced an overtime by keeping Idalou bottled up as regular time expired.

First Score

Neither team's offense could sustain offensive drives in the first quarter, as the Antelope defense bent, but didn't give. Idalou's first possession got inside the Post 20, but faltered and on fourth down a field goal attempt was partially blocked by Roland Castaneda.

The Post offense met a determined Idalou defense, and was unable to penetrate until early in the second period. The scoring drive began after the Post defense forced a punt late in the first quarter.

The drive started at the Idalou 46 yard line. Jonathan Curtis, Mitchell Mills and Michael Huff took turns running the ball, with Curtis reversing from his left to right getting a first down, which was pushed back to the Idalou 49. Huff rolled to his left and threw a pass to Cody Fox, who stepped out of bounds at the Idalou 27.

Jonathan Curtis ripped over his left tackle spot to the 24, when the first quarter buzzer sounded. After getting a first down to the 20, Mills hit to the 19, then Huff kept the ball over left guard to the 13 for a first down. Mills squeezed out three yards to the 10, then Huff rolled to his left and dodged defenders, plunging into the end zone. Bryan Looney's extra point kick put the 'Lopes out front 7-0.

The defense took charge, shutting down Idalou and blocking a second field goal attempt late in the second quarter. The offense was unable to sustain a scoring drive, getting inside the Idalou 40 before running out of steam on fourth down at the Wildcat 41.

The Wildcats got to the 15 yard line before the Post defense stood solid. On fourth down with eight seconds left in the first half, the field goal attempt was blocked by Jonathan Eilenberger and recovered for the 'Lopes by Lance Curtis as time ran out. Mitchell Mills and R.C. Curtis put pressure on the Idalou kicker.

Second Half Action

Post took the second half kick off, with Lance Curtis getting good blocking and bringing the ball out to the Post 41. Then disaster struck when Huff handoff to Mills went sour, the ball fell to the ground and the Wildcats covered it the Post 43.

Castaneda trapped the quarterback for a loss, then Mills caught Robert Garza for a small gain and on third down under heavy pressure, a pass was completed for a first down. The Wildcats mixed up running and passing, with Garza rambling in from the three around his right end. The two point conversion put Idalou ahead 8-7.

On second down from the Post 20, Huff ran to his left, pushing for additional yards, losing the ball at the Post 31. Idalou took control of the line of scrimmage and drove to the end zone. Garza took the ball over middle from the six yard line to score. The extra point gave Idalou a 15-7 lead.

The Antelopes began a drive at their own 37 yard line. Huff rolled to his left and threw a pass to Allan Bell for a first down at the Idalou 43. Jonathan Curtis ran to his left, reverse to his right to the 39. Huff went over the middle to the 33 for a first down.

A pass to Jarret Vickers was incomplete, and on second down, Huff took the ball over right tackle, getting hit hard going down with the ball popping loose to the ground. The Wildcats covered it at their own

24, with 2:38 left in the third quarter.

Once again the Post defense had to stop the Wildcats, and did so. Key plays came from Castaneda and Seth Redman, forcing a fourth down punt from the Idalou 27, as the third quarter ended. Once again the ball dropped to the ground on the ensuing punt, but it was recovered by an Antelope. A penalty set the ball at the Wildcat 49.

Mills took the ball to the 46, Curtis was trapped at the 47, Huff rolled to his right and threw a pass into deep coverage to Hector Reyna which went incomplete. Looney punted the ball deep, with the Wildcats starting at their own seven yard line.

Antelopes aim for bi-district championship

by Wes Burnett

"Of course we're disappointed about losing at Idalou," Post Antelope football coach Richard Gorman says, "but still we're proud of the way our players responded, especially after the second half turnovers."

Gorman points out that Idalou was playing its very best, "and when you play in those kinds of games, you just can't make mistakes like we did."

Tight end Jarrett Vickers suffered a broken hand, although he's expected to play in the bi-district contest Friday at Snyder with Colorado City.

"We're pretty banged up," Gorman adds, "that was a very physical game we played last week, but I'm confident our team will be ready to play Friday ... they have great resilience."

The Colorado City Wolves capped off a 6-4 regular season last Friday, losing to district rival Coahoma. "They are a lot better team than their record shows," Gorman emphasizes. "They've lost to three playoff teams in the AAA ranks."

The Wolves come to the field with a quick and fast offense and defense. "I guess it'll come down to which team makes the fewest mistakes," Gorman says.

Kickoff for the game is at 7:30 in Snyder. An easy to describe way to find the stadium is to take the Big Spring exit off U.S. Hwy 84 north of Snyder and go through town on College Avenue (south) to 37th Street, take a right (west) until reaching the stadium.

The bi-district champion will advance to the regional contest against the winner of the Wall and Reagan County contest.

PHS freshmen zap Idalou 26-0

by Wes Burnett

The PHS freshmen football team capped the 2001 season with a convincing 26-0 win over Idalou last Thursday. "The team played extremely well against a strong Idalou team," coach Shawn Haselhoff observes.

"Jerrad Grisham had a very strong game and Randon Blacklock ran the ball hard," the coach adds. "Quinton Odom played outstanding on defense, getting a 65 yard interception return for a touchdown."

At Idalou, the first score came when Martin Garcia lunged into the end zone from two yards out. The score was set up by a 37 yard run by Blacklock.

The second touchdown came on a defensive effort when Quinton Odom intercepted a pass and raced 65 yards to the end zone. Blacklock got the third score from five yards out. The two point conversion came on an excellent pass reception by Cody Marts.

The final touchdown featured Blacklock going in from five yards out. Haselhoff praised the entire team for its effort, especially the consistent improvement through the season. "I'm proud of them and look forward to next season," he said. The team finished the year with a 4-2 record.

8th grade goes undefeated

The Post Middle School eighth grade football team capped an undefeated season last Thursday with a 21-6 win over Idalou.

"It was a wonderful season, complete with a district championship," coach Brian Davenport reports. "These young men faced a really strong Idalou bunch and stood the test."

Davenport praised offensive standouts Adrian Zubia, Jonathan McGregor, Israel Beggs, Jace Pollard, Eric Reyna, Kenny Garay, Stace Norman and Israel Barbosa.

On defense the coach was impressed with Eric Rivera, Keith Meredith, Sterling Smith, Stace Norman, Miles Gray, Robert Apolinar and Jace Pollard.

7th graders tie Idalou 6-6

The Post Middle School seventh grade football team held on for a 6-6 tie with Idalou last Thursday at Idalou. The lone touchdown came from T.J. Baiza's nine yard scamper.

"The team played a great game, we just couldn't get the ball into the red zone," coach Brian Davenport says. He praised offensive performances by Zach Perez, D.J. Biaza, D.J. Rivera, Preston Ortiz, Blake Nichols, Ricky Vergara, Zach Witcher, Wilson Cash and Josh Rodriguez.

On defense, the coach congratulated Colter Creech, Biaza, Ortiz, Jose Zubia, Steve Polanco and Edgar Garay for their effort to keep Idalou from scoring but once.

On second down Idalou's quarterback kept the ball to his left, and Lance Curtis punched the ball out as he was tackling the runner. Castaneda tried to pick it up and run to the end zone, but the ball squirted loose and Lance Curtis fell on it for the 'Lopes.

Second Touchdown Drive

With 8:28 left in the game, the 'Lope offense set up its second touchdown drive at the Idalou 24. Huff carried to the 21, and on second down rolled to his left to the 15. On third Huff faked a handoff and ran to his left for a first down at the 10.

Jonathan Curtis got the call, taking it around his left end to the one, then Huff rammed it into the end zone over left guard for the score. With 6:38 on the clock the 'Lopes lined up for the two point conversion, Huff gave it to Curtis who scooted into the end zone around his left end to tie the game.

Both defenses took charge, forcing the game into overtime. Idalou got the ball first at the Post 25 and drove to the end zone, and took the lead with an extra point at 22-15.

The Antelope offense took the field and scored in three plays. Huff took the ball into the end zone, setting up a 22-21 score. The offense lined up with Brody Robertson at quarterback, he took the snap, pitched the ball to his right to Huff, who ran over one defender, but was stopped short of the goal line to seal the game for the Wildcats.

The Antelopes face the Colorado City Wolves Friday, November 16 with a 7:30 kickoff at Snyder. 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.



Lance Curtis takes a kickoff return for good field position for the Antelopes during action at Idalou last Friday. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)



Lance Curtis (84) and R.C. Curtis (44) bring down Idalou's Robert Garza for a loss of yardage. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)



Antelope quarterback Michael Huff (12) gets away from an Idalou defender on the way to the first Post touchdown at Idalou last Friday. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)



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Lady Lopes open 2001-02 season

by Wes Burnett

The Post Lady Lope varsity basketball team opened its 2001-2002 season Tuesday evening in a tough match up with Stanton. The ladies bring seven seniors to the court this year.

"We're excited about this team," coach Ron Taylor comments, "we've got excellent team leadership from our seniors and we've got some younger players with talent."

The Lady Lopes came out of two pre-season scrimmages with high marks. "We're shooting better and our defense is as strong as it's ever been," Taylor adds.

Team members this year are seniors Meagan Mills (guard), Manuela Hernandez (forward), Kelly Moore (post), Emily Smith (post), Tandi Humble (guard and post) and Meranda Hernandez. Freshmen Nikki Norman (post) and Kaycee Gorman (forward) complete the team roster.

The Lady Lopes host Anton Saturday, with the junior varsity tip off at 4:30 p.m., followed by the varsity at 6 p.m.

On Tuesday, November 20, the teams host Sands with a 5 p.m. tip off. After Thanksgiving holiday, the Lady Lopes will travel to Abernathy for an important test of skills on November 27, then compete November 29 through December 1 at the Floydada Tournament.

"We urge our fans to fill this magnificent new gymnasium," Taylor emphasizes, "it is a great place to showcase some really great talent."



Getting the snap just right

Post Antelope center, punter and kicker Bryan Looney (50) gets the ball to the quarterback near the goal line last Friday on the way to the second touchdown for the Antelopes. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

7th grade girls open with win

The Post Middle School seventh grade girls team rolled over Ralls 45-13 in a game played Nov. 13.

Sarah Kirkpatrick led scoring with 10 points, followed by Larissa Halford with nine and Keisha Odom with six. Jackie Hays, Kylie Easterling, Anahi Garcia and Rachel Gray each scored four points, while Claire Kirkpatrick and K'Neil Dalby added two points apiece.

Post led 19-2 at the end of the first quarter and added another 14 points in the second, allowing only two points. Ralls outscored the Lady Lopes 7-6 in the third period, but Post came back to finish off the game with a 6-2 margin in the final period.

The team will play in the All Saints Tournament this weekend in Lubbock, with the first game set for 5:30 p.m. Thursday against All Saints.

The girls will play host to Idalou Monday at 5 p.m.

8th grade girls trounce Ralls

The eighth grade Lady (E)Lopes of Post Middle School trounced Ralls in a 35-16 victory Nov. 13.

Post's stingy defense didn't allow a single point scored by Ralls in the first two periods, while the offense mounted a 20 point lead.

Laurel Tatum led scoring with 12 points, followed by Jenee Lott with seven points. Ashley Wilson and Ashley Powell each had four points, while Sierra Ortiz, Courtney Copeland, Rosanna Orona and Alana Zubia each scored two points.

The team will host Idalou Monday at 5 p.m.

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Notice of Public Meeting to Alter Ward Boundaries in accordance with US Census data
Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Post will meet at 6:30 pm on December 4, 2001 at 105 East Main in Post, Texas to adopt a certain City Ordinance that honors the principle of representative government by providing for one central polling place and by altering boundaries of the five Voting Wards in the City of Post based on data of the

2000 Census. The boundary lines shall be as follows:

Ward One:
Commencing at the north city limit where it meets the midline of Avenue M; thence south along the midline of Avenue M to the intersection of West 11th Street; thence east along the midline of West 11th Street to the West ROW line of the Santa Fe Railway (Reservation 3); thence south along the Railroad ROW West line to East Main street.

Thence east along the midline of East Main Street to the east City limit; and then northerly and westerly along the city limit to the beginning point.

Ward Two:

Commencing at the intersection of the east City limit and the midline of East Main Street; thence southerly and westerly along the city limit to the centerline of FM 1313 on the south City limit; thence, northerly along the midline of FM 1313 to the midline of West 3rd Street; thence west to the intersection of the midline of south Avenue N; thence north along such midline to the midline of West 5th Street; thence east along the midline of West 5th Street to the midline of South Avenue M; thence north along such midline to the midline of West 11th Street; thence east along such midline to the west ROW of the Santa Fe Railway; thence southerly to East Main Street; thence east along the southern boundary of Ward One to the beginning point.

Ward Three:

Commencing at the intersection of the midline of FM 1313 and the south City limit; thence westerly and northerly along such City limits to the midline of US 380 (West 8th); thence easterly along such midline to the midline of south Avenue M; thence south along the midline of South Avenue M to the midline of West 5th Street; thence west along such midline to the midline of South Avenue N; thence south along such midline to the midline of West 3rd Street; thence east along such midline to the beginning point.

Ward Four:

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Citizens of the City of Post are invited and encouraged to attend the meeting. Please direct questions to the City Secretary or the City Manager at 105 East Main in Post or by calling 495-2811. Questions may also be directed to Harvey Morton, Attorney at Law for the City of Post, by calling 762-0570.

Lunch Menus

Trailblazers

Monday, November 19
Chicken and rice, green beans, cream gravy, biscuit, fruit salad and sugar cookies.

Tuesday, November 20
Soft tacos, salad, pinto beans w/ stewed tomatoes, salsa, chips and apricots.

Wednesday, November 21
Brisket, scalloped potatoes, stewed okra, wheat roll, apricot cobbler.

Thursday, November 22
Closed.

Friday, November 23
Closed.

Post ISD

Monday, November 19
Breakfast: Waffles, butter and syrup, sausage, fruit and milk.
Lunch: Nachos, salad, corn, cookie and choice of milk.

Tuesday, November 20
Breakfast: Oatmeal, toast, bacon, fruit and milk.
Lunch: Spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, California mix, pineapple slices, garlic toast and choice of milk.

Wednesday, November 21
Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit and milk.
Lunch: Steak fingers, gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, jello w/topping, and choice of milk.

Thursday, November 22
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Monday, November 19
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Tuesday, November 20
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Wednesday, November 21
Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, pineapple and milk.
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PHS Class of 1951 celebrates 50th reunion

The Post High School Class of 1951 observed its 50th anniversary reunion last week with a number of activities.

On Friday, the group had a reception at the Wells Fargo Bank and attended the Post-New Deal football game as a group. They returned to the bank for an after-game celebration and visitation.

On Saturday, class members and friends attended a brunch at the bank, followed by a visit to the Garza Theatre, the middle school (which served as their high school building), the Garza and OS museums and Old Mill Trade Days. The group completed its day's worth of activities with a dinner at the Hotel Garza, with members of the Class of 1952 as special guests.

Those attending from out-of-town included Gay Pierce Bailey of Fresno, Calif.; the Rev. O.K. Bowen of Amarillo; Glenda Young Childs of San Angelo; Mary Nell Bowen Copeland of Levelland; Ann Davidson of Canyon; Martha Johnson Honnol of Amarillo; LaRue Stevens Jones of Levelland; Gene King of Hereford; Dowe Mayfield of Lubbock; Anita Kennedy Payne of San Angelo; Mildred Boren Sentell of Snyder; Ann Pierce Stelzer of Hobbs, N.M.; Pat Stephens of Canyon; and Geraldine Dunlap Wilks of Lake Arthur, N.M. Attending from Post were Giles

Dalby, Roy Josey, Leon Miller, Rowena Hodges Pierce and David Tyler.

Special guests from the class of 1952 were Nelda Floyd Dalby, Don Tatum, Jack Kirkpatrick from Post and Betty Hagood Moseley, Cletus and Geraldine Graves of Lubbock.

Post ISD trustees look at new gym

by Sheri Lewis

A walk-through of the new high school gym, Antelope Arena, will open this month's regular meeting of the Post Independent School District board of trustees.

Board members are scheduled to meet at 6 p.m. Thursday in the foyer of the gym to begin a walk-through tour of the new facility. Trustees will meet with the facility's contractor and architect and will be served a meal at about 7 p.m.

Any action items deemed necessary during this portion of the meeting will be addressed prior to the board's adjournment and reassembly at 7:30 p.m. at the administration office.

In addition to regular agenda items and routine reports, the board will consider a proposal to offer advanced courses at the high school;

Discuss and consider a proposal concerning science classes at the middle school;

Consider a Texas Association of School Boards policy update;

Cast votes for directors of the Garza Appraisal District;

Consider a resolution relating to the STAND Grand and the State Criminal Justice Planning Funds used for the district's resource officer program;

Consider the sale of a surplus vehicle; and discuss the board's meeting schedule for the upcoming basketball season.

No time to waste: animal seizures need quick attention

COLLEGE STATION - Seizures in your pet can be frightening for both the animal and its owner.

Almost any animal can suffer a seizure, but dogs and cats top the list, says Dr. Joan Coates, a veterinary neurologist in the Veterinary Teaching Hospital at Texas A&M University's College of Veterinary Medicine.

Coates says a seizure is defined as an uncontrolled event of electrical activity within the brain. These impulses from the brain can cause uncontrolled movement to other parts of the body, and the result can be muscle contractions, severe shaking, convulsions, possibly progressing to a coma-like state. The cause of these electrical events is still a mystery in both animals and humans.

"The good news is that most seizures in animals last only a short while, usually only a minute or two," says Coates. "Anything over five minutes is considered a life-threatening situation and the animal needs medical attention immediately."

Seizures are classified into two broad categories - generalized and partial.

A generalized seizure occurs when the animal's limbs become stiff with paddling movements. The animal may fall on its back or side, have excessive salivation and can have a bowel movement.

A silent problem: pets suffer hearing loss

COLLEGE STATION - Hearing loss in your pet can be a silent but common problem.

Dogs and cats are especially prone to hearing problems, but horses and other animals can also be affected, says Dr. Dawn Boothe of Texas A&M University's College of Veterinary Medicine.

Hearing loss can occur with old age, just as in humans, Boothe explains, but more often it's a problem associated with a disease or a hereditary hearing defect.

"In animals, the ear canal is much longer and it takes a right angle as it reaches the ear drum," Boothe says. "This means the ear is ideal for collection of debris, and it's hard to keep the ear canal clean in dogs and cats."

Wax, dirt and hair can build up in the canal and can decrease hearing ability, and such substances can create ear infections, medically termed otitis, Boothe adds. She says pet owners should never attempt to clean an animal's ear with a cotton swab "because usually, the debris gets pushed farther into the ear."

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Letters to the Editor

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Thumbs up to veterans

Although I am not a veteran of the military, I have a extreme admiration for the folks that are. I suppose that because my father was a WW1 veteran and I came from the Vietnam era, that

makes veterans special to me. I don't know much about WW1, Pop didn't talk about it much. I know he was part of a three man crew that operated a water cooled machine gun. I know he fought in probably WW1's most bloody battle, the "Battle of The Mousse Argonne."

I know that most of that group of the U.S. Army was wiped out by mustard gas. I know Pop spent a long time on trains and ships getting back to Fort Sam Hospital in San Antonio from France. I remember Pop telling me one time that General "Blackjack" Pershing told him good luck and wished him well before leaving France for Texas.

Pop spent near two years in the hospital with Mustard gas burns in throat and lungs, schrapnel in several places in his body, and a burst eardrum. All the years I knew Pop, I never heard him whine about it. He made the best of his life although I don't suppose he ever really felt good. The mustard gas made the inside of his throat and lungs like leather. He was sick a lot with colds and other respiratory problems.

Pop never talked much about WW1, but I very well remember when I was a little kid, I would ask Pop "Did you ever kill anybody over there?"...

One day I guess Pop was tired of that question, he stormed out at me! "I was over there wasn't I? Don't never ask me that again." From that day on I assumed that Pop must not have had it good over there.

I suppose Veterans Day began the 11th hour, the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918. The world peace treaty was signed in The Palace Building, Versailles, France, marking the end of WW1. WW1 was supposed to be the war to end all wars. I guess that theory must have went by the wayside, because several wars have been fought since that time.

Any and all veterans have my thanks and a pat on the back. God be with ever single one of them.

And to the ones who are fighting this war right now, and the ones that will soon be in it... God be with them too... and pray that one day they will all return and be able to proudly say they are Veterans of Foreign Wars. I feel that if it was not for their ultimate efforts we would not have this thing called freedom of speech, freedom of the press, or freedom of anything.

As far as I am concerned... the the guys and gals of The United States Armed Forces, and to the ones who have already done their call of duty, thanks a lot.

O.L. (Ferg) Ferguson

Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit
by Tumbleweed Smith

Our visionary founding fathers



The early American Indians believed that you should judge every action on what effect it will have in seven generations. The people who wrote our constitution took that a step further.

They must have eaten some powerful brain food back in 1776. They created a democracy, a system of government operated by elected representatives of the entire country. And it still works.

We citizens of the United States can choose the way of life that appeals to us. Our mates, homes, work, hobbies, clothes, cars and religions are matters of choice. Lately we have been seeing a way of life quite different from ours. Where religion is only a part of our lives, for some people in foreign lands, it is their whole life.

It doesn't look too appealing. They are living the same way they did two thousand years ago. They think living in ignorance and poverty is some sort of spiritual obligation. They consider things like commerce and industry as sinful, only for infidels (a fifteenth century term denoting a person of a religion other than one's own).

They live under a theocracy, a Greek word from theos, meaning God, and kratos, meaning power. It is a form of government by a priestly order that claims to be divinely directed. They think God destroyed the twin towers.

The old European political theory that kings ruled by divine right went out in the late sixteen hundreds. In theocracies like Afghanistan and Iran and Iraq, the government might be a council of clerics or a charismatic leader who claims a special call from God and gains office by force of arms.

Ancient civilizations lived in theocracies for some of their early history. The United States keeps church and state separate. It is a sound principle. Just take a look at the countries where religion is everything and you can see the absolute worst living conditions: straw huts for houses, no pavement, a life span of forty years, hunger, illness, women used solely for procreation and ten year old kids with bazookas wanting to kill people.

We have witnessed meanness and criminal activity unparalleled in our experience. We are dealing with a country whose main export is an illegal substance. In the last twenty-five years, numerous Muslim groups have attempted to establish Islamic theocracies.

The Islamic community, founded by prophet Muhammad in 622, originally covered the land now occupied by Iraq, Syria and Egypt. There are pressures from fundamentalist Muslims to move toward theocratic forms of government in other countries.

Islamic ideals are used to win liberation from foreign domination or from some ruling elite, to encourage economic renewal and to revitalize Islamic culture. Ayatollah Khomeini smuggled religious sermons into Iran to turn Iranians against the shah.

Saddam Husayn tried unsuccessfully to start a holy war during the Gulf War in 1991. Taliban imposition of religious law in Afghanistan is an effort to restore Islamic customs.

As a rule, theocracies tend to be short lived, because the religious leaders are rarely skilled in economic matters and have difficulty maintaining a complex modern economy.

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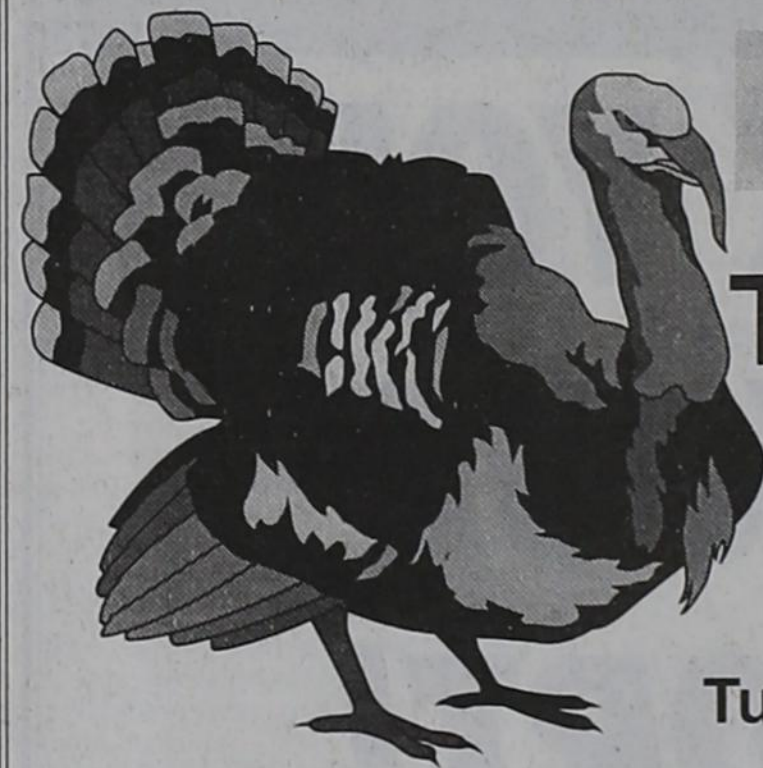
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