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GHD split on tax increase

by Sheri Lewis

Directors of the Garza County Hospital District were split last week when deciding the district's financial plan for the next fiscal year.

The board voted 3-2, with newcomers Fred Howell and Kenda Bartlett casting the dissenting votes, in favor of accepting the health care district's proposed budget for the next fiscal year.

Howell led the charge against acceptance of the budget, which stands at less than \$1 million and is smaller

than the spending schedule for the current fiscal year. He said district officials need to make additional budget cuts to ensure that district taxpayers realize no increase in the total amount of taxes paid.

District officials plan to utilize the same tax rate - .11481 per \$100 valuation - as used in the current fiscal year; however, with an increase in property values, some taxpayers could see increased tax bills despite no change in the tax rate.

Howell noted the shift in property

values will result in the district's collection of more than \$36,000 in taxes above the amount collected last year, providing a revenue increase of 7.88 percent. He suggested the board trim the tax rate so that instead of a revenue increase, the district would collect the same amount of tax dollars as received in the current fiscal year.

"It's gonna raise the amount of taxes we collect," he said, adding that his primary objective was to see that taxes were not increased.

District administrator Tanya Boucher pointed out that the district has relied heavily on its cash reserves in recent months.

"We're really playing on a risky pattern, not knowing how long the money will last.... Our cash reserves are gone. We can't come up with other revenues," she said. "If we run out (of money), we run out.... I'm not comfortable taking that kind of risk."

Boucher said that if property values continue to rise, district officials might want to re-evaluate the situation next year and make adjustments; however, the collection of taxes at the current tax rate would generate a "cushion."

According to figures provided by the district, the average taxpayer with property valued at \$50,000 in the new fiscal year will pay an additional \$4.20 under the plan, or about 35 cents per month. With property valued at \$90,000, the tax bill will climb \$7.55, or 63 cents per month.

Bartlett said the district's conservative revenue projections could easily enable the board to make the bulk of the cuts necessary to drop the tax rate as per Howell's suggestion.

"If there's a way that we can do this, then I think we need to do it," she said.

Following a lengthy discussion, Howell made a motion to postpone action on the budget and schedule another budget work session. Bartlett seconded the motion; however, the two were outvoted by the remaining board members.

Howell's motion was followed by a motion and second to approve the budget as presented. That motion passed with the split vote.

In other business, the board:

- Received the clinic report for the month of July. The clinic's numbers were "off slightly" for the month, Boucher said. Total payout was \$12,756, an increase over the \$9,922 posted in the previous month.

- Received the indigent care report for the month of July. The month began with an enrollment of 10 and ended with 11. Expenses for the month totaled \$2,122.71, leaving \$7,066.07 for the final two months of the fiscal year.

The board's next meeting will be held Sept. 2 at 6:30 p.m. at Citizens Bank. Boucher said that session will include discussion and consideration of the proposed tax rate.

The next regular meeting of district directors is set for 6:30 p.m. Sept. 16 at Citizens Bank.

Drug task force future uncertain

A recent announcement by the Lubbock Police Department has left the Garza County Sheriff's Department in a law enforcement limbo of sorts.

After the Lubbock agency announced last week it would no longer serve as the administering agency for grant monies that fund the South Plains Regional Narcotics Task Force, Garza County lawmen, as well as those representing 17 other area counties, were left to wonder whether they can continue drug enforcement activities at the same level.

Garza County Sheriff Kenny Ratke said that most area law enforcement agencies "operate on a shoestring" budget, and the loss of the regional narcotics task force is "just an added resource we can't afford to let go of out here."

The local sheriff's department and the task force have enjoyed a long-term drug enforcement partnership, the sheriff said. The task force has assisted in breaking down drug labs following drug busts, saving the county thousands of dollars per incident, and provided undercover agents to help work drug cases.

"And that's just one aspect of it," Ratke said. "We've had a long relationship. We work a lot of cases together.... Their support and assistance has been invaluable."

In one of their most successful partnerships, the Garza County Sheriff's Department and the task force used a local informant to help Lubbock authorities file 26 heroin-related cases, most of them federal court cases, the sheriff said.

Last week, the Lubbock Police Department announced plans to resign as administrator of the \$655,000 federal grant that funds the task force.

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Post Notes

Community Meeting

SPCAA Early Head Start Program and My Special Place Child Development Center will hold a meeting on Tuesday, August 31 at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall at 7 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to attend this important meeting. A light meal will be served at 6:30 p.m.

Proceeds to Help Arturo Torrez

On Saturday, August 28 gordita and chile relleno plates will be sold at 413 West 12th Street from 1-3 p.m. All proceeds will go to help with medical expenses for Arturo Torrez who needs surgery immediately. If you have any questions call 928-7964.

Holiday for Middle School

Middle School Students will not come to school on Friday, August 27th! Teachers will have training (Friday and Saturday) on the laptop computers.

SPAG Offering Transportation to Seniors

South Plains Association of Governments (SPAG) Area Agency on Aging has announced special funding is available to assist seniors in the rural area for transportation services. These services are offered to seniors, sixty years of age or older, who need roundtrip transportation for appointments or errands such as community physicians, pharmacies, or grocery stores. Arrangements can be made for seniors needing to travel into Lubbock for physician appointments or other important errands, too. For further information on transportation services, contact SPAG's Area Agency on Aging at (806) 687-0940 or 1-888-418-6564.

First Baptist Church

Come to the park for Mission Vacation Bible School. We will be playing games, learning about the Bible and God, and enjoying some great food each Wednesday night in July and August from 6-7:30 p.m. The First Baptist Church van will begin picking people up at 5:30 each Wednesday night, take them to the park, and drop them off at the same place they were picked up after VBS is over. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the church office at 495.3554.

Flag Football Sign-ups

Post Flag Football sign-ups will be held from August 26-September 7 everyday after school from 3:30-5:30 p.m. at MAD DADS for boys and girls ages 1st-6th grades. The cost is \$10 per participant. If you have any questions call 620-0960 or 495-3960.

La Iglesia De Dios De La Profecia

La Iglesia De Dios De La Profecia en Post le invita a usted y su familia a la celebracion de su 4 Festival Cristiano en el Algerita Park el dia 4 de Septiembre desde las 11 de la manana hasta las 9 de la noche. Tendremos a los afamados cantantes Nacho Galindo y Pep Franco, ademas habra otros cantantes ante el dia, buena comida, juegos, y muchas cosas mas. Todos son bienvenidos.

Church of God of Prophecy

Church of God of Prophecy in Post invites you and your family to celebrate with us our 4th Annual Christian Festival at the Algerita Park on September 4, from 11 a.m. - 9 p.m. We will be featuring the famous singers Nacho Galindo and Pepe Franco, along with various groups singing throughout the day, with good food, games, and much more. Everyone is welcome.

Dance Classes to Begin

Dance classes for boys and girls, ages 3 thru 3rd grade will begin Monday, September 13. Classes will include ballet, tap and jazz. Call 495-4966 for more information.

Town Hall Meeting

There will be a town hall meeting to discuss and start organizing for the Post Centennial to be held in 2007. Committees are needed for special events, organization, publicity, and funding. Please attend and bring your ideas and expertise to this meeting. The meeting will held on Tuesday, September 14 at 7 p.m. in the Post Community Center. This is your chance to be a part of the 100th anniversary of your city. Everyone is invited.

Bold Gold Pep Rallies

Post High School will hold their Pep Rallies every Friday at 9 a.m. at the Antelope Arena. The public is invited to come out and support the Antelope squad.

Antelope Booster Club

Weekly meetings for the Antelope Booster Club will be held on Mondays at 7 p.m. in the Post High School Library. The meetings will include the coaches report and a review of the previous varsity game, plus a preview of the next opponent.

Antelope Booster Club Posters

The Antelope Booster Club is once again selling posters of the individual players, teams, individual cheerleaders, or cheerleader squad to businesses for display when they purchase a business membership. Parents, grandparents and friends can also order a poster of their choice for \$25. Contact Allen and Pixie Grisham or Rex and Terri Cash to order a poster.

Class of 1954 Reunion

The PHS class of 1954 will hold its 50th reunion on Friday and Saturday, September 17th and 18th. There will be a reception before the homecoming game on Friday, from 5-7 p.m. in the Citizens Bank community room, 210 N. Broadway, and a gathering after the game at the same location. All friends and family of classmates are invited to come by the bank for visitation and refreshments. If you are a classmate, and have questions regarding other planned activities, you may contact Natalie Shepherd at 495-3300 or Velta King at 495-1598.

Highway traffic collections enrich county and state funds by \$25,392.06 in July

by Tim Burnett

Garza County Justice of the Peace Courts collected a total of \$25,392.06 during July for highway travel fines issued here, according to official reports. The fund raising program, operated by Garza County in coordination with the State of Texas, took advantage of travelers who were accused of violating State Transportation Codes.

Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 collected \$9465.75 on 50 cases while JP Court Precinct 2 reported \$15,926.31 on 40 cases.

State and county code enforcement officers are "just doing their jobs" by enforcing the traffic code, but what was sold to the public in the 1920s for "safe" roads, is now a huge money making scheme for corporate governments.

The State of Texas gradually shifted the public perception of the Code's underlying scope so that all travelers appear required to register their automobiles with the State of Texas. A study into the underlying scope of the Texas Transportation Code has revealed exactly who is required to register their automobiles with the State.

The exact scope of the Texas Transportation Code was discovered by allowing it to narrowly interpret itself according to its strict construction. The scope of the Transportation Code is "Transportation."

The term "Transportation" was not defined in the Texas Code. According to the United States Transportation Code and Black's Law Dictionary, the term "Transportation" was defined as transportation by a carrier for hire.

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Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau directors welcome new member Hometown Pharmacy at ribbon cutting ceremony Tuesday. Joining in the celebration are (left to right) Don Bond, Jana Bullard, Thressa Harp, Jim Plummer, Marie Neff, Yvonne Kennedy, Sherry Williams, Pharmacist Lisa Peters, Dominica Redman, Donna Degan, Paul Hudspeth and Wanda Mitchell. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

County settles on tax increase, lower rate

by Wes Burnett

A tax rate of \$.495 was set Monday morning by the Garza County Commissioners' Court for the fiscal year 2004-2005, which begins October 1, 2004. The rate, although one-half cent lower than the current rate of \$.50, represents overall increase in taxation due to higher property valuation.

"We've got to have a better reserve," Precinct One commissioner Lee Norman said in defense of the tax rate, "we've had to draw down our reserves in past years." The budget and tax rate, which are expected to be approved following a public hearing on September 13, includes a four percent pay hike across the board for elected and appointed county officers and employees.

Commissioners reviewed individual department budgets at the meeting, making minor adjustments and rejected a request by county/district clerk Jerry Hays to raise the clerk's salary to the same as the treasurer.

Precinct Two commissioner Mason McClellan, supported by Precinct Three commissioner John Valdez, introduced the motion to approve Hays' request. Precinct Four commissioner Mike Sanchez and Norman voted against the proposal, with Judge Giles W. Dalby casting the deciding vote against the motion.

Hays, who would not benefit from the increased salary due to his resignation set for December 31, later informed the court that he would be making a formal complaint to the county grievance committee. The treasurer's salary is approximately \$3,000 higher than the clerk.

In another matter, Judge Dalby accepted an application for write-in candidacy for county/district clerk from Jim Plummer who had garnered the signature of 50 registered voters. Dalby requested Tax Assessor Judy M. Bush to verify the accuracy of the signatures prior to acceptance of the petitions.

Plummer, who owns and operates with his wife Janice the Hotel Garza Bed & Breakfast, formerly served as a city council member and as the city's municipal judge. His name will not appear on the ballot, which will require supporters to write his name on the ballot for the November general election.

During budget considerations, Norman informed the court that he believed City of Lubbock officials will accept the proposed \$108,000 pay-

ment to Garza County for law enforcement services. "We've got a few administrative items that need to be

ironed out," he said, "but from our recent meeting, I think we've got the major stuff out of the way."

Architect selected for Post ISD high school, cafeteria projects

An architectural firm was hired Aug. 10 as Post Independent School District officials gear up for one of the largest construction projects the district has undertaken in years.

During their regular August meeting, trustees tapped the SHW Group of Fort Worth to serve as architect for the construction of new cafeteria and high school facilities.

Superintendent Marlin Marcum said SHW Group, the "premier school architectural firm" in the state, has experience working with West Texas schools, with ongoing projects in Plainview and the Frenship Independent School District.

On Aug. 19, trustees conducted a called meeting to negotiate and finalize the district's contract with the architectural firm and discuss completion of the initial phase - construction of the new cafeteria and high school - in the district's master plan.

Plans call for the cafeteria, which will include separate elementary and secondary school areas connected with a common kitchen, to be constructed without interruption of food service to Post ISD students.

The proposed high school facility will be built on a district-owned vacant lot adjacent to the arena. The 44,000- to 48,000-square-foot building will be "state of the art," Marcum said.

Financing for construction of both facilities will come from the district's fund balance, the superintendent said.

"No debt," he said. "No bonds." District officials hope to let bids on both projects in February. Completion of both facilities is expected about one calendar year from the time of groundbreaking.

Once the new high school structure is completed, district officials plan to relocate the middle school to the existing high school campus, a move Marcum said would be a "significant upgrade" for middle school students. The existing middle school structure, built as Post High School in 1922, will house alternative school programs, technology and some administrative offices.

In other business Aug. 10, district officials:

- Approved the substitute teacher list for the current school year.
- Approved student transfers for the current school year.
- OKed personnel employment recommendations.
- Awarded bids for fuel (Phillips 66), milk (Gandy's) and diesel, oil and service to buses (Bus One).

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Amy Little, Ernie Saldivar united in July 17 ceremony

Amy Little and Ernie Saldivar were wed at 1 p.m. July 17, 2004, at the Garden & Arts Center in Lubbock. The bride's grandfather, E.A. Howard, officiated the ceremony.

The bride, a senior at Covenant School of Nursing scheduled to graduate with a bachelor's degree in nursing in May, is the daughter of Sandra Little of Post.

The bridegroom, son of Rosemary Tuck and Ernie Saldivar of Post, is employed as lead supervisor at Coca-Cola.

For her wedding, the bride wore an A-line satin gown featuring a strapless neckline and empire waist. The bodice of the dress featured crystal beading, and the skirt was created of organza layered in three flowing tiers. The bride's tiara was fashioned from rock crystals accented by a matching veil edged in Swarovski crystals.

Following the ceremony and reception, the couple spent a 10-day honeymoon in Tahiti and the French Polynesian Islands.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Saldivar

Sarah Johnson, Mark Burbridge exchange wedding vows Aug. 14

Sarah Lauren Johnson of Lubbock and Mark Thomas Burbridge of Fort Worth were wed in a 5:30 p.m. ceremony Aug. 14, 2004, at the Hotel Garza. The Rev. James Stephens officiated the double-ring candlelight ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Jerry and Carolyn Johnson of Lubbock and Robert and Ann Burbridge of Schertz.

The bride's family is close friends of Jim and Janice Plummer of the Hotel Garza.

The hotel's two large chandeliers were adorned with red, yellow and orange lilies.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a candlelight lace and chiffon A-line gown with beaded spaghetti straps and a cathedral train. She wore the same veil worn by her mother at her wedding, an eyelet lace cathedral veil.

Maids of honor were the bride's sisters, Hayley and Katie Johnson. Other bridal attendants were Leah Strickland, Heather Johnson and Gina Helfrich. They wore taffeta apple-red tops and skirts and carried bouquets of lilies and astrameria in colors of red, yellow and orange.

Best man was Devin Lowe. Groomsmen were Preston Strickland, Robert Burbridge and Mike Burbridge. They wore black tuxedos.

A reception followed. The Hotel Garza banquet tables were decorated with candelabras and lilies created by Dayspring Designs.

Following a wedding trip to Dallas, the couple will be at home at Fort Worth.

The groom's parents hosted the rehearsal dinner at At Your Service in

Lubbock.

The bride, a 1999 Lubbock High School graduate, holds a bachelor's degree in history from Texas Tech University, graduating cum laude this summer. She is a graduate student at St. John's College in Santa Fe, N.M.

The bridegroom, also a 1999 LHS graduate, earned a bachelor's degree in zoology from Tech, graduating magna cum laude. He is a second-year medical student at Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine in Fort Worth.



Mrs. Mark Thomas Burbridge

Drug Task Force ... (Continued from Page 1)

With no administrating agency, area lawmen may be faced with losing that grant money, the sheriff said.

However, a move is on to usher another agency into the administrator's role in order that the law enforcement funds will not be lost. Ratke said Tuesday that a South Plains agency is looking at taking on the responsibility of administering to the grant.

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Haley McFadden, Gabriel Norris marry in July 2 Ceremony

Haley McFadden of San Angelo and Gabriel Norris of Sanderson were married July 2, 2004, in the Immanuel Baptist Church with Kenn Norris officiating.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Lynn McFadden of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. Kenn Norris of Sanderson. The bride is the granddaughter of Jean Tipton and the late Marshall Tipton and Mr. and Mrs. Morris McFadden of San Angelo. The groom is the grandson of Lois McAlister of Stephenville and the late E.E. McAlister.

Leah McFadden was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Heather Castano of Lutz, Fla., Dawn Conner of Oklahoma City and Chari Bramlett. Flower girls were Cameryn Norris and Caleigh Norris, both of Wichita Falls.

Bobby Busby of May was best man. Groomsmen were Matt Hawkins of Fort Worth, Ed Wuthrich of May and Kenny Norris of Wichita Falls. Ring bearers were Mark Hawkins and McAlister Hawkins, both of Fort Worth. Ushers were Caleb Busby of May and Skyler Schmickle.

The bride, a 2000 graduate of Grape Creek High School, is a student at Angelo State University in San Angelo. She is employed by Finish Line in Victoria.

The bridegroom is a 1996 graduate of Sanderson High School. He received a bachelor's degree in kinesiology and education in 2001 from Angelo State University. He is employed by the El Campo Independent School District.

Following a wedding trip to Disney World, the couple will be at home in El Campo.



Mr. & Mrs. Gabriel Norris

Aaron Cooper earns second place in national Hereford competition

Aaron Cooper of Post took second place honors in the senior division of the 2004 Junior National Hereford Expo showmanship competition held recently in Tunica, Miss.

More than 450 contestants participated in the competition's four divisions.

In the senior division, not only are the exhibitor's showmanship skills tested, but also the ability to prepare the animal for show. Once the seniors are narrowed to the top 13 finalists, they bring their cattle and fitting equipment into the ring and fit the animal while the judge evaluates fitting skills.

In this year's contest, there were seven heats of senior showmanship involving 74 contestants. Finalists were selected from each of the heats to compete in the semi-final round before narrowing the field down to the top 13.

Taking first place in the contest was 18-year-old Mason McClintock of Fort McKavett. Third place winner was Ike Redden of Norman, Ind.

Travel fines boost local, state funds ...

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Use of the roads and highways for the purpose of "transportation for hire by carriers" was what fell under the scope of the Code. Even to this day, the Code protects the traveling public by regulating vehicles using the roads for the purpose of "Transportation."

Registration requirement falls within the limited scope of the Transportation Code. The only automobiles that are required by law to be registered with the State are those that use the roads for the purpose of transporting for hire; for example, busses, cabs, freight carriers, etc.

The simple question remains: will the county courts dismiss all cases where peace officers attempt to enforce the Transportation Code upon automobiles that do not fall within the limited scope of the Code?

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Wisdom of the ages...

by Wes Burnett

At a recent family reunion in Tulia, the youngest family member in attendance impatiently blurted out to her grandmother after the meal... "But Neenah, you said when the funeral was over we would leave."

The wisdom of this lovely five year old did not escape the older ones of us attending the annual event. Elaina Rowell's observation of family reunions and funerals is an example of the clarity that children can bring to us.

Elaina's grandmother explained, "well we've been to a number of funerals lately." We all joined in with big rounds of laughter, as we realized how funerals and family reunions are so similar.

Elaina is the daughter of Will and Mary Ann Rowell of Silverton and the granddaughter of W.D. and Peggy Rowell, also of Silverton. The Rowell Reunion started in the 1920s with the children and grandchildren of Judge Henry Rowell and Calnettie Gober Rowell celebrating annually. It has been held continuously since on the second Sunday in August.

Let's see, that would make little Elaina the fourth generation. We're all looking forward to next year for some more the younger generation's wisdom.

By the way, in the spring of 1961, after I had proposed marriage and my lovely bride-to-be had said "Yes," she informed me quite firmly that there were two special events that we would attend every year ... the Harrison family reunion July 4 weekend and the Rowell family reunion, second weekend in August.

We did miss a few during our Air

Force years, but mostly we have lived up to that promise. More importantly, each event has been worth in memories more than I could have ever imagined.

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The "old" and "new" Algerita Hotel

It takes a while for my Dispatch to reach me, so you probably have had multiple responses to Mr. Chaffin's letter about the "new" Algerita Hotel. The original Algerita was begun in 1907, opened for business July 17, 1908, and is the stone building that has recently housed the senior citizens, and apparently is a/k/a the Algerita Arts Center. See <<http://www.posttexas.com/Post,Texas.htm#Algerita>> <http://www.posttexas.com/Post,Texas.htm#Algerita> Mr. Chaffin describes the new Algerita down by the depot well (red timber, extended balcony, burned in the 1950's). The original Algerita is pictured at page 56 of Post City, Texas, Eaves and Hutchinson, Texas State Historical Association (1952) and page 109 of WagonWheels, Garza County Historical Association (1980). The new Algerita is pictured at page 9 and 113 of WagonWheels. Scans attached, and there is another picture of the original at the website linked above. The Post City, Texas book details the building of the original Algerita, the naming of

it, what a room cost, what the rooms looked like and even gives some detail regarding the early menu (Postum was available and Grape Nuts were on every table). According to the write up submitted for Scottish stonemason, George "Scotty" Sampson, for the WagonWheels project (written while he was alive and with his cooperation), he arrived in Post in 1909. Terry Cross, Dallas

Not sure about Algerita name

Max Chaffin, you are not the only senior citizen born in Garza County, I was born in Post.

When I was a very young child my mother (a widow) and my sister worked at the Algerita on Est Main. Some time later my mother worked at the Rodgers Hotel, which is now called the Algerita. There for 20 plus years, she worked in the same building for Dr Surman and Dr Williams.

I grew up on that corner, going there after school. If the building was ever called the Algerita, I was too young to remember.

I hope something can be done to restore the old building. It has lots of memories for me.

Sybil M. Cockrum Tahoka

Two Draw Lake schedules tagged fish contest

Thanks to the blessing of the recent rains, Two Draw Lake is now full and has been restocked with catfish and bass. Among the fish put into the lake was an albino (white) catfish with a tag. Two Draw will now hold a contest to see who can catch this tagged catfish. Starting Friday, August 27th, everyone is invited to come out and try their luck. The contest will run through the end of October. Rules of the contest are:

Pay the \$5 fee to fish at Two Draw Lake. If you catch the tagged fish, you will be required to present the numbered stub from your pay envelope from that day. You must present the live albino catfish with the tag still attached to the person in charge at Two Draw Lakes. Two Draw Lake will then buy back the fish for the prize of \$100.

Rogers family holds reunion in Post

Sixty-seven members of the Hayden and Eva "Wilder" Rogers family gathered in Post June 25-26 for a family reunion.

The couple's children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren attended the event. Of their seven children, five survive and four attended.

Edith resides in San Antonio and was unable to attend; however, she was represented by her daughter, Linda, and eight other family members.

Also attending were Louise and husband, Bill Brandon, of Fredericksburg; Alma Norris of Talpa; Mary and husband, Don Spears, of Lovington, N.M., and Slaughter Rogers of Chandler, Ariz.

Lillian and husband, Edwin Myrick, both deceased, were represented by 14 family members.

Haydelen and husband, J.B. Shepherd, both deceased, were represented by five members of their family.

The number attending represented only half of the family, and those unable to attend were greatly missed.

The family would like to extend thanks to the Best Western Post Inn for accommodating family members; the Trailblazers for use of their facility; Chapa's for a great Mexican buffet meal and use of the garden room; Jerry and the crew of Jerry's BBQ for two delicious meals; and the city planners and local residents "for the direction of growth taking place in Post, for thinking of the future as well as the present while remembering the past."

Community meeting on child care set

Members of the community are invited to attend a special meeting set for 7 p.m. Tuesday in the fellowship hall of the First Baptist Church.

The meeting, which will include a light meal to be served at 6:30 p.m., will focus on a decision that will affect Post and Garza County youngsters.

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On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

Receive holy spirit ... Acts 8:12-18

The book of Acts has a number of chapters which prove without any doubt that to receive holy spirit refers to the moment when people begin to speak in tongues. This week we will give more attention to Acts 8:12-18.

The apostle Philip came to Samaria preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ. Up to the time of his preaching, the people were giving their attention to a man named Simon who used the power of the Devil to cause the whole city regard him as "the great power of God." (Acts 8:10). We start with verses 12-13, But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women. Then Simon himself believed also: and when he was baptized, he continued with Philip, and wondered, beholding the miracles and signs that were done." Where it says they were baptized means they were baptized with holy spirit. As noted in Acts 8:35-38, Philip still embraced the tradition of water baptism. But let us not be detracted from the truth that the baptism of John with earthly water was replaced by the true baptism of living waters by the Lord Jesus. This is the baptism of holy spirit.

So they believed and were baptized. Does this sound familiar? According to Romans 10:9-10 to believe with the heart that God raised Jesus from the dead is unto righteousness. Even Simon the sorcerer believed and was baptized with holy spirit. In verses 14-16 we see the appearance of two other apostles, "Now when the apostles which were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John. Who, when they came down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost: (For as yet he was fallen upon none of them: only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.)" The reference

to "received the word of God" means they received the information with a favorable frame of mind. It came from the biblical Greek word "dechomai." As noted in previous weeks, the word "receive" in the context of holy spirit came from the Greek word "lambano" which meant to lay-hold of, or seize unto something. It would be a reasonable question to ask why they had to "receive" holy spirit, if they had already been "baptized." We learn from verse 16 that the baptism of holy spirit is a distinctly different condition from the Holy Ghost falling upon them.

Verses 17-18, "Then laid they their hands on them, and they received [lambano] the Holy Ghost. And when Simon saw that through laying on of the apostles hands the Holy Ghost was given, he offered money." Simon saw something that caused him to think they laid-hold of holy spirit. What did he see? When we allow God's word to interpret itself, he saw the same thing that was seen by others in Acts 2:33. The people of Samaria believed the word that was preached by Philip and this resulted in that they were baptized with holy spirit. It is very likely that Philip used the old tradition of water baptism to manifest their baptism. Then somebody called the apostles in Jerusalem to come over and clear things up. Peter and John arrived and opened up the truth more perfectly. After they taught the truth and prayed for them, the people laid-hold of holy spirit. What did they do to lay-hold of holy spirit? Whatever it was, replaced the earthly water method of manifesting the baptism of holy spirit. We know this because Simon saw something.

Next week we will look at Acts chapter ten and see how the word "receive" is plainly used in the context of speaking in tongues.

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What's theirs is theirs...

by Wes Burnett

What's theirs is theirs, and what's ours is ours. That's a motto that property owners have found useful throughout history, at least that part of history when ownership of land and property first came to be recognized, lasting through our time.

Our ancestors went to war over the issue of property rights, or almost to war, as in the case of Magna Charta. American Indians fought fiercely to defend what they understood and believed to be the rightful ownership of property. And many of our ancestors fought just as desperately to prove their ownership of the same land.

Now comes the City of Lubbock and the County of Garza in a stiff fight over control of property along the boundaries of Lake Alan Henry.

What's theirs is theirs, and what's ours is ours.

Certainly, no one contests the fact that the City of Lubbock (by the use of force if necessary against their tax paying property owners) paid multi-millions of dollars to purchase the property in Garza County known as Lake Alan Henry. And, according to Lubbock city officials, the sellers of that property agreed to certain deed restrictions on land adjacent to the lake.

That argument between property owners and the City of Lubbock is not ours to settle nor do we or our local governments have any business meddling in those issues. The courts will settle the questions about what the deed restrictions say or don't say.

Our local governments are not responsible for the way in which the City of Lubbock operates and controls the property it owns. It's their lake, it's their property.

In the matter of who pays and conducts law enforcement at the lake, the responsibility clearly rests with the constitutional authority of the Garza County Sheriff. It's his responsibility to enforce the laws inside the boundaries of Garza County ... including activities inside the boundaries of Lake Alan Henry.

It is not the responsibility of the sheriff, however, to enforce City of Lubbock codes and ordinances... that's theirs, not ours. There need be no conflict between the City of Lubbock and Garza County over law enforcement at the lake ... the State of Texas constitution clearly identifies who is responsible for law enforcement, it is the sheriff of Garza County... or at least that part of the lake that falls within the boundaries of Garza County. Some parts are in the jurisdiction of Kent County, whose sheriff must take responsibility for that portion.

The problem between Garza County and Lubbock officials could easily be resolved if both government units accepted the constitutional requirements and limited their actions to those specified by the constitution.

Lubbock is responsible for enforcing its codes and ordinances on its own property ... the sheriff is responsible for enforcing county, state and federal laws for the entire county ... and that responsibility can not be delegated to some other organization.

No so-called "Interlocal Agreement" can amend the state constitution, nor can those agreements relieve the sheriff of his responsibilities, nor of the county commissioners' court to adequately fund the cost of enforcement. Trying to get Lubbock to pay for what is our responsibility is not in the best interest of Lubbock, nor of Garza County.

We call on our elected officials to live up to their oaths of office, specifically that part which requires adherence to our constitutions. We have no control over Lubbock city officials, but it is obvious that they are bound by the same oaths of office.

There is no need for the City of Lubbock and Garza County to be at odds over Lake Alan Henry ... officials in both governments need only take care of their own affairs ... and remember, "what's theirs is theirs and what's ours is ours."

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

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Opinions

Kerry's energy socialism

by Sheldon Richman

If the Republican and Democratic presidential candidates were forbidden to offer proposals based on collectivist economic thinking, they would have to keep mum the entire campaign.

We are in for three months of unrelenting nonsense from President George W. Bush and Sen. John F. Kerry. That wouldn't be so bad if most people recognized it as nonsense. But since education these days is intended more to create quiescent "good citizens" than skeptical thinkers, most people will be taken in by these charlatans.

Last week Kerry did what presidential candidates love to do: promise "energy independence." Run like the wind when you hear that term. It is a euphemism for the central planning of our economic activities. Kerry has not yet learned why socialism failed.

Kerry's energy plan differs from Bush's in only minor ways. In response to rising oil prices and instability in the Middle East, Kerry proposes that the government lead an effort to deemphasize foreign oil, lower gasoline prices (and oil company profits), increase efficiency, and stimulate the development of alternative fuels. According to a campaign news release, "The Kerry-Edwards energy plan will harness the full force of American ingenuity to create the energy of the future and make America independent of Middle East oil. While taking a series of short-term steps to help families and businesses by bringing down energy prices, their plan will undertake a comprehensive, long-term strategy for energy independence that also creates new, good-paying jobs in the process." What will he do on January 21, create a perpetual-motion machine?

What is not said is that even attempting this would require massive government power to manipulate private economic activities. Kerry assumes that his nationalistic appeals, oil-company bashing, and promises of low prices and high-paying jobs will distract us, much as an infant can be distracted by the sound of a rattle. Close examination of his plan should cause concern to anyone who understands freedom and the virtues of free enterprise.

For example, Kerry promises to set up a \$20 billion trust fund, financed from existing offshore oil and gas royalties, to increase the fuel efficiency of vehicles and promote the development of alternative fuels. He apparently learned nothing from economics and

history. As long as energy is scarce, the free market will contain the right incentives for personal conservation, increased efficiency, and entrepreneurship aimed at more-secure and alternative sources of energy. To propose that government should direct these activities is to believe that bureaucrats know more and will make wiser decisions than hundreds of millions of people with intimate knowledge of their own needs and capacities in the decentralized marketplace. In other words, it's like believing in Santa Claus.

Where was Kerry during the late 1970s when the Carter administration poured millions of dollars into synthetic-fuel programs with nothing to show for it? Has he bothered to look at the results of mandated fuel-efficiency for cars? When the cost of driving goes down, people drive more, so no gasoline is saved. But when cars are made lighter and smaller, which is partly how efficiency has been achieved, they become less crash-worthy and highway deaths increase.

Regardless of what Kerry says, government does not know best. Its economic record is dismal. Bush has no edge here. His energy plan also puts government at the center, handing out subsidies and tax incentives to those who pursue the administration's objectives. Both are big-government men.

In a sense, we do need an energy policy — to undo the pervasive government control that exists today. The military presence in the Middle East is a subsidy from the taxpayers to the oil companies. If they want that oil, let them pay the full price for it, including security. Of course that will mean consumers will pay, but that's as it should be. If the price is too high, consumers will conserve and entrepreneurs will be motivated to produce more-efficient products and find cheaper sources of energy, oil and otherwise. For this to happen, however, all energy regulations should be repealed.

A rational energy policy would consist of six words: government, get out of the way!

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

Do we really want this?

What is socialism?

We miss the boat if we say it's the agenda of left-wingers and Democrats. According to Marxist doctrine, socialism is a stage of society between capitalism and communism where private ownership and control over property are eliminated.

The essence of socialism is the attenuation and ultimate abolition of private property rights. Attacks on private property include, but are not limited to, confiscating the rightful property of one person and giving it to another to whom it doesn't belong. When this is done privately, we call it theft.

When it's done collectively, we use euphemisms: income transfers or redistribution. It's not just left-wingers and Democrats who call for and admire socialism but right-wingers and Republicans as well. Republicans and right-wingers support taking the earnings of one American and giving them to farmers, banks, airlines and other failing businesses.

Democrats and left-wingers support taking the earnings of one American and giving them to poor people, cities and artists. Both agree on taking one American's earnings to give to another; they simply differ on the recipients.

This kind of congressional activity constitutes at least two-thirds of the federal budget. Regardless of the purpose, such behavior is immoral. It's a reduced form of slavery. After all, what is the essence of slavery? It's the forceful use of one person to serve the purposes of another person.

When Congress, through the tax code, takes the earnings of one person and turns around to give it to another person in the forms of prescription drugs, Social Security, food stamps, farm subsidies or airline bailouts, it is forcibly using one person to serve the purposes of another. The moral question stands out in starker relief when we acknowledge that those spending programs coming out of Congress do not represent lawmakers reaching into their own pockets and sending out the money. Moreover, there's no tooth fairy or Santa Claus giving them the money. The fact that government has no resources of its very own forces us to acknowledge that the only way government can give one American a dollar is to first — through intimidation, threats and coercion — take that dollar from some other American.

—Walter Williams

Thank government for the mess we're in

by Sheldon Richman

The first presidential election in the post-9/11 era has people thinking hitherto unthinkable thoughts: Should the election be postponed if a terrorist attack occurs before election day? What if there is an attack on election day? What happens if an attack takes the lives of the winner of the election and his running mate before inauguration day? It has even been asked if these matters should be discussed publicly.

Advocates of thoroughgoing individual liberty are entitled to say "I told you so" on at least two counts.

First, they long warned that U.S. government intervention in the world's trouble spots is like batting a hornet's nest. It can only bring trouble. The Middle East is the most troubled of trouble spots, and the U.S. government has been batting it in various ways at least since World War II.

No wonder the region has been a constant source of stress, a sinkhole for the taxpayers' dollars, and the breeding ground for people who want to kill Americans. Those who wish to avoid a reassessment of American intervention insist that the jihadists hate our way of life, not U.S. foreign policy, and therefore would be attacking us anyway.

But all the evidence goes the other way. Every time the jihadist leaders explain their cause, they talk about U.S. policy, not American civilization. I don't know why they would lie about their motives. Even some CIA personnel acknowledge this, for example, the anonymous author of the recent book *Imperial Hubris* (who has since been identified by the New York Times and other media as Michael F. Scheuer). As this author told NBC News, "It's not a hatred of us as a society; it's a hatred of our policies."

The insistence by the Bush administration and its supporters that U.S. policy has nothing to do with the terrorist threat is a little too fevered to be credible. Those who see in anti-Americanism a reaction to U.S. policy are maligning as excusing violence by trying to understand its perpetrators. But a moment's thought discloses that excusing and understanding are vastly different activities. Moreover, proponents of the Bush interpretation can't really be against trying

to understand the terrorists, because these proponents themselves claim to understand them. So this is really a debate between competing interpretations. They are welcome to offer their theory of the terrorists' true motivation, but a little evidence would be nice.

The second ground for "I told you so" is that libertarian critics of U.S. foreign policy are advocates of decentralization.

By definition, decentralization makes a society harder to disrupt. One of the strongest arguments for a truly free market is that it produces the maximum number of decision-making centers. To those unschooled in classical-liberal social theory, this sounds like a blueprint for chaos. But those familiar with the ideas of undesigned order, spontaneous coordination, and social evolution understand that decentralized decision-making is the fountainhead of robust social order.

The reason is simple: Errors will be highly localized only in a resilient decentralized setting, where entrepreneurs earn profits by anticipating problems. But when the central authority makes a mistake, everyone under its jurisdiction suffers. The more highly centralized the system, the greater the suffering.

A similar thing may be said about overt attacks on a society. The more highly centralized the governing authority, the easier it is to disrupt the society by disabling that authority. There is simply no way for a bureaucracy to know all that the entire society knows. This is as true for security issues as it is for the production of steel or wheat. "Society" is smarter than any legislature or bureau.

The upshot is that decades of the centralization of power in Washington have left the American people terribly vulnerable to the same violent people the government has systematically provoked by its intervention. So what are we urged to do? We're urged to seek protection from the identical ignorant centralized bureaucracy that put us in this mess in the first place. There's got to be a better way.

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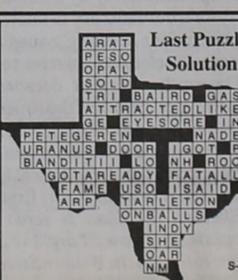
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Yesteryears

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10 Years Ago August 24, 1994

Donae Dalby of Post was selected as the Most Typical Young Cowgirl during the 1994 Post Stampede Rodeo Parade. Dalby is the daughter of Mendy and Giles Dalby, Jr.

The Antelopes were dominate in the scrimmage against Abernathy Friday night. Freshman, Junior Varisty, and Varsity started off playing very aggressive ball. "We plan on playing better and better each game" said Head Coach Dewayne Osborn. Coaching along side Osborn are Mitchell Rasberry, Lane Tannehill, Bart McMeans, Fred Postell, Chill Black, Darrell Radle, and Bill Gordon.

Don and Joyce Tatum are proud to announce the birth of their granddaughter, Sydney Joyce Roberts. Sydney was born August 14. Steve and Melissa Roberts of Lubbock are the proud parents.

Cassie Oats of Slaton was honored with a wedding shower at Hotel Garza. Oats and Randy Lewis will marry in Slaton September 17. Receiving guests were the honoree; her mother, Debbie Oats and Linda Lewis, mother of the prospective bridegroom.

Finisia Medrano of Counsel, Idaho makes a stop in Post for horse feed and dog food while on her way to Arizona for a two month stop before going on to California. A traveling bill board for God is what Medrano called her covered wagon.

20 Years Ago August 29, 1984

Christian Kelemkiewicz, 3 year-old-son of Allen and Cheryl Kalemkiewicz of Post is a contestant in the Little Mr. McDonald's Contest of Lubbock. The contest is to raise money for Muscular Dystrophy and the winner is decided by cash or checks vote.

The Post High School class of 1950 is planning a class reunion for October 20. Members of the class include: Boyd Bowen, Charles Bowen, Sue Bell Brister, Clea Buster, Henrieta Carey, Catherine Carter, Donald Carpenter, Melba Carpenter, Robert Craig, Elwanda Davies, Beatrice Fails, Bonnie Gary, Wayland Hood, Daisy Holly, Lathon Johnson, Barbara Lusby, Betty Mills, Also Odella Morgan, Bobby Pennington, Jim Bob Porterfield, Billy Ramage, Wanda Runkles, Janie Shepherd, Jimmy Smith, Maurice Stelzer, Joy Stewart, Calvin Storie, Billy R. Sullivan, Melvin Williams, Retha Williams, Bonnie Williams, Ethel Williams, Bennie Wilks and Jill Welch.

The First Christian Church was selected for Yard of the Week during last week's Post Chamber of Commerce sponsored program. Presenting the award was Sherry Bassinger to Mike Traw and Pastor Steve Traw. Mike is the yard-keeper.

A Neighborhood Watch program is in the planning stages for Post. The watch program is a crime deterrent and all that is needed is neighbor participation in a designated block. Metal signs will be posted in the participating areas declaring that area a "Neighborhood Watch Area."

30 Years Ago August 29, 1974

Billy Joe Dornor, who has been employed here with the George R. Brown oil interests for the last seven years, has been promoted to district superintendent for the same firm at Norman, Okla.

Post High School's cheerleaders for the 1974-75 season are Kim Hester, Karen Williams, Penny Norman, Melanie King, head cheerleader, and Kim Mitchell.

Miss Kathleen Doherty and Delwinn Fluitt exchanged wedding vows August 10 in the Graham Community Methodist Chapel with the Rev. Charles Hastings officiating. Serving as matron of honor was Mrs. John Nelson, of Munday, Texas and Mason McClellan of Post served as best man.

Four new elementary school teachers were honored with a luncheon in the home of Mrs. Jess Cornell. The new teachers are: Del Marie Davis, physical education; Mary Alexander, fifth grade science; Carlene Kyle, fourth grade; and Judy Houston, fourth grade.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. King were honored on their 50th wedding anniversary August 18 in the community room of the First National Bank. Mr. and Mrs. King, the former Jewell McClellan, were married August 17, 1924 in Franklin County and moved to Post in 1945. Both worked at the Post Mills for a number of years.

The Post High School 1973-74 "Caprock" annual staff this week expressed its appreciation to Silas Short for writing the theme poem for the annual entitled "Now and Then."

40 Years Ago August 27, 1964

Two imposing new buildings, a community center and a gin office,

have been completed in the Graham community just ahead of the busy fall season, and both are in use. The new buildings are in "hollering" distance of each other, the community center located on the site of the former Graham school building and the gin office on the lot of the Graham Cooperative Gin.

Lightning, striking out of an otherwise welcome thunderstorm, is believed to have set the large brick home of J. A. (Jess) Propst afire, two miles west of Graham.

You're invited to patronize these two new Post firms: J & L Cafe, home of 5c coffee, open 24 hours and under new management and the Log Cabin Inn featuring ice cold beer and a congenial atmosphere.

A record enrollment turnout of 1,483 students will troop back into Post school district classrooms here Monday morning for the start of the 1964-65 school year.

Football Fans... The Post Child Care Center, 127 E. Main, will be open for your convenience every Friday night through the football season.

The Calvary Baptist Youths met at the City-County Park where new officers were elected. Barbara Britton was elected president; Murphy Bowen, vice president; Sandy Holleman, secretary; Donna Bowen, treasurer; Danny Pennington, song leader; Barbara Holleman, Debra Britton, Kay Lofton, social chairmen and Lorena Anderson, reporter.

60 Years Ago August 24, 1944

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Mangum celebrated their golden anniversary Sunday. They were surprised with a tea given by their daughters, Mrs. Will Reding and Mrs. Ernest Vaughn.

Arriving on the gin lot a few days earlier than last year's first bale was that grown and picked by Doyle Howell of the Cross Roads community. The cotton arrived on the Scurry County gin (Fuller Gin) lot Monday, August 21. According to Lee Davis, manager of the gin, the cotton weighed out 1600 pounds and will probably make a 500 pound bale. The cotton will bring around 21.50 cents per pound.

A flurry of excitement is noticed among Garza hunters. With a limit on shells as well as gasoline many hunters are arranging to pool their restricted products in order to make the most of the dove season beginning September 1. Most started making arrangements for their supply of shotgun shells early in the summer. Total bag limit will be ten and no hunter must have more than 10 in his possession at any one time.

Tantalizing tunes from a quartet of musicians from the Cross Roads community entertained the Lions club members Tuesday night. Members of the string band group who provided such splendid entertainment were James Smith, J. R. Smith, G. W. Martin and David Buster. These boys really "went to town" as the saying goes in playing favorite tunes in a style all their own.

Southland's Cpl. Norman R. Brewster of the U. S. Marine Corps who has been in the Pacific for thirty-seven months is home on a thirty day leave. He served in three major battles - Midway, the Solomons, and Marshall Islands. He is now staying with his sister, Mrs. Lois Polk, Slaton.

50 Years Ago August 26, 1954

Miss Janie Gossett 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. (Buck) Gossett, was presented as queen of the seventh annual Southwestern Championship Junior Rodeo here recently. Other candidates, who served as the queen's attendants after results of the election were announced were Sherry Taylor, Hazel Lancaster, Jeanette Storie, Minnie Lee Mathis and Jennie Lou Redman.

A son, Troy Madison, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Jenkins at Lamesa General Hospital on August 16. Mrs. Bettie Justice and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jenkins of Tahoka, are the grandparents.

Miss Sofia Jimenez, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hilario Jimenez, became the bride of Lewis Martinez, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Martinez, Sr., in the Guadalupe Catholic Church of Slaton on August 14. The Blue Moon Orchestra provided wedding music.

Two Post men, Don Alvin Tatum and Billy Byrd Holly, were among the 25 called for induction Monday by Selective Service Local Board No. 88 at Lubbock. Scheduled for pre-physical examination Wednesday was Jimmy Avery Moore of Post.

L. E. (Buck) Gossett, who has served as Precinct 2 county commissioner for the past seven and a half years, was employed as administrator of the Garza County Memorial Hospital Tuesday night at a special meeting.

Post Antelopes ready for season opener

by Wes Burnett

If it doesn't rain Friday night, there could be a big shoot-out at Antelope Stadium when the Seminole Indians arrive with a high-powered passing offense.

"They throw the football about 65 percent of the time," Antelope head coach Tim James says. "Seminole

Southland reunion keeps memories alive

About 200 former students, residents, former residents and friends of Southland attended the Southland reunion conducted Aug. 7 at the school cafeteria.

Ronnie Dunn called the meeting to order and served as master of ceremonies. He led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mickey Mason Cole led the National Anthem, and Joe Gayle Fleming gave the invocation. A potluck supper followed.

A tribute in honor and appreciation of Jim Mason, a Pearl Harbor survivor, and to all veterans - those present and those who have served the nation - was given.

Ruby Ellis, a member of the 1931 graduating class, was recognized as the earliest graduate in attendance.

Recognition was given to Bobby Jack Trimble of Midland, who recently received the Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis Award in Washington, D.C., for volunteer services.

Curtis Lancaster, a former student, served as speaker for the evening. The next reunion is set for Aug. 5, 2006.



Ronnie Dunn, Southland Reunion MC.

Menus

Post ISD

August 30- Breakfast-Biscuits, sausage, gravy, fruit, milk
Lunch-Frito pie, ranch style beans, broccoli, corn bread, fruit cocktail, milk

August 31- Breakfast-Muffins, sausage link, fruit, milk
Lunch-Fajitas, onions & peppers, salad, cantaloupe, milk

September 1 - Malt-O-Meal, toast sausage fruit cocktail, milk
Lunch - Steak fingers, gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, banana pudding, milk

September 2 - Pop Tarts, sausage link, peaches, milk
Lunch - BBQ on bun, French Fries, salad, ice cream, milk

September 3 - Cereal, toast fruit, juice, milk
Lunch - Fish, Macaroni & cheese, carrot sticks, peas, hushpuppies, apple, milk

Southland ISD

August 30 - Pancakes on a stick, fresh fruit, juice, milk
Lunch - Fish strips, tartar sauce, tossed salad, Macaroni & Cheese, pinto beans, fresh fruit, milk

August 31 - Breakfast - Churros, sausage, fruit, juice, milk
Lunch - Nacho Grandes, lettuce, tomatoes, Picante Sauce, orange, milk

September 1 - Breakfast - Cinnamon toast, fruit cup, sausage, juice, milk
Lunch - Baked potatoes, steamed broccoli w/cheese, soft pretzel, fruit cobbler, milk

September 2 - Breakfast - Cereal, Graham Crackers, fruit, juice, milk
Lunch - Hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, carrot sticks, baked beans, Jello, milk

September 3 - Breakfast - Biscuit w/gravy, sausage, juice, milk
Lunch - Chicken patties, Southwest beans, oven fries, apple, milk

has a good quarterback who is a good passer and they've got some top notch receivers."

Coach James reports that the 'Lope game plan is to sustain long drives to keep the ball away from the Seminole offense, "and put points on the scoreboard." The Antelopes will use the Veer backfield set.

The Indians pack a spread offense and run a 5-2 defensive alignment. "Our defense is going to have to be careful about giving up the big play ... if we can contain on defense, and our offense can keep drives going to the end zone, we'll be okay."

Offensive starters Friday night for the Antelopes are sophomore quarterback Wilson Cash, senior running backs Randon Blacklock and Jett Lott, junior tight end Jonathan McGregor, senior flanker Jerrad

Grisham, junior split end Miles Gray, junior center Eric Reyna, guards senior Travis Mathews and sophomore Blake Nichols, tackles juniors Israel Beggs and Jace Pollard.

On defense the Lopes will start junior nose guard Chris Reed, left tackle Pollard, right tackle Nichols, strong side end Lott, senior defensive end Theo Paiz, linebackers McGregor and sophomore Zach Sanchez, corners Blacklock and senior Trent McDonald, safeties Grisham and sophomore Colter Creech.

"We are really pleased with the team's progress," James adds, "they have improved at both scrimmages and we're proud of their hard work. If we can improve from week to week, we've got a chance to be a

good football team."

"I really want to say a big thank you to this community for such great support of our young men... the turnout for Meet the Antelopes Night was very impressive ... and believe me, your support is very important to these young people."

Kickoff Friday night will be 7:30 p.m. Those unable to attend the game may listen to the live, play-by-play action on Post City Radio (www.postcityradio.com and Cebridge Connections Channel 12), with long-time Post Antelope radio announcer Steve Mason calling the action.

The DVD recorded action (including Mason's calling of the game) will be aired by Post City Television (www.postcitytv.com and Cebridge Connections Channel 12) on Saturday and Sunday at 1, 5 and 10 p.m.

ACROSS

- TXism: "fast as ___ up a rafter"
- Mexican money
- gem found in TX
- TXism: "___ me a bill of goods"
- before pod or angle
- Callahan Co. on I-20
- TXism: "I'm out of ___ (tired)"
- TXism: "___ a pig to slop"
- Rice won this College Bowl in '66
- TXism for "unattractive"
- TXism: "I'm ___ heap of trouble"
- US Rep. of Ft. Worth
- "Rangers' broadcaster Eric ___"
- planet
- TX Ginger Rogers film: "Stage ___"
- TXism: "___ sheared like a spring lamb"
- this Pete replaced Gib as Speaker (init.)
- Burt takes elephant to TX in "Smokey and the ___"
- Yo ___ Digo Creek
- KTCK sportscaster Hiltzges (init.)
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- TXism: "he's ___ wit" (clever)
- JFK was ___ shot in Dallas ___
- old TV show of TX ___ Debbie Allen

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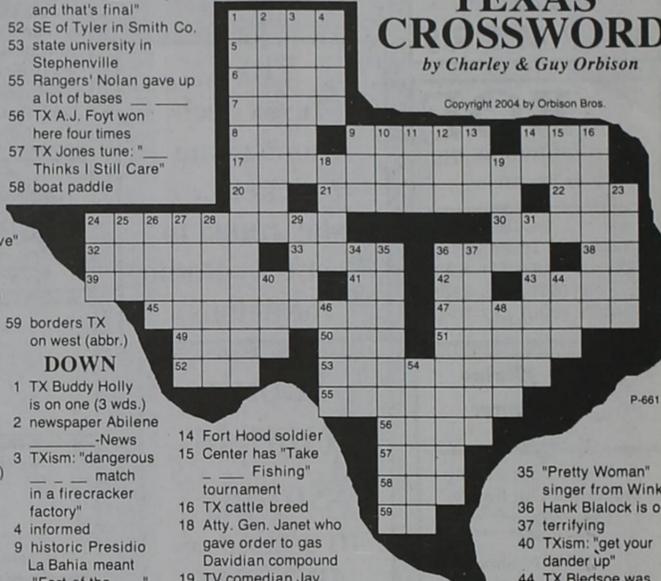
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- newspaper Abilene ___-News
- TXism: "dangerous ___ match in a firecracker factory"
- informed
- historic Presidio La Bahia meant "Fort of the ___"
- TX Strait has ___ in the Hole Band"
- TX Doughboys hit: "When ___ Round-up Time in Heaven"
- antique auto
- this Dolores was in "Flying Down to Rio" with TX Ginger (init.)
- military entertainment
- TXism: "___ maybe and that's final"
- SE of Tyler in Smith Co.
- state university in Stephenville
- Rangers' Nolan gave up a lot of bases ___
- TX A.J. Foyt won here four times
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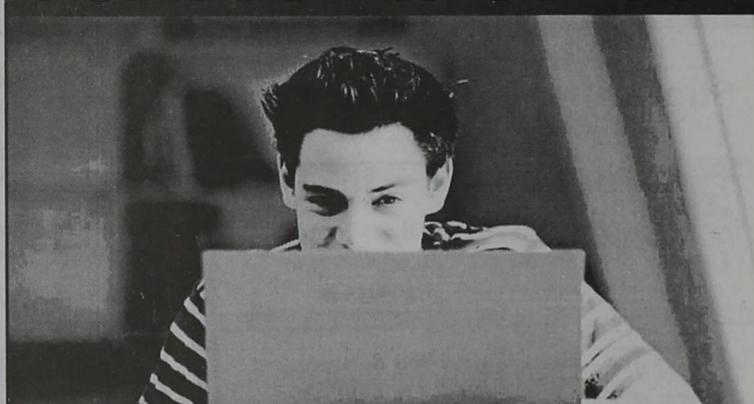
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- "Pretty Woman" singer from Wink
- Hank Blalock is one 37 terrifying
- TXism: "get your dander up"
- TX Bledsoe was first to sing "___ Man River" (27)
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	JV	Lockney	7:00
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Sept. 16	7-8th	Nov Deal	5 & 6:30
	JV	TBA	7:00
Sept. 17	Varsity	Homecoming Roscoe	7:30
Sept. 23	7-8th	@ Denver City	5 & 6:30
	JV	Denver City	7:00
Sept 24*	Varsity	@ Denver City	7:30
Sept 30	7-8th	Abernathy	5:00
	JV	@ Abernathy	7:00
Oct. 1*	Varsity	Abernathy	7:30
Oct. 7	7-8th	@ Shallowater	5 & 6:30
	JV	Shallowater	7:00
Oct. 8*	Varsity	@ Shallowater	7:30
Oct. 14	7-8th	@ Idalou	5 & 6:30
	JV	Idalou	7:00
Oct. 15*	Varsity	@ Idalou	7:30
Oct. 21	7-8th	Tahoka	5 & 6:30
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	JV	Slaton	7:00
Oct. 29*	Varsity	@ Slaton	7:30
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