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Post Notes

Ladies' Retreat fund raising

The Women's Chapter of the Church of God of Prophecy is raising funds for its Ladies' Retreat with \$5 brisket plates Friday, April 26 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call Norma or Lydia at 495-3644 to place orders.

Used cell phones sought

Ever wonder what to do with your old or used cell phones? Turn them in to the Methodist Church. The First United Methodist Church will collect used cell phones to donate to the victim assistance program and the Garza County Sheriff's office. These phones will be activated to call 911 only and will be given to women who are in abusive situations or trying to get out of such. You may drop phones off at the church office between 9 a.m. to noon, or at Post City Communications (CellularOne), 206 E. Main Street.

Printmaking classes at PHS

The Post ISD is offering evening art classes at the high school on Thursdays from 6:30 to 9 p.m, beginning April 11 and ending June 20. Prinmaking techniques will be explored, the 11 week course is \$100, including materials. Call Stephen Henry at 495-2770 for more infor-

Post Elementary Book Fair

The Post Elementary School will host the 2002 Scholastic Book Fair April 29 through May 3 in the school library. Family Book Fair Night is set for April 30. This year's theme is "Dive into Reading! An Undersea Adventure."

Blood drive May 2

Post residents have the opportunity to celebrate life by joining in the community blood drive Thursday, May 2 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Church of the Nazarene, 202 W. 10th St. Contact Rev Ron Minor at 495-3044 to schedule an appontment for donating blood. The drive is sponsored by the Post Lions Club. All donor will receive 1/2 gallon of ice cream at United Supermarkets.

Pre and kindergarten enrollment

Post Elementary school offers open enrollment for the 2002-2003 school year with pre-kindergarten and kindergarten enrollment at the office dring the school day. Pre-kindergarten children must be four years old by September 1 to quality. Children must be five years old by September 1 to qualify for kindergarten. Students will need shot record, birth certificate and social security number.

Pre-kindergarten open house

Ms Gafford and Ms Peña invite parents of Pre-K children to an open house at Post Elementary in the Pre-K room from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Aril 19. A second open house will be held May 3 from 1:30 to 3 p.m.

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EMT training is being offered in Garza County. Contact Rodney Tidwell at 495-1244 for registration information. The course is \$385 plus books. Students will be refunded the cost afer serving 52 shifts of duty. Borden County EMTs will serve as instructors for the course.

Booster Club T-Shirt Sale

The Post Antelope Booster Club is selling Antelope Baseball shirts for \$15. Those interested should contact Gina Lott at 629-4265 or Larry Mills at 495-3719 or 495-3726.

All Sports Banquet May 13

The annual All Sports Banquet will be held May 13 at 6:30 p.m. in the Post Community Center. Advance tickets are \$10 each. Tickets sold at the door are \$12 each. Tickets may be purchased at Collier Drug, Wells Fargo, CitizensBank, PHS office or Caprock Veterinary Clinic.

Special notice to Post businesses

The Post ISD athletic department is changing its contract for poster services affecting the 2002-2003 schoool year. The new authorized representive for Post ISD poster advertising is Great Texas Sports of Austin. The football and basketball poster ads will be less expensive with Great Texas Sports, with better quality materials, according to athletic director Richard Gorman. "The athletic department sincerely appreciates every business who supports the athletic programs in Post,' Gorman said, "we hope this change will not be a problem." If any business has questions concerning the poster companies, they should contact Gorman at 495-3164.

Cancer survivor walk

The Relay for Life Survivor Walk will be held Friday evening, June 7 at the Post ISD track. If you or someone you know, is a cancer survivor and would like to participate, please contact Nancy McDonald at 495-3315 or Pat Bilbo at 495-3613. Everyone is welcome. There will be a reception immediately following the walk for all survivors and their

National Day of Prayer May 2

The National Day of Prayer is observed the first Thursday of May annually. This year the celebration will be Thursday, May 2. The meeting is scheduled at City Hall from noon to 1 p.m. For more information, call 495-3554

GCJLA annual meeting

The Garza County Jr. Livestock Association will hold it's annual meeting Monday, April 29, 7:00 p.m., at the Extension Office. All 4-H and FFA parents, leaders and volunteers that are interested in helping with the annual stock show are welcome to attend this meeting. Memberships are available for \$25 per year. Plans for the 2003 show are underway, so if you can, come and help us make it a success.

Little League Opening Ceremonies

A Salute to Veterans will be featured at Saturday afternoon's opening ceremonies for the Post Little League baseball season. The event begins at 4:45 p.m. at David Nichols Park. Everyone is encouraged to attend and join in the salute to veterans.

Free orientation for "weighdown" set

A free orientation for the "Weighdown Workshop" will be held in the near future. The orientaton explains the biblically based weight loss program. Those interested in more information, please call Sonja Fields at 495-5705 or Kerri Dean at 495-2816 or 781-3482.

Free Texas Forum May 21

Garza County citizens interested in learning more about a proposed new Texas constitution are encouraged to attend the May 21 meeting of the Free Texas Forum. The monthly meetings are held at Chapa's Family Restaurant beginning with dinner at 6 p.m., followed by a review of the benefits of Texas Constitution 2000. A referendum for the new Texas constitution will be through county ratification conventions. For more information call 495-0122 or visit the web sites at www.tcrf.com or www.freetexans.org

County to assist CCA project

by Sheri Lewis

their regular meeting.

Caprock Cultural & Historical community. Plans call for the of electricity use. page to eventually offer services in genealogical research, which plan. would serve as a fundraising device for the organization.

The court agreed to help fund the employee, earmarking \$756 completion of the Giles W. Dalby for the project.

In other business, commissiontors used by the county. It was agreed that the county should county the \$50. seek quotes on the two boats it Lake Alan Henry.

reau to ask commissioners to grant permission for the use of the courthouse lawn for a series county judge on the seven indi-

Blood drive May 2

aims to help patients

through an assortment of said the bureau plans to have the agenda items Monday during concerts on the courthouse lawn, with one scheduled in each of the The court heard from the CCA's months of June, July and August. JoAnn Mock, who was request- Concertgoers will be urged to time employee to help update the and the bureau will offer refreshments as a means of raising Web Page. Mock said the page funds to cover the cost of the would be of interest primarily to bands. The events would bear no those interested in Garza costs to the county, with the ex-County history or with ties to the ception of possibly small amounts

The court gave its unanimous to the public such as assistance endorsement of the bureau's

> Additionally, commissioners: Officially entered into records the certificate of substantial

Correctional Facility. · Approved an application for ers discussed the need to pur- \$50 worth of public assistance. It chase physical damage insur- was noted that the family reance to cover the boats and mo- questing the assistance has stated they intend to repay the

 Accepted the high bid of \$200 owns, as well as a separate quote on a 1975 Chevrolet truck and on the City of Lubbock-owned rejected the lone bid made on a boat used by local officials at surplus dump truck. County officials agreed they might be able County attorney Leslie Acker to get more on the dump truck stepped out of his official county by selling it as scrap metal than role and into his position with the \$500 bid offered. No bids were the Commerce and Tourism Bu- received on the van the county advertised for sale.

Received a report from the

County commissioners worked of three summer concerts. Acker viduals running for mayor for the City of Lubbock. County Judge Giles Dalby read a thumbnail sketch of each candidate's platform, particularly that involving Lake Alan Henry, as printed in ing assistance in funding a part- bring lawn chairs and blankets, the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal. Local officials are interested in the outcome of the election due to the City of Lubbock's involvement with the lake, which is located in southern Garza County.

• Heard a report from Commissioner Lee Norman, who said the aviation department plans to be-

gin refurbishing the runways at the local airport sometime during the summer months. The effort is to be supervised by the city.

· Received a brief report from Norman on the status of determining the electrical needs of the county courthouse. The commissioner said he met with an architect and they toured the courthouse building, nailing down the primary concerns. No specifics were reported to the court.

SWCD kicks off stewardship week

The Garza Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) has announced it will join in the national observance of Soil and Water Stewardship Week, to take place April 28 through May 5, according to B.L. Thomas, district chairman.

The theme of this year's observance is "The Gift of Trees." This focus is especially appropriate as o9ur need for stewardship is vital if we are to maintain the productive capabilities of our basic natural resources. Together we must work for the good of all to utilize, conserve and properly manage those resources in our care.

Participation in Soil and Water Stewardship Week activities offers an opportunity to reflect on the nation's renewable resource problems and consider actions to resolve them or reduce their im-

The Garza SWCD was organized in 1966 for the purpose of offering farmers, ranchers and the local community a voluntary conservation technical assistance program through which individuals could seek and request conservation assistance to meet the capabilities and needs of their land.

"Basically it is the district's responsibility to provide technical assistance when requested relative to proper soil use and treatm3nt, erosion control practices, solve drainage problems and assist farmers and ranchers with crop, range pastureland and wildlife management along with using trees and/or forest resources to assist in conservation," said Thomas.

Trees have been an important conservation tool on farms and Post area residents will have donated blood is sent to the ranches. Trees and shrubs are planted as windbreaks and shelterbelts around farmsteads, livestock facilities and crop fields. Conservation districts are currently promoting the establishment of buffer strips along rivers and streams to improve water quality and wildlife habitat.

The National Association of Conservation Districts has sponsored Soil and Water Stewardship Week in the United States since 1955,

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to treat trauma and burn patients. Platelets are required for cancer and leukemia patients undergoing chemotherapy. Cryoearly precipitate is a special blood-clotting factor used by those with hemophilia. While individual ballots

Early voting in the Garza Hospital District election began April 17 and will run through Tuesday, April 30.

positions on the hospital district's board of directors. Incumbent Mike Travis, the at-large candidate, will seek to return to the board, while newcomer Ray Bagby will run unopposed for the Precinct 2 spot.

No one filed as a candidate for the Precinct 1 seat.

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Post ISD early voting begins

Early voting in the Post Independent School District May 4 elections is under way and will run through Tuesday, April 30.

School board members Mark W. Kirkpatrick and Barbara M. Hardin are facing opposition from two challengers - Susan (Suzi) Clary and Vera Wartes. The two top vote getters will fill the open posts in the at-large election, according to district officials.

Early voting is being conducted at the Post ISD Administration Building.

the opportunity go participate in United Blood Services laboratory a community blood drive from 4- for testing and processing. Lab 8 p.m. Thursday, May 2, at the technicians separate the whole Church of the Nazarene, 202 W. blood into components, including red blood cells, plasma, platelets Each blood donation can help and cryoprecipitate.

several patients. Every unit of Red blood cells are used for surgery patients. Plasma is needed components are transfused for specific medical needs, a patient with a serious injury may require several different components.

Anyone interested in donated should call the Rev. Ron Miner Two candidates have filed for at 495-3044 to arrange an appointment.

> The Post Lions Club is sponsoring the local blood drive, and all donors will receive a 1/2-gallon of United-brand ice cream from United Supermarket.

'I Remember Mama' opens Fiday at Garza Theatre

"I Remember Mama" opens its run at the Garza Theatre Friday and Saturday evenings.

Directed by Mitchell Britton, the play is scheduled to run seven performances - April 26-27 and May 3-5, 10 and 11. Curtain times for Friday and Saturday shows will be 8 p.m. Sunday matinees will begin at 2:30 p.m.

The cast of "I Remember Mama" includes Kindyl Keeton, Christy Morris, Mark Martin, Alexandra Coor, Christina Zellmer, Stan Tucker, Micah Robnett, Patricia McCaleb, Juanetta Bocko, Taylor Blevins and Katie McNeil. Also, Tim McIntire, Jay Young, Robert Shupe, Carol Watts, Shanna Faries, Melissa Flanigan, Michelle Tucker, Melissa Stambaugh, Emily Hataway and Nick Hammonds.

Tickets are \$9 for adults and \$6 for children ages 6-12. Tickets may be purchased at the box office, 226 E. Main, or call 495-4005.



Headed for the Regional Golf Tournament in Baird earlier this week were Post Lady Lope golf team members (left to right) Tana Starkey, Kaycee Gorman, Nikki Norman and Meagan Hoover. (Photo by Pam Gorman)

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Mary Moore, Brad McDonald announce engagement

George and Pamela Moore of Vancleave, Miss., have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Mary Ruth "Rusty" Moore of Lubbock, to Brad Robert McDonald of Tahoka, son of Wayne and Carol McDonald of Post.

A June 15, 2002, wedding is planned at the Grassland Church of the Nazarene in Grassland, Texas.

A 1996 graduate of Crosbyton High School, the bride-elect is a candidate for August 2002 graduation from Texas Tech University with a master of science and bachelor of business administration in accounting. She is employed at El Ran Inc. in Lubbock.

Her fiancé, a 1993 graduate of Post High School, earned a bachelor of science in math and finance from the Southern Nazarene University in Bethany, Okla., in 1997 and his master's in finance at Texas Tech in 2001. He is employed by Tech's grants and contracts office.

Another 'Post Toaster' at Garza

by JoAnn Mock This weekend will signal another great Garza Theatre production.

"I Remember Mama" should be outstanding if it can match the first two plays of the season. Folks are still laughing about "Barefoot in the Park," which played in February, and everyone had a graphic reminder of the difficulties of early attempts to educate the handicapped in "The Miracle Worker" in the March production.

We all should be very proud of the Garza Theatre, which promotes the creativity of the directors and cast alike. Directors have the privilege of working with many seasonal performers that bring their own creativity to bear and makes the directing job enjoyable and helps new cast to express themselves.

"Barefoot in the Park," directed by Patricia McCaleb, created laughable scenes for all the cast members.

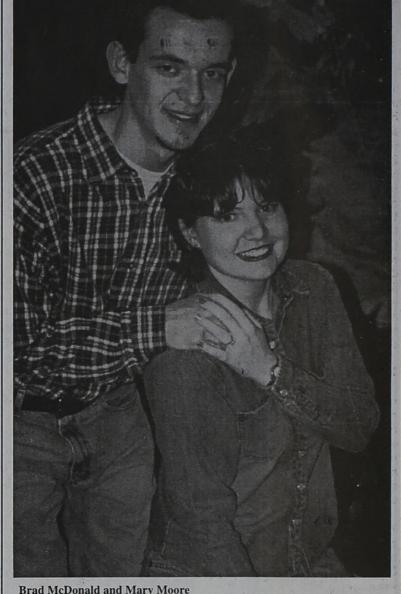
"The Miracle Worker" was a thoughtful and action filled account of the education of Helen Keller, who was full of rage at being blind, deaf and dumb. The audience was reminded of the "one step at a time" experimental methods to deal with and to educate such a handicapped person. Director Jay Young did a great job of inserting humor in a serious subject.

Mitchell Britton is directing 'Mama." I understand that it is about a strong-willed woman who rules the "roost." Already sounds pretty good!

Folks will have seven opportunities to attend the play during this month. Just come to the plays. They are a real entertainment bonanza.



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Brad McDonald and Mary Moore

Kelci Hart, Jordan **Brock set wedding date**

Royce and Marianne Hart of Post have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kelci Alyse, to Jordan David Brock, son of Kim and Stephanie Brock of Spearman.

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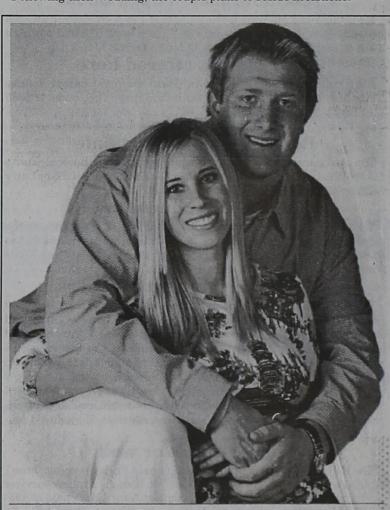
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The wedding is set for June 15, 2002, at the First United Methodist Church

The bride-elect is a 2000 graduate of Post High School. Her fiancé is a 2000 graduate of Spearman High. Both attend Abilene Christian University in Abilene.

Following their wedding, the couple plans to reside in Abilene.



Kelci Hart and Jordan Brock

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Living on the Edge of the Caprock by Greg Jones, CEA-AG

New Regulation Intended to Protect Horses

on which to keep their animals can now be assured that nearby horses have tested negative for Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA). EIA, also referred to as "Coggins" or "Swamp Fever," is an incurable disease that can be carried by biting flies from infected equids (horses, mules, donkeys or asses) to "clean" animals. While most infected animals appear healthy, some may die from the virus. Other equids will develop chronic, recurring health problems, such as debilitating weight loss, fever, depression, weakness and swelling of the legs. There is no cure or approved vaccine for EIA, and treatment is limited to providing comfort to the sick animal.

To combat the spread of EIA, the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC), the state's livestock health regulatory authority, in response to citizen petitions, enacted a new regulation April 1, 2002, that requires equids to have had a negative blood test for EIA within the previous 12 months, if the animals are boarded, stabled or pastured within 200 yards of equids owned by another person. "Concerned owners approached the TAHC commissioners several months ago with a petition, asking for this new regulation," commented Dr. Linda Logan, Texas' state veterinarian and TAHC executive director. "Because many horse owners in Texas have small plots of land, they wanted to be assured that

potentially infected equids." EIA-infected equids do not spread at 2323 Broadway in Lubbock. the disease through close contact, biting flies can mechanically carry from 6-9:30 p.m. April 30; from 6viral-laden blood from one animal to another. EIA does not affect humans or animals other than equids, she

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explained. "Owners may call the TAHC Anyone interested in volunteering headquarters or their TAHC area or committing to an internship or office, to request assistance with this regulation," said Dr. Logan. "A TAHC representative will first ensure that the complainant's animals have upto-date EIA test documents. Then, TAHC staff will canvass neighboring premises to gain compliance with the testing requirements."

Dr. Logan said the TAHC has

Horse enthusiasts with limited area worked to control EIA for many years and Texas has had a dramatic decline in the viral infection since 1997, when more than 730 equids tested positive in Texas. Of the 250,000 equids tested in Texas in 2001, only 124 were infected, a drop which Dr. Logan credits to owner concern, more stringent testing requirements and a growing awareness of EIA.

> Current TAHC regulations require equids to be test-negative for EIA within the previous 12 months, if they are hauled to assemblies, such as fairs, shows, exhibitions, rodeos or trail rides. The 12-month EIA test rule also applies to equidae undergoing a change of ownership or entering the state. EIA-positive equine are permanently identified with a "74A" on their left shoulder and must either be euthanized, sold to slaughter or provided to an approved research facility, or remain quarantined for life, at least 200 yards from other equidae.

Programs conducted by the Texas Cooperative Extension serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap or national origin.

WPS offers training session

Women's Protective Services will begin training volunteers and intheir animals would not be near terns Tuesday, April 30. Training will be held at the Family life Center at Dr. Logan stressed that although the First Christian Church, located

> The three-day training will be held 9:30 p.m. May 2; and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 4.

Volunteers are needed in all areas of the center.

practicum should contact Hattie Heiner at 806-748-5292.

Character building begins in our infancy and continues until death.

-Eleanor Roosevelt

Parents influence children's reading fun

by Connie Flores Post Elementary School Librar-

children's love of reading if they could? Of course. What's more - they

Education experts confirm what we already know: Reading has a profound impact on our children. It not only introduces them to facts, fables and fun, but also can increase math scores, develop thinking ability and improve vocabulary, grammar and punctuation skills.

Encouraging reading, the Post Elementary School is hosting a Scholastic Book Fair on April 29 through May 3. This year's theme is "Dive into Reading! An Undersea Adventure." Book Fair times are from 7:30 a.m. until 11:45 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. until 4 p.m. daily. We extend a "special" invitation to all grandparents to attend family book fair night with their grandchildren.

The Book Fair brings the best books and learning products from more than 150 publishers to readers of all ages. The Book Fair features traditional children's favorites and new works by popular authors and illustrators, including fiction, non-fiction, award-winning and popular series books.

Several activities have been planned during book fair week. Students may participate in the Reading Jamboree Program and parents will have the opportunity to help build their child's classroom library through the Classroom Wish Program. Participants may purchase any book from the teacher's wish list and donate it to their child's classroom. Bookplates will be provided to acknowledge those who make a do-

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his annual appearance. First-time guests will be Franklin the Turtle and the Cat in the Hat. Parents are Would parents encourage their encouraged to bring their cameras and have their child's p8icture made with these world-famous book characters.

The classroom having the greatest number of parents present on Tuesday night will have the opportunity for the classroom teacher and one student to share a book certificate worth \$50 from Scholastic.

Reading is the key to success. It is at the "heart" of everything we do. The love of reading begins in the elementary grades. The book fair is a place where children, parents and teachers come together to find a special selection of books. Plan now to come and help us promote this worthy reading adventure.

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Steer Projects

Anyone interested in showing steers need to contact Greg Jones at the Extension office. State and county validation (on feed) deadline is June 30. County validation will be June 25, 2002.

Camp Applications

All 4-H'ers who want to attend any of the camps this summer need to come by and pick up an application. There are various camps with various due dates including Prime Time, Spectra, Range Workshop, Goat Camp, Lamb Camp, Leadership Camp and Electric Camp. Deadlines for these camps are coming up soon.

Educational programs of the Texas Cooperative Extension are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age or national origin.



tree, a landscape feature at the high school entrance for years, had to be brought down after it died.

I think music in itself is healing. It's an explosive expression of humanity. It's something we are all touched by. No matter what culture we're from, everyone loves music.

-Billy Joel

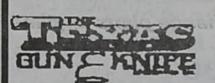


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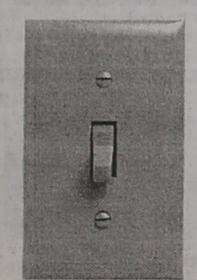


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Obituaries

Kathy Ann McAfee

Memorial services for Kathy Ann McAfee, 44, of Post were held at 4 p.m. Tuesday, April 23, 2002, in the Hudman Funeral Home with the Rev. Arthur Kelly of the Pleasant Home Baptist Church officiating.

She died Saturday, April 20, at the Golden Plains Care Center. Born Jan. 2, 1958, in Post, she was a caregiver in the home health industry

Survivors include her mother, Mollie O'Brian of Post, and her faithful dog,

She was preceded in death by her father, Johnny McAfee, on May 28, 1975.

Gladabelle Pearl Mueller

Services for Gladabelle Pearl Mueller, 74, of Apple Valley, Calif., formerly of Victorville, Calif., will be at 11 a.m. Friday, April 26, 2002, in the Kern Memorial Chapel in Victorville. Burial will follow in the Desert View Memorial Park in Victorville.

She died April 20 in Baker, Calif. She was born Nov. 21, 1927, in Post.

Survivors include her husband, Alvin Mueller of Apple Valley; a son, Al Mueller Jr. of Corona, Calif.; a daughter-in-law, Wendy Mueller of Corona; two grandchildren, Quin Mueller and Robert Mueller, both of Corona; a son. Scott Mueller of Santa Ana, Calif.; and two sisters, Penelope Craig and Billie Carter, both of Norwalk, Calif.

Loose dogs create problems

are a serious problem for the postal letter carriers trying to deliver your mail. Nationwide, letter carriers suffered more than 2,700 dog bites last year, not including the threatening incidents that did not result in injury.

So far this year, our area has had two incidents where a loose dog in the community has bitten the postal let-

If your carrier needs to deliver accountable mails that require your signature, please put your dog in a separate room before opening the door. Dogs have been known to burst through screen doors or plate-glass doors to get at strangers.

While some attribute attacks on letter carriers to dogs' inbred aversion of uniforms, experts say the psychology actually runs much deeper. Every day, a postal letter carrier comes into a dog's territory, the dog barks

For every postal letter carrier bit- and the carrier leaves. Day after day, ten, hundred of children needlessly the dog sees this action repeated. Afsuffer the pain and trauma of dog ter a week or two, the dog appears to feel invincible against intruders. For whatever the reasons, dog bites Once the animal is loose, there is a good chance he or she will attack.

> The letter carriers in Post are dedicated to the timely delivery of the mail. Carriers are often told, "my dog does not bite." Many pet owners would be surprised to learn that 70 percent of fatal attacks last year involved a family pet. Twelve deaths involved three or more dogs running in packs.

> One of the most disturbing statistics reveled that the majority of deaths occurred among children ages 10 and under.

The study recommends strong animal control laws, public education regarding dog bites, and more responsible pet ownership.

The Postmaster's responsibilities include providing all postal employees with a safe work environment. Each mail carrier in the Post deliv-

ery area has bee instructed to not attempt a delivery to any residence or business where a loose dog is present. This sometimes means that several houses or businesses on a block cannot have mail delivery attempted. In this situation, the mail is brought back to the post office for consumer pick up until such time the loose dog is contained.



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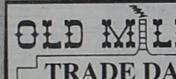
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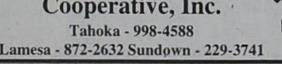
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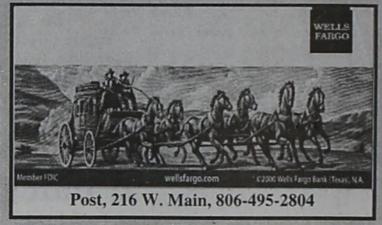
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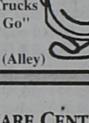
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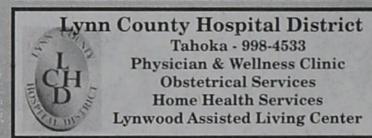
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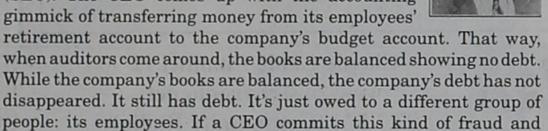


And thereafter, America's biggest crook

by Walter E. Williams

The Enron case made headlines because fraud and deception of congressional treachery and accounting gimmicks comes in: Money such magnitude is fairly unusual in the corporate world. Washington fraud and deception of a much greater magnitude doesn't make the headlines because fraud and deception in government is standard practice. That's what's so disgusting when politicians posture and demand that something be done to ensure honest corporate accounting

You say, "Williams, what are you talking about — Washington fraud?" Suppose a company had run up debt that it wanted to conceal from its stockholders, lenders and the Security Exchange Commission (SEC). The CEO comes up with the accounting gimmick of transferring money from its employees'



deception, he should be summarily jailed. Washington politicians have for decades been doing precisely what Enron has been accused of doing — concealing debt with accounting tricks. Congressmen tell us that our Social Security taxes go into a trust fund to pay for future retirement pensions. That is a boldface accounting practices. lie. The Social Security trust fund has no money in it. What Congress does with Social Security trust fund money is buy government bonds. The purchase of government bonds disguises the deficit by reducing the national debt.

In essence, here's what happens: Congress takes \$100 billion of Social Security trust fund money to retire government debt, and the national debt will be \$100 billion dollars less. But now the Social Security system is owed \$100 billion dollars.

You say, "Williams, what good does that do them? There's still \$100 billion dollars worth of debt." That's where you're wrong and where

owed by one government agency to another is not counted as part of the national debt. Thus, Congress' accounting gimmick is to move debt from where it's counted (public debt) to where it's not counted (Social Security debt) — but it's debt nonetheless.

How will Congress cope with the forthcoming fallout of its crooked Several days ago, U.S. officials implicitly endorsed (and possibly accounting? It will be easy. Congress will simply cheat people out of their retirement pension by gradually raising the retirement age. unsuccessfully attempted to oust the democratically elected president, For example, Congress can legislate that 75 years of age, instead of Fernando Chavez. 65, is when you're eligible for Social Security benefits. Unfortunately, they can't legislate that you live 10 years longer. That means you will have been cheated out of 10 years of Social Security checks.

Enron used accounting gimmicks to hide debt and make corporate thousands of people. executives look good and earn fat bonuses. Congress does the same thing. Each year, it transfers vast sums of money from the Social Security and the Federal Highway trust funds to hide debt, and they boastfully lie to us saying they've not only balanced the budget but created a surplus.

Corporations employ accounting practices promulgated by the was waging war against Iran Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) that established Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). Government accounting practices don't come close to the honesty of private

But the mystery to me is why Americans are so upset over an isolated case of a private company using devious accounting gimmicks and demanding that Congress do something, while we accept without question the accounting fraud and deception that has become an inherent feature of government. I'd like to think that it's ignorance rather than a preference for government dishonesty.

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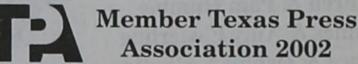
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A Devotion to

Democracy?

by Jacob G. Hornberger

What's with the love fest between U.S. officials and army generals? We have, of course, (retired) Army General Colin Powell serving as U.S. Secretary of State. And we have (or will have) military tribunals manned by army officials, rather than jury trials by civilians, for foreigners accused of terrorism.

There is Pervez Musharraf, the Pakistani army general who was an ardent supporter of the Taliban — he took over the Pakistani government by ousting the democratically elected president in a coup and now, with the support of the U.S. government, refuses to call elections.

even supported) an army coup in Venezuela, where military officials

And let's not forget the U.S. government's role in ousting the democratically elected president of Guatemala in the 1950s, which ultimately brought on a civil war resulting in the deaths of tens of

There's also Chile, where federal officials helped to oust the democratically elected president, Salvadore Allende.

There was the CIA's support of the Shah of Iran, who was infamous for torturing his own people.

There was the support of Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein, when he

Also, the U.S. government's ardent embrace of the crooked, corrupt, and brutal Fujimori-Montesinos regime in Peru (where terrorists exploded a bomb just before President Bush's recent trip to Peru). The list, of course, of the U.S. government's support of harsh,

dictatorial regimes goes on and on. Perhaps we should also mention the federal government's fervent support of (corrupt) royalties and kingdoms, such as those in Kuwait and Saudi Arabia. U.S. officials continue to emphasize that the reason that terrorists

attack Americans is that "terrorists hate freedom and democracy." It seems like they're not the only ones.

Jacob G. Hornberger is the founder and president of the Future of

"The great rule of conduct for us in regard to foreign nations is in extending our commercial relations, to have with them as little political connection as possible. So far as we have already formed engagements, let them be fulfilled with perfect good faith. Here let us stop. Europe has a set of primary interests which to us have none; or a very remote relation. Hence she must be engaged in frequent controversies, the causes of which are essentially foreign to our concerns. Hence, therefore, it must be unwise in us to implicate ourselves by artificial ties in the ordinary vicissitudes of her politics, or the ordinary combinations and collisions of her friendships or enmities."— George Washington

What is the Constitution?

by Sheldon Richman

excellent writer. He is also a living example of how bad political and constitution such as ours is needed only if the intent is to limit the philosophical premises can put great talent in the service of an evil powers of government in behalf of liberty. A "constitution" that limits

nothing about an ID card.

courts to make policy.

carry an ID unless the people amend the Constitution to prohibit inverted the American system, first, to keep the people from knowing Congress from enacting such a measure. He implies that the what the politicians are doing and, then, to make it costly for the government can do virtually anything unless the Constitution people to object. She calls it "manipulating the political transactions expressly forbids it. No surprise here. Scalia has long made his views costs." Twight demonstrates her thesis with several case studies,

notion of what the U.S. Constitution was and is supposed to be. In again, it behooves all Americans to understand what Charlotte fact, he stands the Constitution on its head. Instead of a document Twight has to say. that protects individual liberty by reining in government power, Scalia would make it one that protects government power by reining Foundation (www.fff.org) in Fairfax, Va., author of Tethered Citizens: in individual liberty.

James Madison, the acknowledged father of the Constitution, said magazine. that the central government was delegated powers that were "few and defined." This is backed up by the Constitution itself. Article I, Section 8 contains a short list powers given to the Congress. To reinforce this point, the Tenth Amendment in the Bill of Rights, which was adopted at the urging of those who thought the Constitution would allow the government to grow too powerful, says, "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people."

The upshot is that the national government was not given a general grant of power to do whatever it thinks is right. It was given specific powers and only those. Any others belong to the states or the people. Or to put it more bluntly, if it's not expressly in the Constitution, the national government can't do it.

This is not only clear from the constitutional text, it is the only

Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia is a smart man and an scheme consistent with the idea of a constitutional republic. A liberty in behalf of government power is a contradiction.

In November, while speaking at the University of Missouri, Scalia The Founding Fathers wanted to safeguard individual freedom. So was asked what he thought about proposals to impose a national ID they made the task of amending the Constitution difficult. But card on the American people. Scalia said he personally opposes the Scalia's way of thinking, which first seized politicians and judges idea and would vote against it if it were put to a vote. But when a long ago, reverses the Founder's basic intention. If government can student asked him whether a national ID would violate the do anything except that which is expressly prohibited by the Constitution's Fourth Amendment, which protects individuals "in Constitution, then the onerous burden of amending the Constitution, their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable instead of falling on those who favor expanded power, is now on those searches and seizures," Scalia pointed out that the Amendment says who favor preserving freedom. The Founders must be spinning in

Then he went on to say (I quote from an Associated Press report), Scalia's remark shows clearly how America's political system has "If you think it's a bad idea to have an identity card, persuade your been turned against liberty. It is thus a perfect illustration for a new fellow citizens' through the amendment process, rather than asking book, Dependent on D.C., by Professor Charlotte Twight of Boise State University (Palgrave/St. Martin's Press). In this important Scalia here is saying that the government may require everyone to book, Professor Twight demonstrates how government leaders have including the passage of Social Security and Medicare.

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Democracies always destroy liberty

"A democracy cannot exist as a permanent form of government forever. It will only exist until the people learn that they can vote money for themselves from the treasury and the politicians learn that they can distribute that money, to buy votes to perpetuate themselves in power. Hence a democracy always collapses over weak fiscal policy - to be followed by a dictatorship."

(British historian Alexander Tyler, written over 100 years ago. He added that the average age of the world's great democracies between birth and death (or collapsing) was 200 years.)

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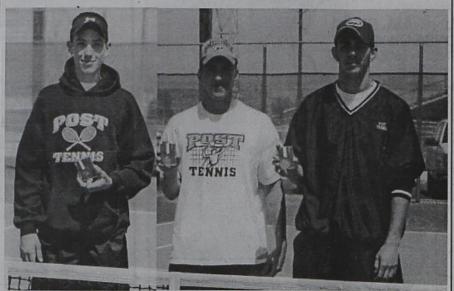
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PHS Boy's Tennis Team: Cole Easterling, Tennis Singles; Brice Easterling (left) and Jarrett Vickers, doubles.



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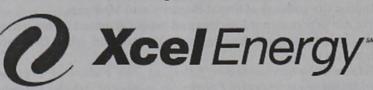
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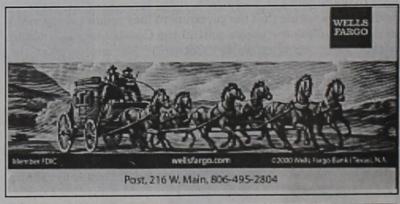
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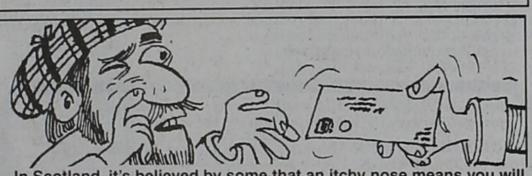
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Bryan Looney crosses homeplate for the Post Antelopes during their 7-3 win over New Deal here last Friday.

Seth Redman (left) moves in to tag a New Deal runner at third base during last Friday's Antelope win here. Randon Blacklock (7) helps out on the play.



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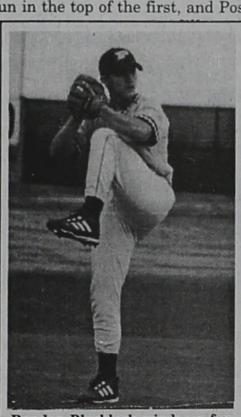
the playoffs begin? Randon Blacklock put in a call for an opportunity for defense squelch New Deal 8-3 in a district game played April 19 at Nichols Park.

Post's offense has come alive in its last three district games, scoring at least seven runs in each of the Antelopes' three-game winning streak going into the regular season finale at Tahoka. Post batters have struck out only six times vs. Idalou in six innings, four times vs. Ralls in five innings and three times vs. New Deal in six innings.

Post swept New Deal for the season, 6-0 and 8-3.

Tuesday's game with Tahoka will decide second and third place between Post and Tahoka.

New Deal pushed across a single run in the top of the first, and Post



Randon Blacklock winds up for the pitch during the Post Antelope 7-3 win here aver New Deal last Friday. The 'Lopes are tied with Idalou for first place in district competition.

On the eve of the Class 2A state answered on Mitchell Mills' RBI playoffs and what Post hopes is a single, scoring Bryan Looney who long post-season run, the Antelopes reached on a hit batter at-bat. Post pushed across another run an inning Will Post have enough pitching and later on Luis Zubia's RBI double, offense to be a serious contender once which plated Cody Fox who led off the inning with a walk.

New Deal tied the game in the top post-season action by helping the of the third on M. Adames' RBI 4-3 ground out plating their number two batter standing on third base via an error hit. Post escaped further damage by Blacklock inducing New Deal's Castillo to hit a roller to Brody Robertson at first base for the third out, stranding two runners.

The 'Lopes racked up six hits, four walks and two hit batters but produced only two runs in five innings before busting out with the six-run sixth inning. Every Post batter playing got on base at least once by a hit, walk or hit batter.

strikeouts.

Blacklock (3-1) pitched the com- single; Roland Casteneda, one plete seven-inning game, going ap- double, fielder's choice hit; Jon proximately 131 total pitches. He Eilenberger, one on-base by hit batgave up three runs on three hits, five ter, one walk; John Castro, one walk; walks, two hit batters and six Mills, two singles, two RBIs; Fox, one walk, one double, one triple, two Batting for Post were Kenny Ratke, RBIs; Robertson, one on-base by hit two walks; Looney, one on-base by hit batter; Zubia, two doubles with three batter, one single, one fielder's choice RBIs; and Blacklock, one walk.

Morales enlists in USAF

Cristoval J. Morales, son of Jose and Maria Morales of Post, enlisted in the U.S. Air Force's Delayed Enlistment Program on April 5.

Morales graduated from Post High School and is scheduled for enlistment in the regular Air Force on July 30.

Upon successfully completing the Air Force's six-week basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base near San Antonio, Cristoval is scheduled to receive technical training in the fire protection career field. In conjunction with the vocational skill, he will be earning college credits towards an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force while attending basic and Air Force technical training schools.



PHS senior track team members celebrate their victories at the recent district track meet. Headed to the regional meet at Abilene are (left to right) LaRinda Ledbetter, Tandi Humble, Meagan Mills, Kelly Moore and Manuela Hernandez. Ledbetter competes in the discus, Humble in the 3200 meter run, Mills in the 400 and 1600 meter relay, Moore in the 100 and 300 meter hurdles and 1600 meter relay and Hernandez in the 200 meter dash, 400 and 1600 meter relay. (Photo by Susan Strawn)

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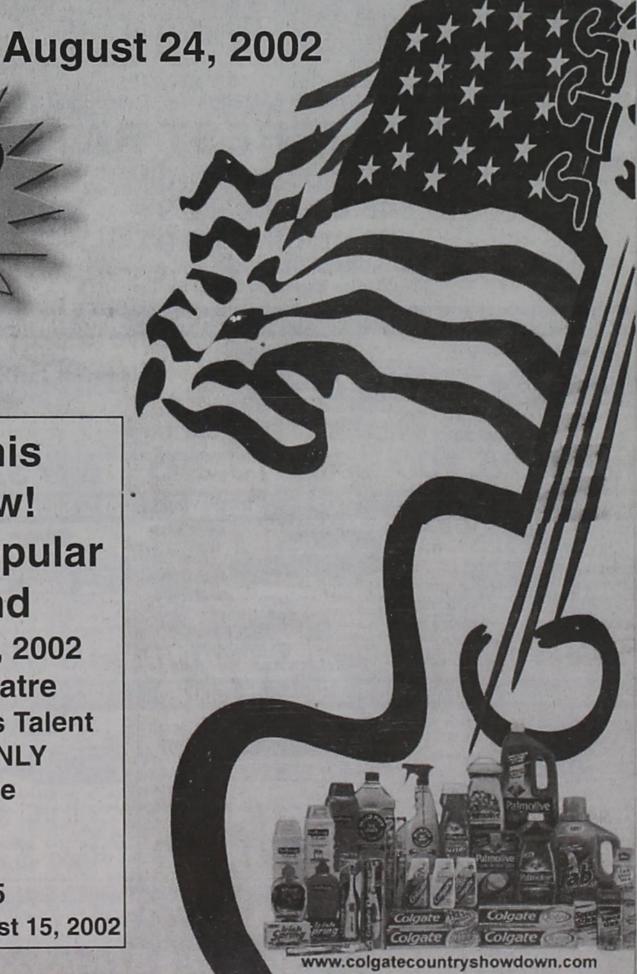




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Legal Notices

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

Citation Oil & Gas Corp. P.O. Box 690688 Houston, Texas 77269 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Spraberry Lime, Happy Sprayberry Lime Unit Lease, Well Number 7.

The proposed injection well is located 12 miles South of Post, in the Happy Spraberry Lime Field, in Garza County.

Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 4929 to 5000 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of

the Railroad Commission of Texas. Requests for public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512-

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Bids will be received in the Office of the Purchasing Manager, Municipal Building, 1625 13th Street, Room L-04, Lubbock, Texas 79401, no later than the closing date of May

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or national origin in consideration for an award. The City of Lubbock does not discriminate against persons with disabilities. City of Lubbock pre-bid meeting and bid openings are available to all persons regardless of disability. If you would like bid information made available in a more accessible format or if you require assistance, please contact the City of Lubbock Human Relations Office at (806) 775-2281 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

City of Lubbock Victor Kilman Purchasing Manager vkilman@mail.ci.lubbock.tx.us

> NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS City of Post

Notice is hereby given that the City of Post will conduct two (2) Public Hearings on May 7, 2002 to discuss the following:

design, construction, estimated costs, and financing of:

Slaton Water Project, Pipeline, and Additional Storage Tank(s) Both hearings will be conducted at the Post Community Center at 113

West Main Street in Post, Texas. The first hearing will be held at 3:00pm. The second public hearing will be held at 5:30pm, followed by the regular May, 2002, meeting of

the Post City Council. It is anticipated that each Post citizen who wishes to attend to hear, receive, and give public comment can do so at one of the hearings. All citizens are encouraged to attend.

Questions may be directed to the City Manager at 495-2811. Wyvonne Kennedy City Secretary

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 8A Rule 37 Case No.0231158 DATE OF ISSUANCE: April 12,2002

NOTICE OF APPLICATION NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the CHOLLA PETROLEUM INC. 5949 SHERRY LN STE 850. DALLAS, TX 75225 has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. code Section 3.37) Applicant seeks exception to distance between wells to drill Well No. 15. 1, 2002 at 2 p.m. and time noted Richardson Unit, 291 Acres, BS&F/B J Galbraith #1282 Survey, A-652, P. Bidding documents, plans, H. D. Field(s), Garza County, being 7 specifications, and other related data miles in a northwest direction of Post,

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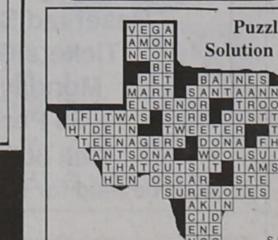
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As part of this application, applicant also seeks permits authority in the P. H. D. (Glorieta) field(s). No rule 37(38) is necessary persuant to the field rules for this field(s).

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This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 4,500 feet. PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Rule 37(h) (2) (A), this application may be granted administratively if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with crossexamination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative Glenn E. George, consultant, at 214-692-7052. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512)463-6899.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE BY May 23, 2002 at 5:00 p.m.. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME. THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

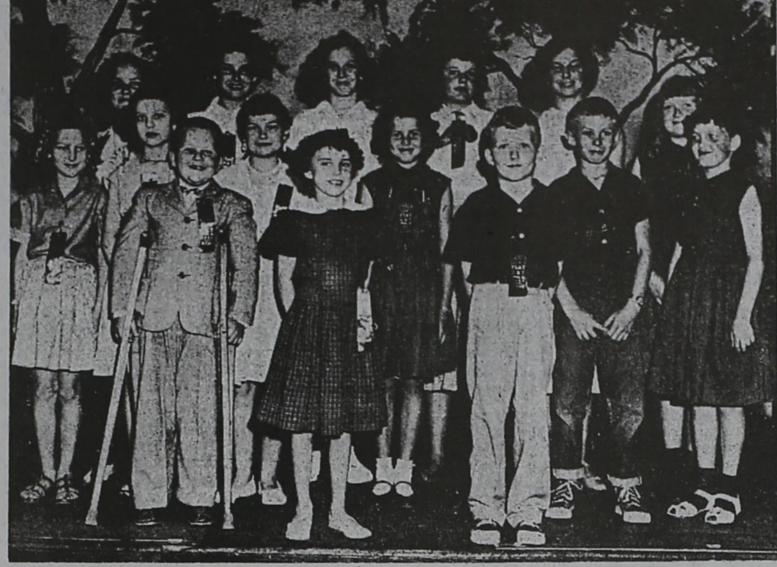
THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION by SPAG REQUIRES PUBLICATION

Bids are being received by Garza Governments' Area Agency on Aging County Regional Juvenile Center for will be conducting summer training the following: milk, bread, and other food items. Bids will be accepted in the office of the Nutrition Coordinator until 11a.m. June 17, 2002. Bids will be reviewed by the Garza County Commissioners on June 24, 2002. Bid specifications may be obtained by calling the Nutrition Coordinator at (806)495-0266 or may be picked up at 800 N. Ave. F, Post, Tx. Garza County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

To the persons that rented our house at 408 Mohawk. You have 30 days (May 25) to remove items left there or it will be sold or destroyed. Owners

SPARTAN Transportation is taking applications for part-time

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PLAY DAY LITERARY WINNERS SHOWN-First place winners in the literary events of the annual Garza county rural schools' Play Day held Friday at Justiceburg are pictured above. First row, they are left to right, Sonny Gossett, Graham, first grade story telling; Linda Taylor, Garnolia, second grade spelling; Lee Williams, Garnolia, second grade story telling. Second row, left to right, Frances Barron, Close City, fifth grade declamation; Carolyn Moore, Graham, third grade spelling; Minnie Lee Mathis, Garnolia, fourth grade

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declamation; Rhea Peel, Graham, fourth grade spelling; Shirley Morris, Close City, third grade story telling; Tommy Young, Close City, sixth grade declamation. Third row, left to right, Jean Winkler, Justiceburg, sixth grade spelling; Shirley Watson, Garnolia, seventh grade declamation; Marie Howard, Graham, seventh grade spelling; Loyce Josey, Garnolia, eighth grade ready writing; De-Vonna Leathers, Garnolia, eighth grade declamation; and Barbara Blacklock, Close City, fifth grade spelling. (Dispatch Photo)

From The Post Dispatch, April 24, 1952

Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit by Tumbleweed Smith

The joys of teaching



This school year I've been teaching some speech and writing courses at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin in Odessa. It is really fun. In my speech class we spent a couple of days talking about how to overcome the fear of public speaking, which is most people's number

The number two fear is death. In other words, rather than giving a eulogy at a funeral, most people would rather be in the casket. On the midterm test this semester, one of the questions was "How do you overcome fear?" One student answered: "A coupla shots of whiskey." During the fall

semester one of my students told the class when he started his speech, "I'm kinda nervous and I've always heard that to get you more relaxed, you need to picture your audience sitting out there naked. I'm having trouble visualizing that, so would you please start taking off your clothes." I gave him an A.

monthly reports and attend continu-One of my students wrote a critique about a speaker: "Dr. Allen arrived very promptly at 1 PM to 2:15 PM." In my writing class, a girl wrote about Volunteers are needed at several anthrax: "Spores were found in his nasal passage, which is leading to an FBI Lubbock facilities, as well as faciliinvestigation.'

I wrote on her paper: "Wow! Some passage. And somebody ought to Even with stronger federal and investigate the FBI." That same girl, on the same paper, wrote: "People come into contact with the disease by eating under prepared meat or people who work with animals." O, well. She's an art major.

In some UIL headline writing competition recently, one student wrote: "38 provided by the agency. Most nurs-YEAR OLD TEEN GETS REWARD." On the first day of spring I asked my students, "How many of you think spring is the best time of year?" About half whom to turn to when they have a dozen hands went up.

I asked everyone who raised their hands in what season they were born. The regional Area Agency on Aging They were all born in the spring. I then asked the class, "How many of you is searching for volunteers to become think fall is the best time of year?" A few hands went up. I asked them when certified ombudsmen to advocate for they were born and they were all born in the fall.

quality care and life in 3 homes on One girl then asked me, "What about me? Fall is my favorite season and I was born in November." I've asked many teachers about collecting student funnies and they all say they have piles of them. In one class of English Contact the AAA to receive more history, the topic was Henry the Eighth. details and dates for upcoming train-

One female student wrote on her test paper, "Henry the Ape. I don't know ing sessions. In the Lubbock calling who gave him that name, but it's a funny one." Another wrote: "Beethoven wrote music even though he was deaf. He was so deaf he wrote loud music."

Patient input critical for accurate diagnosis

COLLEGE STATION - At a time when patient apprehension and uncer- affect the quality of a visit to the doctor, tainty surround doctors' diagnoses around the United States, effective patient communication is more critical than ever, says healthier behavior, Street comments. a health communication authority at Texas A&M University.

How much a patient interacts with his or her doctor can have profound effects on diagnosis, treatment and even health improvement, says Richard L. Street, who has spent more than 15 years studying health communication.

He says a number of studies have shown the way in which physicians and patients talk with one another influences a variety of post-consultation outcomes. These include patient satisfaction with care, adherence to medical recommendations, understanding of health issues and health improvement.

Participating in the health care process is more than just seeking medical services; It deals with action, involvement and influence, he says.

"Patient participation consists of various activities including seeking health-related information, being involved in medical decision making and interacting with providers in a way that narrows the knowledge and power gap between provider and patient," Street says.

He says patients who actively participate in consultations with their physicians receive a greater amount of information, understand the issues better and are more satisfied with their care - all of which make for an overall improved quality of care.

Simple as it seems, it was a great discovery that the key of knowledge could turn both ways, that it could open, as well as lock, the door of power to the many. -James Russell Lowell

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Yesteryears

April 22, 1992 10 Years Ago

After almost 30 years of guiding the Post Independent School District, superintendent Bill Shiver announced last week his plans to retire.

Post High School senior, Shannon T. Scott, chose three years in the Army on March 27. PHS senior Shannon, the 18-year-old son of William and Grace Scott of Post, delayed his active duty, U. S. Army Service, until June after his high school graduation.

Jimmy Baker, serviceman at Post, will be retiring from SPS Company on Thursday, April 30, 1992 with 40 years of service.

The Post Antelope varsity and junior varsity track teams won the district 4AA championships last Thursday at Sundown as the varsity captured the trophy with 117 points. Henry Reed and Ricky Jefferson broke school records during the meet as Reed shattered the 100 meter record and Jefferson setting a new triple jump record.

Congratulations go out to the district 4AA champions varsity girls' golf team. The team consist of Raeline Bagby, Misty Bartlett, Cathi Cash, Cara Cash, Tony Harp and Holly

Marine Pvt Benjamin Vargas, son of Felipe G. and Aurora S. Vargas of Post, recently completed recruit training. Vargas is a 1991 graduate of PHS.

April 22, 1982 20 Years Ago

Miss Candance McConnell drama and speech teacher at Post High School has been honored by being chosen by the State UIL Executive Council as one of the judges for the UIL State meet.

Winning the Little Mr. and Mrs. Post contest last Saturday night were Brandy Morris, runner-up; Amanda Holly, Little Miss Post; Roger Daugherty, Little Mr. Post, and Jayson Fry, runner-up. Taking honors home for Post's Mini Mr. and Miss Post were Heather Mason, runner-up; Devin Odom, Mini Miss Post; Aaron Woods, Mini Mr. Post and Cody Ferguson, runner-up.

Remember Mumble-Ty-Peg? Well, the game was renewed this year at Post High School and following a tournament which included 16 boys and one girl, Patti Ann McClellan, 18 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mason McClellan reigns supreme.

Keith Dwaine North, an employee of the Texas Department of Highways was killed in an accident when he was hit by a pickup pulling a twohorse trailer. Mr. North was repairing pot holes at the time.

April 20, 1972 30 Years Ago

Burlington Industries is purchasing approximately 197 acres, immediately adjoining its Postex Plant on the southeast from Post-Montgomery Estate for construction of its new waste treatment facility which will be ready for use in about six months.

Grant Lott will hold a one-day grand opening sale Saturday for his White Auto Store in its new and larger quarters at 207 East Main.

"Little Mr. and Miss Post" winners

this year are Stacy Kendrick and Arthur Striblin, with Melissa Striblin and Wade Giddens as runners-up.

Sherry White was elected Post High School choir queen in a penny-a-vote contest that ended Saturday night, the same night of the choir's talent

Becky Dalby of the Post High School girls' track team won the triple jump at the district meet in Idalou to qualify for the regional meet to be held at Abilene Christian College.

April 26, 1962 40 Years Ago

Miss Stanna Butler is the Post Lions Club's candidate in the annual Lions queen contest to be held at the district convention in Lamesa. Miss Butler is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley L. Butler.

The strangest murder trial in Garza County history - one that has the judge and attorneys involved puzzled to no end - is scheduled to open in the district courtroom here Wednesday. Reymundo Flores, a deaf-mute farm laborer, will be tried for the fatal shooting of Pearlene Stafford.

Jackie Wilson and LaGayluah Young celebrated their birthdays, which were Easter Sunday, last Thursday night with a joint party. The girls arrived at 5:00 and were dinner guests, with the boys invited at 7:30.

Only seven Post High School students are listed on the A honor roll for the fifth sixth weeks-and four of the seven are freshmen. The students are: Tommy Bouchier, Sr; Delton Robinson, Jr.; Linda Pennell, Soph.; Gary Hays, Susan Ramsey, Elisabeth Tubbs, and Teddy Scott, Freshman.

James Mitchell, Post High School junior, has been selected by the American Legion Post here to attend American Legion's Boys State in Austin. Robert (Pete) Dodson was named as alternate

April 24, 1952 50 Years Ago

Jack Kirkpatrick, Post's All-State quarterback last year, has been selected to play in the Texas Schoolboy All-Star Gridiron Classic which will be unreeled at the annual Texas High School Coaching school in Ft. Worth.

L. W. Evans, Post High School junior, was elected Basketball Sweetheart by team members and crowned in a special ceremony last Wednesday.

Burglars broke into the M. J. Malouf Dry Goods company in Post last Thursday night and absconded with approximately \$1,000 in clothing and a small quantity of "change".

Garnolia students went to Justiceburg Friday with sincere determination to win and emerged victorious in their third straight rural school Play Day competition.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harley Wallace are announcing the birth of a son, Dickie Milton born in Slaton Mercy hospital.



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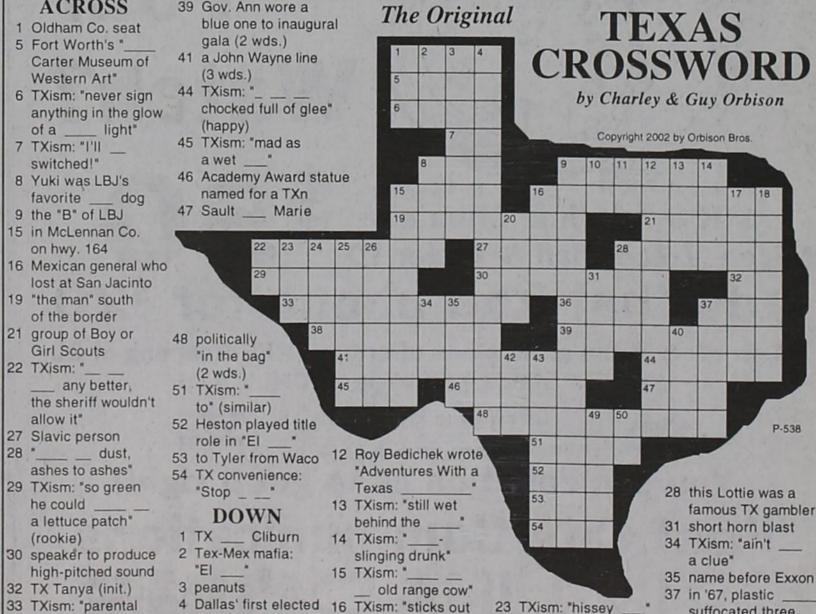
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Letters to the Editor

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Ain't it pretty?

Evidently back in my days of wine and roses, I must have been to busy looking in the can to notice how really beautiful this part of West Texas really

I love doing dirt work out in the middle of nowhere and taking the time to look at the scenery God has put out there to see. The ranch land is really greening up and the grass has sure took off to growing. I remember last year toward the end of the summer, how sick the land looked.

The little dab of spring rain we've got so far has really put some life back into the vegetation. The cattle are really starting to look good and their hair is getting shiny. Even the wild animals are shaping up. I seen ol' Wiley Coyote today, and he even is looking better, poor guy sure did look poorly for a

Folks should be on the looking for the slithery rattlesnake. We have seen an extra ordinary bunch of them in the last week.

Strange as it may seen, it just dawned on me lately that I had really never payed much attention to how pretty this part of Texas is in the spring after a few showers. I read somewhere, that's called "wake up and smell the roses." I

suppose I am just slow waking up. No wonder the ranchers don't want nobody to touch anything, it's too dern beautiful to mess up.

It's amazing at the wonders God can do to his earth when he sets his mind to it. Hope he don't change his mind and let it go back to looking like last year.

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GHD submits report

The last couple of weeks I have worked with the GHD Steering Committee to complete and submit all the requirements of the Economic Development Program of the Office of Rural and Community Affairs. I have submitted the completed projects to Mr. Gibson. Janie Davis and Don Tatum have worked very hard to complete the necessary survey. I cannot thank them enough for all their hard work. I am the passion they have for healthcare in dicial training program that provided Garza County.

The Steering Committee met today (April 18) at the Dalby Cattle Co. Members there were Leon Miller, Lee Norman, Don Tatum, Janie Davis, Billie Polanco, Giles McCrary, Tanya White and myself. The committee discussed the plans for the upcoming Town Hall Meeting. After bringing everyone up to date on the activities, plans were discussed and made to postpone the meeting until the figures from the architect are complete.

Mr. Norman distributed a first draft of the information pamphlet be distributed prior to the Town Hall Meeting. We extend a very big THANK tended the program. YOU to Joe Raspberry and Ruby Williams for putting our ideas and

thoughts into a very informative format. The Steering Committee will meet again soon, but a date for next meeting was not yet set.

Elizabeth Quiroz-Eureste Thanks for help!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank several different people for their support of the elementary students and staff during this past week's testing.

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Mr. Capps at United donated money toward the purchase of supplies. Mrs. McDonald and the high school Food and Nutrition Lab students baked cookies and cakes. Several parents and other community members brought sandwiches, chips and drinks - I would name them all, but I am afraid I would leave someone out.

We also appreciate Mrs. Pequeño and the TOPPS volunteers for putting the survival kits together.

Again, thanks to all of you who donated your time and support. Mrs. Marts

Judge Schildknecth attends training

The Hon. Carter Tinsley truly wowed by their dedication and Schildknecht recently attended a jufresh perspectives and tools for the role of administering justice fairly in cases involving family violence issues.

The 2002 Family Violence Conference was conducted at the Marriott Las Colinas in Irving April 14-16.

The Texas Center for the Judiciary, an Austin-based non-profit judicial education group, developed the curriculum for the conference. Texas judges who hear pre-trial or trial aspects of cases involving family violence issues in a civil or criminal setting were invited to attend.

More than 100 Texas judges at-

The conference featured a day and a half of educational programs. Sessions covered "Effects of Violence on Children," "Child Abuse and Neglect Case Law Update," "Parables for Judges," "High Conflict Divorce," "Judicial Issues in Domestic Violence Cases" and "Creative Orders."

A diverse faculty of attorneys and major from Welch. professionals instructed the classes. Schildknecht is judge of the 106th Judicial District Court, representing Garza, Gaines, Dawson and Lynn counties.

SPC skills USA-VICA team earns berth at nationals

Skills USA Quiz Bowl competition nical Information Test.

VICA chapter and a sophomore au- lier this spring. tomotive service technology major from Cotton Center. SPC's chapter dustrial Clubs of America) serves a for automotive and diesel service quarter-million high school and coltechnology students was organized lege students and professional memearlier this spring.

Heading to the national competi- service occupations. tion are Saenz, Diego Romero, 25, sophomore AST major from Levelland; Armando Rodriguez, Jr., 19, a sophomore AST major from Post; Josh Carr, 19, sophomore AST major from Shallowater, and James Rowland, 19, freshman AST major from Levelland.

Carr, Romero and Rodríguez were also on the team that won a silver medal in the closing and opening ceremonies competition. Other team members were Rebecca Funk, 24, sophomore diesel service technology major from Whiteface; Chris Mendez, 21, sophomore from Lubbock; Herman Martinez, and Michael Medina, 19, freshman AST

SWCD ...

(Continued from Page 1) in cooperation with the nation's

nearly 3,000 soil and water conservation districts. Informative material on the Soil and Water Stewardship Week theme is distributed 3each year through local conservation districts to clergymen, civic and educational organizations and to individuals interested in participating in the celebration.

Information and materials for this year's observance may be obtained from the Garza SWCD, 210 W. Main, or by calling 495-2056, ext. 3.

GHD voting ...

(Continued from Page 1) In addition to voting to fill vacant

board seats, hospital district voters also will be asked to determine a referendum limiting the number of terms a board member may serve.

The question to be posed to voters will read as follows: "This is a vote to determine if you, as a resident of the Garza County Health Care District, desire that the service of a Director on the Board be limited by the number of terms that a Director can serve. A term is two (2) years. Currently, there is no limit on the number of terms a Director may service."

Voters will be asked if they want the district's board members to be limited to a certain number of terms. Voters may mark "no, I do not want them limited," or "yes," which is followed by suggested term limitations - two terms (four years); three terms (six years); four terms, (eight years); or five terms (10 years).

Men do change, and change comes like a little wind that ruffles the curtains at dawn, and it comes like the stealthy perfume of wildflowers hidden in the grass.

John Steinbeck

A five-member team in South Terrell Standefer, 19, sophomore Plains College's automotive and die- diesel service technology major from sel service technology programs has Floyd, N.M., won a bronze medal in gone from zero to sixty in nothing Diesel Equipment Technology. Kurt Taylor, 18, freshman AST major from With only a few weeks preparation. Whiteface, won a bronze medal in the team took a silver medal in state Automotive Service Technology Tech-

and will represent SPC and the state "The teams did a superb job and of Texas June 24-28 at the Skills USA represented South Plains College Championships in Kansas City, Mo. extremely well," said Gary Ham, in-"We were surprised but every ex- structor in automotive service techcited," said Victor Saenz, 20, vice nology who helped to charter the president of the SPC Skills USA- SPC Skills USA-VICA chapter ear-

> Skills USA-VICA (Vocational Inbers who are enrolled in technical or

The SPC silver medalist quiz bowl team was able to qualify for national competition when first-place Lamar did." Technical Institute bowed out of that event. Teams can compete in only one event at nationals, noted Carr.

The SPC team competed against seven other teams at state in a Jeopardy-style meet.

"They asked us 50 questions during each round, which lasted 20-30 minutes," explained Romero. Questions ranged from current events to academic subjects to the history of VICA, leadership and technical questions pertaining to the students' training area, said Carr.

They had five seconds to buzz in and another five seconds to confer with their teammates and answer the question.

The team used caution in their answers, and the strategy worked.

Teams received a point for correct answers but were deducted a point for each wrong answer. "We did not try to answer a question unless we were really sure about it," said Romero, "We went into the contest knowing more than we thought we

They were ecstatic when they learned they were selected for na-

"This experience looks good on a resume and can help get us jobs," said Rodriguez. "The contests make us think about what we know."

Gun and knife show Sat., Sun.

Since 1978, thousands of Texans across the state have come to dozens of Texas Gun and Knife Shows to see the best in collectible guns, knives and accessories. This weekend, Saturday and Sunday, Texas Gun and Knife Association will present its West Texas Gun and Knife Show at the Lubbock fairgrounds.

Collectors and exhibitors from throughout the Lubbock area will be on hand to buy, sell and trade guns, knives and accessories.

"These items you simply can't find every day," said Don Hill, president of the association. "And even if you could, you certainly couldn't find them all together in one place at one time like this."

Hill expects scores of exhibitors to be on hand at the show, and he will be available to visit with the public during the event.

As in ever Texas Gun and Knife Show, guns and knives are just part of the overall event. Also, there will be a great selection of wildlife art, historical artifacts, "Texana" items and Native American and military memorabilia, as well as displays of excellently priced gold and silver jewelry.

The show will run from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and from 10 a.m. to 5

p.m. Sunday. The public is invited to come in to buy, sell, trade or just brose, and indi-

viduals are welcome to bring in their own guns for sale or trade. An "early bird special," two for the price of one admission, will be offered

during the first hour of the show on both show dates. Children under the age of 12 will be admitted free of charge.

Five arrested here

Five individuals were booked into the Garza County Jail during the past week, according to sheriff's department records.

On April 16, a 27-year-old female was arrested for false application. Two arrests were made April 19, including that of a 48-year-old on charges of possession of a controlled substance (cocaine), and a 21-year-old for assault/family violence.

Two additional arrests came April 21, including that of an 18-year-old and a 24-year-old, each for public intoxication.

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