A brisket dinner fundraiser for MAD DADS Inc. will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. For \$7, a plate with brisket, beans and potato salad will be served, along with a drink. Blue Knights Texas IX, a motorcycle group of police officers, will be finishing their poker run

will be on hand for the meal. Proceeds will benefit youth activities in

Gospel Highlights concert August 3 The Gospel Highlights will perform in Post August 3 at 3 p.m. at the

Post Community Center.

'Midnight Madness' opens 2003 season

The Post Antelope 2003 football season opens at midnight, Monday, August 4 with a special "Midnight Madness" practice session and rally for Antelope fans. The Antelope Booster club will help with the "two-adays" opening, the earliest time set by the U.I.L. is 12:01 a.m. Monday. The booster club will offer refreshments and encourage all Antelope fans and supportrs to share the fun and excitement, promoting our student

Antelope Booster Club meets tonight

The Post Antelope Booster Club will hold an organizational meeting Thursday, July 31 at 7 p.m. in the PHS commons. Officer elections and plans for the 2003-2004 school year are just a few of the items set for discussion. The booster club strongly urges participation to support PHS student athletes.

"Charley's Aunt" auditions August 2-3

The Garza Theatre will hold auditions for its upcoming production of "Charley's Aunt" on August 2 and 3. The August 2 auditions will be held in Post at the Garza Theatre with the August 3 auditions at Monterey Church of Christ, 58th and Memphis in Lubbock. Both auditions are from 2 to 4 p.m. Call the box office at 495-4005 or Jay Young at 495-1100

Girl Scouts host patriotic event Aug. 4-5

The Girl Scouts will host a "Get Patriotic with the Girl Scouts" at the Post City Park August 4 and 5 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. There will be crafts and games. Contact Belinda at 745-2855. Girls aged five years and older

Cheerleaders sell Krispy Kreme donuts

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Post High School cheerleaders are taking orders for Krispy Kreme donuts. Contact any high school cheerleader to place your order. Orders will be available for picku Saturday, August 9.

County Team Roping August 2

The Garza County Team Roping will be held at 6 p.m., August 2 with a \$100 per man entry fee. A special Garza County Ex's Invitational Roping will follow the team roping event, call 495-4771 or 781-9869.

Middle School student dance August 15

Post STARS are sponsoring a "Back to School" dance Friday, August 15 for Post Middle School students. The dance will be held at the Teen Room from 8 to 11 p.m. with admission of \$3 per person. The event is limited to entering sixth, seventh and eighth grade students.

Post Public Library "Blue Bonnet" books

The "Blue Bonnet" books and tests are available at the Post Public Library. Third grade students must pass seven out of 10 questions and the fourth and fifth graders must pass eight out of 10 questions. There will be one test opportunity only. Parents should encourage children to ake their time reading the book before taking the test.

Calvary Baptist Church VBS set

Calvary Baptist Church, 6th and Avenue H, announces its Vacation Bible School will be held Monday through Thursday, August 4-7 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Post City Park Pavillion. Bible crafts, study and refreshments will be included. For more information, call 495-2342 or

Blood drive set August 7

The Post Lions Club and United Blood Services will have a blood drive Thursday, Aug. 7, from 5-8 p.m. at the Church of the Nazarene fellowship hall. Currently there is a critical need for O+ and O- blood donors. Anyone interested in donating should call Ron Miner at 495-3044 to make an appointment. Donors must be at least 17 years of age and in good health. Donors should bring a photo ID and a list of medications they are taking. Each donor will receive a T-shirt.

Church holds carport sale August 9

The Calvary Baptist Church announces a benefit carport sale Saturday, August 9 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 808 W. 6th Street. Proceeds of the

sale will be used to help repair the church's sanctuary roof. Post Stampede Rodeo August 7-9

The 63rd Annual Post Stampede Rodeo will be held August 7, 8 & 9 at the rodeo grounds with nightly shows beginning with grand entry at 7:45 p.m. Friday and Saturday dances on the slab feature Guy Will Zant and Blackgold. The rodeo parade will be held August 9 at 3 p.m.

Middle School orientation August 12

The Post Middle School will hold its annual orientation Tuesday, August 12 at 6:15 p.m. in the elementary school auditorium. Students will receive class schedules at that time.

Compuer class offered by network

Post-Garza County Network will offer an introduction to Microsoft Excel computer class August 12, 14, 19 and 21 to residents of Post and Garza County. Classes are free and will be from 6 to 8 p.m. each night. Call Shellee at 495-3343 to enroll.

Elementary school pre-enrollment

Post ISD classes start Aguust 18. Parents of children not currently enrolled for Pre-K or Kindgarten or have not attended Post Elementary School should visit the school office between 8 a.m. and noon and 1 to 3 p.m. to complete necessary paperwork. Parents need to bring child's birth certificate, shot record and social security card.

Elementary school supply packs

Supply packs for Post Elementary School are available at the school office Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to non and 1 to 3 p.m. Supply packs are available for Kindergarten through fifth grades with prices: Kindergarten \$15, 1st grade \$19, 2nd and 3rd grade \$22, 4th and 5th grade \$18.

Post Middle School seeks parents

Post Middle School has set parental involvement as one of its priorities for the coming school year and is seeking two volunteers to act as parent liaisons. Ideally, at least one of the parents would be fluent in Spanish. Liaisons would plan activities that would be of interest for parents and act as link to parents in order to facilitate better communication between school and home. Call the school at 495-2874 to volun-

Close City-Garlynn Reunion

The annual Close City-Garlynn Reunion will be held Saturday, August 16 at the Post Community Center. The event will feature a catered meal at \$10 per person. Call Onita Gunn at 495-2009 or write to her at Rt 3 Box 201, Post, Texas 79356 or Charless Morris at Rt 3, Post, Texas 79356 or call 495-3413.

2003 Antelope Season Ticket Sales

Reserved seats for the Post Antelope football season will be sold as a "season pass only" for the 2003 season. The price for reserved seats will be \$4 per person per game, which means a season pass will be \$20 for the five home games. Reserved seats will be sold for a limited time only, from August 1 through August 22. No reserved seats will be sold after August 22. Contact Shellee Odoom at the Post ISD business office, 501 S. Avenue K. Seats not purchased by August 22 will be available as open seating for each game.

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# Where's the money going to come from?

by Wes Burnett

Tough economic times and a tight budget set the tone for Monday's housed at the Dalby facility. regular meeting of the Garza County Commissioners' Court. Judge number of problems, including building repairs to the courthouse, the resignation of Joe Hardin. potential shifting of county prisoners and decreases in state funding for a number of programs.

County treasurer Ruth Ann Young reported that the preliminary tax rate is 39.292 cents per \$100 evaluation, which would be the rate needed to match last year's property tax totals.

The estimated tax rate, and potentially higher rate facing the court, is brought about in large part due to declining mineral values. Judge Dalby said that the county lost \$12 million in evaluation, mostly from minerals.

In addition to expected revenue decreases, commissioners also discovered that health insurance premiums will increase 17 percent. Young reported that the county has experienced a 75 percent increase in health insurance premiums in the past five years.

Dalby pointed out that if the county is forced to house prisoners in other jails, due to over crowding here and loss of space at the Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility, the county could expect to see a \$160,000 per year increase in costs.

Dalby said that the Federal Bureau of Prisons was pushing to remove county prisoners from the local prison, so that state jail standards would no longer apply. That change could result in fewer guards, with the federal standards requiring about one-half the number of guards per prisoner as the state.

## Commissioners consider refinancing GCPFC bonds

by Wes Burnett

Monday afternoon Garza County commissioners took the first step in refinancing bonds issued by the Garza County Public Facility Corp. for the construction of the Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facil-

Meeting at the Dalby Cattle Co. conference room on East Main Street, the court heard a lengthy and detailed report on the proposed project by David A. Elgart, president of Sequoia Investments

Elgart explained that with lower interest rates, a new bond issue would save the corporation more than \$6 million. Elgart emphasized that the refinancing would depend largely on securing agreement from at least 70 percent of the 1,500 bond holders.

Commissioners agreed to follow up by checking Sequoia references and schedule a special called meeting in the near future. "If we can save that much money, I think we ought to give it very serious consideration," commissioner Mason McClellan said.

The court must decide whether or not it is in the best interest of the county to pay the up front costs of approximately \$59,000 in anticipation of securing the refinancing. Elgart reminded the court that those initial costs would be returned the county upon closing.

The county currently averages eight prisoners per month being

In other matters, the court appointed Wayne Edwards to serve on Giles W. Dalby reminded commissioners that the county faces a the Lake Alan Henry Water District board of directors, following

No action was taken on a bid to purchase lots in the old Burnham community (near Justiceburg). Bobby Smith had submitted the bid,

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# August 7 blood drive answers call for shortages

The Post Lions Club will join United Blood Services for a blood drive from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7, in the Church of the Nazarene fellowship hall.

According to Connie Hollinshead, UBS community relations representative, donor participation is off slightly at summer blood drives, and UBS is in critical need for O+ and O- blood donors.

"It's no secret," Hollinshead said. "People simply are much busier (in the summer) than they are at other times of the year. Although donors might have other things to do, patients continue to need blood. Eligible blood donors are encouraged to give blood at least three times a year - once in the summer - to keep hospital shelves stocked with lifesaving blood."

Hollinshead urged local residents to be heroes and make time to save lives. Those who for some reason cannot donate blood should recruit someone else to give blood in their place, she said.

Anyone interested in donating should call Ron Miner at 495-3044 to make an appointment. Donors should be at least 17 years of age, in good health and have an ID and a list of medications with them at the time of the donation. All donors will receive a T-shirt.

# Post Stampede Rodeo August 7, 8 & 9

The 63rd Annual Post Stampede Rodeo will roll into town Aug. 7, kicking off three days of riding, roping and wrestling.

Nightly shows of the "best rodeo in the west" will open at 7:45 p.m. with the grand entry. The TCRA and UPRA-approved shows, produced by T-N-T Rodeo Co. of Anson, begin at 8 p.m.

Admission to the rodeo will be \$5 for adults; children ages six and under will be admitted free of charge.

Sidelining this year's event will be dances held Friday and Saturday nights, Aug. 7-8. Guy Will Zant and Blackgold will provide the music, and admission will be \$5 per person.

On Saturday, Aug. 9, a rodeo parade will be held in downtown Post beginning at 3 p.m.

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# June highway collections top \$28,321

by Wes Burnett

travel victims who violate state ments.

from 42 cases.

State and county code enforce-Garza County and the State of ment officers are "just doing their Texas collected \$28,321.98 in jobs" by enforcing the traffic code, June for highway travel fines is- although that code is limited to sued here, according to reports of regulating commercial transporthe two Justices of the Peace tation. What was sold to the pubcourts. The fund raising pro- lic in the 1920s for "safe" roads, gram, operated by county and is now a huge money-making state agents, takes advantage of machine for corporate govern-

commercial transportation codes. But the question about the law-JP Court 1 reported \$12,403.25 ful nature of the transportation in June from 63 cases. JP Court code needs a bit of exploring. The 2 reported 15,918.73 for June following research is offered for the reader's consideration:

## Harley Sadler Show at Garza Theatre

The Garza Theatre presents its 2003 Tribute to The Harley SDadler Show, "Rose of the Rio Grande," with seven performances beginning August 1. The play continues August 2, 3, 8, 9, 15 and 16. The comedy features "Sputters," (The Stuttering Cowboy), directed by Mickie Klafka. Cast members include Chris Davis, Peter Contreras II, Charles Grair, Christina Burk, Shilo Fonseca, Pat Price, Debbie Burk and Roy Willis.

by Timothy W. Burnett

risdictional limits (scope) of the Texas Transportation Code by allowing it to interpret itself according to its strict construction. The scope of the Code can be

known by its title, "Transporta-Since this term is not defined

in the Code, then it must be defined according to the United States Transportation Code and Black's Law Dictionary. These sources reveal that the term "Transportation" means transportation by a carrier for hire.

Use of the roads and highways for purposes of "transportation" for hire by carriers" is what falls under the scope of the Code. The Code protects the traveling public by regulating the vehicles us-

ing the roads for the purpose of People can learn the exact ju- "Transportation."

So why do we see Department of Public Safety Officers (DPS), county and city officers enforcing the Code upon the traveling public who show no appearances of using the roads for "transportation" purposes?

The answer rests upon the registration of vehicles with the State of Texas. The scope of the registration requirement falls under "Transportation."

So all motor vehicles using the roads for purposes of "transportation" are required to be registered with the State. But guess

Any automobile, registered with the State, falls within the scope of the Code. The registration sticker and the license plate are the identifiers by which the DPS can determine whether or not a vehicle falls within their jurisdictional limits.

Question for thought: Does the DPS have the authority to enforce the Code upon travelers, not involved with "transportation," who have voluntarily chosen not to register their automobiles with the State?

This is a question to be seriously considered by each individual DPS officer, and the County.

For, both the County and the State stand to financially benefit from a high volume of automobiles being registered with the



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Every once in a whilie clouds and a setting sun make for great displays in West Texas. The scene above was captured during a recent, rare, wet weather event, as seen from on top of the caprock looking southeast. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

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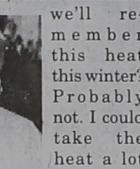
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# Judy's Jabberin'

by Judy (Ballentine) Bush

Hey everyone, It's hot!!! Think Post Stampede Rodeo is coming



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you have seen him walking all keep it that way. over the place, he is following HAPPY ANNIVERSARY you see him out just wave. He and Trish are good friends and the mend.

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people. I guess he may be right, days.. just imagine! but I was always proud of myself SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY for not being a pack rack like one AND BIRTHDAY ets then!

RODEO TIME

we'll re- up August 7-8-9. There will be a m e m b e r dance Friday and Saturday night this heat and the rodeo parade will be Satthis winter? urday, August 9 at 3:00 p.m. Probably SPECIAL PRAYERS not. I could Everyone remember to keep

take the Rene Mason and Nancy Childers heat a lot in your prayers. While you are at better if we it, throw in a special prayer for could just get some rain. the farmers and ranchers and maybe the Good Lord will send Just to let everyone know that them some rain. There sure is Ronnie Metsgar is recovering some pretty cotton and hopefully nicely from his back surgery. If there will be some showers to

doctor's orders. Ronnie had a I want to wish a very happy blown disc removed last week but anniversary to Tom and Janie is home now. He has a good nurse Middleton who celebrated 40 to take care of him, although I years together Sunday. Also to think he gets "do you feel o.k." a Emory and Glenda Stevens who little more than required. So, if celebrated 48 years on the 23rd. AND.....

Happy birthday to my neice Rick and I are glad that he is on Cindy Herridge and daughter Megan Everett who both celebrated birthdays on the 27th. Rick and moved into our new Megan and husband Stan now home this past week. We discov- reside in Aiken, South Carolina. ered one thing. We are too old to When we visited on the phone move! Rick says that we have with her Sunday she said they entirely too much stuff for two had received rain for the past 10

little 89 year old lady I know. But Dan and Sybil Cockrum had lots evidently, I must not do as well of help celebrating their 65th as I thought. At any rate, mov- wedding anniversary, which was ing is a great way to clean clos- July 24th. Michael and Veronica ets and such if you will just throw Cockrum and son Daniel of away or give away what you don't Grand Canyon, Arizona; Wanda wear or need. That is the hard and John Rohm of San Antonio part. I always start a stack of "do and daughter Chandler Marie of away with" but then I have sec- Austin and Dan E. and Linda ond thoughts. I would say that I Cockrum of Carlsbad, New will do better next time, but Mexico. Not only did they cel-Ricky says the next time will be ebrate this anniversary, but Dan east of town in a hearse. Guess also celebrated his 92 birthday on someone else can clean my clos- Tuesday, July 29th. I want to add my special congrats to these two. What a special thing to celebrate Don't forget the 63rd Annual 65 years of marriage.

ON A FINAL NOTE...

Just on thought on the construction...bah humbug!! TILL NEXT WEEK

Guess thats all for this week. May God bless each of you, and I'll see ya next week. Judy

## **Visitors in Post**

Pat and Wes Burnett hosted a summer "vacation" with their granddaughters in July. Visiting from Mesa, Arizona were Alyssa, Cailee, Whitney and Lindsey.

They arrived with their parents, Kim and Allen Dolberry, just before the July 4 weekend. During the stay here the Dolberry sisters also visited their paternal grandparents, Betty Shavor of Lubbock and Ken Dolberry of Grand Prairie. Lindsey returned home July 17 with her paternal grandmother, while Alyssa, Cailee and Whitney returned home July 26, meeting their parents in Las Cruces, NM.

## Commissioners ... (Continued from Page 1)

but commissioners agreed that there were too many unanswered questions about the property, including cost of surveys and identifying trustees.

The court approved a resolution in support of a grant for the Victims Assistance Program. The \$76,000 grant will be used for equipment, travel and training.

## White grandchildren compete at Throckmorton

Noel and Orabeth White at- each of the three events. She also deo Saturday night to watch roping Saturday nights. their granddaughters, Cheyenne Schelli rides in the 12-14 age and Schelli White Throckmorton, compete.

and was awarded belt buckles in 3.2 and 2.8.

tended the Coleman Junior Ro- placed third in the breakaway

of group and placed in the barrel race both nights.

Cheyenne, who competes in the . The sisters recently competed in 15-19 age group, won the barrel the District 3 4-H Horse Show in race, pole bending and goat ty- Vernon where Cheyenne won the ing Friday and Saturday nights breakaway roping with runs of

Dr. Bil.

Last weekend, Cheyenne won three events and the all-around buckle at the Ranger Junior Rodeo, and Schelli placed in several events.

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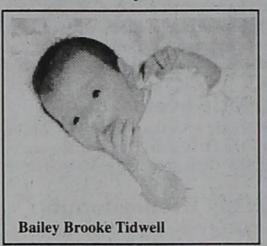
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# **Births**

#### **Bailey Brooke** Tidwell

rodney and Reshea Tidwell announce the birth of their daughter, Bailey Brooke Tidwell. She was born June 30, 2003 weighing five pounds, 15 ounces and was 18 inches long.

Jacie and Ragin are proud to say, "Our sister is doing good, she is not for sale anymore."



# Post Stampede Rodeo

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Events will include steer wrestling, one go-round, \$65; bareback bronc, one go-round, \$65; calf roping, one head, \$65; saddle bronc, one go-round, \$65; barrel race, \$65; team roping, open, \$125; bull riding, one go-round, \$65; and girls break-away roping, \$65. Five hundred dollars will be added to each event, and Red Bluff buckles. will be awarded in each event.

Books open Aug. 4, 5:30-11 p.m. Call Randye McKee at 972-414-

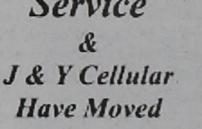
Wild cow saddling, a three-man team event, will be featured with a nightly jackpot. Entry fee is \$60 per team. The Wells Fargo flag race will be open to youths ages 12 and under, with a \$10 entry fee. Flag entries will be limited to the first 10 contestants. The top five contestants each night will advance to the finals. Entry fee in the Reef Chemical Mutton Bustin' is \$10.

To sign up for the junior flag race, the mutton bustin' or the wild cow saddling events, call Ken Young at 495-5216.

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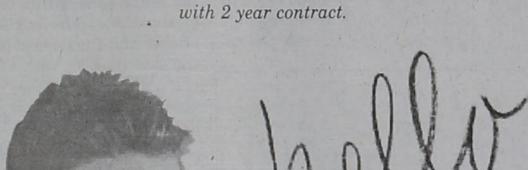


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## Living on the Edge of the Caprock

by Greg Jones, CEA-AG

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

#### **Beef Cattle Short Course**

What cattle breed types are best? What type of bull should producers breed their cows to? What type of calf brings the most money? Two nationally-known animal scientists, Dr. Bill Turner and Dr. Larry Cundiff, will answer these questions at the 49th annual Beef Cattle Short Course. The short course is August 4-6, 2003, at the Texas A&M University Center and Rudder Tower in College Station.

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This year producers will receive in- Hers, parents and other volunteers depth training on breeds, genetics and selection at the first session of the short course August 4.

On August 5, the second general session will cover "Genetics, Breed club meetings and activities. Types and Breeding Programs for Profitable Beef Production". Also to be covered is "Connecting the Cow Herd to the Carcass: Balancing Production, Environment and the Market Place." These sessions will answer many questions beef producers have concerning breeding programs and profitability.

for beef production. All producers are going to have to be better informed and totally accountable. That is why the Texas A&M beef cattle short course is one of the most important programs on management and issues that beef producers will ever attend. The short course also will feature the popular "Cattlemen's College," where participants can choose workshops and topics from Extension agent through several approximately 15 different subjects. Also, general sessions will include information on country of origin costs \$125 per person. The labeling and beef quality assurance

and includes educational materials, for registration should be payable to: a copy of the proceedings, trade show District 3 4-H Council Fund: at PO admittance, tickets to the prime rib Box 2159, Vernon, TX 76385. dinner, and three additional meals and refreshments. Participants may register online at animalscience-extension.tamu.edu statewide training opportunity

or contact (979) 845-6931. opportunity to broaden their skills or your local county Extension office. and learn more about goats at an For more information on Texas 4-August 15-17 master goat volunteer H, including its history and training, courtesy of Texas opportunities for volunteers, visit Cooperative Extension. 4-H is the Web site at http://texas4youth development and leadership h.tamu.edu.

component of the Texas Cooperative Extension, part of the Texas A&M University System's Agriculture Program.

The training is designed to update volunteers with the latest advanced technical methods and subject matter knowledge pertinent to goats and goat projects. These volunteers will in turn teach 4-H goat project members and other volunteers in their home county. In doing so, they support 4-H members and provide learning opportunities for clubs, 4-

The first day of the training will cover topics such as: the value of 4-H projects; master volunteers; 4-H goat projects; and how to host effective

The second day will feature topics such as: facilities and environment; project visitation checklists; sheep and goat method demonstrations; record keeping and record books; overview of the goat industry; scholarships and other opportunities; as well as the internet and other curriculum resources.

These are exciting but critical times The third day of training will focus on goat-specific topics, such as: basic genetics; selection for breeding; feeding and nutrition; basic health considerations; carcass evaluation and meat grading; and preparing for shows and showmanship.

This statewide training is open to any 4-H volunteer/leader in Texas, but each participant must be approved by their local county agreement forms. Participation is limited to 60 persons. Participation registration fee includes course materials, presenter costs, four meals Registration costs \$110 per person and breaks but not lodging. Checks

The headquarters hotel for this event is the La Quinta inn (817-594http:// 4481). For more information on this contact Chandler or Karr at (940) 4-H Master Goat Volunteer Training 552-9941; Kyle Miller, Clay County 4-H leaders statewide have an Extension agent, at (940) 538-5042;



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## **Bob Benson Memorial** Golf Tournament.....

.....to be held August 12. Registration is \$50 per individual or \$200 per team of four. Registration must be postmarked by August 4. Come by or call the Extension office for more information or to pick up registration forms.

### State & County Lamb & Goat Validation

All 4-H and FFA members wanting to exhibit goats or lambs at major livestock shows must order their state validation tags. Tag orders are due August 20, 2003. All goats and lambs must be validated to be exhibited at the county livestock show and all major shows. For more information and to order your tags, call the Extension office at 495-4400 or your Vocational Ag Instructor.

## Fall Fair Entries

All Fall fairs must be entered by August 12, 2003. If you plan on exhibiting livestock at Dallas, South Plains Fair, Permian Basin Fair or the West Texas Fair, call or come by the Extension office.

### Rodeo Concession Stand

All 4-H members and families are requested to work at least one shift at the rodeo concession stand fundraiser. Please call your club manager or the Extension office to

## Seven arrested here last week

Seven individuals were booked into the Garza County Jail during the past week, according to records provided by the sheriff's department. On July 24, a 42-year-old male was

picked up on a Garza County warrant. Three individuals were arrested on Garza County warrants July 25, including two 19-year-olds and a 17-

year-old. Arrested on July 26 were a 37-yearold male for public intoxication and a 17-year-old male picked up on a Garza County warrant.

On July 27, a 48-year-old male was arrested for driving while intoxicated/ second offense.

#### sign up for a time slot. 4-H Clothing Project

It's not too late to sign up for the Junior Clothing Project. Please call 495-4400 if interested. Next meeting is July 31st., 2:00 p.m., at the Extension office.

### 4-H Bears

2003 4-H Bears are finally here and needing a home. Pick yours up today at the Extension office for only \$10 The Post Dispatch, Thursday, July 31, 2003 Page 3

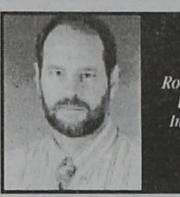
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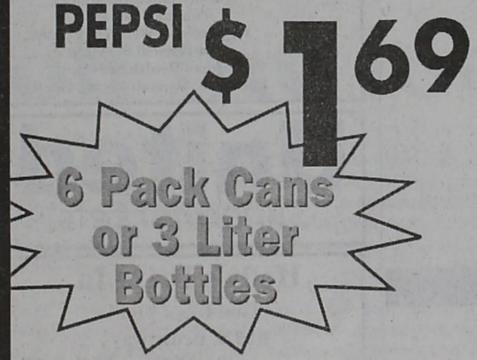


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## Clyde McAlister

Services for Clyde McAlister, 74, of San Angelo were held Saturday, July 26, 2003, in Johnson's Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Eddie Tingle officiating. Burial followed in the Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens.

He died July 23 in San Angelo.

He married Billie Smith Aug. 1, 1948, in Clovis, N.M. He was a road master for Santa Fe Railroad for 46 years, retiring in 1990.

Survivors include his wife, Billie; daughters Patricia Watson of Belton, Sue Marburger of Miles, Ellen Bear of Irving, Janice Borron of Argyle and Brenda Neill of Miles; one brother, A.J. McAlister of Post; three sisters, Ann Crawford of Weatherford, Verda Slater of Post and Faye Kuykendall of Comanche; eight grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

#### Mona Vance

Graveside services for Mona Vance, 67, of Post were held at 11 a.m. Friday, July 25, 2003, in the Terrace Cemetery with the Rev. Billie Smith officiating. Hudman Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

She died July 24 at Covenant Medical Center Lakeside in Lubbock. Born Nov. 11, 1935, in Gulfport, Miss., she married Merton Vance Feb. 24, 1951, in Gulfport. He preceded her in death Dec. 8, 1992. She worked as a cook for many years and was a member of Trinity Baptist Church.

Survivors include two brothers, Richard Albert and Jimmy Albert, both of nice to look it up on the Internet." Post; and two sisters, Beverly Ann Vance of Wiggins, Miss., and Sylvia Moore of Saucier, Miss.

## Melba Taylor

Services for Melba Taylor, 82, of Morton were held at 2 p.m. Monday, July 28, 2003, in the First Missionary Baptist Church with the Rev. James Pope officiating. Burial was in the Morton Memorial Cemetery under the direction of the Ellis Funeral Home.

She died July 24 in Little Rock, Ark.

Born April 30, 1921, in Pecan Gap, Texas, she married Amos Taylor in Morton July 20, 1940. She moved to Morton from Lubbock County in 1938 and was a member of the First Missionary Baptist Church and the Morton Ladies Auxiliary. She was co-owner of the Morton Auto Parts Store and Taylor & Son Furniture Store.

Survivors include three sons and daughters-in-law, Jimmy and Dorothy Taylor of Ralls, Jerry and Cindy Taylor of Post and Kenneth and Carolyn Taylor of Snyder; two daughters and sons-in-law, Mary and Bill Miller of Dekalb and Betty and James McCuller of Simms; one sister, Bernice Dancer of Granbury; one brother, J.L. Merrill of Frederick, Okla.; 24 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandson.

The family has suggested memorials be made to the donor's favorite charity.

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Mr McBride died July 28, 2003 at his residence.

He was born July 8, 1935 in Anton and married Louise Waters January 10, 1957 in Portales, N.M. He was a hairdresser and served in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Korean War.

He is survived by his wife Louise of Chico, daughter Tina Sims of Post, son Curtis McBride of Lubbock, sisters Mary Cowan of Bryan and Janie Beard of Belton, five grandchildren and one great granddaughter.

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Angry Men' at the Garza Theatre. Thanks for making the site user-friendly." Thanks to Bunny Smith for contacting Nita Cowling about the Close City Reunion in August.

There will be more next week.

Thanks.

JoAnn Mock Caprock Cultural Association

## New law bad for motorists

The transportation bill is CSHB 3588.

It is not law yet, but very likely will be soon, may already be. It sets up a point-based system for Texas. If you get six points or over ir three years, you get a \$100 fine plus \$25 for every point over six. The bes points to have on your driving record is zero. A speeding ticket would ge you two points. An accident three points. So it would not take long to add up. (A wreck plus a speeding ticket is five points!) So with each new ticke you get the fines will get a lot bigger. And I saw on the TV news if you ge over six points it will cost \$1000 when you get your driver's license

They already start wanting to take your driver's license after you get two or three speeding tickets.

The worst thing you can do is to automatically pay the ticket. The ticke stays on your record. Your insurance goes up. You can't rent a car.

The best thing to do it take a defensive driving class (with permission or the court). The ticket is removed from your record. You also get a 10 percen discount on your auto insurance for the next three years. And you will learn how to become a defensive driver. So if I were you and had a traffic ticke I would want to take defensive driving and get it off my record as fast as could before the new traffic law (points) takes effect.

Thank you.

Billy Durham

## What a place - Hotel Garza

I'm totally fascinated with that place after we (Country Boys) played a little music there Saturday night. I couldn't hardly play my washtub for looking around with amazement at what a neat place. Jim said the hotel was built there in 1915. I couldn't help but daydream while we were playing about all the stories that could be told about happenings there in the old days.

The Plummers really have a beautiful setting in the lobby and diving room. \* Steven Tidwell - "Serving in the USN. Glad that this site is here so I can There is no question that they have countless hours involved in the restoration of the place. And a good job, yes they did.

> We played inside during the fajita buffet dinner then moved outside to their patio garden. Gosh, I'm not much of a hotel person, but I have full intentions of going back and spending me one night there.

And the fajitas. Man, oh, man, my favorite food anyway. Janice Plummer gets an A+ on that one. I started to go back after it was over and see if she had scraps left that I could eat.

I was amazed how laid back the place was. Anyone that ain't been to Hotel Garza needs to take themselves a trip down there. The place is about as pretty as I've ever seen.

I don't care if I ever play there again (I hope we can), I'll be back to watch someone else and/or listen to someone else play. But my main drive will be to observe the place and eat some of Janice's fine cookin'.

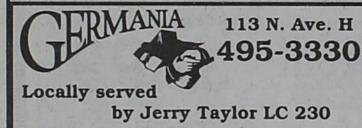
I hope Jim & Janice don't mind me mentioning this, but history is history,

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# Opinions



## Drug industry destruction by Walter E. Williams



Last week, the House voted 324 to 101 to make it easier for Americans to import lower-priced prescription drugs sold in Canada and Europe for their own use. It rejected a more sweeping proposal to allow such imports by drug wholesalers and pharmacies. The fact of the matter is that U.S. manufactured drugs sell for 30 percent to 70 percent

less in Canada, though the pills might have a different color and shape. Is Congress doing us a favor, particularly if they vote to permit wholesalers and pharmacies to import the cheaper drugs? Let's look at it, but first let's look at similar pricing practices.

Children typically fly at half the adult fare, and that can't be explained by saying it's only half as costly to fly a 100 pound 12-yearold from New York to Los Angeles. From Philadelphia to Boston, Amtrak charges adults \$74, senior citizens \$63 and 2- to 15-year-old children \$37. Economists call this price discrimination — a practice where different people are charged different prices when the difference in price cannot be fully accounted for by differences in cost.

There are numerous examples of various kinds of price discrimination: movies charge lower prices for matinees than evening performances, telephone companies charge lower prices for night calls, many colleges charge non-residents higher tuition than residents, whiskey or clothing manufacturers might charge lower prices for their off-brand products that are similar to the products bearing their brand name.

Would anyone in their right mind want Congress to enact a law requiring that airlines charge adults the same prices charged children? It would guarantee airline bankruptcy. It's the same with the pharmaceutical industry. Let's look at it.

Once a drug is produced, the cost of an additional pill is very low. The real cost of a new drug lies in developing it and getting it through the Food & Drug Administration's (FDA) regulatory hurdles. FDA requirements cost drug companies an average of \$800 million per drug, and then, according to a Tufts University study, only three in

10 drugs produce sales sufficient to allow the companies to recoup their development and FDA approval costs.

Then there's a class of drugs known as "orphan drugs" that don't make it to the market. These are drugs effective in the treatment of a rare disease, but coupled with FDA approval costs, their expected sales make them a losing economic proposition for the drug companies.

drug price difference between the United States and Canada is refuses to confront them. This is a great mystery because the simply price discrimination not unlike the thousands and thousands of other cases of price discrimination. In order to practice price discrimination, sellers must be able to separate markets to prevent incompetent, and the moderate wing led by Senator Joseph Lieberman arbitrage — buying cheap and selling dear.

In the case of airlines, they must prevent adults from using children's tickets. In the case of drug companies, they must prevent re-importation either through contracts or law, then they can charge foreigners drug prices that only have to cover the incremental costs of manufacture and distribution.

lobbyists descend on Congress with the largely bogus argument about safety concerns related to Americans purchasing drugs from Canada. But given broad economic ignorance in Congress and among many Americans, talking about price discrimination might be hopeless.

foreigners and Americans will lose because it will reduce the incentives. I ask you which is preferable: a life-saving drug at a high cost or no life-saving drug at all? Americans would be much better served by trying to do something about FDA's costly approval

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# Presidential sophists on the loose

by Sheldon Richman

about President Saddam Hussein of Iraq and African uranium is a The latter tries to ground his statements in evidence and logic. The had learned it. To say someone learned something is to vouch for the on the matter.

reply that the offending sentence shouldn't have been in the speech support for his war. and that it's all the CIA's fault. That's supposed to close the controversy and allow us to move on.

not whether the sentence should have been in the speech, but why This is a common form of counterattack: charge someone with it was in the speech, given everything else we know.

intelligence complications or snafus, that is again unresponsive. It After all, the counterattack doesn't touch anyone who opposed the has already been established that the CIA, at the urging of Vice war resolution. Imagine if President Bush got caught lying under President Dick Cheney, sent an envoy to confirm or debunk the oath about an affair with an intern. Sure, a Clinton defender who information. That envoy, former diplomat Joseph C. Wilson, concluded that the documents giving rise to the report were obviously fraudulent.

This is assuredly not merely a case of the CIA's failure to properly vet data. It knew the truth. It successfully counseled the president and other officials to keep the false story out of speeches in the fall of 2002. But the story ended up in the Big Speech in January 2003. Whatever it is, it's no intelligence snafu. CIA Director George Tenet looks like a classic fall guy.

Donald Rumsfeld add a Clintonian sentence-parsing touch to all this intelligence - in pursuit of war - are to be overlooked because the while trying to have it both ways. They want us to believe that although Bush shouldn't have made the statement, it was nonetheless accurate. So why not say it? Because, they claim, it did not meet the State of the Union's higher standard of confirmation. This, I submit, is gobbledygook.

evidence, the British government stands by the uranium allegation. magazine.

Therefore, Bush's exact statement - that British intelligence said

The controversy over President Bush's State of the Union allegation that Hussein tried to buy uranium - was in fact accurate and still is. There's one problem with this story. Mr. Bush did not claim that lesson in 'w to distinguish a PR flack from an honest commentator. British intelligence had said this. He claimed that British intelligence flack performs embarrassing mental contortions that have no bearing information learned. (Would we say that before Galileo, astronomers had learned that the sun moved around the earth?) Bush could have For example, to the criticism that the president knew or should stated, "British intelligence believes that Hussein tried to buy have known that the uranium claim had been debunked, uranium. But we are not convinced yet." He didn't say that. There administration officials, outsider defenders, and the president himself would have been no point in doing so because it would not have won

In another line of attack, Bush's defenders in the pundit world say the Democrats are hypocrites because they voted for the pro-war But wait - it's not responsive to the criticism. The question now is resolution several months before the State of the Union address. hypocrisy and ignore the allegation. But it's not a valid argument. When the same apologists attribute the sentence's inclusion to While it may discredit the speaker, it doesn't discredit the allegation. criticized Bush would be a hypocrite. But that would not mean that the charge against Bush was false or trivial.

> Yes, the Democrats, facing the resolution right before election day, were too cowardly to oppose it. What does that have to do with the administration 's palpable dishonesty?

Another illegitimate defense is to say the uranium story is unimportant because there were other good reasons to go to war. This is truly immoral. Do the Republicans making this argument National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice and Defense Secretary really believe that evidence of official lying and corruption of cause was good?

Sophistry is at least as old as ancient Greece. But it's never been

quite this transparent.

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# Hearts and minds

by Bill O'Reilly

President Bush is currently engaged in two battles: one against terrorists and the other for the hearts and minds of Americans. On the terror front, things picked up with the killings of Uday and Qusay Hussein, two unspeakable villains who might be having some "issues" with Allah right at this moment.



Before the demise of the torture twins, Mr. Bush was riding low. His intelligence apparatus was in chaos. The Hussein boys, Osama bin Laden, Mullah Omar and a bunch of other evildoers were still doing bad things, and the CIA seemed clueless as to how to stop them. Also, the weapons of mass destruction continued to be MIA, and Tony Blair had to fly in to calm things down. Let's not even mention the president's poll numbers.

So seeing Uday and Qusay on slabs was a respite for the Bush White House, which remains a tense place. The Though pharmaceutical CEOs lack the moral courage to say so, the anti-Bush ideologues are running wild, and the president, himself, Democratic Party is actually split on the issue of Bush's leadership. The left wing of the party is calling the president a liar and is saying that's nonsense, the war made sense and the WMDs were there. Even Bill Clinton now says Bush did not lie but made a very understandable mistake about nukes in his State of the Union

According to the polls, the American people are not buying the lying scenario, seeing it as a weak excuse to demonize Bush. The folks are, Instead of making this argument, pharmaceutical CEOs have their however, exceptionally concerned about a body-a-day coming back from Iraq. The guerrilla war over there is especially unsettling because we were not prepared for it. The bluster of Donald Rumsfeld did not cover the possibility of a protracted fight after the fall of Saddam.

The Bush administration won the war but did not fully defeat the If Congress enacts laws preventing price discrimination, both enemy, and therein lies the president's main problem. The Pentagon allowed most Iraqi soldiers to go home totally unsupervised. Some of profitability of drug manufacture and hence drug development these guys have lived to fight another day. Now we have to beat them all over again.

There is no plan B here for Mr. Bush. The USA has to stay in Iraq at all costs. To withdraw would be a catastrophic failure and would not only ruin the president, it would embolden America's enemies To find out more about Walter Williams, and read features by other the world over. So there is really no choice in Iraq. We must subdue the guerrillas and stabilize the place.

With that in mind, the president needs to send in more soldiers and convince some of our allies to help. Russian troops are definitely needed. A combined American and Russian force would send a powerful message to the troublemakers of the world.

President Bush must level with Vladimir Putin. The USA has pumped up Russia's economy with billions of dollars. Now that debt must be paid, or all future economic help will be severely cut back. Americans have become the wallets of the world, and when we need help, chits should be called in, or the giant wallet will be closed in the

The fortunate deaths of Uday and Qusay Hussein have given President Bush a temporary reprieve. George Tennant, the CIA chief, also gets a small amount of slack. But the Bush administration better find Saddam, Osama and Omar, and it better explain the WMD situation. If it does not, history and the American people will render judgment, and it will most likely not be kind.

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The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

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## **More Letters to** the Editor

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and hindsight is hindsight. Many years ago, say the late 1920s and early 1930s, my mom and pop used to say we had a relative that worked the hotels here in Post for the railroaders. I suppose she must have been the "Miss Kitty" type. But then we also had an ancient relative hung in Austin for horse stealing as well, so we'll just let bygones be bygones.

Nevertheless, I have not had such a neat experience as I had Saturday night at the Hotel Garza Bed & Breakfast.

I'm so fascinated with the place that I want Jim & Janice to display my mom's old Singer sewing machine somewhere in the building. The first I can remember the old Singer was in about 1949. Mom made me underwear and shirts out of flour sacks. Kids nowadays probably don't know what a flour sack is.

I remember Pop telling about busting some gambling games at the hotels here in Post back in the late '20s and early '30s. Pops was a deputy for I believe Sheriff Cravy, and then maybe one before that. I'd like to see if a story could be gathered on the hotels back in the old days. Maybe I'll try that sometime.

Post has a fascinating history - hotels, railroads, ranching, farming and oil wells. Gosh, the other night at the Hotel Garza, seems like I could just water myself down with wonder... I loved it.

If ya ain't never seen a wonderful world of wonder, then try Hotel Garza. Thanks to the Hotel Garza staff for having us (the Country Boys).

God bless the USA and our military folks. Come home soon, safe and

O.L. (Ferg) Ferguson

## Oops ....

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Our county commissioners recently approved the purchase of two or three vehicles - without advertising for bids as is required by law - to "assist Cornerstone" in its startup operations

Cornerstone is a privately-owned company operating on an agreement to manage the JDC. Can the judge and commissioners explain why it is proper for the county to assist a private company?

The JDC may be having financial problems, but that does not justify using county money to assist a private company! Didn't Judge Dalby say at that "this won't have any impact on the county"?

For years now, it has been rumored that county taxpayer funds have been used to support the operations of the GCPFC (Garza County Public Facilities Corp.) for both the JDC and Dalby Correctional Facility. I challenge Judge Dalby and the commissioners to fully account for all expenditures by the county especially those for items or services for either facility. Charles J. Propst

## Takes issue with letters

I would like to address Charles Propst, Frank Tobias and W.M. Bevers regarding their recent "Letters to the Editor" in reference to Judge Giles Dalby. I have read these letters over the past few weeks, and the same question comes to my mind every time I read one: What have you, Charles Propst, Frank Tobias and W.M. Bevers, ever done for this community?

question because there is no visible sign of anything you've done. I do, however, know many of the things Judge Dalby has done because I have worked for him for the past 11 years, and I have seen him work countless hours trying to improve the economy in this county by bringing facilities to Post that provide employment to its citizens. I have also watched him visit with people who come into his private office to discuss problems that he doesn't really have to be concerned

Thanks again for your support in with, but because he is a caring person, he listens and tries to help Michele Rasbeary, Co-Chairman them resolve their problems any way

In one of Mr. Propst's letters, he mentions the judge's personal agenda. If Judge Dalby were truly interested in his own personal agenda and nothing else, he wouldn't even be involved in politics. Judge Dalby has been blessed with wealth, and he could just sit home and enjoy life without any of the headaches that come with public service. Instead, he at the JDC (juvenile detention has chosen to devote his life to the service of this community as well as the State of Texas.

In the same letter, Mr. Propst is whining and complaining about the cost of upgrades to the sewage and water systems because of the prison and detention center. What about the positive impact these facilities have had on our city? Many jobs were created in this community that would not be here without them. the last commissioners court meeting Many people have moved into our city to work in these facilities, creating a positive economic impact for Post.

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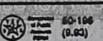
He also complains that the judge and the commissioners meet on the third floor so no one will know what they are doing. This is one of the most ridiculous statements he's made, since the newspaper and television station cover these meetings, and you can see exactly what they do each week. You can also go to the courthouse and read the

It is people like you who are part of the problem and not the solution. If you are so concerned with the way our county officials are running things, why don't you run for office instead of writing your bitter letters trying to cause an uproar in the community? Do something positive to help the leaders of our community instead of trying to tear them down every week in the paper.

Before you submit your next letter, ask yourself, "What have I done to improve this community?" I bet the I don't know the answer to this answer will be, "A lot less than Giles Dalby has."

Rhonda Valdez

Radio 97.7 FM



## Notice of Public Hearing on Garza Central Appraisal District

Budget

The Garza Central Appraisal District will hold a public hearing on a pro-2004 fiscal year. posed budget for the

The public hearing will be held on August 15, 2003.
8:30 a.m.

at 124 East Main. Post, Texas

A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed budget.

\$ 252,012.89

The total amount of increase over the current year's budget.

8,225.68

The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget.

The number of employees compensated under the current budget.

(full-time equivalent)

(full-time equivalent)

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the appraisal district board of directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities and towns served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district office.

> Garza Central Appraisal District 124 East Main - P.O. Drawer F Post, Texas 79356 (806) 495-3518



## **Neighbor to Neighbor**

by Julie Neitsch,

Garza County Extension Agent-Family & Consumer Science

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

a radio.

If you leave during an emergency

take the key with you. Never leave

your room key unattended. If you

visit the pool or fitness center, leave

you key with a clerk at the front desk.

unattended in the room, and put

anything of value in the hotel's safe.

Be sure to ask for a receipt for goods

turned over. While you are out, leave

on some lights, the television, and/or

Finally, wherever tourist go,

"Scams, thieves, and pickpockets"

generally follow. However, by taking

a few precautions, you can avoid being

the next victim. The first rule to

remember is to stay alert at all times.

Pickpockets generally work in

crowded areas, pushing, wedging,

and bumping into people as another

means of distraction. Play it safe and

carry your money in hidden money-

belts or pouches around your neck.

Because skillful pickpockets can pick

just about any pocket, keep only small

amounts of cash in your handbag or

wallet. Carry your wallet in the front

of your pocket, and women should

carry their purses with the strap

across the chest, or hold the bag under

Scam artist are constantly devising

new and unforeseeable ways to take

your belongings. The following are

rules that have become second nature

to seasoned travelers. Be wary of

wary of deals too good to be true.

not deter anyone from traveling, but

the name of the game is to stay safe

and keep alert. Don't obsess about

the people you meet at home and

abroad will be honest, friendly,

accommodating, and happy to see

Metlife. Travel Safety.

In general, this advice should

Lock all luggage that you leave

## **Travel Safety**

Often times, we think of vacations as a time of relaxation and a time to get away from the stresses of every day life. Vacations are as easy as logging onto the computer, clicking a few buttons, and you have an instant conformation to your favorite destination.

However, in this day and age, we must take the safest of precautions to protect those you care about and yourself.

First you want to be sure to "Secure your home"! Because empty homes and apartments are ideal targets for burglars, secure your home before you leave.

Unplug all appliances and lock all windows and doors. Stop all mail and news paper deliveries. Automatic timers and lights often give the illusion that someone is home.

You can also tune timed radio to a talk show station so voices will be heard by anyone listening outside. If possible, leave your car in the driveway and ask a friend to move it occasionally. Also keep your message on the answering machine the same, do not mention that you are away.

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Second, to avoid finding yourself in the vulnerable position of being stranded "Car Safety" is very important. Make sure the car is in tip top shape.

Never leave luggage, video cameras, help offered when unsolicited. Be cameras, phone or computer equipment visible in your car. Lock Listen to other tourist stories about them in the trunk, or better yet, keep scams in the area. them with you.

Carry emergency road side kit containing a flashlight, first aid kit, blanket, etc. Cell phones can also be a great safety advantage. Don't drive the possibilities of danger, as most of in deserted or poorly lit areas, especially at night. Keep your windows up and your doors locked while stopped in traffic.

Don't stop and offer assistance at accidents, they may be staged by criminals. Instead, drive to the nearest phone and call the police to report the accident.

Always look in the back seat before you enter the car. Keep the gas tank full. If someone attempts to take your car by force, let them. Possessions can be replaced, you

Third, know about "Hotel safety." When checking in, use only first initial and last name. Make sure the hotel clerk does not announce your room number, if this happens, quietly ask for a new room. Inside your room, use all locks and chains on doors and windows, while in the room. Never open the door to a stranger, use the peephole.

If you do not recognize the person, call the front desk and ask the clerk to come to your room and identify the person. Know where your room key is at all times.

## Sales Tax "Holiday" weekendAug. 1-3

Back-to-school shoppers can stock up on clothes and shoes without paying sales tax this weekend.

Texas' fifth annual sales tax holiday will be held this weekend, the first Friday, Saturday and Sunday in August, according to Carole Keeton Strayhorn, state comptroller.

"I love the sales tax holiday," she said. "It's the one time where hardworking Texas families get to keep more of their dollars in their pockets for their families' priorities .... During the sales tax holiday, most clothes and shoes priced under \$100 are exempt from state and local sales taxes."

Items that may be purchased during the tax-free weekend include kids' clothes and school uniforms, adults' clothes and work uniforms, shoes, tennis shoes, sleepwear and underclothes for the entire family. Individual items must be priced at

less than \$100. Strayhorn has called on the state legislature to add backpacks, school supplies and safety gear to the exempt list, but the change has not

been made. Items that cannot be purchased tax-free include handbags, wallets, jewelry, accessories, athletic shoes and sports apparel that is not

normally worn as street wear. Strayhorn estimates Texans will save \$43.8 million in sales tax, including \$34.6 million in state sales tax and \$9.2 million in local sales

Since the first sales tax holiday in 1999, the annual event has saved Texans an estimated \$150 million in sales tax.

## PHS staff, students get ready for new school year

As the beginning of the new school year - Aug. 18 - approaches, schoolrelated activities are getting under way.

On Aug. 7, a brief orientation for ninth grade students will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the high school library. Incoming freshmen will be able to pick up their schedules and obtain basic information about Post High School. Students purchasing clothing for the upcoming school year need to pay attention to select "school-appropriate" clothing, according to school officials.

\* Clothing should completely cover the midsection. \* Clothing should not be too revealing or too tight.

\* Pants, shorts and/or skirts should be worn above the hipbone.

\* Shorts of skirts must extend to the middle of the thigh or lower.

Areas that might need special attention include:

The information listed above does not cover the complete dress code. Student schedule will be mailed out prior to the beginning of the new school year. First period classes will begin at 8:10 a.m., and seventh period will end at 3:30 p.m. (Zero period classes will begin at 7:230 a.m.)

All students will need to report to homerooms at 8:10 a.m. on Aug. 18. Homeroom lists will be posted when students arrive for the first day of

Football practice begins Monday with "Midnight Madness" at 12:01 a.m. The first Post Antelope scrimmage is set for August 16 against Snyder here, followed by a trip to Stanton August 21. The football season opens August 28 with freshmen and junior varsity hosting Denver City and the varsity headed to Denver City August 29 for its season opener.

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## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS SPECIAL ELECTION

SEPTEMBER 13, 2003

PROPOSITION 1 (HJR 68, Section 1)

Source:

HJR 68, Section 1 would authorize the Veterans' Land Board to use excess receipts in the Veterans' Land and Veterans' Housing Assistance funds for payment of revenue bonds, and use excess assets in those funds to provide veterans

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the Veterans' Land Board to use assets in certain veterans' land and veterans' housing assistance funds to provide veterans homes for the aged or infirm and to make principal, interest, and bond enhancement payments on revenue bonds."

#### **PROPOSITION 2** (HJR 51)

HJR 51 would expand from six months to two years the period in which the former owner of a mineral interest that was sold for unpaid property taxes may buy back the owner to refinance a home equity loan with

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to establish a two-year period for the redemption of a mineral interest sold for unpaid ad valorem taxes at a tax sale."

#### **PROPOSITION 3** (HJR 55)

HJR 55 would authorize the legislature to exempt from taxation land owned by a religious organization that is leased for use as a school or that will be used to expand or construct a place of religious worship that yields no revenue.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation property owned by a religious organization that is leased for use as a school or that is owned with the intent of expanding or constructing a religious facility."

#### **PROPOSITION 4** (SJR 30)

SJR 30 would authorize the legislature to allow conservation and reclamation districts to use taxes to develop and finance certain parks and recreation facilities. Also, the amendment would authorize the legislature to allow local elections for the issuance of bonds to improve and maintain parks and recreational facilities in the Tarrant Regional Water District or a conservation and reclamation district located in whole or in part in Bastrop, Bexar, Brazoria, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Montgomery, Tarrant, Travis, Waller or Williamson County.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to the provision of parks and recreational facilities by certain conservation and reclamation districts."

#### **PROPOSITION 5** (SJR 25)

SJR 25 would authorize the legislature to exempt from all property taxes certain tangible personal property, which could include a travel trailer not substantially affixed to real estate and not used as a residential dwelling.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation travel trailers not held or used for the production of income."

#### PROPOSITION 6 (HJR 23)

HJR 23 would authorize a qualified homea reverse mortgage loan.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting refinancing of a home equity loan with a reverse mortgage."

### **PROPOSITION 7** (HJR 44)

HJR 44 would reduce the number of persons who make up the jury in a district court criminal misdemeanor case from twelve to six.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to permit a six-person jury in a district court misdemeanor trial."

#### **PROPOSITION 8** (HJR 62)

HJR 62 would authorize the legislature to permit a person to assume office without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election for that office and the election is required by the Texas Constitution. This proposition applies to state and local political subdivisions, whereas Proposition 18 applies only to local political subdivisions.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit a person to take office without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election for that

#### **PROPOSITION 9** (HJR 68, Section 2)

HJR 68, Section 2 would redefine the com-

position of the permanent and available school funds by requiring during the next two fiscal years, and authorizing thereafter, annual distributions to the available school fund of a percentage of any increase in the value of the permanent school fund's total investment assets.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to the use of income and appreciation of the permanent

#### PROPOSITION 10 (HJR 61)

HJR 61 would authorize municipalities to donate surplus fire-fighting equipment, supplies, or materials to the Texas Forest benefits under the local retirement system. Service, which would be authorized to distribute based on need the equipment to rural volunteer fire departments.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing municipalities to donate surplus fire-fighting equipment or supplies for the benefit of rural volunteer fire departments."

#### **PROPOSITION 11** (HJR 85)

HJR 85 would authorize the legislature to regulate the operation of wineries in Texas, regardless of whether a winery is located in an area in which the sale of wine has been authorized by local option election.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "A constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to enact laws authorizing and governing the operation of wineries in this state."

#### **PROPOSITION 12** (HJR 3)

HJR 3 would immediately authorize the Legislature to limit non-economic damages assessed against a provider of medical or health care and, after January 1, 2005, to limit awards in all other types of cases.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment concerning civil lawsuits against doctors and health care providers, and other actions, authorizing the legislature to determine limitations on non-economic damages."

#### **PROPOSITION 13** (HJR 16)

HJR 16 would authorize a county, city, town, and junior college district to freeze property taxes on a residential homestead of a person who is disabled or aged 65 or

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to permit counties, cities and towns, and junior college districts to establish an ad valorem tax freeze on residence homesteads of the disabled and of the elderly and their spouses."

#### **PROPOSITION 14** (HJR 28)

HJR 28 would authorize the Texas Department of Transportation to issue

notes or borrow money to fund highway improvement projects. The terms of the notes or loans may not exceed two years. The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for authorization of the issuing of notes or the borrowing of money on a short-term basis by a state transportation agency for transportationrelated projects, and the issuance of bonds and other public securities secured by the state highway fund."

#### **PROPOSITION 15** (HJR 54)

HJR 54 would prohibit a local retirement system and the political subdivision that finances the retirement system from reducing or otherwise impairing certain accrued

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The Constitutional amendment providing that certain benefits under certain local public retirement systems may not be reduced or impaired."

#### **PROPOSITION 16** (SJR 42)

SJR 42 would amend the Texas Constitution to allow home equity lines of credit and allow refinancing of a home equity loan with a reverse mortgage loan.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing a home equity line of credit, providing for administrative interpretation of home equity lending law, and otherwise relating to the making, refinancing, repayment, and enforcement of home equity loans."

#### **PROPOSITION 17** (HJR 21)

HJR 21 would prohibit an increase in school property taxes on residence homesteads of disabled persons.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to prohibit an increase in the total amount of school district ad valorem taxes that may be imposed on the residence homestead of a disabled person."

#### **PROPOSITION 18** (HJR 59)

HJR 59 would authorize the legislature to permit a person to assume an office of a political subdivision without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election for that office and the election is required by the Texas Constitution. This proposition applies only to local political subdivisions, whereas Proposition 8 applies to state and local political subdivi-

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit a person to assume an office of a political subdivision without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election for that office."

## **PROPOSITION 19**

(SJR 45)

SJR 45 would repeal the legislature's

authority to create rural fire prevention districts. Effective September 1, 2003, all existing rural fire prevention districts will convert to emergency services districts.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to repeal the authority of the legislature to provide for the creation

#### **PROPOSITION 20** (SJR 55)

of rural fire prevention districts."

SJR 55 would authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds in a total amount not to exceed \$250 million that will be used to provide loans for economic development projects that benefit defense-related communities in Texas.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds or notes not to exceed \$250 million payable from the general revenues of the state to provide loans to defense-related communities, that will be repaid by the defense-related community, for economic development projects, including projects that enhance the military value of military

#### **PROPOSITION 21** (SJR 19)

SJR 19 would authorize current and retired faculty members of a public institution of higher education to receive compensation for service as a member of the governing body of a water district.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to permit a current or retired faculty member of a public college or university to receive compensation for service on the governing body of a water district."

#### **PROPOSITION 22** (HJR 84)

HJR 84 would authorize the appointment of a temporary replacement officer to serve on behalf of a state, district, or local public officer who is called into active military duty for longer than 30 days.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the appointment of a temporary replacement officer to fill a vacancy created when a public officer enters active duty in the United States armed

Estos son los informes explanatorios sobre las enmiendas propuestas a la constitución que aparecerán en la boleta el 13 de septiembre de 2003. Si usted no ha recibido una copia de los informes en español, podrá obetener una gratis llamando al 1/800/252/8683 o escribiendo al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060. Austin, TX 78711.

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I would like to say thanks to my grandmother Adelina Quintana for doing all the cooking and for all the love she put in helping her granddaughter. I will always love 549-2930. you and be thankful to you for making this happen. And another special Thank you to those I may have thank you to Mr. Burnett for putting forgotten to mention. I also want to my picture in the newspaper and on give a big thanks to Dollar General, Channel 12, your help made a big Best Western, Chapa's Family difference, thank you & God bless

Lupe Quintana Jr. & family

We would like to take this opportunity to say a very big thank you to all of you who were a part of my 90th birthday celebration. We appreciate all those who helped, plan, prepare, attended, sent cards, called and participated in any way. Thank you, Jim and Janice at Hotel Garza for your part in making the evening such a special one.

God bless all of you. Thurman Francis and family

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Sat., Aug. 2, 8 am-?, 313 North Ave. S. Household, items, furniture, clothes. Lots of toys.

Yard sale: Thur-Sat, 8am-5pm, 215 Ralls Rd. Lots of things.

Aug. 2, 8:00 am-?, 113 S. Ave. Q. WPS sets 4th kitchen applicances, electronics, lots of clothes and misc. Please no early annual tractor

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## Notice of Application For Fluid Injection Well Permit

Yates Energy Corporation, P.O Box 2323, Roswell, NM 88202 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into a porous formation productive of oil and gas.

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of oil and gas waste into the Strawn & Ellenburger formation, Kirkpatrick "943-A" lease, Well Number 2. The proposed disposal well is in which mobile phones (cell phones) located 6 miles northwest of ignited fumes during fueling Justiceburg in the Roxanne K, S, & operations. Roxanne K Field, in Garza County. The waste water will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 7590 to 8400 feet.

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

Request for a public hearing from persons who can show they are ad-versely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be sub-mitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/445-1373).

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Gary Ivey of Ralls was last year's

For more information or to purchase tickets, check with your

bank, the John Deere dealer or call 748-5292.

## Church women sell taco plates

The Women's Capter of the Church of God of Prophecy, 602 W. 14th St., are raising funds for the Missionary Trip with a \$5 taco plate sale Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The dinner includes three tacos, beans, rice and salad. Call Lydia or Norma at 495-3644 to place orders.

# The applicant proposes to dispose fuel fires

The Shell Oil Company recently issued a warning after three incidents

In the first case, the phone was placed on the car's trunk lid during fueling; it rang and the ensuing fire destroyed the car and the gasoline pump. In the second, an individual suffered severe burns to her face when fumes ignited as she answered a call while refueling her car. And in the third, an individual suffered burns to the thigh and groin as fumes ignited when the phone, which was in his pocket, rang while he was fueling his

You should know that:

Mobile Phones can ignite fuel or fumes. Mobile phones that light up when switched on or when they ring release enough energy to provide a spark for ignition. Mobile phones should not be used in filling stations, or when fueling lawn mowers, boats, etc. Mobile phones should not be used, or should be turned off, around other materials that generate flammable or explosive fumes or dust i.e., solvents, chemicals, gases, grain dust,

Now that you know that it's unsafe to smoke or use your cell phone while pumping gas, here's another safety warning you should know about concerning static electricity. Below is an email from Pat Cabling who works at Chevron Texaco's Richmond Refinery. To sum it up, here are the:

Four Rules for Safe Refueling:

1) Turn off engine 2) Don't smoke

3) Don't use your cell phone-leave it inside the vehicle or turn it off 4) Don't re-enter your vehicle

during fueling Bob Renkes of Petroleum; Equipment Institute is working on a campaign to try and make people

aware of fires as a result of " static electricity " at gas pumps. His company has researched 150 cases of these fires. His results were very surprising:

Out of 150 cases, almost all of them were women.

Almost all cases involved the person getting back in her vehicle while the nozzle was still pumping gas, when finished and she went back to pull the nozzle out the fire started, as a result of static.

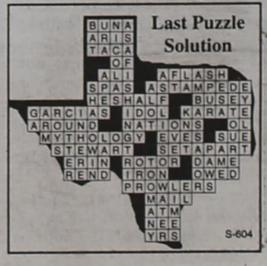
Most had on rubber-soled shoes. Most men don't get back in their vehicle until completely finished. This is why they are seldom involved in these types of fires.

Don't ever use cell phones when pumping gas

It is the vapors that come out of the gas that cause the fire, when connected with static charges.

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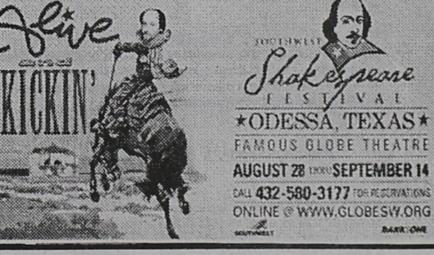
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# Yesteryears

10 Years Ago July 28, 1993

Former co-workers and friends of Emmett a. (Andy) Stelzer of Post First National Bank.

Allan Byerly exchanged wedding convention held in Corpus Christi. Church of Post. Paul Jones, minister, Infantry in Europe from July 1944 performed the ceremony.

Wellington Junior High School commander. recently was honored at the Texas Successful Schools Awards ceremony Shytles and the late Powell Shytles officiating. of Post.

Stampede Rodeo and parade, Harold 84 Student Senate at Lubbock Cass will serve as the grand marshall Christian College. for this year's parade. The parade will be held on Saturday this year instead of the opening Thursday.

recently competed in the American Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Flores. Trampoline and Tumbling National Association's Mills placed 6th overall in tumbling and 8th overall in double-mini trampoline. Scrivner also competed in the Indo-Pacific Championships where he placed 6th in tumbling.

20 Years Ago July 31, 1983

Post teacher George Pierce who and a Life Member of John Miller recently passed away have Post 6797 was elected and installed established the George T. Pierce as Commander of the Department of Memorial Scholarship fund at the Texas, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, on June 26, final Amber Renee Crenshaw and Chet day of the 63rd annual state vows July 3 at the First Baptist Stelzer, who served in the Army until July 1946, is Texas' 57th state

Wedding vows were exchanged between Lea Ann Babb and Clifford in Austin. Former Post graduate Bradley Burnett, Saturday, July 23 Barbara Shytles Williams is the at the First Baptist Church with the principal at Wellington Junior High Rev. Glenn Reece, pastor of Forrest School. She is the daughter of Sue Avenue Baptist Church in Sherman,

Post native Melisa Tatum will serve Long time supporter of the Post as Senior Class President to the 1983-

Robert Lee Flores is proud to announce the birth of his brother, born July 21 in Garza memorial Barrett Scrivner and Meagan Mills Hospital. Parents of the children are

An archery and pistol shoot benefit was held July 31 with proceeds going Championships in San Diego, CA. to the Garza County Child Welfare Board. The benefit was held at the North Fork Archery Range.

> 30 Years Ago August 2, 1973 Law enforcement officers have

moved into the new \$104,000 county law enforcement building behind the courthouse and begun operations there, but no prisoners will be moved into the new jail until a state inspection is conducted.

From 550 to 600 persons saw the 4-H benefit donkey baseball game at David Nichols Park Tuesday night, with gate receipts totaling \$480.

The Jack Hair family, the Ronald Babb family, Gary Bilbo, the Donald vacationed in Gunnison, Colo., week before last.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Bouchier, Jay Bird. formerly of Post, and their children saw the rocket blastoff of the second Skylab 2 astronauts from Cape Kennedy Saturday morning as guests of NASA and Alan L. Bean, commander of the Sylab crew.

Tom Ivey displays his pen and pencil collection at his Corner Barber Shop. Ivey has a couple hundred or so of the writing instruments stung around his barber shop and in cases and drawers. He thinks he may have the largest single collection in the

> 40 Years Ago August 1, 1963

The latest in the city's "water situation" is this week's annoucement by Mayor Harold Lucas permitting the return to lawn watering for three hours daily, except Sunday.

Once-a-month veterinary service will be provided for Post under a schedule now being completed County Agent Syd Conner announced. Conner said Dr. Ed Murray, Spur veterinarian will be at the 4-H building in Post Thursday

HOW LONG?—This group of Post youngsters were among those at the park site recently watching the big mower, operated by R. B. Wilke, cut the grass. The children are interested in the improvement work at the park, and the question they most frequently ask is, "When are we going to get a swimming pool?" In the picture (left to right, back row) are

Johnny Montgomery, Curtis Didway, Arlene Holly, holding Kathy Blacklock; Troy Holly, holding Pat Kinman; Sidney Hart and Royce Hart; front row (left to right) are Richard Hart, Billy Joe Light and "Peewee." the gang's pooch; Bubba Holly, Joe Kinman and Brenda Holly .- (Staff Photo).



tyler Odom (left) and Zach whener recently competed at the wiotocross at Lubbock Motor Speedway. Witcher placed second overall with Odom finishing third place overall in the competition.

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## Fuel fires sparked by mobile phones

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There were 29 fires where the vehicle was reentered and the nozzle was touched during refueling from a variety of makes and models. Some resulting in extensive damage to the vehicle, to the station, and to the customer.

Seventeen fires that occurred before, during or immediately after the gas cap was removed and before fueling began.

Mr. Renkes stresses to NEVER get back into your vehicle while filling it with gas. If you absolutely HAVE to get in your vehicle while the gas is pumping, make sure you get out, close the door TOUCHING THE METAL, before you ever pull the nozzle out. This way the static from your body will be discharged before you ever remove the nozzle. As I mentioned earlier, The Petroleum Equipment Institute, along with several other companies now, is really trying to make the public aware of this danger. Please send this information to your family and friends, especially those who have kids in the car with them while pumping gas.

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> A government which robs Peter to pay Paul can always depend on the support of Paul. - George Bernard Shaw

> A liberal is someone who feels a great debt to his fellow man, which debt he proposes to pay off with your money. -G.

> Gordon Liddy Foreign aid might be defined as a transfer from poor people in rich countries to rich people in poor countries. -Douglas

> Casey (1992) Government is the great fiction, through which everybody endeavors to live at the expense of everybody else. -Frederic Bastiat

afternoons.

Boyd Dodson, hospitalman inthe said. U. S. Navy, returned Monday to his base in Charleston, S. C., after a two weeks' visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Dodson.

by a small rattlesnake he mistook for is, too. a garter snake. Tommy and a friend, Billy Jack Little were playing in the yard. Murphy Bowen, another youngster living nearby killed the snake. "Murphy literally chopped the snake to pieces," Tommy's mother

50 Years Ago July 30, 1953

Like thousands of other United States fighting men, Marine Pvt. Jesse L. Lilly, A group of Methodist youth left son of Mrs. Lela Johnson of Post, didn't Monday for church camp at Ceta actually believe the Korean truce would Canyon. Those attending camp are be signed. In the last letter received by Kim and Kay Hundley, Connie Mrs. Johnson from her son, he wrote: Greenwood, Don Collier, Timmons "That talk about signing a peace treaty Bull, Margie Carter, Kay and Ken is lots of "bullcorn.' They are fighting Ammons family and Christie Conner Herron, Rodney Hopkins, Ginny over here just as much as ever. The boys Edwards, Petra Hill, Patti Peel, Myra all hope they will sign, but nobody Jones, Grady Shytles, Jody Cash and believes they will." Pvt. Lilly's letter was mailed from Korea on July 17. Here Tommy John Allen, 12-year-old son this week, Mrs. Johnson, who is of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Allen remained employed in the home of Mrs. John in a serious condition at Garza Herd, said she was "tickled to death that Memorial Hospital yesterday after peace has come to the Korean being bitten early Sunday afternoon battlefront." and that she knows her boy

A small twister lashed at the Post

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airport, northeast of town early last Thursday night, destroying a T-hanger and wrecking an Aeronca aiplance owned by Wesley Bullard. Although dipping down just long enough to hit the sheetmetal hangar, the force and fury of the twister was such that it blew Bullard's plance across the road.

Local chapter of the Rainbow assembly for Girls met Saturday. Those present were Donna Kay and Freda Kennedy, Gayle and Glenda Askins, Billiw Moreland, Carolyn Hudman, Leslie Nichols, Mickie Sue Morrow and Mrs. E. R. Moreland, mother advisor.

Mr. and Mrs. Weaver Moreman announc ethe arrival of a son, Larry Don, on July 26, in Garza Memorial Hospital.

\* Support our Troops... Bring 'em home! \*

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE**

Southland I.S.D. will hold a public meetin Southland I.S.D. Administration Bldg. ing at 6:30p.m. August 11, 2003 8th. & Georgia, Southland, Texas . The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

	Maintenance & Operations	Proposed Rates Interest & Sinking Fund*			Total	Loc	al Revenue er Student	State Revenue Per Student		
Last Year's Rate	\$1.50	\$	0		\$ 1.50	\$	2795	\$	4856	
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue &										
Pay Debt Service	\$1.45	\$	0	•	\$ 1.45	\$	2697	\$	4954	
Proposed Rate	\$1.50	\$	0		\$ 1.50	\$	2783	\$	4954	

\*The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with	Last Year's Levy o	n Average Residence
HANNER SHAWER	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 23,991	\$ 23,599
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 7,187	\$ 6,663
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.50
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 107.81	\$ 99.95
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Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an elec-. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of

## **Fund Balances**

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

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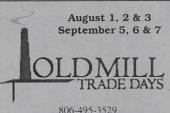
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