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Post Notes

Vacation Bible School

The First United Methodist Church, along with the Church of the Nazarene and Family Harvest Church will offer this year's Vacation Bible School beginning June 21-25, from 9 a.m. - 12 noon. All ages kindergarten thru 5th grade are invited to attend. Registration begins Monday morning, June 21, at 8:30 a.m. For more information, contact the church office at 495-2942.

Trailblazers' Bake Sale

The Garza County Trailblazers will be holding a bake sale at United Supermarket on Saturday, June 19 from 9 a.m. until they sell out. Get there early!!

Gordita Plates

The Church of God of Prophecy will be selling gordita plates with all the fixings on Thursday, June 17, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Plates will be \$5.00 each. Call in orders at 495-3644.

Summer Recreation

The Garza County Summer Recreation Program began June 1. You can register your child any day at the Middle School Gym from 8-9 a.m. Your child must be registered before participating in the program. The program is Monday-Friday, ending June 25. If you have any questions call Rodney at 495-3960 or 620-0960.

Daycare Enrollment

My Special Place, the only fully licensed daycare in Garza County, is now taking open enrollment for children ages birth thru 12 years of age. For more information, please call 495-3446.

July 4th Booths Needed

It's time to pull together for a successful 4th of July celebration. We need food and game booths, along with music. Anyone interested in having a booth or just would like to help at the City Park for the July 4th Celebration is urged to call Diana Poe at 495-3867. The celebration is sponsored by MAD DADS.

Public Swimming Pool Open

Regular hours for the Public Swimming Pool are Tuesday through Sunday, 1-5 p.m. Admission is \$2. For information about swimming lessons or party reservations call 495-1066 or 495-5072.

Dollar Family Night Returns

The Public Swimming Pool will be open on Thursday nights from 6-8 p.m. Admission is \$1.

West Texas Beachfest Set July 3

West Texas Beachfest, which will feature live music, beach volleyball, horseshoe pitching, ping pong, a sand castle competition, games and food, will be held July 3 at the Two Bit Ranch on FM 651 north of Post. Advance tickets to the event are \$2, tickets at the gate will be \$4. For more information on the event, contact Rex Cash at 495-3355 or 620-4012.

Summer Reading Program

We invite you to join us for our summer reading program at the Post Public Library beginning July 6-27. We will have programs for two age groups, 3-5 year olds will meet at 10-10:30 a.m. each Tuesday morning and 1st-5th grades will meet from 10:30-11:30 a.m. We are planning a fun time of art, good books, and other activities. Also, Bluebonnet books will be available for check out in June. Come join in the fun and read this summer!

West Texas Beachfest fulfills long time dream

by Sheri Lewis

West Texas isn't exactly renowned for its beaches, but Rex Cash wants to change all that.

Cash first envisioned the West Texas Beach Fest a couple of years ago. After nurturing the dream for some time, he rounded up a committee of about two dozen church and youth group representatives six months ago and got to work. The result: plans for the July 3 Beach Fest to be held at the 50-acre lake on Cash's Two-Bit Ranch 15 miles north of Post.

Sponsored in part by Coca-Cola and a dozen other sponsors, the West Texas Beach Fest is being touted as a "tropical Christian day" by Cash, who promises lots of live music, food, games and activities.

"It'll be a carnival beach party for families, (for people) from 3 to 93," he said.

The event will take place in three separate lakeside locations. Planned activities include a beach volleyball tournament to be conducted in a dry river bed; a dunking booth; a sand castle competition; train rides; horseshoe and washer pitching contests; and pool and ping pong games. Numerous food vendors representing some of the area's larger churches will be on hand, and a large, canopied stage area will play host to several live bands.

Clearview of Dallas, East Texas Newson and Pneu of Lubbock are slated to perform, as are the 1000 Heels Band, Jonathan McGregor and Rathbun, Olson & Kemp, all local performers.

Cash said he's hoping to draw at least 1,000 people for the first year of the event, and his long range goals are even bigger. He's already had talks with representatives of Lubbock's Fourth on Broadway celebration about possibly linking the two events in the future.

Advance tickets to the Beach Fest event are \$2 and available from a variety of locations, including the Family Harvest Church, the Catholic church, the Baptist church, all three schools, the Methodist church, the Best Western Post Inn, Higginbotham-Bartlett and the chamber of commerce office. Advance tickets may be purchased up until the day before the event. Tickets will be \$4 at the gate.

Tickets are selling well, according to Cash.

All proceeds from the event, which will run from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., will benefit church, civic and school youth groups, Cash said.

"I think it's gonna work out pretty good," he said. "It's nice to have a united force working together to do something like this.... I think if we'll just be patient, it'll get bigger and better every year."

Post students tour D.C.

History came alive recently for a group of 35 Post students, their tour guide, Dedra Adams, and chaperone Jason Powell. The group marked the 18th time Adams has escorted Post students on a tour of the Washington, D.C., sites.

The group left during the pre-dawn hours of June 1 and began their tour the minute they stepped out of the plane. Initial stops included the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, the Vietnam Women's Memorial, the Korean Memorial, the World War II Memorial and the Lincoln Memorial.

On the second day of the tour, the group made an early departure for Mount Vernon, home of George Washington. They toured the home and grounds of the beautiful plantation estate. After leaving Mount Vernon, they enjoyed a driving tour of the Alexandria area, followed by lunch. After the noon meal, they headed up Embassy Row and passed the National Cathedral for a photo

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MTC gets prison contract

by Wes Burnett

Monday afternoon the Garza County Commissioners Court chose Management & Training Corp (MTC) to continue management and operation of the Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility. The current contract expires June 30.

The decision came after several hours of studying proposals from MTC and Correctional Systems Corp. (CSC). Two other proposals were considered, but rejected. One by Cornell Companies was found to be incomplete, and the other from GEO fell short of the financial incentives expected by the court.

The actual financial benefit to Garza County, tabulated with various considerations from the proposals as well as "intangible" considerations, put the two top companies in top contention by a few thousand dollars.

Commissioners tallied, figured, added and subtracted until MTC's proposal exceeded \$2.3 million in benefits to the county. CSC had offered direct payment to the county of \$1.85 million, with a total financial benefit package of approximately \$2.3 million.

"I believe MTC is the best choice for the county," commissioner Lee Norman said following his motion,

emphasizing that the relationship with MTC and its proven track record with the Bureau of Prisons, and the fact that MTC promised to keep 246 employees on staff, made the difference.

The vote to select MTC was unanimous.

CSC had proposed a staff of 238. (Editor's Note: The entire meeting will be aired on Cebridge Connections Channel 12 with the morning session broadcast on Tuesday and Wednesday, followed by the afternoon session on Thursday. The two parts will be repeated on Saturday, Sunday and Monday.)

In other matters, the court postponed action on a short piece of public road requested by Donald Windham, Commissioner John Valdez said he wanted to get both parties together before deciding. Windham had presented the problem to the court last month. A new landowner has informed Windham and others in the area that new gates across what has been a publicly used roadway will be built.

Another county road problem appears to be on the way to settlement. The road (known as Country Road 378) has been a contention between developers on the south side of Lake

Alan Henry and a rancher who does not want his property divided. County attorney Les Acker said that land owners have been contacted to see if they would donate property to skirt around the disputed area.

The court approved a fireworks ban

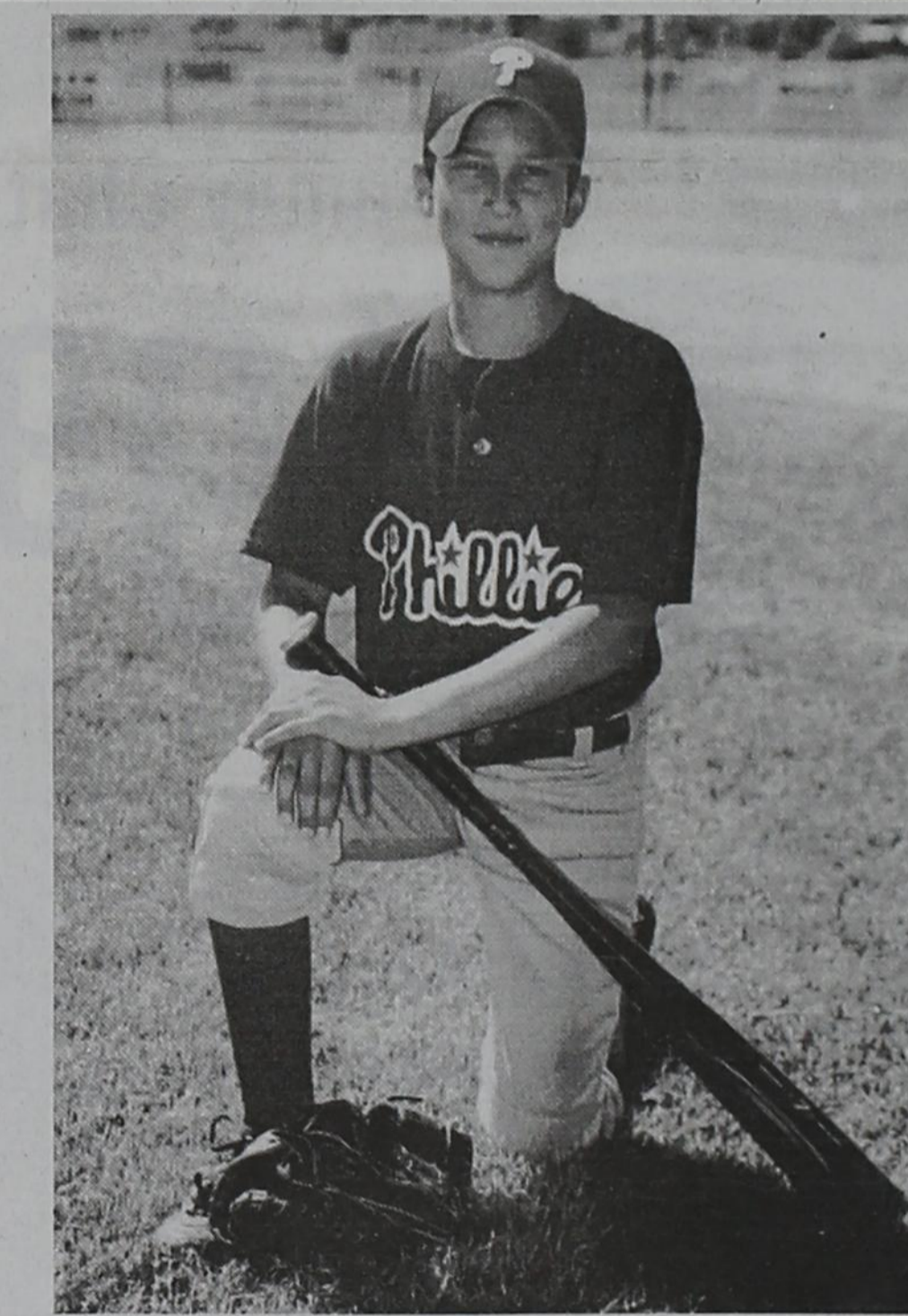
for non-incorporated areas of the county (see related story), mostly "rockets" and other more fire hazardous materials.

A county-wide "burn-ban" will be allowed to expire following the recommendation of the fire marshal.



In Search of Post

Last week, both William Charles Post, Jr. (left) and William Charles Post Sr., visited Post City to trace their roots to its founder Charles William Post. They reside in Salem, New Hampshire which is close to Boston, Massachusetts. After an overnight stay at Hotel Garza B&B, the father and son team visited local points of interest including the Garza County Historical Museum.



Baiza tours Puerto Rico

D.J. Baiza will leave to Puerto Rico, June 19, to represent the United States and Post, Texas. Baiza was picked by Coast to Coast Athletics, and will be on tour through June 25. "I want to thank all the people who donated and helped my dream come true," Baiza said.

Post ISD offers June 30 public hearing on budget

Post Independent School District taxpayers will have the opportunity to attend a public hearing on the district's proposed budget, which officials say could include a tax increase, at the June 30 board of trustees meeting.

The hearing will include discussion of the district's proposed budget, amendment of the current year's budget and a review of the budget development calendar. Superintendent Marlin Marcum said the session also will allow for input on the proposed \$1.41 per \$100 valuation tax rate.

The district's current tax rate stands at \$1.39 per \$100 valuation.

The June 30 meeting and public hearing, which was scheduled at last week's board meeting, is slated for 7:30 p.m. in the district's board room located in the administrative offices at 501 S. Avenue K.

In other business handled last week, district trustees:

- Received the final enrollment report for the 2003-2004 school year. The district closed out the school year with a total of 1,000 students, up slightly from the 991 students who attended classes on the first day of the school year.
- Approved 13 student transfers into the district.
- Hired seven new personnel, including Julie Hall, elementary; Mary Short, elementary; Gini Aldridge, middle school reading; Lea Ann Hudson, elementary; Rhonda Kirkpatrick, elementary; Jamie Seago, high school coach; and Kyle Duren, high school chemistry.
- Approved an interlocal agreement with the city for the use of Nichols Park and upgrades to the park.

Jerry Hays submits resignation as clerk

by Wes Burnett

County and district clerk Jerry Hays announced his resignation at Monday morning's Garza County Commissioners' Court meeting.

The court accepted the resignation, and set an order for a special election for November 2 (general election) for a candidate to serve out the remaining two years of Hays' term.

County attorney Les Acker explained to the court that the Texas election code considers that the office is vacant upon the announcement of a resignation, even though Hays told the court in his letter that he would serve through December 31, 2004.

Local political parties will be notified that they have until September 2 to name candidates for the ballot. Independent candidates have 30 days (beginning June 14) to list themselves as candidates for the position.



Post Bold-Gold - Trip to Washington, D.C. - June, 2004

Post Middle School students visiting Washington, D.C. recently are (back row, left to right) leaders Jason Powell and Dedra Adams, (middle row) Jeremy Short, Allen Heckaman, Samantha Hoover, Lori Jones, Brenna Postell, Timothy Wilson, Clint Windham, John David Fren, Kam Shumard, Klent Baker, Jay Josey, Giles Dalby, Ericka

Cravy, Zachary Davis, Pat Reiter, Call Windham, Kris Crenshaw, (front row) Lauren Hair, Shelley Gearhart, Kelsey Sanderson, Marlee Plummer, Danica Williams, Jarrett Blevins, Alex Hart, Matthew Tanner, Brooke Morris, Reece Belongia, Branda Stevens, Meagan Howard, Tamara Raymundo, Paige Bullard, Kenzie Mason and Susan Littrell.

Melissa Williams, Chris Key unite in marriage

Melissa Williams and Chris Key were united in marriage at 4:30 p.m. on June 5, 2004, in the First United Methodist Church in Post. Paul Jones of Wharton officiated the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Milton and Billie Williams of Post and the granddaughter of Billy Jack and Louise Bairrington of O'Donnell and Cedaelia Williams of Tahoka and the late Walter Lee Williams.

The groom is the son of David and Carla Key of Munday and LaJuanna and Phil Hunt of North Pole, Alaska. His grandparents are Dwight Key of Munday, Blanche McMillan of Hern and Bob and Joyce Easterling of Rochester, Texas.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore an informal gown of white satin and chiffon from designers in Eden. The gown featured a scooped neckline and a three-quarter-length sleeve. The bodice was accented with Schiffler lace and embellished with crystal beads and sequins. The empire waist allowed the A-line chiffon skirt to fall gracefully to the floor and into a sweep-length train.

To complete her ensemble, the bride wore a tiara of Swarovski crystals finished with layers of white illusion sprinkled with crystals. She carried a fresh bouquet of red, pink and white roses gathered with white satin ribbons.

Chelisa Krauser of Lubbock, sister of the bride, served as matron of honor. Brandee Green of Lubbock and Kim Brade of Fort Worth were bridesmaids.

Bridal attendants wore cranberry two-piece dresses accented with iridescent

pearl beading.

Haley Krauser, the bride's niece, was flower girl.

Corey Moore of Munday was best man. John Smith of Fort Worth and Jerry Branam of Wichita Falls served as groomsmen.

Guests were seated by Jeremy Krauser, brother-in-law of the bride, and Justin Key, Jason Key and Jonathan Key, the groom's brothers.

The sanctuary was decorated with wrought iron candelabras bearing cranberry pillar candles. Also featured was a pair of fresh floral arrangements made up of roses, lilies and gladiolas.

A reception was held in the church's fellowship hall.

Kelly Ufford of Lubbock, Michelle Wiseman of Tahoka and Jay Jay Wiseman of Russellville, Ark., served as members of the house party.

Following a honeymoon trip to Playa del Carmen, Mexico, the couple will reside in Lubbock.



Mrs. Chris Key



Emily Smith & Christian Stahl

Emily Smith, Christian Stahl exchange vows

Emily Smith of Post and Christian Stahl of Salt Flat were married on Jan. 31, 2004, in the First Baptist Church in Post. Rick Mask officiated the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Perry and Kelly Smith of Post and the granddaughter of Larry and Wanda Smith of Gail and Franklin and Sherry Bryant of Ira.

Parents of the groom are Chris and Karen Stahl of Salt Flat. Grandparents are Ruby Stahl of Fredericksburg and Clements Reeh of Harper.

Various wedding selections played as the family members were seated. "Butterfly Kisses" filled the church as the bride entered, escorted by her father. The bride sang "I Could Not Ask for More" to the groom, and "The Lord's Prayer" played during the lighting of the unity candle.

For her wedding, the bride wore a gown of candlelight Italian satin. For something old, she wore her great-great-grandmother's wedding ring. Something blue was the bride's garter. Something borrowed was a necklace belonging to the groom's sister, and the bride's dress served as something new.

Maid of honor was Kim Howard of Elida, N.M. Bridal attendants were Stefanie Smith of Hobbs, N.M.; Kelcey Foreman of Elk City, Okla.; Kelli Hinds of Charlotte; and Wendy Brooks of Welch.

Best man was Cuatro Hinds of Charlotte. The groom's attendants included Charlie Tully and Jonathan Good, Pryor Templeton and Sterling Smith.

Ushers were Brice Duggar and Adam Schoppe. Flower girls were Matti Smith, sister of the bride, and Brogan Macy. Aaron Macy served as ring bearer.

Katy Pierce, cousin of the bride, attended the bridal registry table. Following the ceremony, a reception was conducted at the Post Community Center. A buffet was served, followed by the cutting of the wedding cake. The cake, designed by Jackie Cruse, was a French vanilla creation with a raspberry filling and white chocolate icing draped in roll fondant with a design to match the bride's dress. The cake featured edible lilies, roses, stephanotis and leaves.

The church and the reception area were decorated with fresh floral arrangements designed by Bob and Suzanne Hudman of Maurine's Flower Shop.

The couple will reside in Boise City, Okla.

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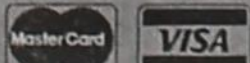
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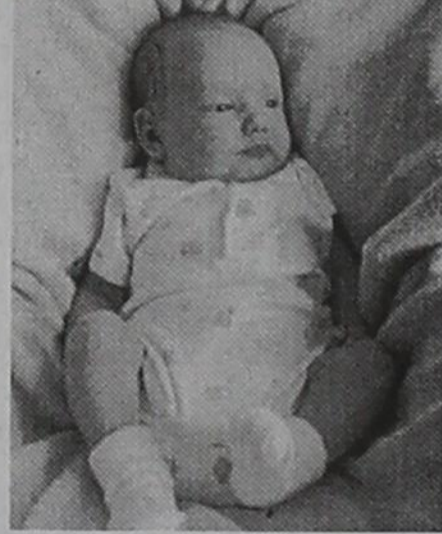
Births

Reagan Klayre Ashley

Clay Ashley and Kyzandre Harper are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Reagan Klayre Ashley, born May 24, 2004, at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

The infant weighed 6 pounds and was 19 inches long at birth.

Maternal grandparents are Freda Harper and the late Mike Harper. Great-grandmother is Dora Halford. Paternal grandparents are Victor and Peggy Ashley.



Reagan Klayre Ashley

Fathers

Teach a child to choose the right path, and when he is older he will remain upon it. — Living Bible Proverbs 22:6



Fathers come in all shapes and sizes. They have different occupations, beliefs, and ages. One thing loving and caring fathers have in common, is the responsibility involved in being called "Father."

It seems that once we begin raising a family, we are thrust into the role of a parent with little or no training. Usually we are able to adapt by reading, asking questions, and using common sense. When raising children, there are three stages of fatherhood.

The two-year-old child says "Daddy," the ten-year-old says "Dad," and the teenager says "Father." The loving father knows that while all stages are important, the "Daddy" stage is when you must instill the moral fibers and character which will be carried through life.

Although there have been countless books written on parenting, the best handbook for parents is still the Bible.

Remember Father's Day - Sunday, June 20



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Get Active and Stay Active

Start slowly, with a 10 minute walk or other activity. Gradually work yourself up to a longer walk or other types of exercise. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends at least a total of 30 minutes of moderate level activity 5 days a week. If you can't fit it all in at once, you can do short 10 minute bursts of exercise and still receive the same benefits. If you are just starting out, you may feel a bit awkward at first, but the longer you stick with it, the better you will feel. Here are some ways to build physical activity into your day.

Housework, yard work, and even shopping are good activities if you put in a little extra effort.

When you are shopping or running errands, park farther away from the store, so you can walk a bit more.

Go for a morning or evening bike ride or walk around the neighborhood.

Make a point of using the stairs instead of taking the elevator.

In the yard, rake leaves or use a push mower to cut the lawn.

Go for a walk or do some other physical activity on your lunch hour. You will feel more energetic when you return to work.

Motivation is the key to staying physically active. Being motivated will help you keep going even when you are feeling tired or down. Here are some tips to staying motivated:

Have a positive attitude. Physical activity is something you deserve, it should not be something you "should do" or "get around to."

Exercise with a friend or family member. You are less likely to skip an exercise session if it means letting someone else down.

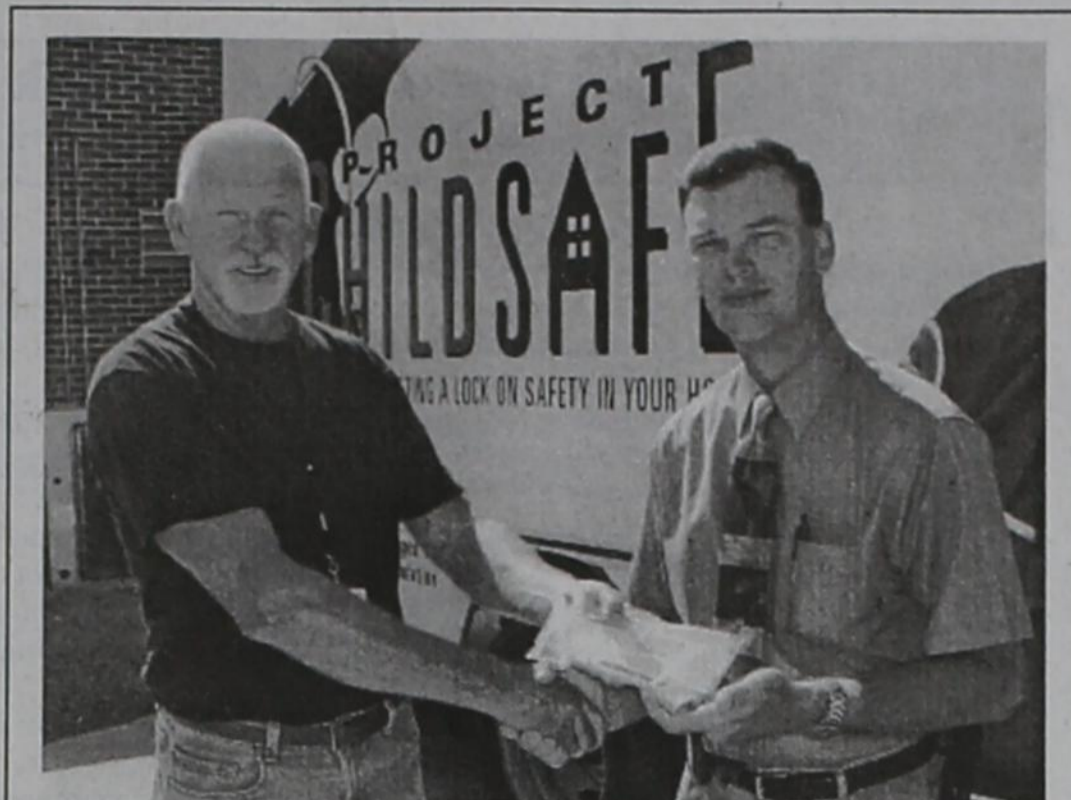
Push yourself from time to time by trying to go a bit further or a bit faster.

If you are trying to slim down, have patience. Enjoy the other benefits that usually come first, such as increased strength, reduced stress, and more energy. The weight change will happen but it may take a while.

Remember, exercise gets easier as your body adapts.

For more information about nutrition or increasing exercise contact (806) 495-4400.

Source: Texas WIC News. "Getting Active, Staying Active." By Amanda Hovis, NEC



Project ChildSafe representative Larry Ashmore (left) presented a supply of gun locks to Garza County Sheriff Ken Ratke. The free safety kits are part of a program developed by the National Shooting Sports Foundation and funded by a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice. Ashmore emphasized that as a stipulation, the county was not to record any personal information about anybody who requests the safety kits. Staff photo by Tim Burnett

Garza County joins Project ChildSafe

Project ChildSafe will launch a safety tour to distribute 20 million free firearm safety kits to communities across America.

The safety tour coincides with the launch of the Project ChildSafe program developed and managed by the National Shooting Sports Foundation and funded by a \$50 million U.S. Department of Justice grant. The program supports a mobile safety tour of 15 educational vehicles that will visit all 50 states.

The free firearm safety kits, which include a gun-locking device, can be obtained by visiting any of the Project ChildSafe scheduled tour stops across the country. Some events include state and county fairs, outdoor shooting sports events, fishing and hunting expos, sporting goods shows, retail store events and festivals. Project ChildSafe also is assisting some law enforcement agencies with scheduling firearm safety events in their communities.

The education vehicles will offer free safety information, demonstrations on the use of the gun locks and valuable tips on firearm safety. Parents are encouraged to have their children sign the Project ChildSafe pledge, where the child pledges to be safe around firearms. A trained pro-

gram representative working with law enforcement officers is on hand to answer questions about proper firearm storage in the home.

Project ChildSafe is an expansion of the NSSF's Project HomeSafe, which provided 2.4 million free firearm safety kits to families in 43 states and more than 1,100 communities last year. Project ChildSafe will work with governors and lieutenant governors, U.S. attorneys, mayors and law enforcement officials to raise awareness about safe and responsible firearm ownership and storage.

The project is a component of President Bush's Project Safe Neighborhoods initiative to reduce gun-related crime and violence in America. For more information on PSN, visit www.psn.gov.

Lacey Hodges earns degree at HSU

Lacey Hodges, daughter of Dan and Lee Ann Hodges of Post, graduated May 8, 2004 from Hardin-Simmons University with a Bachelor of Behavioral Science from the College of Liberal Arts with a Degree in Social Work.

Lacey is a 1999 graduate of Post High School, and is the granddaughter of Gracie Hodges and Curtis and Tommie Williams, all of Post.

After her graduation ceremony Lacey was honored with a luncheon at the home of Bart, Vivian, Mallory, Mollie and Zach McMeans of Abilene. Those attending were Lacey's parents and grandparents. Also attending were Andy Williams, Luke Williams, Laura Waite, Carol Williams and Darrell, Christi, Brooke, Ali & Bryson Daily.

Adobe House Gallery coordinates OS Ranch Steer Roping Art Exhibit Reunion

The Adobe House Gallery of Haskell, which is owned by cowboy artist Tom Ryan and his family, will coordinate the art exhibits for the OS Ranch Steer Roping and Art Exhibit Reunion to be held the first weekend of October.

Ryan's daughter, Kitsy Ryan Drennen, will be in charge of both exhibits. The gallery's involvement in the event was announced recently by Giles McCrary, owner of the historic OS Ranch and a member of the OS Reunion Coordinating Committee.

"We are indeed fortunate to have someone with the professional knowledge and expertise in cowboy and western art to be assisting us with these exhibits," McCrary said in a press release.

The OS Ranch Steer Roping and Art Exhibit was held the first weekend in October from 1972 through 1982. The annual event marked the first time that an art show and sale were held in connection with any type of cowboy event, and the combination proved to be successful.

Ryan, president of the Cowboy Artists of America at the time, selected the artists to participate in the first show.

Jim Prather, founder and chairman of the OS Ranch Steer Roping and Art Exhibit, said he shared McCrary's enthusiasm in obtaining Adobe House Gallery and Drennen to coordinate this year's events.

The OS Reunion will include a Friday night party at the OS Ranch house, which is located 14 miles southeast of Post. During the event, pieces of cowboy and western art from several of the artists who participated in the 1972 event will be on display and available for purchase.

Over the reunion weekend, cowboy and western art by many of the artists who were participants in the exhibit over its 11 years will be on display and for sale at the Post Art Center.

In addition to exhibiting art in the show, Ryan also painted several of the covers for the OS Ranch Steer Roping and Art Exhibit catalogs that have become collector's items. One of his paintings will be featured on the cover of the reunion scrapbook, according to reports.

Ryan resides in Scottsdale, Ariz.

SPAG meeting set Tuesday

The South Plains Association of Governments (SPAG) will conduct a public hearing from 10 a.m. to noon Tuesday, June 22, at 1323 58th St., Lubbock.

The purpose is to receive comments regarding a draft Hazard Mitigation Plan jointly developed by 15 counties and 47 cities.

A copy of the plan is available for public inspection and review at the SPAG offices, 1323 58th St. in Lubbock.

Individuals who would like to review a copy of the South Plains Regional Mitigation Action Plan document may make arrangements to do so by contacting Deborah Yarnell, SPAG's director of emergency communications, at 762-8721.

SPCAA sets public hearing June 22

The South Plains Community Action Association will conduct a public hearing from 3-5 p.m. Tuesday, June 22, at the Home Health and Community Services Building located at 1611 FM 300 in Levelland.

The purpose of the hearing is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the Community Services Block Grant performance statements, the amount of grant funds available, CSBG activities and the use of CSBG funds.

Anyone with disabilities or individuals who require auxiliary aids or services to attend the meeting should contact Luis Perez or Margie Galaviz at 894-4560 to arrange for assistance.

To submit views outside of the meeting, contact Perez, SPCAA Community Services director, at P.O. Box 610, Levelland, TX 79336 or call the phone number listed above.

Post students earn SPC honors

Students from Post are among those named to the President and Dean's Honor Lists for the spring 2004 semester at South Plains College.

"These students have maintained excellent grades during their studies at SPC, and we congratulate them for their perseverance and hard work," said Dr. Kelvin Sharp, vice president for academic affairs. "It is always a pleasure to recognize our honor students."

To qualify for the President's Honor List, students must maintain a straight A 4.0 grade point average while carrying a minimum full-time load of 12 hours of college-level work.

To qualify for the Dean's Honor List, students must maintain a minimum 3.25 GPA while carrying at least 12 hours of college-level work with no failing grades.

Named to the President's Honor List is Brandi Nicole Gray.

Named to the Dean's Honor List are Kyzandre Harper, Kenda Looney, Russ Moore and Ronnie Parrish.

Don't Just Monkey around this summer!

Come to Lava Lava Island for a swinging time!
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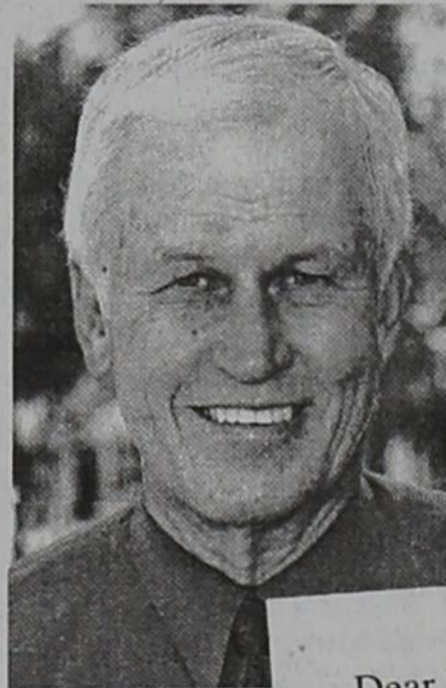
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Too often I hear from constituents, especially seniors, who are forced to choose between buying groceries and paying for medicines their doctors prescribe.

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While the new Medicare discount cards are a first step towards making prescription drugs more affordable for seniors, much more needs to be done to bring down the cost of drugs.

As a Congressman from West Texas, I'll continue to work hard to lower prescription drug costs and make medical care more affordable and available for everyone.

And as a founding member of the Rural Health Care Coalition, I'll continue fighting to provide vital assistance to rural hospitals and health care providers.

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Obituaries

Thomas Jefferson "TJ" Burnes

Thomas Jefferson "TJ" Burnes, 71, of Hastings died Saturday, June 12, 2004 in the Comanche County Memorial Hospital in Lawton, Oklahoma. Graveside services were held Wednesday, June 16 in the Dixie Cemetery with David and Bill Hornbeck officiating. Services were under the direction of the Bailes-Polk Funeral Home.

T.J. was born at Fox, Oklahoma on March 6, 1933 the son of Taylor B. and Mattie York Burnes. He and Betty Hornbeck were married at Gainesville, Texas on December 15, 1957. He was an oil field pumper and retired from the Fina Oil Company in 1989 after over 30 years of faithful service.

He was an avid fisher, enjoyed tinkering, gardening and collecting. He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, grandson Floyd Hill and niece Brittany Summer Burnes.

Survivors include his wife Betty of the home in Hastings; five sons Jimmy Hill of Hastings; Jerry Hill of Artesia, New Mexico; Rick Hill of Comanche; Tommy Burns of Bailey, Colorado and Taylor B. Burns of Hastings; two daughters Charlotte Harendt of Abilene, Texas and Shirley Wilson of Post, Texas; a cousin Vernell Weatherford of Ringling; 14 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

Mary Lee Finch

Graveside services for Mary Lee Finch, 79, of Strawn were held at 10 a.m. Friday, June 11, 2004, in the Terrace Cemetery with Bo Jackson officiating. Hudman Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

She died June 8 at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. Born May 10, 1925, in Post to Willie and Ruth Bowen, she was a homemaker and a member of the Baptist church.

Survivors include one son, Jim Robinson of Brooksville, Kentucky; one sister, Judy Hardin of Strawn; one brother, Marvin Bowen of Ore City, Texas; eight grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, Vancil and Donny Jean Bowen; one son, William Donald Finch; and two grandchildren, Todd Robinson and Missy Finch.

Living on the Edge of the Caprock

by Greg Jones, CEA-AG

Garden Checklist for June

Take a critical look at your landscape while at the height of summer development. Make notes of how you think it can be better arranged, plants that need replacement, overgrown plants that need to be removed, and possible activity areas that can be enjoyed by family members.

- Check for insects and diseases. Destroy badly infested plants. Spider mites can be especially troublesome at this time. Select a chemical or organic control, or use insecticidal soap.

- Supplemental irrigation is essential for many ornamental plants such as coleus, caladium, geranium, dahlia, azalea, and camellia during the hot dry summer days ahead. Water lawn and garden thoroughly, but not too frequently. As a general rule, soak to a depth of 8 inches. Finish watering by early afternoon, to lessen the chance of disease.

- During the summer, soil moisture becomes extremely important and essential for good plant production.

- Because continual watering is oftentimes costly and time consuming, it pays to conserve the moisture around plants. This is best done by mulching. A good mulch will retain valuable moisture needed for plant growth, and improve overall gardening success. Mulches are usually applied 2 to 6 inches deep, depending on the material used. In general, the coarser the material, the deeper the mulch. For example, a 2-inch layer of cottonseed hulls will have about the same mulching effect as 6 inches of oat straw or 4 inches of coastal Bermuda hay.

- There is still time to plant some of the colorful, heat-tolerant summer annuals. Direct-seed zinnias and portulaca, and purchase plants of periwinkle, salvia, marigold, and purslane. Be sure to water transplants as needed until roots become established.

- Removing faded flowers from plants before they set seed will keep them growing and producing flowers. A light application of fertilizer every 4 to 6 weeks will also be helpful.

- House plants can be moved out of doors this month. Sink the pots in a cool, shaded garden bed to prevent them from drying out so quickly; water pots, container plants, and hanging baskets often.

- Monthly feedings with house plant fertilizer will encourage continued growth.

- Now is the time to plan for next spring. Consider digging and dividing any crowded spring bulbs. Once the bulbs have matured and the foliage has turned brown, it is time to spade them up and thin out the stand. Crowded bulbs produce fewer and smaller blooms. They usually need thinning every 3 to 4 years.

- June is the time to select daylily varieties as they reach their peak of bloom. + Fertilize roses every 4 to 6 weeks. Apply a high-nitrogen fertilizer immediately after a flush of bloom.

- Continue to spray susceptible roses with a black-spot control such as Funginex every 7 to 10 days.

- Re-blooming salvias, such as Salvia greggii and S. Farinacea, should be pruned back periodically during the summer. To make the job easier, use hedging shears, and remove only the spent flowers and a few inches of stem below. Fall-blooming perennials, such as Mexican marigold mint (Tagetes lucida), chrysanthemums, physostegia, and Salvia leucantha, should be pruned in the same manner during the summer to keep them compact, reducing the need for staking. This type of pruning should be completed prior to September 1, since flower buds begin forming about that time.

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Washington, D.C. trip... (Continued from Page 1)

Lincoln was shot, and the Peterson Home, where Lincoln died, were next on the agenda. They also toured the Lincoln Museum located just below the theatre.

Following the tour of sites pertaining to Lincoln, the group headed to the Arlington Cemetery. They toured the Kennedy gravesites, the Challenger Memorial and other grave sites, as well as watched the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Those representing Post in the ceremony were Shelley Gearhart, Susan Littrell, Reece Belongia and Kris Crenshaw.

On the third day, the group left the hotel early to have a photo taken in front of the Capitol. They then toured the Capitol building, the Supreme Court and Library of Congress. They met Congressman Charles W. Stenholm and had photos taken with him before moving on to the Capitol building via an underground passageway. There, Stenholm escorted the group into the House of Representatives where the House was in session. He also took the students to the Hall of Statues.

The group's next stop was the National Archives. There, they viewed the original Declaration of Independence and the Constitution, as well as other documents.

Following a photo stop at the White House Visitors Center, the afternoon was spent touring the Smithsonian Museum Complex. The group began its tour with lunch at the Air and Space Museum, followed by a tour of the American History Museum and the Natural History Museum. Dinner was observed in the Fresco Italian Eatery. After dinner, the group went on its night tour of the D.C. area, visiting the FDR Memorial, Kennedy Center, the Iwo Jima Memorial and the Jefferson and Lincoln memorials.

The final day of the tour also saw an early start. The group loaded its bags on the bus and headed out to get a full day of touring in prior to the return to Post. The first stop was the Awakening and other picture stops. The students lunched at Union Station prior to being dropped at the Baltimore Washington Airport for the flight home.

Those making the trip included Ryan Belongia, John David Boren, Paige Bullard, Ericka Cravy, Kris Crenshaw, Shelly Gearhart, Lauren Hair, Allen Heckaman, Samantha Hoover, Meagen Howard, Jay Josey, Lori Jones, Marlee Plummer, Brenna Postell, Tamara Raymundo, Pat Reiter, Kelsey Sanderson, Jeremy Short, Kam Shumard, Timothy Wilson and Call Windham.

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On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

Spiritual Matters...1Corinthians 14:16-19, 26

1 Corinthians 14:15 teaches that there are two different ways to pray. One is with the spirit from God, and the other is with the understanding. Prayer with the understanding is used by nearly all Christians. It simply involves communication with God using a familiar language. On the other hand, prayer with the spirit is not utilized by most Christians. This is largely due to a lack of understanding or misunderstanding about speaking in tongues. Another reason Christians do not begin speaking in tongues is because they simply do not believe to do so, even after receiving right instruction. Although many Christians differ on the subject of spiritual matters including speaking in tongues, this column is designed to reveal what God's word says about it in the Bible.

So far we have seen in 1 Corinthians chapter 14 that it's available for all Christians to speak in tongues. Moreover, it is God's will that all Christians speak in tongues. We learned that speaking in tongues edifies the spirit of God in each Christian who starts speaking. God taught us that when we speak in tongues, it is the spirit that prays and is not intended to edify all Christians according to their own mental understanding. The interpretation of tongues is for the edification of other believers during an orderly assembly. The one who does the speaking must also pray or believe to give the interpretation. The interpretation of tongues is basically prophesy in that the words given are understood by all in the assembly, and they are for edification, exhortation and comfort.

Verses 16-26 continues to emphasize the distinction between speaking in tongues and the interpretation of tongues. But a brief examination of verses 16-19

and 26 is warranted. "Else if you shall bless with the spirit, how shall he that occupies the room of the unlearned say "Amen" at your giving of thanks, seeing he understands not what you say. For you verily give thanks well, but the other is not edified. I thank my God I speak with tongues more than you all. Yet in the church I had rather speak five words with my understanding, that by my voice I might teach others also, than ten thousand words in an unknown tongue" (verses 16-19). Our readers will be astounded to learn that the interpretation of tongues can also be utilized to give thanks during an assembly of believers at the dinner table. It doesn't actually say "at the dinner table." But isn't that a time most Christians give thanks? When we speak in tongues we are giving thanks well. That's what it says. How can it be giving thanks well, if we just learned that it is not edifying to speak in tongues without giving the interpretation? Every one of us at some time has spoken things under our breath or without making any sounds. Our lips slightly move. Our jaw may move a little. Our tongue is popping through the consonants. Yet we never made any significant sound. Well, this can also be done while speaking in tongues.

Verses 26 reemphasizes for the third time, "...let all things be done unto edifying." When God emphasizes something three times, He completely establishes it. There are no if...ands...or...buts about it. When it comes to spiritual matters, let all things be unto edifying. Guess what? This is true for all interactions with others. When Christians walk by the spirit of God and love others with His love, you can bet your bottom dollar their decisions and actions will be unto edifying. What a great and loving God we have, that He would make it available to not only go to Him with our own understanding, but that we can truly pray with the spirit that He gave us freely. Praise God for His matchless love!

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Our elective monarchy

by Sheldon Richman
 One of the myths Americans live by is that they rejected monarchy when the British left involuntarily in the late 18th century. Had a Martian been visiting the United States last week, he never would have believed it. Witnessing the state funeral and worshipful wall-to-wall cable-television coverage, our Martian would have sworn that Ronald Reagan had been the king of America. The visitor wouldn't have been far off the mark. The Washington Post called it "a funeral fit for a king."

The procession down Constitution Avenue, horse-drawn caisson, riderless horse, 21-gun salute, and show military display all culminated in Reagan's lying in state under the Capitol dome. It all served to glorify not only the former president, but the State itself. For several days Ronald Reagan was the State. (Selective memory helps, for example, the "memory" that Reagan was an unreconstructed cold warrior. You'd never know from the past week that he retracted the "evil empire" charge when he warmed up to Gorbachev.)

This isn't just about Reagan. Any president is treated like royalty in the United States. To see this, compare the treatment of the prime minister of Britain. Look at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue and No. 10 Downing Street. If you say, "But the United States is the leading power in the world," you're beginning to get my point. The unconstitutional aggrandizement of the national government in general, and the presidency in particular, is part of the cause; the royal treatment of the president the effect.

The very structure of the national government contains the potential for a monarchical president, but it took the accretion of power to actualize that potential. The comparison with Britain is instructive. Great Britain's government is a parliamentary system under a monarchy. Thus the head of state and the head of government are different people. Whatever its drawbacks, it has a salutary effect, namely, that the head of government is not immune to rough handling.

The Parliament's vigorous questioning of the prime minister is the most public manifestation of this feature of the British government. Elected officials grill the chief executive, who is one of their own, and he must answer. People could not be aware of this without forming a down-to-earth image of the prime minister and without feeling that, given the chance, they too would be justified in grilling him about, say, their potholes. But they would not think of grilling the queen.

Some Americans are fascinated by this treatment of the prime minister and view it religiously on C-SPAN. Why? Because nothing like it happens here. America's central government has a separation of powers with three co-equal branches, yet also with (theoretical) checks and balances. Congress cannot require the president to submit to questioning. (This provides continuing controversy, such as the recent negotiation over National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice's testimony under oath before the congressionally created 9/11 commission.) Cabinet officials are sometimes questioned bluntly, but that only serves to underscore how different the president is. The news media get to question the president at his pleasure, but, for a variety of reasons, do so with kid gloves.

Of course, there is no monarch, so the president is both head of state and head of government. And that means he gets the queen's treatment.

The people, most of whom believe it when they are told they need a leader, could hardly fail to notice.

It all comes to a head when a president dies, especially if he has requested a state funeral. At that point the State brings out all the signs of its majesty and mystique, especially the military. Maybe this satisfies some need in people. But one thing is sure: it notifies them that, notwithstanding the jabber about "of the people, by the people, for the people," the State is in charge. Nothing that awesome could be under their control. What we have is an elective monarch who, if we are to believe the current wearer of the crown, rules by divine right.

It's hard to imagine now what a presidential funeral would be like had the government maintained its intended constitutional dimensions. He was to be merely the chief executive. It probably would resemble that of the president of free, prosperous, reclusive, and cantonal Switzerland. Can you name him?

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A Weekly Column

Torture, War, and Presidential Powers

A Wall Street Journal article last week detailed a Department of Defense memo that discusses the legality of interrogation and torture methods in the wake of events at Abu Gharib. The document reportedly advises that the president has authority to order almost any action, including physical or psychological torture, despite federal laws to the contrary. The Pentagon lawyers who drafted the memo were not shy about blatantly asserting that the Commander-In-Chief can break the law when necessary, as evidenced by this quote from the memo: "Sometimes the greater good for society will be accomplished by violating the literal language of the criminal law."

The Justice department, for its part, is depressingly silent on the issue. Attorney General Ashcroft refuses to release an existing Justice department memo on the matter to Congress. Why can't the American people, much less Congress, see how the Justice department interprets presidential powers and federal torture laws? Why the secrecy? The Justice department is charged with enforcing federal laws, not suspending them or advising federal agencies to ignore them.

Legal issues aside, the American people and government should never abide the use of torture by our military or intelligence agencies. A decent society never accepts or justifies torture. It dehumanizes both torturer and victim, yet seldom produces reliable intelligence. Torture by rogue American troops or agents puts all Americans at risk, especially our rank-and-file soldiers stationed in dozens of dangerous places around the globe. God forbid terrorists take American soldiers or travelers hostage and torture them as some kind of sick retaliation for Abu Gharib.

The greater issue presented by the Defense department memo, however, is the threat posed by unchecked executive power. Defense department lawyers essentially argue that a president's powers as Commander-In-Chief override federal laws prohibiting torture, and the Justice department appears to agree. But the argument for extraordinary wartime executive powers has been made time and time again, always with bad results and the

loss of our liberties. War has been used by presidents to excuse the imprisonment of American citizens of Japanese descent, to silence speech, to suspend habeas corpus, and even to control entire private industries.

It is precisely during times of relative crisis that we should adhere most closely to the Constitution, not abandon it. War does not justify the suspension of torture laws any more than it justifies the suspension of murder laws, the suspension of due process, or the suspension of the Second amendment.

We are fighting undeclared wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, and an open-ended war against terrorism worldwide. If the president claims extraordinary wartime powers, and we fight undeclared wars with no beginning and no end, when will those extraordinary powers lapse? Since terrorism will never be eliminated completely, should all future presidents be able to act without regard to Congress or the Constitution simply by asserting "We're at war"?

Conservatives should understand that the power given the president today will pass to the president's successors, who may be only too eager to abuse that unbridled power domestically to destroy their political enemies. Remember the anger directed at President Clinton for acting "above the law" when it came to federal perjury charges? An imperial presidency threatens all of us who oppose unlimited state power over our lives.

A strong separation of powers is at the heart of our constitutional liberties. No branch of government should be able to act unilaterally, no matter how cumbersome the legislative process may be. The beauty of the Constitution is that it encourages some degree of gridlock in government, making it harder for any branch to act capriciously or secretly. When we give any president one man- too much power, we build a foundation for future tyranny.

Footnote on Reagan's "City on a Hill" Phrase

by L. John VanTil.
 In recent days many Americans were deeply moved by the week-long farewell ceremony in honor of President Ronald Reagan. Among the many tributes were frequent references to his vision for America. Numerous speakers, including Vice President Cheney and Supreme Court Justice O'Connor, specifically referred to, and even quoted, John Winthrop's laysermon on board the Arbella in 1630 as the prime example of President Reagan's vision for America. Winthrop challenged his fellow settlers to work hard, to do the right thing and to carry out the purpose of their mission as they settled in New England. And why? Because, he said, "we shall be as a city upon a hill," continuing with the observation that all the world would be watching to see how they did in their little experiment in America, ready to mock them if they failed. The networks replayed President Reagan's delivery of this quotation many times during the week and numerous pundits cited the line as well. Every one of the dozens who quoted or commented on Winthrop's phrase during the memorial events referred to him as a "Pilgrim" leader.

In the interest of historical accuracy it must be pointed out that John Winthrop was not a Pilgrim and that stating so on any decent history test would result in points being lost. Well, then, who was Winthrop if not a Pilgrim? It is no small point to state that he was, in fact, a Puritan and that Pilgrims and Puritans were not the same settlers at all. And, it must be said that Pilgrims are admired by Americans, even admired in some history texts, while queries about Puritans generally result in a frown and a negative opinion.

The Pilgrims were a small band of dissenters who decided that with the arrival of King James from Scotland to occupy the English throne, upon the death of Queen Elizabeth in 1603, they had to leave England to worship as they saw fit. They first moved in 1606-1607 to Holland, which had freedom of religion. By 1620 they decided that they would be better off in America and so it was that after a stopover in England, they sailed for America in the Mayflower, arriving late in the fall. Their principal leader was William Bradford, who later wrote an account of their early days in his famous "Of Plymouth Plantation." A singular characteristic of the Pilgrims was their separatism—they thought pure worship could occur only when separated from the Church of England.

The Puritans, on the other hand, were a very large group of people who decided to settle in America in 1628, sending an advance party that year under the direction of Governor John Endicott. A year and a half later, another contingent set sail—some 700 people at once—under the leadership of a new Governor, John Winthrop. In the next few years over 20,000 people came to the Bay Colony under the Puritan banner. Winthrop's famous laysermon, which included the phrase "we shall be as a city on a hill," was

uttered near the end of this voyage in 1630. Winthrop was Governor of Massachusetts Bay Colony, as it was called, for most of the next decade, ruling with a firm hand. It was from this colony that America received the flavor of Puritanism, not from the small band of Pilgrims who landed a decade before Winthrop in another corner of what would later become the Bay State.

If Winthrop was not a Pilgrim, how did it happen that he came to be called one by President Reagan and then by dozens who quoted him or quoted Winthrop from their own experience during the memorial ceremonies? The likely answer to this question involves a long-standing erroneous reputation of the Puritans.

During the first half of the twentieth century, history textbooks that commented on Puritans and Puritanism had a decidedly negative tone in their interpretation. This negative tone probably arose from the writer's personal dislike for the strict Christian views held by the Puritans, but that is a topic beyond the scope of this piece. Puritanism has been rehabilitated by an outstanding group of Harvard and Yale historians beginning with the work of Samuel E. Morison in the 1930s ("The Builders of the Bay Colony"), continuing with major works by Perry Miller ("The New England Mind") and Yale historian Edmond S. Morgan ("The Puritan Dilemma: The Story of John Winthrop"). Their students and their students' students have carried on this restoration of Puritanism, therein creating an accurate picture of it. Indeed, I would count my own "Liberty of Conscience: The History of a Puritan Idea" as a chapter in this reconstruction of Puritanism. In brief, it is clear that Puritans were generally witty, educated, hard working, and devout Christians. They certainly were not prudish as Edmond Morgan has pointed out.

"Cultural lag" and simple obstinacy, not to mention a continuing revisionism of American history, have prevented the more accurate picture of John Winthrop's Boston from becoming the prevailing view of Puritanism. Hence, it is likely that whoever first gave President Reagan this quotation did not know the difference between Pilgrims and Puritans. Or, more likely, this person thought that using the name Puritan would undermine whatever positive message the "city on a hill" phrase had. In that case, replacing Puritan with the more positive "little band of Pilgrims" designation made sense for rhetorical purposes. Why the other speakers, eulogizers, and network pundits did not correct this error, or point it out in good humor, only they would know. For the record, however, let's give credit where it is due: John Winthrop, author of the "city on a hill" phrase, was a leading Puritan founder of Massachusetts Bay Colony in 1630.

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Legal Notices

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF GARZA

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 106th Judicial District Court of Garza County, on the 3rd day of June, by the Clerk thereof, in the case(s) styled as follows:

Cause No. -90-04-4, 475-CV; Styling - Post Independent School District v. George Mientenda Jr.; Legal Description - 1. Lots 57-60, Block O, Hart Addition to the City of Post, Garza County, Texas.
 Cause No. -90-12-4, 579-CV; Styling - County of Garza v. Johnny J. Perez aka John Jessie Perez; Legal Description - 2. Lots 11, 12, Block 52, Original Town of the City of Post, Garza County, Texas.
 Cause No. -92-06-4, 758-CV; Styling - Post Independent School District v. Raymond Villa; Legal Description - 3. West 40' of Lot 37, West 40' of Lot 39, 40, 41, all of Lot 38, and West 40' of Lots 42, 43, Block 116 Original Town of City of Post, Garza County, Texas.
 Cause No. -92-09-4, 808-CV; Styling - Post Independent School District v. Eddie Moore; Legal Description - 4. Lot 9, 10, Block 26, Original Town of City of Post, Garza County, Texas.
 Cause No. -92-09-4, 809-CV; Styling - Post Independent School District v. Donnell Harper; Legal Description - 5. Lot 7, Block 13, Original Town of City of Post, Garza County, Texas.
 Cause No. -94-01-04, 967-CV; Styling - Southland Independent School District v. Saldivar Rodriguez; Legal Description - 6. A .55 acre tract of land out of the West Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 1267, Garza County, Texas.
 Cause No. -95-02-05, 077-CV; Styling - Post Independent School District v. Earl Harper; Legal Description - 7. .211 acres being the South 92' of the East Half of Lot 6, South 92' of Lots 7, 8, Block 138, City of Post, Garza County, Texas.
 Cause No. -95-03-0, 5100-CV; Styling - Post Independent School District v. Wallace Tapley; Legal Description - 8. .140 acres being Lot 16, Block 129 Original Town of City of Post, Garza County, Texas.
 Cause No. -95-07-0, 5139-CV; Styling - County of Garza v. Ed Isaacs Jr.; Legal Description - 9. .140 acres being Lot 11, Block 55, Original Town of City of Post, Garza County, Texas.
 Cause No. -96-03-0, 5208-CV; Styling - Garza County v. Malinda Finch, Individually and as Heir of Walter Finch, Deceased; Legal Description - 10. Lots 4, 5, North 6' of Lot 6, Block 50, of the Original Town of Post, Garza County, Texas. 11. A .260 acre tract out of Abstract 1116, Section 2, S.E. Harper Survey Tract in Post, Garza County, Texas.

Cause No. -97-08-0, 5327-CV; Styling - Post Independent School District v. Ruben Rodriguez; Legal Description - 12. 244 acre being the South Half of Lot 12, All of Lot 13, North 10' of Lot 14, Block 84, Original Town of City of Post, Garza County, Texas.
 Cause No. -98-03-0, 5382-CV; Styling - County of Garza v. Joe Perez; Legal Description - 13. 1.4 acres out of Abstract 333 of the J.V. Massey Survey, Section 1231, Block 55, (203 X 293.5') City of Post, Garza County, Texas.
 Cause No. 99-02-0, 5469-CV; Styling - Post Independent School District v. Anzelmu Casarez, aka Anzelmo Casarez; Legal Description - 14. .140 acre being Lot 4, Block 155, Original Town of City of Post, Garza County, Texas.
 Cause No. -03-02-5, 844-CV; Styling - Garza County v. Clay Speer; Legal Description - 15. Lot 15, Block 25, Original Town of City of Post, Garza County, Texas.
 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 3:30 o'clock p.m. on the 6th day of July, 2004, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the East door of the Courthouse of Garza County, in the City of Post, Texas.
 Levied on the 3rd day of June, 2004, as the property of said defendants, to satisfy the judgment rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, at 12 percent per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of each jurisdiction.

ALL BIDDERS MUST NOW DISPLAY PROOF OF COMPLIANCE WITH 34.015 OF TEXAS TAX CODE.

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 Kenneth M. Ratke
 Sheriff, Garza County, Texas
 By: Tommy Bindord, Deputy

Notice of Application For Fluid Injection Well Permit

Walsh and Watts, Inc., 1111 Seventh Street, Wichita Falls, Texas 76301 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a porous formation which is productive of oil and gas.
 The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the San Andres formation, Long "A" Lease lease, Well Number 3. The proposed injection well is located 8 miles North West of Post in the Buenos Field Field, in Garza County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 3230 to 3430 feet.
LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.
 Request for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

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Yesteryears

Compiled by Donna Jones from the files of The Post Dispatch

10 Years Ago June 15, 1994

Founded shortly after Post became a city, the First National Bank of Post is celebrating its 85th anniversary June 17. History of the bank goes back to C. W. Post and the founding of the community in 1907. When the town was still in the tent stage, some local cattlemen were talking to the town's manager, W. E. Alexander, about a bank. Post did not move on the idea until May of 1909. The First National Bank of Post City was organized in June of that year.

A summer tradition returns to Post as the Garza Theatre prepares its annual tribute to the "Harley Sadler Show". This year's production, "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine", is a bitersweet story about feuding hillbilly clans in Virginia.

Agricultural science major Brent McDonald, a Post High School graduate, was recently named to the Texas A&M honors list. The Aggie senior was named to the distinguished student's list for the 1994 spring semester.

Garza County Sheriff Kenny Ratke and chief deputy Maurice "Mo" Herridge, along with fellow deputy Clifford Laws will be competing in the Texas Police Games in Abilene. Sheriff Ratke will compete in several bowling events including singles, doubles, team and all-around. Herridge will compete in powerlifting, bench press and doubles and team bowling. Laws will compete in track and field, throwing the shotput.

20 Years Ago June 13, 1984

What started out as a grease fire in the pit at Jackson's Cafeteria quickly spread to the rafters keeping local firemen busy. Heavy smoke damage was sustained throughout the structure.

Double ring wedding vows were read for Lisa Margaret Mohr and Richard Bruce Waldrip Saturday, June 9 in the Means Memorial United Methodist Church in Andrews. Dr. Tom Pass, First Presbyterian Church minister of Post read the 2:30 p.m.

vows. Parents of the bride are Dr. and Mrs. Henry O. Mohr of Andrews and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Waldrip of Post.

Benny and Beau Britnell announce the birth of their sister, Brandi Leigh, born June 6 in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital. Parents of the children are Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Britnell.

Approximately 150 relatives and friends attended a reception honoring Travis and Thelma Thomas on 50 years of married life, in the Senior Citizens Center on May 26.

Harold Lucas and Tom Drake were reappointed as Airport Board members by the County Commissioners in their regular monthly meeting.

30 Years Ago June 13, 1974

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Chisum and their 11-month-old son, Cody, have moved from Spur to Post where Chisum will fill the newly created position of junior high school coach and teach physical education classes.

Specialist Fourth Class Johnny L. Hair graduated fourth in his class recently in the 1174th Basic Leadership School at Ft. Sill Institute in Ft. Sill, Okla. The Basic Leadership School is a preparatory course for the Non-commissioned Officers Academy, which Hair is to attend in September.

Post Stampede, Inc., directors have elected Jimmy Moore as president to replace Fred Myers, who is moving to Slaton. New directors David Nichols and Cliff Grigsby were also elected.

Miss Donna Kay Rowland and Larry Bilberry exchanged wedding vows Saturday, June 8, in the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Lubbock. Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Allen Rowland of Ingleside, Tex. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Bilberry of Post.

Two Post teachers - Miss Yvonne Lewis, junior high science instructor, and Sam Buchanan, high school mathematics teacher - have been chosen "Outstanding Secondary Educators of America for 1974".

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- home of Dyess AFB
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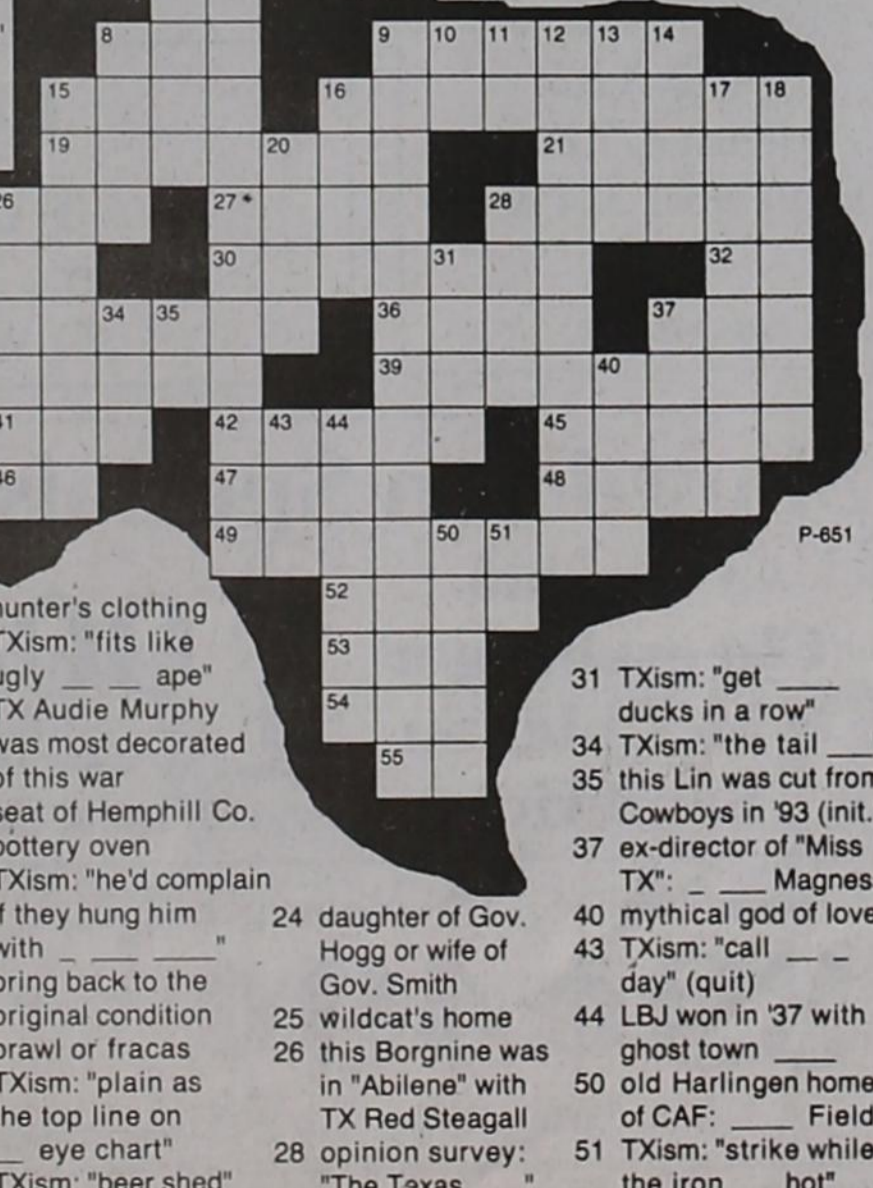
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June 18, 1964

The Post firm of Hudson & Sparks had their big equipment busy last weekend clearing concrete debris from the old Lincoln grade school off Post's public housing project site preparatory for actual construction of the 28-unit building job.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Warren was the scene of the late afternoon wedding at 5 o'clock Wednesday, June 10, for Miss Ava Marie Mathis and their son, Marvin Delroy Odom. The bride is the granddaughter of Mrs. L. B. Mathis of Southland.

New officers installed by the Post Order of Eastern Star at a ceremony in the lodge hall June 9 are Mrs. Joe Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Moreland, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kennedy, who were installed as worthy patron and worthy matron, Mrs. J. P. Parnell, Mrs. Loucill Morris, Mrs. Arnold Sanderson, Mrs. Paul Jones, Mrs. J. E. Tanner, Mrs. W. L. Mills, Miss Henrietta Nichols, Mrs. Noah Stone, Joe Pearson, Lester Nichols, and Mrs. R. B. Dodson.

Mrs. A. J. Payne, who has been employed at the First National Bank, is the new church secretary at the First Baptist Church. She replaces Mrs. Marita Jackson, who resigned.

50 Years Ago June 17, 1954

By driving 3.7 miles on one-tenth of a gallon of gas, Thurman Francis of the Garnolia community won first prize Saturday in the driving contest sponsored by Dowe H. Mayfield Co., Inc. His prize was an automatic coffee maker. Bill DeWalt, Post florist, was a close second with 3.65 miles, and received an electric iron.

Jumbo grasshoppers hit Garza County's cotton crop hard over the weekend and the first of the week, but the infestation appeared to be slackening by mid-week.

Fire destroyed the upper floor of the J. W. Teal residence, just southwest of the city limits, Friday night while Mr. and Mrs. Teal were visiting their children in Lubbock. The fire had gained considerable headway when the alarm was turned in at 9 p.m. Since the nearest fire plug was seven

blocks away, firemen were hampered by a scarcity of water in fighting the flames. This handicap was overcome, however, through the use of a truck of salt water provided by Bruce Burney, oil hauling contractor. Water from the truck kept one of the fire department's trucks filled while the flames were being fought.

The Post Elementary-High Parent-Teacher Association is sponsoring a series of swimming instructions for adults. Herbert Aduddell, pool life-guard, is the instructor.

60 Years Ago June 15, 1944

The Fifth War Loan drive officially opened throughout the nation. This drive to help provide the money which is needed to win the final victory over Germany first, then Japan, has received momentum in many sections of the country with invasion spurred sales. The United States has spent \$200,000,000,000, on the war so far and before the year is out another \$95,000,000,000. To take the Marshall Islands it took \$6,000,000,000. Garza County's quota of \$295,000 is the largest of any of the war loan drives thus far. Everyone is urged to buy all the bonds they can without waiting for campaign workers to call on them.

Fifteen 4-row tractors lined up in a field and planting 60 rows at a time was the unusual scene of action on the farm of Melvin Hill Tuesday morning, Hill, son of W. C. Hill has been sick for several months. His neighbors in the Graham community brought their tractors and needed equipment and planted his 200 acres quickly and finished early while the morning was still cool.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnie Jones are announcing the arrival of a 10 pound, 8 ounce baby girl, Reta Fern, on June 8.

Hey, don't forget and phone 94 for BLONDIES LAUNDRY SERVICE. Delivery... Monday - Thursday and Saturday... Wednesday - Saturday.

Willie Anne Mathis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Preston Mathis was honored with a party on her eighth birthday, June 3, by her mother in the home of Mrs. Kelly Sims.

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District Shoot

Garza County youth will be competing in the District Two 4-H Trap and Skeet shoot in Lubbock June 25-26. Good luck to all shooters.

Sheriff reports 6 arrests

Six people were placed in the Garza County Jail during the past week, according to sheriff's department records.

On June 8, a 23-year-old was picked up for possession of marijuana, under two ounces, and driving with an invalid license.

An individual, age unlisted, was arrested June 10 on a Tarrant County warrant. A 17-year-old was picked up on a Nolan County warrant the following day.

On June 12, a 39-year-old was arrested for driving while intoxicated. A 52-year-old was jailed for possession of marijuana and DWI/first offense on June 13.

On June 14, a 34-year-old was arrested on a warrant out of Hockley County.

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Colgate Country Showdown features New Mexico, Texas talent July 3

KPOS Radio's 4th Annual Colgate Country Showdown, set for 7 p.m. Saturday, July 3 at the Garza Theatre, features eight talented acts, each vying for an opportunity to win the \$100,000 grand prize award at the national finals.

Selected to compete at the local show are Candy Kane Bailey of Roswell, Diane Berry of Corpus Christi, The Country Boys of Post, Megan Cheek of Abilene, Angela Davis of Lubbock, Shawna Jaquess of Post, the Jake Kellen Band of Lubbock and Raelin Ogle of Abernathy.

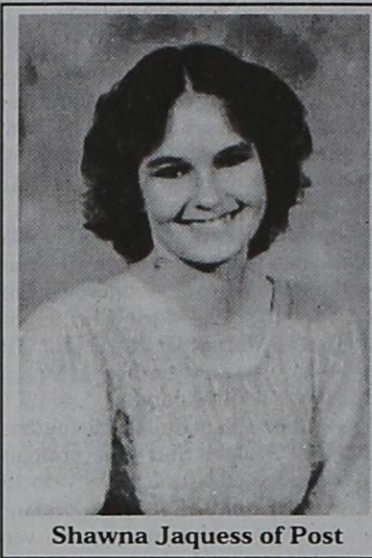
Returning by popular demand as KPOS Radio's Colgate Country Showdown stage band are The Guthries, who will provide backup support for individual acts. Returning also this year as Mistress of Ceremonies will be one of the most popular South Plains entertainers and former Post resident, Cathy Whitten of New Home.

The show will feature each act with two performances in two sets, with a 15 minute intermission between the sets. The winner of KPOS Radio's Colgate Country Showdown will advance to the West Texas Regional event in Abilene, and from there to the Texas contest, a Western U.S. regional and then to the national finals at Walt Disney World.

Reserved tickets for the event are on sale at the Garza Theatre box office, 806-495-4005 at \$6 each.



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Final report issued on last spring's forum

County Agents, Julie Neitsch Dirks and Greg Jones, conducted the Texas Cooperative Extension County Forum for Garza County on April 12th. Approximately 30 citizens, community members, and special guests attended the forum hosted the First United Methodist Church in Post.

Participants had the opportunity to voice their concerns and opinions on the issues they felt are most critical to Garza County. Issues identified as the most important regarding Garza County included:

- HEALTH CARE- including women's preventative services, emergency health care, health care for non-insured, and supplemental services.
- WATER DEVELOPMENT- including information on water conservation, quality, and quantity.
- ELDERLY SERVICES AND ASSISTANCE- assisting with utility bills (gas/electric) and food services; health and nutrition education, and financial and budgeting courses.
- YOUTH PROGRAMS- including positive and productive after school and weekend programs, education on moral and core values and character education.
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT- including recreation, tourism, housing, motels, apartments, and fire safety at Lake Allen Henry.

The Extension staff will work with other pertinent organizations throughout the community to address over the next 4 years the needs identified during the county forum.

Garza County Extension Agents would like to thank those who participated in this event, including special guests Judge and Mrs. Giles Dalby, Commissioner Lee Norman, and State Representative Pete Laney.

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