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Skylar Jones, a 4-H member from Post, exhibited the Reserve Champion American Crossbred in the Junior Steer Show at the Southwestern Exposition & Livestock Show in Fort Worth Jan. 30. Skylar is the nine year old daughter of Greg and Channa Jones and she is a member of the Golden Clover 4-H

# Post Notes

Rally for our country

A moment of prayer and devotion will be held March 3, 2003 at 3 p.m. at the Garza County Courthouse front lawn. The event will include prayer for the country, the men and women who serve and protect the nation and its leaders. The special event is sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension.

4-H Shotgun Sports meeting March 4

A Garza County 4-H Shotgun Sports organizational meeting will be held Tuesday, March 4 at the Post Community Center beginning at 7 p.m. The 4-H Shotgun Sports program will teach gun safety, basic gun skills, shotgun sport and competitive shotgunning. Garza County youth ages nine to 18 years old are eligible to participate, must have at least one parent attend. Call Mark Kirkpatrick at 495-2235 or Ray Mason at 495-2776 for more information.

PC&TB banquet March 1

The annual Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau banquet will be held Saturday, March 1 in the Post Community Center, beginning at 7 p.m. Citizen and Business of the Year awards will be presented, along with Conservationist of the Year. Humorist Jim Bob Solsby of Big Lake will be featured speaker. Tickets are \$15 each and may be purchased at the Bureau's office or from any director.

Hallelujah Chorus in Post March 2

The famed Lubbock Christian University's Hallelujah Chorus will present a concert at the Post Church of Christ at 6 p.m., Sunday, March 2. The concert is free and open to the public.

Special oak tree dedication Monday

The Stephen F. Austin Oak Tree dedicaton ceremony will be held at 2 p.m. March 3 at the Garza County Courthouse. The public is invited to attend the ceremony.

VFW Post plans VA hospital trip

Members of VFW Post 6797 Men and Ladies' Auxiliary will make the annual trip to the VA Hospital in Big Spring on Thursday, February Those who have magainzes or books to donate should take them to the VFW Post on Wednesday (2/26). Also needed are puzzles, toiletries, puzzles, tablets and writing materials. Call Post Commander Charles Ratliff at 495-2026 for pickup of donated items.

Military news sought

The Post Dispatch is seeking news about Garza County active duty U.S. military personnel. Call Sandy Smith at 495-9900 to be included in news about our young men and women serving in the U.S. military.

Reception for new Post ISD supt.

A public reception for Marlin Marcum, the new Post ISD superintendent, and his family will be held 2 p,n,, Sunday, March 9 at the Hotel

Cancer survivors needed

If you or someone you know is a concer survivor, please contact Nancy at 495-3315 to participate in the "Survivor Walk" in the 2003 Relay for

"Desperate Ambrose" at Garza Theatre

"Desperate Ambrose" continues at the Garza Theatre Friday and Saturday and again March 7, 8 and 9. The play, written by Dnald Payton, is directed by Beth McBrayer. Tickets may be obtained by calling the box office, 495-4005.

Calvary Baptist Church hosts Dr Wade

Dr Charles Wade, Baptist General Convention executive, will be featured guest at Calvary Baptist Church, Saturday, March 8 at 7 p.m. The event is a "question and answer" session about current issues in Texas Baptist life. Dr Wade will also preach at the church's Sunday morning worship March 8.

Advanced EMT training class

The City-County Ambulance Service of Post is organizaing a training class in Post for qualified Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) seeking to upgrade their certification by the Texas Department of Health to an Intermediate Level EMT. Interested applicants must already have current certification as an EMT-Basic. Western Texas College in Snyder has agreed to sponsor course instruction in the Post aea if at least 12 qualified applicants enroll for the course. The course will be two nights per week beginning in May, completing in August 2003. Call the EMS administrator during regular business hours at 806-269-0075.

Introductory EMT class offered

The City-County Ambulance Service of Post is organizing a training class for those inteested in qualifying for certification b the Texas Department of Health as Emergency Medical Technician. This class is open to anyone, even if you have never received any type of emergency medical training. The class is designed to provide necessary instruction for certification as an EMT-Basic. Western Texas College of Snyer has agreed to sponsor the training in Post with at least 12 applicants enrolled. Classes will be two nights per week, beginning in May with completion in August 2003. To sign up for the course, call the EMS administrator at 806-269-0075 during regular business hours.

Warning sirens tested Saturday

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Garza County Sheriff Kenny Ratke has announced warning siren testing Saturday at noon. There are two siren signals being tested: a "Alert," three-minute steady signal (tornado warning) or a "Take Cover," three minute wailing signal, which means a tordnado is on the ground and threatening the area.

Relay for Life teams sought

It's time again to get teams together for the Third Annual Garza County Relay for Life. This year's Relay for Live will be held June 13-14. The Relay for Life is a fun way to join others in the fight against cancer and to raise funds for activities of the American Cancer Society. For more information about forming a team or participating as a survivor, call Amy Pennell at 495-3600 or 495-4316 or Jana Bullard at 495-2804 or 495-2037.

Section 8 housing assistance

South Plains Regional Housing Authority will accept applications in Post for Section 8 housing rental assistance on Friday, February 28 from 9 to 4 p.m. Interested persons should call (806) 894-4560 to schedule an appointment and obtain information for the application pro-

# One call for emergencies

Getting an ambulance is about to get quicker in Garza County. Beginning March 17, the City-County Ambulance Service, known locally as the Post EMS, will formally join the emergency communications system operated out of the Garza County sheriff's office. The move, according to Sheriff Kenny Ratke and ambulance service administrator J. Terry Bartlett, is designed to increase the overall emergency medical response capability county-wide by teaming the county's ambulance operations with the existing 9-1-1 emergency dispatching system at the sheriff's office.

This marriage of emergency communications and services became a reality following the update of the sheriff's department's emergency communications system during the past year. Also, the ambulance service was able to purchase the radio equipment necessary to tie each emergency medical technician (EMT) directly into the sheriff's department's 9-1-1 dispatch center.

To enhance the process, sheriff's department dispatchers received the training to become state certified emergency medical dispatchers. Their new skills, coupled with the radio equipment upgrades, should allow the 9-1-1 dispatch center at the sheriff's department to better handle the critical communications functions necessary in all types of emergency activities, according to a press release issued Monday.

The most immediate and obvious result the public can expect to see with this change is a reduced time between the first call for medical help and the arrival of an ambulance at the scene, the press release states. Quicker response times are possible because individual EMTs have direct radio contact with sheriff's department dispatchers.

"This direct communication should eliminate vital minutes in delays getting the ambulance started toward the scene at a time when those minutes can be critical to the health and safety of the citizen in need of emergency medical care," stated the release, which was submitted by Bartlett and Ratke. "Additionally, with their new certifications as emergency medical dispatchers, the 9-1-1 dispatchers are better able to more specifically assist the caller in dealing with the initial care of the person in need while awaiting the arrival of the ambulance on the scene."

The system also allows the dispatchers to provide ambulance crews with more detailed information about the medical situation at hand so EMTs are better informed upon arrival.

"Garza County has been blessed for many years with skilled emergency ambulance services as a direct result of the highly dedicated volunteers that work to maintain themselves as Texas Department of Health certified emergency medical technicians," the press release stated. "This new capability joins the emergency medical services team with the Garza County sheriff's office in providing even higher quality emergency medical services throughout the county.... If someone needs an ambulance, all they need to do is call 9-1-1... and the sheriff's dispatch center will take care of the rest."

### **Humorist headlines** Post C&TB Banquet

The annual Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau banquet is scheduled for Saturday, March 1, beginning at 7 p.m. in the community

Theme for this year's event is Post - Deep in the Heart of Texas. The theme will focus on the state and the vital role Post plays in

Awards for Citizen of the Year, Business of the Year and Conservationist of the Year will be given, and outgoing directors and incoming directors for both the Commerce & Tourism Bureau and the Women's Division will be recognized.

Speaker for the banquet will be Jim Bob Solsbery, a Department of Agriculture employee and noted comedian from Big Lake. As a child, Solsbery had a severe stuttering problem, but dreamed of being a humorist and speaker who could make people laugh and feel good about themselves. Today, he said he feels fortunate to be living out that dream.

Banquet tickets are available from any bureau director or at the office at a cost of \$15 per person.

### Commissioners join Lubbock in supporting Foreign Trade zone

by Wes Burnett

At its regular meeting Monday morning, the Garza County Commissioners' Court approved a resolution in support of a regional Foreign Trade Zone (FTZ) in cooperation with Market Lubbock Inc. The FTZ will provide incentives for manufacturers or distributors to locate in counties adjacent to Lubbock County.

Lubbock Market Inc. representatives explained that businesses in the FTZ could take advantage of tax abatement for imported items used for manufacturing or distribution. The county is not required to abate inventory taxes, but would have that ability to entice industry to locate here.

The project supports the application by the Lubbock International Airport and City of Lubbock to establish an FTZ in Lubbock and to include Garza County in the Zone Service Area.

In other action, the commissioners approved the sale of a vacant lot in the 300 block of West 13th Street to the lone bidder for \$2,000. A bid for another lot on 12th and Avenue H was tabled for further consideration.

An indigent application for utility assistance was approved in the amount of \$50.

Emergency Management coordinator Leon Miller was authorized to proceed with plans to provide a location for emergency medical supplies at the Post Community Center. Miller explained to the court that the Texas Department of Health has requested counties to identify a suitable location from which pharmaceutical drugs could be stockpiled in case of an emergency.

The commissioners also approved appointments to the Garza County Historical Commission. Linda Puckett will serve as chairman of the commission, with vice chairman Jimella Simpson, secretary Jackie Gonzales, Geraldine Butler, Lewis Earl, Jimmy Redman, Alvin Davis and Dorace Wilson.

Judge Giles W. Dalby explained to the court that there have been some delays in preparing legislation toward establishing a Lake Alan Henry water district. Kent and Garza counties are joining in the effort to secure the needed legislation.

## Warning sirens to be tested Saturday at noon

New warning sirens purchased jointly by the city and the county have been installed and are scheduled to be tested at noon Satur-

In December and January, local officials approved the upgrade and expansion of the four-siren municipal alert system that primarily served as a tornado warning device. Components of the system date back to as far as the 1940s.

Officials opted to revamp the warning system to ensure complete coverage of the growing community and to replace components that had deteriorated and were nonfunctional.

The city and county agreed to split the total cost of the upgrade, approximately \$6,000.

Saturday's test signals will ensure that the new system is operational and can be trusted to alert all residents of Post.

Local officials want area residents to be aware that the sirens essentially can relay two distinct messages — "alert," which is signified by a steady three-minute warning sound, and "take cover," which is conveyed by a three-minute wailing signal.

The "alert" message is used when a tornado warning has been issued for Garza County (when a funnel cloud has been spotted, a downburst is occurring in the area or a severe thunderstorm with winds in excess of 70 mph is approaching). In the event the "alert" message is heard, local residents should turn on their televisions or radios for additional severe weather-related information.

The "take cover" signal conveys the message that a tornado is on the ground and is threatening the immediate area. If the wailing siren is sounded, residents are advised to seek shelter immediately. To report a siren malfunction or for questions, call 495-4088 or 806-759-4006.



Dr Bobby Bain was honored at a special retirement reception last Sunday. He was seen toting a fishing pole as friends and family expressed their appreciation for his service as Post ISD superintendent. The painting was a gift of Post ISD art instructor Steven Henry. (Photo by Shellee Odom)

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### Melanie Valdez, Wayne Rohan announce June 7 wedding

John and Katherine Valdez of Post are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Melanie Rebecca Valdez, to Jeremy Wayne Rohan, son of Tom and Kathy Bartuska of Jefferson, Texas, and Glenn and Carol Rohan of Friendswood, Texas.

A June 7, 2003, wedding in Post in planned.







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and his family Sunday, March 9, 2003 2:00 p.m. Hotel Garza 302 E. Main Street

### Garza health care district studies various proposals

Bids for the management of a health care clinic and the proposed design/build of a new hospital facility were opened Feb. 13 by members of the Garza County Health Care District board of directors. Although most items of business included on the board's meeting agenda were tabled, directors did open the bids received for the operation of a clinic and construction of a new hospital. A quorum was present, administrator Tanya White said, but she and at least it comes to finding things. one other board member were absent.

Those present chose to table any action on the bids until the board's next meeting, which is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Thursday (tonight) in the Citizens Bank meeting room. Action was postponed to allow board members time to review the bids.

White said the board opened three bids pertaining to the district's advertisement for clinic management.

Two bids were received for the proposed design and construction of a new hospital building.

In addition to handling routine items of business, board members on hand for the session did vote to move forward in the selection of a bonding company with which to work. Government Capital Corporation, which is based in Southlake, was tapped for the job.

The firm is quite familiar with the area, White said, having worked with Tahoka officials recently in establishing its assisted living center. Also, the firm handled the local purchase of an ambulance several years ago.

District officials have been in contact with Government Capital in their dresser drawers, so how Corporation for several months, and the firm attended one of the could they be expected to find hidboard's meetings last month to make a presentation.

### 'Town Hall Meeting' March 6 airs hospital questions

overview of the various options available regarding health care, will feature a flurry of presentations and question-and-answer session but not in a typical town hall meeting style.

The session, set for 7 p.m. March 6 at the community center, will open with presentations from several officials, including administrator Tanya White, who will provide a synopsis of the board's activities over recent months. District board members also will speak, as will professionals representing the firm selected by the board for the hospital facility design/build, and Government Capital Corporation, the group charged with handing the bonding process.

Also slated to address the session is an administrator of another community hospital that closed and reopened. The speaker's facility is similar in size to the hospital facility in Post, White said, and the communities and situations surrounding the hospitals' closures also are

The administrator said her presentation will be fairly brief, while others will be limited to 15-20 min-

utes of speaking time. Following the planned presenta-

The March 6 town hall meeting, tions, audience members will be on the ballot in the May health care scheduled by the Garza County asked to organize into four district election. Health Care District to provide an "breakout groups" for individual White said informational pampresentations and question-and-answer sessions. White said this procedure has been planned to allow for "more detailed questions" in a "more orderly" fashion.

> bers, as well as a member of the district's steering committee, will join audience members in each breakout group. Questions will be recorded, White said, so that any unanswered questions can be researched, reviewed and answered at another time.

> "plenty of time for questions," she said, and are scheduled to be limited to about 15-20 minutes apiece.

> The proposal to open a hospital is a response to a 2001 survey conducted within the health care district. According to district officials, a majority of local residents surveyed expressed a desire to have an emergency room facility in Post. To operate an emergency room in Texas, the emergency room must be part of an operating hospital facil-

> For months, health care district officials have gathered information on options that could be taken, including the renovation of the existing hospital facility and the construction of a new hospital building. Financing would be funded through the

public and weighing the input, district officials hope to put the issue

phlets detailing the district's options have been distributed, and some residents may be unnerved by some of the figures and dollar signs listed. The \$10 million figure, for example, A health care district board mem- should not be seen as an overwhelmingly expensive cost but as a "safe harbor" amount that would enable the district to get the facility in place, recruit and initiate opera-

"We're going to do everything we can to keep from taking this out of taxpayers' pockets," she said. "Don't Breakout sessions will allow let the large numbers scare you. I don't want people to be frightened of supporting a hospital."

looking at quadrupling the tax rate to generate funding to create a hospital, White said. A district homeowner with a residence valued at \$60,000 would see his \$60+ dollar ter how cleverly he thought it was health care district tax bill climb to hidden. about \$260 per year. While that increase may seem staggering, White pointed out that if local residents use the local hospital instead of making trips to Lubbock for health care, they will realize many savings -lower health care costs, decreased time away from work and local availability of emergency care services, for example.

"If there is a hospital, people need to use it," she said. "People need to feel good about a facility being avail-After presenting the options to the able. It's a big investment, but it could pay off for a very long time if people use what they're getting."

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Judy's Jabberin'

by Judy (Ballentine) Bush

MOMS OUT THERE!

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Nations does anyone expect men to

find Saddam's stash? We all know

find the dirty clothes hamper.

They can't find the jar of jelly until

it falls out of the cupboard and

splatters on the floor.... and these

Iraq to search for hidden weapons

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rifle in the air taped on the side.

that men have a blind spot when What we need over there are women like my mother. For crying' out loud! They can't

My mother could find the old olive bottles filled with dimes that dad stashed in the attic beneath the rafters. She could sniff out a are the people we have sent into diary two rooms and one floor away. She always knew when the lid of the cookie jar had been disturbed, and I swear she must have lying in the middle of a dusty street dusted for prints on the roll of salami that was always in the refrigerator. She knew if a slice had been removed and by whom.

I developed her ability to stalk out women weren't sent in-preferably criminal activity when my kids were at home. They couldn't get After all, mothers know that their away with much that I didn't know boys can't find their socks or unabout. derwear when they're neatly folded

They still think they got away with a lot, but actually i always knew what they were doing, and if I decided that what they were doing was not too important or dangerous, I allowed them to think they were getting away with it. It was important for them to think they have an uncanny ability to pull the wool over mom's eyes occasionally.

But male inspectors? Going after Saddam?

Now I know that our country has gone mad. Those inspectors will rely on electronic equipment to scout out hidden threats. They will try to use science to find chemicals. These men, dressed in their pretentious jumpsuits, carrying their bulging briefcases, will barge into palaces and hovels, look around and then officiously announce, "all

But if mothers were sent in they wouldn't need body suits, briefcases or science. Mothers would go in, charge up to Saddam and, with their hands on their hips, demand, "do you have any weapons At the most, district officials are of mass destruction?" And they could tell in an instant whether he was lying or telling the truth.

And mothers would be quite capable of finding his cache no mat-

God help him once it was found; he would be chastised until he begged for mercy. He wouldn't be given a "time-out"; he would get an old fashioned butt-blistering by women who are adept at butt-blistering. And by the time these women finished with Saddam, he would be sitting in the middle of a dusty road with a limp rifle and a

stunned look on his evil face. CALL ME WITH YOUR FAM-ILY NEWS! 495-0277

... til next week ...

## Congratulations **Skylar Jones!**



We extend our congratulations to Garza County 4-H member Skylar Jones for her Reserve Grand Champion American Crossbred at the recent Junior Steer Show at the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show in Fort Worth.



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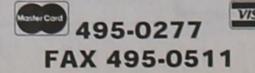
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## Obituaries

#### Joe McCowen

Services for Joe McCowen, 64, of Post were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 26, 2003, in the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Steve Rogers officiating. Burial was at 4 p.m. in the Peaceful Gardens Cemetery in Lubbock. Hudman Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

He died Monday, Feb. 24, at his home.

Born June 18, 1938, in Snyder, he married Margie Summers. He owned and operated service stations in Post for many years and later worked on the Alaskan pipeline. A Methodist, he was past president of the Antelope Booster Club and was a member of the Post Chamber of Commerce.

Survivors include his wife, Margie McCowen of Ruidoso, N.M.; three daughters, Nancy McDonald of Post, Patty Pruitt of Lubbock and Miranda McCowen of Ruidoso; his father, Allon McCowen of Slaton; one brother, Bobby McCowen of Houston; one sister, Carolyn Countryman of Watauga; and six grandchildren.

The family has suggested memorials be made to the West Texas Parkinson Society, 3506 21st Street, Suite 402, Lubbock, TX 79410.

#### Clarence Linford Warren Sr.

Graveside services for Clarence Linford Warren Sr., 83, of Post were held at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 21, 2003, in the Terrace Cemetery with the Rev. Arthur Kelly officiating. Hudman Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

He died Wednesday, Feb. 19, at his home. Born Aug. 22, 1919, he married Velma Shaw Feb. 8, 1947, in Hillsboro. She preceded him in death Feb. 4, 1996. A supervisor in the weave room at the Postex Cotton Mill until his retirement, he enjoyed fishing and playing dominoes.

Survivors include one daughter and son-in-law, Brenda and Noah Sweeten of Post; one sister and brother-in-law, Inez and Jimmy Faulknor of Blum; seven grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, Linford Warren, on Oct. 22, 1998.



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### County attorney reports 180 criminal cases in 2002

More than 180 criminal cases were filed for prosecution in the local county court during 2002, according to a report recently submitted to Garza County officials.

### Gospel concert Sunday at **Grassland Church of Nazaene**

Two people, one team.

Janice and Jerrel Brasher of Russellville, Ark., who will appear in a gospel music probation, disposing 13 of them. concert at 10:30 a.m. Sunday in the Grassland Church of the Nazarene, have crisscrossed the United States on a regular basis since 1972.

The Brashears started singing gospel music with their family of three children. cases. A total of 38 DWI cases were filed in 2001 - 64 were filed last year. When the two daughters and son grew up, married and moved away with families of their own, it was up to Janice and Jerrel to find a way to go on.

After hiring people from outside the family, the couple decided the result just wasn't the same. Although they had what they knew were some of the most talented people in the world traveling and performing with them, the Brashears decided to try handled. something different.

recording engineer makes sure the couple, backed by the recording, will produce a full group sound in concert – not just a soloist with background vocals. Those who attend a Brashears gospel concert hear a full band and full group sound, even though there are only two people performing.

The Brashears do their best to make their concerts entertaining, but they are quick to point out that a gospel concert can and should provide spiritual renewal. They want their audience to hear the words of their songs, not just the music.

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In his annual report on the Garza County Court and the Garza County Juvenile Court, county attorney Leslie Acker reported that 181 criminal cases were filed for prosecution at the county court level during the 2002 calendar year. Of that number, 64 involved charges of driving while intoxicated and 56 were linked to drug offense charges. Ten of the case total were related to theft charges, and eight involved assault complaints.

During the same calendar year, the court disposed of 200 criminal cases, leaving a pending docket of approximately 76 cases as of Jan. 1, 2003.

Additionally, the county court held 14 hearings concerning filed motions to revoke

Acker reported that the only "significant change" he could draw from the 2002 annual report when compared to those of previous years was an increase in DWI

"The activity in the Garza County Juvenile Court has remained steady during 2002," Acker said in his report. Twelve detention hearings were conducted; five new petitions for delinquent conduct/need for supervision were heard; seven adjudication hearings were conducted; and six hearings for modification of disposition were

Acker cited a "significant increase" in his office's handling of hot check collections Today, the Brashears do all of their recording with their son and daughters. The during 2002. A total of 174 bad checks were processed, resulting in restitution totaling \$19,178.35 paid to merchants and/or vendors. In the previous year, 104 bad checks were handled, resulting in restitution payments of \$9,909.63.

> Acker's annual report is drawn from monthly reports prepared by the Garza County clerk and submitted to the Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council

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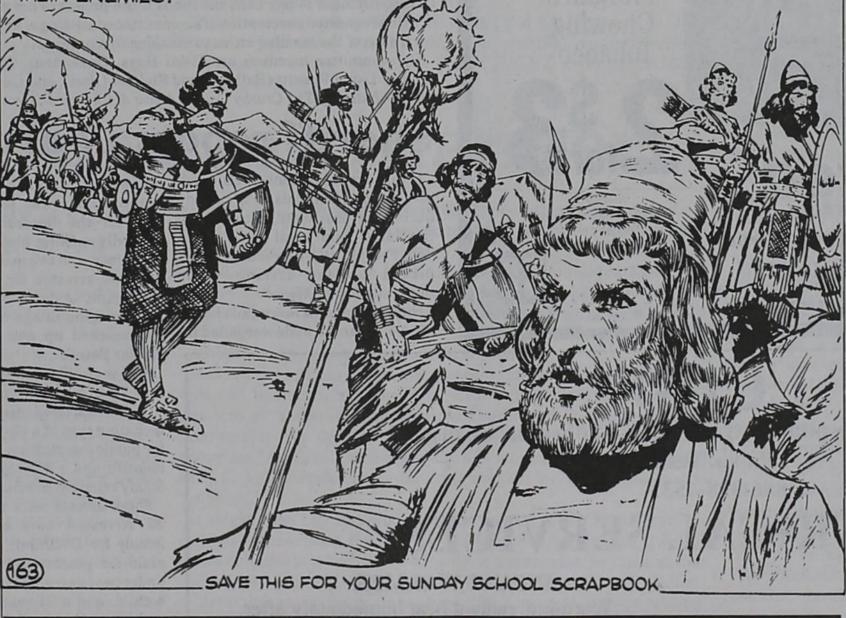
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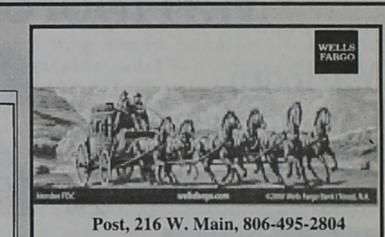
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#### Living in a dream world

Health Care District meetings. hometown. 1996. It seems at that time, the population of Garza County. a.k.a. no patients!

our community have changed; are they so different from what they were in 1996? The main need then was for a skilled nursing facility to allow our I have followed with interest the elderly to die with dignity in their

Apparently the Board has decided to Even with the new prison industry, build another hospital. Are they living if a survey were taken, prison in a dream world, that a new building employees residing in Post probably will make a successful business have Lubbock doctors and will more venture? I can remember the history than likely use a Lubbock hospital. prior to the closing of our hospital in This is also true of most of the

premier reason was lack of census, I cannot understand how the recruitment of a doctor will be enough I don't know of the demographics of staff to run a hospital 24/7. It also

takes nurses and ancillary staff. Surely you are cognizant of the national shortage of nurses and rad techs, as well as other support staff. Has the Board checked into the cost of agency or PRN nurses, even if you can find them? I can remember the horrendous cost of contract physicians necessary for weekend emergency coverage prior to closing the hospital.

Grant funding does not always happen. The entire face of medical coverage has changed in the last few years, and there are numerous reasons we can't go back to what we remember from earlier times! Carol Peppers

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#### Senior 4-H Fashion Project

All youth 14 and over interested in participating in the Senior 4-H Clothing Project and Fashion Show, need to call 495-4400 to sign up by February 28th. This is the last date you can sign-up.

#### 4-H Photography Project Meeting....

....will be held at the Extension office Monday, March 3, at 4:00 p.m. This is the last day to sign up for this project. All Junior photo entries must be turned in by March 26.

#### Livestock Judging

If you are interested in signing up for Livestock Judging, call Greg at 495-4400 by Friday, February 28th.

#### District Record Book Training Advance Level - April 7, TAMU Research & Extension Center, Lubbock,

6:30-8:00 p.m. RSVP to 495-4400 by April 3. Beginner/Intermediate Level - April 15, Colorado City. RSVP by April 10 to 495-4400.

#### Rally for Our Country

Join us for a moment of Prayer and Devotion on March 3, 2003 at 3:00 p.m. at the Garza County Courthouse, front lawn, to pray for our country, the men and women who serve and protect us, and the leaders of this nation! Faith is the door way that all miracles come through, but prayer is the key that unlocks the door! Members of the Community welcome! Sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension.

### New directors take oath of office at White River **Municipal Water District**

The oath of office and Texas Statement of Elected/Appointed Officer were administered to recently appointed director David Prewitt, representing the City of Ralls, at the regular meeting of the White River Municipal Water District board of directors Thursday, Feb. 14. Crosby County Constable Ronnie Proctor of Belton; Clinton Johnny Holbroks administered the statements.

The board unanimously approved a contract allowing Micky Givens to Angelo; and Manuelita Woodwardfarm District property. The conditions Givens agreed to in the contract are:

Pay an annual cash lease of \$11,000;

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Pay for all flats on the pivot; and Pay the first \$250 for repairs on the pivot.

District Manager Tommy O'Brien reported that the new tank on the Spur line should be completed by mid-March.

O'Brien explained the new upgrading project on the water treatment plant Jim Bob Altizer who resided in Del to the new directors. He explained that a œbecause of the development of trihalomethanes in the water and state limits, we are changing the method of disinfecting the water.â He then went on to explain that chlorine is not

doing the job, so ammonia is also being injected into the system. THE \$180,000 grant application submitted in October 2002, to the Water Development Board was approved. The grant was submitted to conduct a feasibility study for taking water from the North Fork of the Double Mountain Fork of the Brazos River to divert the water back up to White River Lake. â œThis feasibility study will not only consider costs but also the

The district has a permit to construct a dam on the river just east of Post. A stipulation of the grant contract is that if the study finds that the project is practical and feasible, and we donâ ™t build the project within six years of the contract being signed, the district must give back 25% of the monies to the funding agency.

If the project is not built within seven years of the contract being signed, then the district must give back another 25% of the monies, and so forth, â Oâ ™Brien said.

The grant has not been accepted by the district at this time. BECAUSE of the requirement to pay back the funds if the project is not completed, Oâ TMBrien requested the creation of a committee consisting of a representative from each of the member cities to consider this project.

The committee members are Heidi Hays (Crosbyton), Charles Morris (Spur), David Prewitt (Ralls), David Steltzer (Post), and Oâ ™Brien. Contributed by The Crosby County News & Chronicle, Crosbyton.

### Sheriff repots 17 arrests

Local law enforcement officials took unlawfully carrying a weapon; a 22seventeen individuals into custody year-old male was picked up and during the past week, according to held for the Border Patrol after the Garza County Jail log.

intoxicated/first offense.

Nine individuals were jailed Feb. 20. A 63-year-old male was jailed for

allegedly making alcohol available On Feb. 19, a 21-year-old male was to a minor; and two men, ages 25 and picked up for driving while 21, were arrested for possession of marijuana, under two ounces. Five men, ranging in age from 17 to 33, were picked up and held for the Border Patrol.

> A 27-year-old female was picked up Feb. 21 on a bench warrant.

On Feb. 22, two arrests were made, including that of a 33-year-old male for public intoxication and failure to identify, and a 33-year-old male for felony criminal mischief.

Three arrests were recorded Feb 23. Arrested were a 23-year-old female for DWI/first; a 51-year-old male for possession of marijuana, under two ounces, and indecency with a child; and a 21-year-old male for making alcohol available to a minor. Picked up on Feb. 24 was a 31-yearold male on a judgment.

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### **Texas Rodeo** Cowboy Hall of Fame names 25

A standing-room-only crowd attended the 2003 Texas Rodeo Cowboy Hall of Fame induction ceremony Feb. 8 in Belton.

In its 29th year of recognizing Texas' distinguished rodeo cowboys and cowgirls, Hall of Fame founder Johnny Boren of Belton congratulated the incoming 25 inductees and began the ceremony with a prayer. President and CEO Dwayne Meacham of League City introduced the organization's executive board and directors and welcomed guests.

World-famous pro rodeo announcer Tom Hadley of Mason and popular professional auctioneer/announcer Dan Willis of Ross, each TRC Hall of Fame members, introduced those being inducted.

The 25 names added to the Roll of Honor that already lists 160 from past ceremonies included Gov. Bill Daniel of Liberty, a "genuine oldtime Texas cowboy, rodeo and wild west show performer, producer, announcer and full-time successful rancher;" Johnny Ackel of Hamshire; R.C. Bales of McKinney; Leon Bauerle of Kyle; Joe Beaver of Huntsville; Bobby "Hooter" Brown of Amarillo; John Clark of Mansfield; and Jerry L. Coble of Houston.

Also, Gerald Conner of Huffman; Tony Crainer of Alvin; Glenn Dorn of San Antonio; Todd Foxx of Marble Falls; Glenn Keith of Wimberley; Wyche of Markham; Jo Decker of San Richard of Lohn.

Special recognition went to Ferrell Butler of Red Oak, Sarge Cook of Dallas and Charlie Rankin of McAllen.

Deceased individuals whose names were added to the honor roll included Rio; James Alfred Cox, Austin; Fannie Mae Cox, Teck; Derrell Gilfillian, Beaumont; and Whitey Bob Walker,

### Coming up in next week's **American Profile**

Coming in March 2-8 issue of American Profile:

Here's a peek: The cover story: The Great American Wild West Show For the last seven years, Max Reynolds of Lexington, Neb., (pop. 10,011) has traveled the rodeo circuit portraying Buffalo Bill Cody, bringing the Wild West legend to life with thrilling

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Hometown Recipes: This hearty stew combines ground beef, cabbage, and beans.

### Menus

Post I. S. D. Monday, March 3 Breakfast: Pancake on stick, fruit and milk. Lunch: Fajitas, onions and peppers, salad, cobbler and milk.

Tuesday, March 4 Breakfast: Pop tart, sausage link, fruit and milk. Lunch: Frito pie, Ranch style beans, broccoli, cornbread, pears and milk. Wednesday, March 5 Breakfast:

Breakfast pizza, fruit and milk. Lunch: Steak fingers, gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, juice bar and milk.

Thursday, March 6 Breakfast: Malt-o-meal, toast, sausage, fruit and milk. Lunch: B-B-Que on bun, pinto beans, salad, ice cream, milk.

Friday, March 7 Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit, orange juice and milk. Lunch: Cheeseburger, H.B. salad, tater tots, peaches and milk.

Garza County Trailblazers Monday, March 3 Lunch: Meatloaf,

corn, green beans, coleslaw, wheat roll and jello salad. Tuesday, March 4 Lunch; Roastbeef, carrots, mashed potatoes,

salad, hot roll and cinnamon cake.

Wednesday, March 5 Lunch: Spaghetti, fried okra, onion and cucumber salad, garlic bread and

Thursday, March 6 Lunch: Beef and potato stew, mixed vegetables, green onions, cornbread and banana pudding.

Friday, March 7 Lunch: Turkey, dressing, green bean casserole, macaroni and cheese, salad, hot roll and apple cobbler.

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### And thereafter, poverty in America

by Walter E. Williams

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> If you're a poor adult in America, for the most part, it's all your fault. That's true, at least today, whether you're black, white, brown or polka dot. According to the definition the U.S. Bureau of Census uses, a family of four with an income over \$18,244 is not poor.

The poverty cutoff for a single-person household is \$9,359, and that for a two-person household is \$12,000. With those definitions, the poverty rate was 11.7 percent, or about 33 million Americans living in poverty in 2001. The greatest percentage of poverty is found in femaleheaded households.

Over 70 percent of female-headed households are poor. A large percentage of poor people are children (17 percent); fully 85 percent of black children living in poverty reside in a female-headed household. Is poverty pre-ordained? I think not. A married couple, both working full time at a minimum-wage job that pays \$5.15 per hour, would earn jobs. Would anybody be surprised that poverty is one result of drug an annual income of \$20,600.

Keep in mind that few adults earn wages as low as the minimum wage and those who do earn a higher wage after a few months on the job. If a married couple both working at the minimum wage had no children, they would not be poor; if they had two children, they wouldn't be living in the lap of luxury, but neither would they be below the poverty threshold.

Let's look at poverty in female-headed households. Divorce and death of the father might explain a small part of why there're so many female-headed households. But the bulk of it is explained by people having children and not getting married in the first place. Having children is not an act of God.

It's not like you're walking down the street and pregnancy strikes you; children are a result of a conscious decision. For the most part,

destructive behavior of one or two people.

They might have bought into the nonsense of "experts" like John Hopkins University sociologist Professor Andrew Cherlin, who said, "It has yet to be shown that the absence of a father was directly responsible for any of the supposed deficiencies of broken homes." The real issue, according to Cherlin, "is not the lack of male presence but

According to a NPR/Kaiser/Kennedy School Poll, the leading cause of poverty identified by both the poor (75 percent) and non-poor (65 percent) was drug abuse. Again, it's not like you're walking down the street and you're struck with drug addiction; to use drugs is a conscious decision.

Drug-users tend not to be very productive. They drop out of school, abandon their families, have scrapes with the law and don't hold down usage? Most middle-class Americans, including black Americans, are no more than one, two or three generations out of poverty.

How did they manage this feat; what's the secret for avoiding poverty? I think it's a no-brainer. Finish high school and take a job, any kind of a job. Today, but not when I graduated in 1954, if a person graduates from high school, with even a C average, there is a college or some kind of skills training program somewhere for him, and often financial assistance to boot.

So if a person doesn't take advantage of today's available opportunities, particularly those during the boom of the 1990s, and engages in self-

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destructive behavior, whose fault is it? SYNDICATE, INC.

### female-headed households are the result of short-sighted, self-Liberty is in severe danger

#### Patriot Act II: The Sequel, Why It's Even Scarier than the First Patriot Act

by Anita Ramasastry

USA Patriot Act, which conferred broad new powers upon the federal government. Now John Ashcroft and his scribes at the Justice him to this fact. Department have been working secretly to create new, 120-page draft legislation that, if enacted, would expand greatly upon these already sweeping powers.

Domestic Security Enhancement Act. It is also nicknamed Patriot II information not only for proven terrorists, but also "suspected (the name by which I'll refer to it here), or Son of Patriot. On February terrorists." And that term would include anyone who was associated 7 of this year, a January 9 draft of Patriot II was revealed to the public with, or had provided money or other support for, groups designated - but not by the government. It was made public only through a leak. Even Congress itself, strikingly, appears to have played little or no part in Patriot II's drafting (though it seems that Speaker of the dislikes. Remember, the original USA Patriot Act defined the new House Hastert was, at least, given the opportunity to review the draft crime of "domestic terrorism" broadly, to encompass "any action that last month, as was Vice President Cheney.).

Perhaps the Bush Administration is looking to repeat its experience with the original USA Patriot Act. Amidst the emotional turmoil after arrest being tagged as a "suspected domestic terrorist," and forced to September 11, the Administration introduced the Act and got it provide DNA. Would the government need to get a court order to enacted in a matter of weeks. The Senate Judiciary Committee had procure the DNA? Not under Patriot II. only a brief, one-and-a-half-hour hearing on the Act, in which

expedited consideration. Now, however, there is far less exigency. If Patriot II gives the government the right to put it in the new database. the introduction of Patriot II in Congress coincides with the Iraq war, Incredibly, DNA would also be collected from anyone who is, or has it may well be because the Administration has planned it that way, to been, on probation for any crime, no matter how minor. State take advantage of circumstances to ram the bill through both Houses governments would be required to collect DNA samples from state quickly.

Even if Patriot II does end up being introduced in wartime, citizens and their representatives should fight this legislation tooth and nail, for it threatens to take even more of our liberties away. It is a wholesale assault on privacy, free speech, and freedom of information. it's important to remember that the Patriot Act itself already greatly

Making Total Information Awareness the Law program, which sought to build data profiles of all Americans, sparked a wide public outcry. Congress recently warned against using TIA as a tool against US citizens. Nevertheless, Patriot II, as draft by the Attorney General and his staff, would begin to make TIA the law. For instance, under Patriot II, federal agents would not need a will. subpoena or obtain a court order to access our consumer credit reports. This provision would open the wedge for TIA to be implemented through a huge database.

Our credit reports are repositories of a great deal of sensitive domestic criminal acts as subject to the same, looser legal rules that information - from our employment history to where we shop, borrow apply to foreign intelligence gathering.

To see the information, the feds would only have to certify that they

will use the information "in connection with their duties to enforce federal law." Note that they would not have to certify that the person whose information was accessed was suspected of terrorism, or indeed, any other crime. And no one would be notified that their Soon after the terrorist acts of September 11, Congress passed the records had been accessed. When a commercial entity requests a consumer's credit report, a note is made in the consumer's file alerting

A Mandate to Collect Genetic Information

Meanwhile, not only data, but genetic information would also be collected by the government if Patriot II were passed. DNA would be This daring sequel to the USA Patriot Act is known internally as the put into a "Terrorist Identification Database." It would contain

It might also include protesters, or anyone else the government endangers human life that is a violation of any Federal or State law." Certainly one could envision a disruptive war protester who resisted

And what if the protester wouldn't comply? That would be a Class A Attorney General Ashcroft testified but took no questions. In the misdemeanor, punishable by up to one year in prison and a \$100,000 House, meanwhile, there was no testimony from opponents of the bill. fine. Anyway, the protester's refusing to give up DNA might be futile After September 11, there was at least some rationale for this - if any other government agency happens to have a blood sample, probationers and provide them to the federal government.

Increasing Surveillance Powers

Database surveillance, under Patriot II, would also be combined with increased active surveillance of citizens. To assess the change, expanded surveillance powers. Now Patriot II would, if enacted, Admiral Poindexter's proposed Total Information Awareness (TIA) makes it even easier for the government to engage in surveillance of U.S. citizens, without having to establish traditional probable cause under the Fourth Amendment. It would do so by making it easier for law enforcement to avail itself of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court, which issues warrants more easily than federal district courts

> The FISA Court is meant to address international terrorism, involving mostly noncitizens. Patriot II, however collapses the distinction between domestic and international terrorism, treating wholly

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### A peace of the action

by Bill O'Reilly



Because I was a college student from 1967-71, I am a primary source as far as peace demonstrations are concerned. I vividly remember the Vietnam protests and the rhetoric that was used back then: "Hey, hey, LBJ, how many kids did you kill today?" It is eerily similar to what's going on today visa-vis Iraq.

Back then, many of the antiwar protestors considered America an evil place, full of warmongering politicians and a military intent on persecuting the people of Southeast

Asia. The historical truth, however, turned out to be quite different. I remember reading a book called "The Killing Fields" documenting the mass murder of up to 2 million Cambodians. Then I saw the movie starring Sam Waterston. What the Khmer Rouge did was exactly what the Nazis did. Yet the peace demonstrators in America That's a call for fathers to be replaced by a government welfare check. said little about it, perhaps because they knew that if the United States had prevailed in Vietnam, the "killing fields" of neighboring Cambodia would not have happened.

In the early 90s, I decided to go to Vietnam myself to have a look around. The communist system there allows little freedom and much poverty. In Saigon, I was besieged by Vietnamese who wanted to send messages to relatives and friends in America. I could not offer any assistance, as my "minder" would not even allow me to take their

The point is that for every action, there is a reaction. The Vietnam War was begun to prevent communism in Southeast Asia. The United States was not successful because our allies were corrupt and we fought on the defensive. But what happened after we left Vietnam was far worse in humanitarian terms than anything that happened during that war. Again, I wonder if the Vietnam peace crowd ever thinks about that.

Now we have a similar but far more threatening situation. Many people simply don't want to remove Saddam Hussein by force. But if force is not used, Saddam stays. That means more Iraqis will be tortured and killed, and whatever weapons Saddam has accumulated stay in play. And despite the rhetoric, it is simply impossible to find vials of hidden anthrax in a country the size of California.

And what if someday some of that anthrax finds its way to your house? An elderly Connecticut woman named Ottilie Lundgren experienced that. She's dead. I don't think many of the protestors remember her very well. Perhaps I'm wrong.

If the unthinkable happens and anthrax does show up in America again, chances are the FBI will not be able to trace it. The bureau could not trace the first batch. The arrival of anthrax means Americans will die, institutions will be shut down, and panic will

The peace protestors do not want to address that possibility the same way they do not want to address "the killing fields." No, the demonstrators are confident that the U.N. weapons inspectors can "contain" a murderous dictator who acknowledged to the United Nations after the Gulf War that he possessed plenty of anthrax and other stuff even worse. And Saddam remains defiant — he will not account for those hideous weapons.

So the next time you see an antiwar demonstration or hear appeasers like Jacques Chirac and Gerhardt Schroeder, think about Ottilie Lundgren and millions of faceless Cambodians. They died horribly, and no power was in place that could protect them.

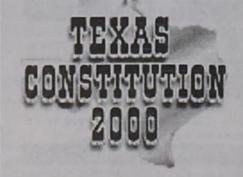
Most of us know in our hearts that honest dissent is a strength of America and that war is a bad thing. But there are worse things, and every American should think about that.

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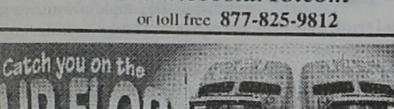


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Remember, domestic terrorism is defined very broadly as "any action that endangers human life that is a violation of any Federal or State law." That means anything from getting into a raucous bar fight, to driving recklessly over the state speed limit, could theoretically count. And if the government finds a particular person suspicious, they could cite law violations as far from terrorism as these as a valid excuse for surveillance.

Worse, even those persons who cannot be deemed "domestic terrorists" because they have not broken any law, can alternatively be deemed "foreign powers" under Patriot II - even if they are American citizens or permanent residents. This allows the FBI to get pen registers on American citizens for a

Gagging American Citizens and Cutting Off Their Rights to Sue

If you don't like the government's policies, including these, Patriot II says: limited? Can't I at least use the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) to figure Too bad. Don't try to make a federal case out of it - we'll bar you at the courthouse door.

What if you're lucky enough discover that you've been illegally spied on, in violation of your Fourth Amendment rights? Too bad. Patriot II would provide immunity from liability to law enforcement engaging in spying operations against the American people. The proposed act provides a defense for federal agents who engage unauthorized searches and surveillances relating to foreign intelligence when they are acting "pursuant to a lawful authorization from the President or the Attorney General."

What if a disgruntled business competitor chooses to falsely claim to the government that you're a "suspected terrorist"? Again, too bad. Don't consider suing the competitor, no matter what consequences ensure Patriot II eliminates civil liability for businesses and employees that report "suspected terrorists" to the federal government, no matter how malicious or unfounded the tip may

Like TIA, Operation TIPS - which would have enlisted government employees to spy on citizens - elicited public outcry. But this is TIPS all over again. If they like, your package courier or cable guy can report you to the feds with impunity. Broadly Criminalizing Encryption of Evidence

Meanwhile, in your search for a shred of privacy that might remain to you, don't even think about trying to protect your email. Under Patriot II, the government may go after you for that, too. Specifically, Patriot II, as currently drafted, would make it a new, separate crime to use encryption in the commission of another crime. To be convicted, the defendant must be shown to have "knowingly and willfully use[d] encryption technology to conceal any incriminating communication" relating to a federal felony he is committing, or attempting to commit.

The "federal crime" limitation may seem significant, until you realize that "domestic terrorism" - which can be based on a state law violation - is a federal crime. Remember, too, how loosely "domestic terrorism" is defined, in a way that could encompass a protester's resisting arrest, and if you do, you may reasonably fear using encryption even if you are not engaged in any criminal

What if your encrypted email about protest planning is deemed "incriminating evidence" of your plan to resist arrest at the protest? You could be looking at

that the illegal encrypting ought to carry a mandatory minimum term of five carefully on Patriot II, even in the midst of impending war, we may be stuck years in prison.

Notably, the federal felony relating to the "incriminating communication" need not be an act of terrorism. It could be any federal crime, from the most major to the most minor, the most violent to the most excruciatingly technical. And that's frightening.

Digital Millenium Copyright Act, and encrypt the files they are swapping, they may automatically face five years in prison, and could serve ten, for the encryption alone.

What is most shocking about the new encryption crime is that it is not limited still more authority via Patriot II. to terrorism. This is the first attempt to regulate encryption domestically at all.

Shrouding Government Actions in Secrecy

While the government, according to Patriot II, has the right to know virtually everything about you, you have little right to know anything about the government.

Current grand jury secrecy rules apply only to jurors, prosecutors and courtroom staff. Patriot II would expand them to apply to witnesses too meaning that ordinary citizens could not discuss their testimony with anyone

ciated with VALOR's surcharge application are those not recoverable through the ELCS fee.

business line, will have those fees raised to \$3.50 per residential line and \$7 per business line

individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136

VALOR seeks to recover through this proceeding is \$7,601,145 annually.

ables a través de la cuota del ELCS.

de tarifas a \$3.50 por línea residencial y \$7.00 por línea comercial.

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LEGAL NOTICE

On February 6, 2003, VALOR Telecommunications of Texas, LP (VALOR) filed an application with the Public Utility Commission

of Texas (Commission) to establish surcharges to recover lost revenues and increased costs associated with seven hundred

thirteen (713) Expanded Local Calling Service (ELCS) routes implemented in and between VALOR's Texas telephone

exchanges and in many instances, exchanges of other local telephone companies. The application is filed based on the

Commission's Substantive Rule 26.221 titled, "Applications to Establish or Increase Expanded Local Calling Service

ELCS expands a local calling scope to include one or more additional telephone exchanges, if customers in a petitioning exchange approve by ballot, the payment of an ELCS fee in lieu of long distance charges. The costs and lost revenues asso-

In the application, VALOR proposes to implement on an interim basis a monthly per line surcharge of \$.99 for residential cus-

tomers and \$1.98 for business customers beginning with the April, 2003 bill cycle. This proposed surcharge will apply in addition to any monthly ELCS fees. If rates at or above the level of the interim surcharges are not ultimately approved by the

Commission, VALOR will refund all or part of the interim surcharges, as directed by the Commission. Ultimately, VALOR seeks approval of monthly surcharges of \$3.38 for business lines and \$1.69 for residential lines to replace the interim surcharges. Additionally, the application proposes that customers currently billed ELCS fees lower than \$3.50 per residential line and \$7 per

The net annual effect on the revenues of VALOR will be zero since the requested surcharge replaces lost revenues and reimburses VALOR for the increased cost of service associated with ELCS. The estimated total lost revenues and increased costs

If you have questions about the proposed surcharges or would like further information, please call VALOR at 1-877-520-5220.

The Public Utility Commission has assigned Project No. 27363 to this proceeding. Persons who wish to intervene in or comment upon these proceedings should notify the Public Utility Commission of Texas as soon as possible and no later than April 14, 2003, the intervention deadline. A request to intervene or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility

Commission of Texas, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, PO Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. Further information may also be

obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing-impaired and speech-impaired

**AVISO** 

El 6 de febrero de 2003, VALOR Telecom de Texas, LP (VALOR) sometió una solicitud a La Comisión Pública de Servicios de

Texas (Public Utility Commission of Texas) para establecer sobrecargos para recuperar las ganancias perdidas y los costos

incrementados relacionados con sietecientos trece (713) rutas implementadas del Servicio Expandido de Llamadas Locales (Expanded Local Calling Service) entre los despachos centrales de teléfono de VALOR de Texas y en muchas instancias,

despachos de otras companías locales de teléfono. La solicitud se sometió basada en la Regla 26.221 de La Comisión titula-

ELCS extiende el alcance de llamadas locales para incluir uno o más despachos de teléfono adicionales, si los clientes de un

despacho hacen una petición de cambio que es aprobada por voto para pagar un cargo de ELCS en lugar de sobrecargos de

larga distancia. Los costos y ganancias perdidas relacionadas con los sobrecargos de la solicitud de VALOR no son recuper-

En la solicitud, VALOR propone implementar temporalmente un cargo mensual por línea de \$0.99 por cliente residencial y

\$1,98 para clientes comerciales empezando con la facturación del ciclo de Abril, 2003. Este cargo propuesto se aplicará en

adición a cualquier cargo mensual ELCS. Si las tarifas al o sobre el nivel de los sobrecargos temporarios no son ultimadamente

aprobados por la Comisión, VALOR reembolsará todo o parte de los sobrecargos temporales, indicados por La Comisión.

Ultimadamente, VALOR busca aprobación de sobrecargos mensuales de \$3.38 por líneas comerciales y \$1.69 por líneas res-

idenciales para reemplazar los sobrecargos temporarios. Adicionalmente, la solicitud propone que los clientes que actualmente

son facturados con tarifas ELCS más bajas de \$3.50 por línea residencial y \$7.00 por línea comercial, tendrán un incremento

El efecto anual en las ganancias de VALOR serán cero siendo que los sobrecargos solicitados reemplazan las ganancias per-

didas y reembolsa a VALOR por incremento en el costo del servicio relacionado con ELCS. El costo estimado total de las

ganancias perdidas y el incremento de costos que VALOR tiene como fin recuperar a través de este procedimiento es

Si usted tiene alguna pregunta acerca de los sobrecargos propuestos o si necesita más información, por favor llame a VALOR

La Comisión de Servicios Públicos ha asignado el Proyecto No. 27363 a este procedimiento. Las personas que deseen inter-

venir o comentar en o sobre estos procedimientos deben notificar La Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas tan pronto como

sea posible y no más tarde del dia 14 de Abril 2003, fecha límite de la intervención. Para intervenir o para más información,

escriba a La Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas (Public Utility Commission of Texas), 1701 N. Congress Avenue, PO Box

13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. También puede solicitar más información llamando a La Comisión de Servicios Públicos al (512)

936-7120 o al (888) 782-8477. Personas con impedimentos de hablar o del sentido de oir con teléfonos de textos (TTY) pueden

da, "Solicitudes para Establecer o Incrementar los Sobrecargos de Servicio Expandido de Llamadas Locales"

but their attorney. In theory, they'd have to keep mum even with spouses or children, or face serious consequences.

What if they've been improperly subpoenaed in the first place? Under Patriot II, too bad: Neither individuals nor organizations may move to try to quash a federal grand jury subpoena.

Will the grand jury itself at least remain independent? Nope. Patriot II allows the federal government to place gag orders on both federal and state grand juries, and to take over the proceedings.

Detentions will be similarly shrouded in an atmosphere of dead secrecy. The Justice Department's position on detainees is that if they are held incommunicado indefinitely without being charged with a crime, they need not be publicly identified. Patriot II would make that dubious position the law. Meanwhile, if you do happen to somehow find out the identity or whereabouts of - or anything else about - a detainee, it would be criminal under Patriot II foreign intelligence investigation - without having to show any criminal or to reveal it. And that's the case even if you are the detainee's parent, spouse,

Okay, you might ask, this is a lot of secrecy, but isn't it at least somewhat out what the government is doing when it's not secretly detaining people, or

secretly conducting grand jury proceedings? No. Under Patriot II, FOIA would not extend to information "specifically exempted from disclosure by statute." What kind of statutes? Well, the USA

Patriot Act might be one. Patriot II might be another. It's a clever strategy: Collect private information. And then when citizens try to find out what you've collected, cite their own privacy right back at them as a reason not to divulge it.

If it seems farfetched to think the government could invoke privacy in this instance, consider that Ashcroft actually cited detainees' privacy as a reason not to release their names to the press, the public, or even their families.

Denaturalization: The Citizenship Death Penalty In sum, Patriot II puts in jeopardy the First Amendment right to speak freely, statutory and common law rights to privacy, the right to go to court to challenge government illegality, and the Fourth Amendment right against unreasonable searches and seizures. But that's not all

It also puts in jeopardy perhaps the most basic right of all: The right to walk the streets in safety without being "disappeared" by the government. Chileans have not always enjoyed this right. Americans, until now, always have Suppose you, as a citizen, attended a legal protest for which one of the hosts, unbeknownst to you, is an organization the government has listed as terrorist. Under Patriot II, you may be deported and deemed no longer an American

Under Patriot II, if you are simply suspected of terrorist activity, this can occur. More specifically, a U.S. citizen may be expatriated "if, with the intent to relinquish his nationality, he becomes a member of, or provides material support to, a group that the United Stated has designated as a 'terrorist organization'."

How can you tell if the citizen wanted to relinquish citizenship? Under Patriot II, the intent can be inferred from conduct. So any association with even the legal activities of a designated group, plus any act that can be interpreted as disloyal to the United States, can mean you are deported, and no longer considered a citizen.

No Sunset Provisions for Patriot II Mean We Are Stuck with It If It Passes The original USA Patriot Act has sunset provisions, under which the Act will expire if not renewed in five years. Patriot II, however, does not have such The penalty for this offense alone would be up to ten years in prison. In provisions. Indeed, it would go so far as to remove this important check from addition, a Justice Department analysis included with the proposal suggests the original Patriot Act. So if Congress, and the American people don't focus with both Patriot Acts indefinitely.

Especially for that reason, Congress and the public need to learn more. Senator Patrick Leahy has argued, for instance, that before the Department of Justice asks Congress for more powers, it needs to disclose how it is using the ones it already has. Instead, the Department has so far repeatedly balked at For instance, if a peer-to-peer website's users swap files, thus violating the both FOIA requests from the press and the public and requests from Congress for more detailed reporting pursuant to USA Patriot Act.

> At the very least, Congress and the public should insist on a full understanding of what the Justice Department is doing before granting the executive branch

### Romantic comedy at Garza Theatre continues

Theatre's "Desperate Ambrose" begin at 8 p.m. Final performances continue this weekend.

Performances of the Garza Friday's and Saturday's shows are set for March 7, 8 and 9.

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# Yesteryears

10 Years Ago February 24, 1993

Ruby Kirkpatrick, a well known West Texas civic and religious leader was honored February 11 by Texas Christian University and its graduate seminary, Brite Divinity School.

Susan Beth Pettit and Rodney Coleman George exchanged marriage vows in a double ring ceremony at ing. the First United Methodist Church of Lubbock.

Students from Post who qualified for the academic honors lists at Texas Tech University are Tyler Wood Duncan, architecture design; Tyra Ann Hart, accounting; Darren Tray Payne, accounting; Derek Alan Sneed, music teaching; and Cori Denise Weaver, merchandising.

Texas Tech linebacker and 1988 Post High School graduate Ben Kirkpatrick was honored during halftime of the Rice, Texas Tech basketball game with the E. J. Holub "Double Tough" award. This award is given to the outstanding Tech player who exhibits dedication, desire, leadership and spirit.

20 Years Ago February 20, 1983

Jack King was elected president of the Post Chamber of Commerce by board memebers during last week's regular meeting, with Bryan Williams III named as president-elect.

The Crime Line offers \$300 reward for information leading to the arrest of any person or persons connected with burglary of the Caprock Veterinary Clinic. The loss included an undetermined amount of jewelry and cash.

Xi Delta Rho met at the home of a home on Osage Avenue. Cherryl Blair on February 14. Members were dressed in costumes and the theme was "Mardi Gras."

Southland has been assigned to Power. Sheppard Air Force Base, after completing Air Force basic training.

Bradley Cimental wishes to announce the birth of his brother, Joey, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cimental

30 Years Ago February 22, 1973

Brent Howard of Cub Scout Den 5 was named over-all winner in the Genius Kit contest judged at last week's Blue and Gold banquet. Brent, the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Howard, made a model farm and equipment tion. out of his kit.

D. H. (Durward) Bartlett, who most people associate with golf since he is owner and manager of the Caprock Golf Course, is also quite a checker players invited to take part in a recent tournament at Greenville, Tex with the state champions of Texas, players.

Post Library trustees decided at a urday morning. special meeting to proceed to get plans and specifications drawn for the expansion of the library into the vacant lot between City Hall and the Tower Theatre.

Basketball sweethearts have been

elected, they are Reginald Moore and Pam Feagin.

Mr. and Mrs. Roman DeLuna announce the birth of a daughter, Margaret, born Friday, February 16 in Garza Memorial Hospital.

R. H. Sappington was elected president of the Close City Community Center at the group's regular meet-

40 Years Ago

February 21, 1963 Members of the Post Volunteer Fire Department and Law enforcement officers learned at Monday night's firemen's meeting how to evacuate personnel from military aircraft that has crashed.

The Forrest Lumber Company will close its Post yard at 302 West Eighth Saturday afternoon after 14 years of operations here. Walter Johnson, manager of the yard for nearly 11 years and who has been associated with the Forrest Lumber firm since joining them at Slaton in 1952 will be transferred to the Lubbock yard of

Giles McCrary filed Tuesday as a candidate for mayor of Post and Ed Sawyers filed Monday as a candidate for city councilman to bring to three the number of candidates for office in the city election. John N. Hopkins had filed Feb. 11 as a candidate for

Two new families have moved to Post and have purchased new homes in the Westgate Terrace Addition. Mr. and Mrs. Wayne E. Richardson and four children moved here from Spur and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Foster and three daughters have purchased

Marilyn Jones, Teen Town's first Valentine Queen was crowned by Glenn Polk, member of the center's Airman Ambrose Davila, son of board of youth directors. Runners-up Edward and Flora Davila of were Linda McMahom and Terri

> 50 Years Ago February 19, 1953

It was Valentine's Day, a day when most little girls are unusually happy... born Feb. 3 in Lubbock. Parents are but for Cherry Dodson it was more than just Valentine's Day, more than all the Valentines in the world... it was the day she took her first step in almost two years after being stricken with a lengthy illness.

> Garza Memorial hospital has qualified to become a registered hospital with the American Medical associa-

L. W. Evans, senior, was crowned girls' basketball sweetheart of Post high school at half-time. during the Post-Spur game.

Mrs. A. C. Surman and Mrs. Tom player. Barltett was one of 28 checker Hagood entertained with a coffe honoring Miss Mildred Boren, bride-elect of Billy Jack Boren.

Miss Twana Lee Teague became Oklahoma and Louisiana among the the bride of Bob Short, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Short, of Clairemont, Sat-

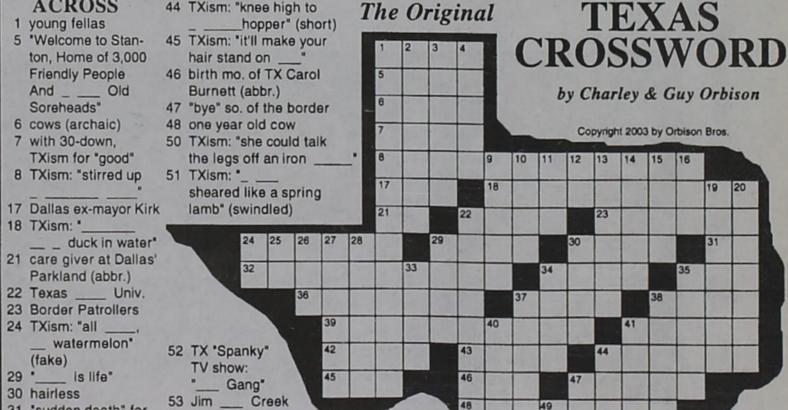
Post Antelopes' basketball squad finished the cage conference in a tie with the Tahoka Bullgdogs.

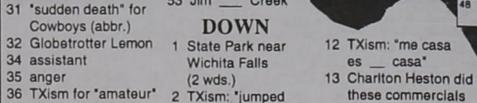
60 Years Ago February 28, 1943

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# Youth baseball leaders meet for 2003 season

The organization of the 2003 youth baseball season is under way. Individuals interested in coaching or umpiring should attend the Sunday, March 2, meeting at 4 p.m. at Citizens Bank.

Anyone who previously served as a coach who has leftover equipment or uniforms is asked to take these items to the March 2 meeting. The league's board routinely does an inventory on such items to determine its needs each season.

Also, anyone interested in operating the concession stand should write out a bid and give it to a Little League board member or call Rachel Dunn at 495-3540. Deadline for bids is April 4.

Registration for baseball, softball and T-ball will be conducted the week of March 24-28. Sign-ups can be completed at any Little Dribblers game; also, sign-ups will be conducted at the baseball park April 5 and 7 during tryouts. Anyone interested in sponsoring a team, making a donation or purchasing an advertisement banner should contact Dunn.

# PHS powerlifers advance to regionals

Three Post athletes will advance to the regional competition following last Saturday's Powerlifting Westerner Classic in Lubbock. Advancing are Noah Gutierrez, Jessica Mason and Mark McCallister.

Gutierrez placed first in the 242 division; McCallister placed first in the 198 division and Mason took third in the 148 girls' division. Jessica will compete at the regional meet March 7 in Plainview. McCallister and Gutierrez will compete at regional in Floyada March 8.

Other competitors placing at the meet included Amanda Workman, Travis Hopper, Jace Pollard, Langly Couch and Chris Hernandez.



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#### PHS Varsity Baseball Schedule

Feb. 27-Mar. 1 @ Sweetwater Tourney Mar. 4 @ Slaton

4:30 p.m.

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PHS Powerlifters at the Westerner Classic last Saturday are (back row, left to right) Yuri Lopez, Gentry Creech, Chris Hernandez, Travis Hopper, Jessica Mason, (second row from back) Noah Gutierrez Jr., Mark McCallister, Langly Couch, Kyle Kirkpatrick, Amanda Workman, (second row from front) coach Peña, coach Tarter, Chessuas Garcia, Jace Pollard, (front row) Haley Massey and Alana Gomez. (Photo by Wendy Wischkaemper)



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