

Kaylee Farquhar (left) receives Senior Goat Showmanship Buckle from Milton Williams (right) During last week's Garza County Junior Livestock Association Show and Sale in Post. The buckle is sponsored by South Plains Electric - Dickens Division. (Photo by Cindee Reiter)

# PNS signs contract with new doctor

In an update received at their Jan. 20 meeting, directors for the Garza County Hospital District learned that a contract between PNS and a physician has been signed.

PNS has contracted with Dr. Ben Edwards to serve in the local clinic, according to Shirley Taylor, district administrator. PNS is the operator of the clinic funded by the Garza County Hospital District.

The contract between PNS and Dr. Edwards has been signed, and the new physician is expected to begin seeing patients in the clinic in August.

The hospital district is not technically involved in the contractual agreement between the clinic operator and the physician, Taylor said. The district's only involvement in the contract has to do with a clause that states that at the end of the physician's contract, if the clinic is viewed as "selfsustaining" from a business standpoint, district officials will consider construction of a new clinic facility.

Several weeks ago district officials agreed to allow PNS to add the clause to the contract as a means of enticing Dr. Edwards to locate his practice in Post.

In other business, district officials:

 Received a report on the clinic's operations for the month of December. Taylor said the figures were "pretty good," and the clinic's numbers are "running close" to those recorded in recent months.

 Agreed to purchase liability insurance through the Walker-Solomon Insurance Agency in Tahoka. Prior to the purchase of this policy, the district had no liability insurance.

• Approved the sale of foreclosed property, Lots 15 and 16, Block 50, in the City of Post.

 Approved the renewal of the employee health insurance policy. Maternity coverage was dropped to provide some savings for the district.

· Received the indigent care report for the month ending Dec. 31. Thirteen clients were enrolled in the program on Dec. 1. Six were interviewed, two were approved, one no longer qualified, one did not reapply and two applications were no approved, leaving an end-of-the-month count of 13, Taylor said. Indigent expenses for the month totaled \$1,846, putting the fiscal year-to-date figure at just under \$7,000.

Received an update concerning the destruction of obsolete records and

The next meeting of the district's board of directors is set for 6:30 p.m. Feb.

17 in the Citizens Bank Community Room.

# Post Notes

Taco dinner sale at church

The Church of God of Prophecy will have a taco dinner sale on Friday, January 28 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at 602 W. 14th street. Plates will include 3 tacos, rice, beans and salsa. \$3 per plate. Call in orders are welcome! Call 495-3644.

Willy reservations deadline today Deadline for reservations for this year's Willy Awards Gala, set for Saturday, is today (Thursday). The event will begin at 6 p.m. Saturday at the Post Community Center, with finger foods, drinks, visiting and a silent auction, followed by a move to the Garza Theatre where at 8 p.m. the awards ceremony, entertainment and the announcement of silent auction winners will begin. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$8 for children 12 and under. Reservations may be made with the Garza Theatre box office at 495-4005, but payment must be received by today, according to theatre representatives. For more information, contact the theatre box office.

Seeking ID's for service men and women

The James C. Cole Post #270 of the American Legion supports our men and women from Garza County who are serving in the military in Iraq and plans to honor them when they return home. Please help identify them by calling either Jack Ault at 495-2238 or Leon Miller at 495-0305

Fire department's chili supper set

The Post Volunteer Fire Department will hold its annual Chili Supper on February 5, 2005 at the Fire Station beginning at 6 p.m. It will last until the chili is gone and will be on a donation basis. Part of the proceeds will go to the newly established Post Volunteer Fire Department Scholarship Fund which will present a scholarship to a graduating senior of Post High School and some of it will go to assist with middle school students going to STARS camp this summer. The remainder will go to help purchase equipment for the department.

Health monitor available to public

Covenant Home Health Care now has available a Viterion TeleHealth monitor to check your blood pressure, pulse, and/or oxygen level and weight. Please feel free to come by the office at 113 West Main anytime between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. to monitor. Staff will be available to explain how the monitor works. Call 495-3533 for more information.

Girls of Grace Conference set for Feb.

A Girls of Grace Conference will be held on Friday, February 4 through Saturday, February 5 at Post City Lodge. Doors will open at 6 p.m. on Friday the 4th and the event will run overnight through Saturday, February 5 until noon. The conference is FREE for 7-12 grade girls. The 2-day event will include: lots of food, inspiring guest speakers, fashion show, makeovers, plus a dynamic praise and worship team. Please call and sign up! For more information contact Melanie Morris at 773-0742 or Janice Plummer at 495-3962.

Aguilar fund set at Wells Fargo Bank

A fund remains established at Wells Fargo Bank in the name of Christina Aguilar, the 15-year-old daughter of Lupe and Cindy Aguilar who received a new liver November 9 at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston. After struggling many years with a failing liver, Christina now has a chance at a long and healthy life. However, she and her family will have to continue making frequent trips to Houston to monitor her progress for the next year.

Fund established to benefit Baker

An account has been established at Citizens Bank for Martha Baker. Kindergarten teacher here in Post. Martha has battled cancer for several years and is now preparing for a bone marrow transplant at M.D. Anderson in Houston. Insurance will pay for medical expenses, but Martha will have to be in Houston for approximately three months after the transplant and will have to make monthly trips to Houston for a least a year after she returns home. Anyone interested in contributing to this account can do so at Citizens Bank.

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# Criminal investigation launched on former sheriff's department payroll questions

by Wes Burnett

Garza County Sheriff Cliff Laws announced at Monday morning's Garza County Commissioners' Court meeting that a criminal investigation is being conducted regarding what he called questionable payments to former department employees, all authorized prior to the January 1, 2005 transition following last November's election.

Laws said that a total of \$27,190.75 was paid to six former department employees, much of it for compensatory and over time claims. "I don't think that Garza County taxpayers should have to shoulder this extra expense," he said. Laws told commissioners that the additional costs will place his department short of overtime funds for the remainder of this fiscal year.

"We will investigate and if we find evidence we'll file charges and seek restitution," he added.

Laws also said that he believes that several of the former employees did not work the hours claimed. He also said that a prisoner held in Albuquerque on a Garza County warrant in November was finally released after 22 days in confinement because the sheriff's department didn't make arrangements to transfer the prisoner to Post.

"They (Garza County staff) said that they didn't have time to take care of that matter," Laws said.

County Judge Giles W. Dalby requested a joint meeting with the Post City Council to consider budget actions. The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday.

February 8 at City Hall (6:30 p.m.). In other matters, the court assured developers on the south side of Lake Alan Henry that the road project is still on track, waiting for a survey to be

The court approved a resolution supporting a grant application by the Victims' Assistance Program. The grant is in the amount of \$36,138 to be

matched by \$7,411 from the county. Commissioners approved the installation of security devices at the

courthouse and the probation office after a demonstration (see related story this edition). Funding for the system comes from court fees set aside for security purposes.

# Youth net \$65, 175 at GCJLA stock show sale

by Diane Graves

Seventy-nine 4-H and FFA youth participating in the 41st. Annual Garza County Jr. Livestock Show last week received \$65,175 in premiums, consolation and prize monies for the 2005 show. There were enough Jackpot donations to bring every premium up to a \$400 minimum. Also, twelve youth who did not make the sale will receive \$150 from the Consolation Pot.

Jarrett Blevins exhibited the Grand Champion Steer which brought a premium of \$1,050 from Wells Fargo Bank and United Supermarket. The Grand Champion Steer Buckle was sponsored by Big County Electric Cooperative, Inc.. Jarrett, the son of Gary and Jaquita Blevins, won with his English Division 1st. place medium-weight Short-

## Oilfield theft reported

Several reports of oilfield pipe theft have been reported in recent weeks, according to Sheriff Cliff Laws.

Although the thefts have been reported county-wide, the bulk of the crimes have been committed in the northern part of the county, the sheriff said. Law enforcement officers from surrounding counties also are receiving reports of similar crimes.

Some 100 to 200 joints are being taken per incident, Laws said. The 33-foot joints are likely being resold at prices ranging from \$20 to \$60 apiece before finding their way back into the oilfields or used in the construction of barns or fences.

## **Power outage** repaired

A portion of the city lost power briefly Monday evening after a truck inadvertently downed phone and power lines near the Best Western on U.S. 84. The northern portion of the city

and the Dalby unit were affected, Sheriff Cliff Laws said. No injuries were reported in

connection with the incident.

### **County installs** security devices

A handful of locations in and around the Garza County courthouse will see the installation of "hot" buttons and motion detectors following action taken by County Commissioners Monday morning.

The Commissioners Court approved an expenditure of \$11,701 to cover the cost of materials, installation and programming of the security enhancements.

The Wireless Duress Notification System, a product of SecureTech Systems Inc. of Fort Worth, will provide additional security measures for several county offices, as well as motion detectors to be added to the courthouse's exterior doors. The system utilizes wireless alarm verification equipment, or WAVE, technology.

The FCC-certified system is slated to be installed prior to the end of the month.

In the Swine show, Anthony Bishop won Grand Champion honors with his Heavy-weight Breed Champion Hampshire. Anthony received a \$1,000 premium from Texas Star Co-op, Slaton Co-op Gin, Hurst Farm Equipment and Wilson State Bank. The Grand Champion Steer Buckle was sponsored by Stanley Truck and Tire. Anthony is the son of Tony and D'anne Bishop.

D'Nae Johnson won Grand Champion in the Lamb Division with her heavy-weight Breed Champion Medium Wool. She received a \$1,000 premium from Giles and Louise McCrary, and the Grand Champion Sheep buckle sponsored by Caprock Cellular of Spur. D'Nae is the daughter of Mike and Tammy Bland.

In the Goat Division, Alex Miller won the Grand Champion buckle sponsored by Randy and Lana Conner of Crown Unlimited, and Milton and Billy Williams. Her 1st. Place medium- weight goat brought \$1,050 from South Plains Electric-Dickens Division in the premium sale. Alex is the daughter of Guin and Charla Miller.

Gary Farquhar won the Reserve Grand Champion Steer plaque with his Exotic Division Champion heavyweight entry. Gary, the son of David and Leisa Farquhar, received a \$750 premium from PLK, Inc.

Brooke Morris won the Reserve Grand Champion Swine plaque with her heavy-weight Cross Reserve Breed Champion. Brooke, the daughter of Barry and Amy Morris, received a premium of \$750 from Close City Co-op Gin.

Terrica Taylor won Reserve Grand Lamb plaque with her heavy-weight Reserve Breed Champion Medium-Wool. Terrica, the daughter of Todd and Tina Taylor, received a \$575 premium from Texas Star Co-op Gin, Hurst Farm Equipment, Kendrick Crop Insurance, and Citizensbank of Slaton.

Kaylee Farquhar won the Reserve Grand Champion Goat plaque with her 2nd. Place Medium- weight and received a \$600 premium from JackJackpot Donors in Sale Results.)

breed champion Finewool lamb. The trophy, sponsored by Junior and Diane Stelzer, "travels" each year with the breed champion winner. to win this honor, the trophy is hers

The 41st. Annual G.C.J.L.A. Show and Sale began Wednesday afternoon with 32 steers, 75 hogs, 64 goats and 26 lambs being weighed in. Exhibiting these 197 animals were 37 4-H'ers, 18 Post FFA members and 22 Southland FFA members. Assisting the youth with these projects were David Farquhar, Southland FFA advisor, Post FFA advisors Perry Smith and Lance Dunn, and Greg Jones, Garza County Extension Agent-Agriculture

Also participating this year were nior, Kaylee Farquhar. 16 Pee-Wee goat exhibitors ages 7 and under. They included Haley Krauser, Landon Greer, Shawn Ledbetter, Caleb Willis, Russ Morris, Rhaeden Bland, Aaron Garza, Jake Curry, Latham Huckaby, Katelynn Ledbetter, Madison Roye, Will Yarbro, Shailey Miller, Kale Yarbro, Trey Havens, and Avery Wright. Sponsored by Garza County 4-H Booster Club, each participant was presented a Goat trophy.

Prior to the premium sale on Saturday, awards were presented to outstanding exhibitors. Kayla Dunn was presented the special "Over-all Sportsmanship" buckle for her leadership, hard work and cooperation shown to others. Kayla served as Concession Stand Committe member representing Post FFA, assisted with bookkeeping during the Swine Show, and helped video the show for cable TV. The award was sponsored by Caprock Telephone Cooperative Inc. of Spur.

Chad Miller won the "Rate of Gain" buckle and \$200 cash prize with his steer which gained a total of 615 pounds in 211 days for a 2.929 pound per day average. Co-sponsors of the award are Hi-Pro Feeds of Lubbock,

pot donors. (See a complete listing of and B&T Feed and Supply of Post.

Showmanship buckles were pre-Kaylee Farquhar also won the sented to outstanding Junior and Traveling Finewool trophy with her Senior exhibitors of each division. Juniors are 13 years of age and under, and Seniors are 14 years and over. Junior buckles sponsored by CitizensBank of Post were presented Since this is the third year for Kaylee by Christie Curb to Skylar Jones in Beef, Jarrett Blevins in Swine, and Matti Smith in Sheep.

Garza-Lynn Farm Bureau sponsored the Showmanship buckles for the Seniors which were presented by Susan Boren, Garza County representative. Senior recipients were Steven Hair for Beef, Allison Blevins for Swine, and Terrica Taylor for

South Plains Electric Cooperative-Dickens Division sponsored the Junior and Senior Goat Showmanship buckles. Recipients of these were Junior Cheyenne Bouldin, and Se-

All other plaques, banners and ribbons were sponsored by Lyntegar Electric Cooperative, Inc. of Tahoka.

Each year Seniors are honored for their participation and support through the years. Seniors honored included Kylee Binford and Oscar of Southland High School, and Trent McDonald, Tony Apolinar Jr., and Steve Rivera of Post High School.

Presenting awards throughout the show were 4-H and FFA representatives including Kadie Vernon, Dionn Heckaman, D'Nae Johnson, and Brooke Morris.

J. D. Ragland, Floyd County Extension Agent-Agriculture, was judge and Ronnie Dunn was Superintendent of the Swine Division. Ragland also served as judge of the Beef Division with Milton Williams serving as Superintendent. Brett Cypert of Sweetwater served as Lamb and Goat Judge with Junior Stelzer serving as Superintendent in those divisions.

Syd Conner was announcer for the show and Ronnie Thornton of Plainview, served as auctioneer for the sale with Keith Osborn auctioning special items during the shows.

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### Livestock show awards Senior Showmanship Buckles

Awarded the Senior Showmanship Buckle during last weekend's Garza County Junior Livestock Show and Sale are (left to right), Steven Hair (beef), Allison Blevins (Swine) and Terrica Taylor (Sheep). The buckles were presented by Susan Boren (far left) and sponsored by Lynn - Garza Farm Bureau. (Photo by Cindee Reiter)



# **Neighbor to Neighbor**

by Julie Neitsch,

Garza County Extension Agent-Family & Consumer Science

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if not all, days of the week.

Take just a minute to look at and think about the public health recommendations above with me. I added emphasis in a few places so that we could see some important points.

First, 30 minutes a day is the "minimum" we should be striving for\*that word jumps out at me and finds me saying "Wow, minimum, that means I should probably be doing even more physical activity than that\*and I can't even seem to get a sink full of dishes done today or a paragraph written in the current newsletter I'm responsible for at work." In all seriousness though, how can we possibly accomplish the minimum, let alone be at peak perfor-

Okay, now look at the next word highlighted\*"accumulate." Ah, there is a reprieve. Guess what, that 30 minutes doesn't have to happen all at once! You can take the stairs at work, instead of the elevator\* and that counts; you can park in the furthest parking spot at the store and get some walking in\*and that counts; you can walk 15\*20 minutes of your lunch hour and still have time to eat\*and that counts. The point is you don't have to "have" 30 or more minutes all at once. Oops, here's a glitch, "How can I keep track of all these little bouts of exercise when I still don't even have time to do that sink full of dishes?" We'll talk about that in a minute.

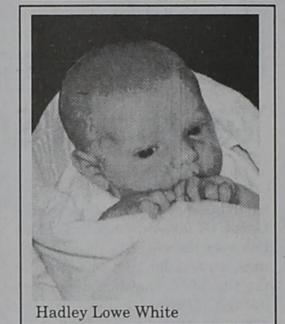
Look at the next set of words\*"brisk walking." Walking is a suggestion of the U.S. Surgeon General. Be aware, however, that the word "brisk" precedes the word "walking." That means we have to get moving\*taking my 2year-old for a walk with him on foot probably won't help me achieve health benefits, but put that same child in a stroller and head out at a quickened pace and I'm on my way to better health. This is what is meant by "moderate intensity" in the recommendation...we have to pick up the pace a bit to get our heart rate going (we'll discuss heart rate a little later, too). All steps count, whether up a mountain or around town. Try to make your steps brisk enough to boost your heart rate (we'll talk about this later) and to walk for 10 minutes or more each time when possible.

Finally, I came to the word "all." "Okay, I think to myself, that's impossible! I barely go out for regular exercise 2\*3 days a week, but most, or all days of the week? \* that's out of the question \* or, is it?" Let's talk about how pedometers can motivate you to achieve better health.



Under the supervision of Garza County Precinct 1 Commissioner Mike Sanchez, construction is underway for a new and larger gazebo at the park in Post.

### Births



**Hadley Lowe White** 

Cheyenne and Schelli White are happy to announce the birth of their new baby brother, Hadley Lowe. He was born in Abilene Southwest Regional Medical Center on Monday, December 20, 2005. He weighed six pounds, 15 ounces and measured 19 inches in length.

Proud parents are Steve and Jackie White of Throckmorton. Paternal grandparents are Noel and Orabeth White. Great grandparents are Quanah and Sue Maxey, and Mrs. Lowe White, all of Post.

### **County Clerk** completes training

Garza County and District Clerk Jim Plummer joined more than 400 clerks and office personnel for the 33rd Annual County and District Clerk's Continuing Education Seminar Jan. 10-13 at the Hilton College Station.

The seminar was sponsored by the V.G. Young Institute of County Government, which is part of the Texas Cooperative Extension. The institute provides elected county officials with information and technical assistance and helps officials complete their statemandated, minimum continuing education requirements.

The theme of this year's event was "Strength in Unity - Out of Many, We Are One." Included in the program were workshops on the rules and regulations of mental health cases, unusual findings for county and district clerks, managing juvenile cases and an update on the Help America Vote Act.

"I am glad to have the education this early in my term of office," said Plummer, who was elected in November and sworn in earlier this month. "The seminar is a jump-start in understanding the complicated functions of the clerk's office. The most difficult thing for this Red Raider was spending three days in Aggieland."

"Texas is one of a small number of states that requires all elected officials to earn continuing education credits," said Richard O. Avery, director of the institute. "The institute provides education to county commissioners, judges, treasurers, tax assessor-collectors and county and district clerks through programs conducted here in College Station and across the state."

Plummer received 16 hours of credit for attending the seminar sessions.

**Taxation** is the ruin of free societies

# Another successful GCJLA stock show...

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Cindee Reiter served as Photographer.

Special items were donated for auction to earn money for the Jackpot. Carolyn Mock donated two Pecan Pies purchased by Junior Stelzer and Milton Williams. Jerry's BBQ donated two cooked, sliced and trimmed briskets purchased by Syd Conner and Roxanne Osborn. Syd Conner donated jerky purchased by Greg Jones and Guin Miller. Silversmiths donated a necklace and a bracelet purchased by Amy Morris and Leisa Farguhar. Sue Maxey donated an Italian Cream Cake purchased by John. Boren. The Beauty Post donated certificates for a month's tanning and a haircut and style which were purchased by Deb Palmer and Syd Conner. A John Deere blanket, donated by Diane Graves and tied by Sue Maxey, was: purchased by Barry Morris. Karen Greene donated banana pudding. purchased by Brent Mason. A total of \$655 was taken in for the auction

Other various donations were made in support of the association and show. Ag Texas donated bottled water for the concession stand. Family Cleaners cleaned the curtain backdrop for pictures and donated safety pins for exhibitor cards. Jerry's Barbeque donated baked potatoes for the concession stand and B&A LP Gas serviced the heaters for the shows. B & T Feed and Supply donated wood shavings used by the association. Brady's, Rocker A, Palmers Construction, and Strawn Transport donated ice for the concession stand collected by Robbie Palmer and Post FFA boys. Cindee Jackson donated film and developing on the pictures. Lance Dunn donated video tapes and will have cd's available for sale if anyone is interested. We. appreciate everyone for their donations and support of our program.

Assisting with weigh-in was Danny Robertson, Fred Postell, Moses Abraham, Tony Bishop, Ray Mason, Barry Morris, Bobby Heckaman, Junior Stelzer, Billie and Milton Williams and Ronnie Dunn. Ring help included Milton Williams, Bobby Heckaman, Ronnie Dunn, Benny Arguello, Jason Porter, Bill Jones, T.J. Gaydos, Gary McDaniel, Clyde Cash, Aaron Odom, Steve Miller, Brian Strube, Jeff Greene, Junior Stelzer, J. C. Stelzer, and Guin Miller. Jason Porter, Ray Mason, Tony Bishop, Bobby Heckaman,

The G.C.J.L.A. Concession Stand Committee included Chairman Julie Dirks, Coordinator, Traci Blanton for Southland FFA; Kim Greer for Garza County 4-H and Kayla Dunn for Post FFA. Saturday's lunch was prepared by cooks Junior Stelzer and Royce Hart. Post FFA provided beans, Southland FFA provided salads and Garza County 4-H provided desserts.

Assisting Diane Graves, Corresponding Secretary, with bookkeeping and other duties throughout the show and sale were: Billie Williams, Diane Stelzer, Kayla Dunn, Kelly Smith, Leisa Farquhar, Jaquita Blevins, and Rachel Dunn. Assisting with Sale Sheet preparation were Milton and Billie Williams, Rachel Dunn, Greg Jones, David Farquhar, Ronnie Dunn, Royce Hart, Junior Stelzer, Brad Mason, Tony Bishop, Moses Abraham, and Bobby Heckaman..

Serving as officers of the association for 2004-05 have been Junior Stelzer, President; Milton Williams, Vice-President; Royce Hart, Recording Secretary and Giles Dalby, Jr., Past-President. Gary Blevins served as Membership Chairman collecting dues from individuals. Anyone interested in joining the organization may do so by seeing Gary Blevins or Diane

Association Directors would like to express their appreciation to all who helped make the 2005 stock show a success and we apologize if we have failed to mention anyone who helped. We sincerely appreciate all who donated to the sale and jackpot in support of our youth.

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# GCJLA Livestock Show Sale Results

No. Seller Name Amount Buyer

1. Jarrett Blevins - \$1,050.00, UNITED SUPERMARKET, WELLS FARGO BANK: 2. Anthony Bishop - \$1,000.00, HURST FARM

EQUIPMENT, SLATON COOPERATIVE GIN CO., TEXAS STAR CO-OP GIN, WILSON STATE BANK; 3. Alex Miller - \$1,050, SOUTH PLAINS

ELECTRIC-DICKENS DIVISION. JACKPOT- LEWIS & MAXINE EARL:

4. D Nae Johnson - \$1,000, GILES & LOUISE MC

5. Gary Farquhar - \$500, PLK, INC.; 6. Brooke Morris - \$750, CLOSE CITY CO-OP GIN; 7. Kaylee Farguhar - \$600, JACKPOT:

COCARA'S KEITH & ROXANNE OSBORN. POSTVOLUNTEER FIRE; DEPARTMENT, REEF CHEMICAL CO., TWO DRAW WELDING: 8. Terrica Taylor - \$575, CITIZENSBANK OF

SLATON, HURST FARM EQUIPMENT. KENDRICK CROP INSURANCE, TEXAS STAR

9. Kaylee Farquhar - \$600, MARK & LISA KIRKPATRICK PLK, INC.; 10. Devin Blanton - \$500, K.W. & PATTY

11. Sterling Smith - \$500, JACKPOT: ELLIS & JUDGE CARTER SCHILDKNECHT, H. C. & LUNELL GRIBBLE, KEITH & ROXANNE OSBORN, LUBBOCK GRADER BLADE

Pat Reiter with his 1st Place

Medium Heavy Goat.

12. Gary Farquhar - \$525, POSEY GIN, INC., DBR FARMS INCORPORATED:

13. Kaylee Farquhar - \$525, ALTMAN GROUP: 14. Devin Blanton -\$425 , JACKPOT: B & T FEEDS, IRA PUMP & SUPPLY COMPANY INC., POKA LAMBRO TELEPHONE

CO-OP INC., POST VOLUNTEER FIRE

DEPARTMENT: XPERT OIL TOOLS: 15. Skylar Jones - \$500 , JACKPOT: BRENT & MICHELLE MASON. CITIZENSBANK OF POST, TONY & D'ANNE 27. Cheyenne Bouldin - \$500, POST STAMPEDE

BISHOP, \WENDELL JOHNSON FAMILY, 16. Skylar Jones - \$500, POST STAMPEDE

17. Sterling Smith - \$450, BEN MURPHY, CPA, WEST TEXAS ANIMAL CLINIC, WENTZ ORTHODONTICS; 18. Pake Jones - \$450, JACKPOT: AMERICAN

EQUIPMENT & TRAILER, INC., B & J WELDING, BOLINGER, SEGARS, GILBERT & MOSS, CPA'S, DEB & GINA PALMER, GARZA SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION;

19. Anthony Bishop - \$400, HURST FARM EQUIPMENT, SLATON COOPERATIVE GIN CO., TEXAS STAR CO-OP GIN, WILSON CO-OP

GIN, JACKPOT: JERRY'S BARBEQUE; 20. Macy Blair - \$500. BJB COMPANY 21. Chad Miller - \$525, SOUTH PLAINS STEEL, ASCO RENTAL;

Pat Reiter with his 1st Place

Medium Light Goat.

22. Skylar Jones - \$400. BLEVINS PUMPING HEREFORDS, JENKINS ELECTRIC SERVICE, POKA LAMBRO

TELEPHONE CO-OPINC, POSTROTARY CLUB. R. G. HAVENS JR; 23. Israel Beggs - \$1,000, 3-R OIL COMPANY; 24. Chelci Hair - \$525, JUNIOR & DIANE

25. Chad Miller - \$425, KENDRICK OIL, SCOTT'S CRANE SERVICE, INC...

CENTRAL BAIL BONDS; 26. Zach Witcher - \$1,000, JACKSON ENTERPRISES, JACKIE & CINDEE REITER, STRAWN TRANSPORT;

28. Reece Belongia - \$525, ALTMAN GROUP-29. JA D. Young - \$625, MATT HAMEL AG

30. Kevin Strube - \$400, MONK & LAVENA PALMER, JACKPOT: JOHN HEDRICK;

31. Pat Reiter - \$1,000, BOB & BETTY REITER; 32. Sara Greer - \$500, POST STAMPEDE RODEO: 33. Pake Jones - \$425, FIRST AG CREDIT-

34. Kelsey Overton - \$500, WEST TEXAS AGRIPLEX: 35. Pat Reiter - \$1,000, 3-R OIL COMPANY:

36. D Nae Johnson - \$400, JACKPOT: GARZA SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION IRA PUMP & SUPPLY COMPANY INC., ONEITA GUNN, POST ROTARY CLUB, REEF

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CHEMICAL CO .; 37. Kelsey Overton - \$500, JACKPOT: CONNER

SERVICE, NOW COW, POST VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, WEST TEXAS SEED &

DELINTING: 38. Alex Miller - \$525, SOUTH PLAINS STEEL, GEORGES RESTAURANT. KENDRICKOIL, METAL MART, SWEETWATER

STEEL, GENERAL STEEL WAREHOUSE, 39. Wes Mason - \$800, FAMILY CLEANERS.

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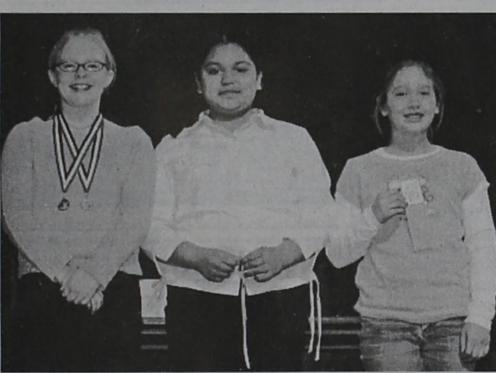
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**Post Elementary School UIL Awards winners** 



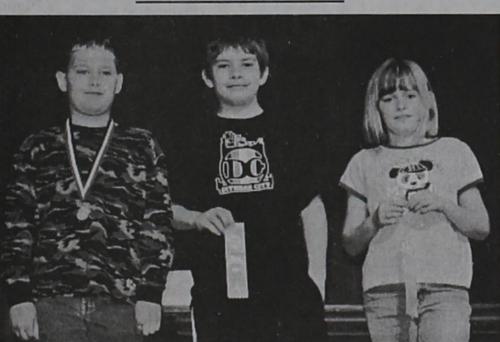
Post Elementary second grade UIL winners in Creative Writing are (left to right), Jayson Walden (3rd place), Addison Prather (participant), Tye Basquez (2nd) and Dakota Greer (6th).



Post Elementary fifth grade UIL winners in Oral Reading are (left to right), JKari Dunn (2nd place), Jessica Rodriguez (4th) and Skylar Jones

(Photo by Andrea Armendariz)

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Post Elementary fourth grade UIL winners in Spelling are (left to right), Cade Mason (1st place), Aaron Macy (4th) and Macie Clark (participant). (Photo by Andrea Armendariz)



Alex Miller exhibited the

Grand Champion Goat that won

1st in the Middle Weight Class.

D'Nae Johnson with her Grand Champion - Breed Champion Medium Wool Lamb.





Sterling Smith with his Breed Champion Southdown Lamb.



Matti Smith with the Reserve Breed Champion Southdown exhibited by her brother Sterling Smith.



Kaylee Farquhar with her Breed Champion Finewool Lamb.



Kaylee Farquhar with her Breed Champion Finewool Cross.



Post Elementary third grade UIL winners in Music Memory are (left to right), Michael Taylor (1st place), Andrew Juarez, Sydnie Rebeles, Tyson Scott and Matti Smith.

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Kaylee Farquhar with her Reserve Breed Champion

Finewool.



Cheyenne Bouldin (left) Junior receives Showmanship buckle from Milton Williams (right). The buckle is sponsored by South Plains Electric - Dickens Division.



Kaylee Farquhar (left) receives the Traveling Finewool Trophy from Jr. Stelzer (right). The trophy is sponsored by Junior and Diane Stelzer.



Chad Miller (left) receives "Rate of Gain" Buckle from Teresa Hair (right) representing B & T Feeds and Hi Pro Feeds. Miller's steer gained 615 lbs in 211 days for 2.929 average daily gain.

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Around Sportsmanship" buckle from Milton Williams (right). The buckle is sponsored by Captrock Telephone Cooperative, Inc. of Spur.



Kaylee Farquhar (left) receives "Top Hand" Buckle and \$50 Savings bond from Junior Stelzer (right). The award is sponsored by Alderman - Cow Feeds of Winters.

# Obituaries

### Marshall Lee Mason Jr.

Services for Marshall Lee Mason Jr. of Midland were held Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2005, in the Church of the Holy Trinity. Ellis Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. He died Sunday, Jan. 23.

Born to Gladys and Marshall Mason Sr. in Post June 23, 1927, he was an Eagle Scout as a youth and graduated from Texas Tech, earning a degree in geology in 1947. Later in life he became a priest in the Episcopal church after graduating with a Master's Degree in Divinity from the Church Divinity School of the Pacific in 1963. Prior to his retirement, he served at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity in Midland from 1986 until 1997. He was active in the oil

business both prior to and following his service as a priest. He also was a counselor, specializing in substance abuse and marriage and family matters. Survivors include his wife, Karen, and their combined family of eight children:

Mary Ann Krause of Houston, Laura Stewart of Midland, Martha Mason of McAllen, Lee Mason III of Lexington Park, Maryland, Jane Swartz, Julia Barrett and Emily Klemme, all of Midland, and John Brenner of Dallas; 15 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Marian Lee Minor. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that memorials be made to the Memorial Fund at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 1400 W. Illinois; the Church Boy Scout Troop #51 at the same address; or Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland, TX 79702.

### **Evelyn Jones**

Services for Evelyn Jones, 89, of Post were□at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at First Baptist Church with burial following at the Terrace Cemetery in Post. Justice-Mason Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Evelyn died Saturday, January 22, 2005 at Tahoka. She was born April 10, 1915 to James Wesley and Rhonda Jane (Brandon) Sanders at Hermleigh. Evelyn was raised in Scurry County and Nolan County. Graduated from Blackwell school. She married Barnie C. Jones December 4, 1936 at Snyder. He preceded her in death Oct. 30, 2001. They made their first home at Snyder and



moved to Close City Community in 1937 to farm and ranch, until their retirement. After retirement in 1986 they moved into Post. She was very active in her church, 4-H and as a volunteer as a Pink Lady. Evelyn loved to travel, play 88 and 42, playing cards with friends, to write poems and short stories about her life. Survivors include Two daughters: Oneita Gunn of Post and Reta Settlemire and husband Norman of Lubbock.; One son: Darrell and wife Ruby Jones of Snyder. Eight Grandchildren: Darlene Speck, Nita Jo Heckaman, Danny Gunn, Carol DeLeon, Amy Finch, Becky Settlemire, Labeth Snow and Janell Jones. 15 Great-grandchildren: Jessica Speck, Scott Speck, Breann Heckaman, Dionn Heckaman, Allen Heckman, Tatum Gunn, Garret Gunn, Brady Gunn, Renee Gonzales, Brittanee DeLeon, Jeffery DeLeon, Haleigh Finch, Hannah Finch, Gabby Settlemire and Ashlynn Rodriquez. One Great-Great Grandchild: Sadie Garner. A Niece: Pat and her husband Obie Kelly of Rotan and a Sister in law: Ida Jones of Post. She is also preceded in death by a son in law Clarence Gunn, Oct. 31, 1996. Memorial are suggested to the First Baptist Church of Post or to a favorite chairty. Pallbearers were Danny Gunn, Bobby Heckaman, Gary Speck, Mark Finch, Joel Snow and Ivan Lee Jones. Honorary pallbearers will be Mike DeLeon, Allen Heckaman, Scott Speck, Garrett Gunn and Brady Gunn. Memorials are suggested to the First Baptist Church of Post or to a favorite charity.

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### Garza Theatre seeks support

Another year and season of shows is over, and we now face a new year and another wonderful season of shows at the Garza Theatre. We cannot close out 2004, however, until we have had the opportunity to honor the very best that the 2004 season and theatre on the South Plains had to offer.

To celebrate, the Garza Theatre Board of Directors is hosting our annual Willy Awards Gala on Saturday, Jan 29. The evening's festivities will be as follows: 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Post Community Center, 113 W. Main (finger foods, drinks, visiting, silent auction); 7:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., relocate from the Post Community Center to the Garza Theatre; 8 p.m., Garza Theatre Main Stage (entertainment, announcement of the silent auction winners and award ceremony).

The price of this year's ticket is \$15 per person for adults and \$8 per person for children 12 and under. Reservations and payment must be received by Jan. 27. Please call the Garza Theatre box office at 495-4005 to make your reservations. Regular office hours are 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, or you can leave a message. When leaving a message, please leave your name, telephone number and number of people in your party. Payment in advance is required by Jan. 27. Payment can be mailed to the theatre at 226 E. Main, Post, TX 79356 or made by credit card by calling the theatre box office.

The 2004 show directors were asked to select the names of people from the many excellent performances that graced our stage in 2004 to be nominated in the various categories. This nomination process was performed by secret ballot with all directors voting for one individual per category for each show. The person receiving the most cumulative show director's votes for each show was then placed on the final ballot. The final ballot was then submitted to the 2004 voting committee for a final vote. The voting committee included all 2004 show directors and a secret panel of our regular patrons. These people made a commitment at the beginning of the season to see each show performed during the 2004 season. This committee selected the best of the best to be honored at the Willy Awards Gala from the nominees submitted by voting for one person from those nominated. The voting committee also voted for best set design, best costumes, best program design, best one-act play and best show. A copy of the final ballot can be requested by e-mail from mitchell.britton@greer-electric.com.

The Willy Awards Gala is open to everyone, and we encourage all those who can to put on their finest and come celebrate with us. We want you to be there to help honor those who have kept their magic alive during the 2004 season. Thanks so much for your continuing support of the Garza Theatre.

### An ancient nativity celebration reborn

Christy Morris, Mitchell Britton - Garza Theatre Board of Directors

There can be no doubt that the Mithraic religion (the worship of Mithra, the Persian sun god, popular in the Roman Empire) proved a formidable rival to Christianity, combining as it did a solemn ritual with aspirations after moral purity and a hope of immortality.

Indeed the issue of the conflict between the two faiths appear for a time to hang in the balance. An instructive relic of the long struggle is preserved in our festival of Christmas, which the Catholic church seems to have borrowed directly from its heathen rivals, according to noted Sir James Frazer, a British anthropologist and scholar.

In the Julian calendar, the 25th of December was the winter solstice, and it was regarded as the "nativity of the sun" because the day begins to lengthen and

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the power of the sun to increase from that turning-point of the year.

The ritual of the nativity appears to have been celebrated in Syria and Egypt. The Egyptians represented the newborn sun by the image of an infant which, on in his birthday, the winter solstice, they brought forth and exhibited to his worshippers (hence the giving of gifts).

The virgin who thus conceived and bore a son on the 25th of December was the great Oriental (i.e. Middle Eastern) goddess whom the Semites called the Heavenly Virgin or simply the Heavenly Goddess. In Semitic lands she was a form of Astarte (also known as Easter).

The Gospels, as we know them, say nothing as to the day of Christ's birth and the early church did not celebrate it. In time the Christians of Egypt came to regard the 6th of January as the date of the nativity, and the custom of commemorating the birth of the Savior on that day gradually spread until by the 4th century it was universally established in the East. But at the end of the third or beginning of the 4th century, the Western (Catholic church) who has never recognized the 6th of January as the day of the nativity, they adopted the 25th of December as the true date, and in time its decision was accepted also by the Eastern church.

At Antioch the change was not introduced 'til about 375 A.D. Sir James Frazer studied the thread of Christmas customs through ancient times and reached this conclusion. Christmas is but a relic of the worship of the pagan god known by the Persians and the Romans as Mithra or Mithras, relabeled with a

Why did the father transfer the celebration of the 6th to the 25th of December? Because it was a custom of the heathen to celebrate on the 25th of December the birth of the sun, at which they kindled lights in token of festivity. In these festivities, the Christian also took part. When the Catholic church thought that the Christians liked this festival, they took counsel and resolved that the true nativity should be solemnized on that day, and the festival of the Epiphany on the 6th of January.

The heathen origin of Christmas is plainly admitted by Augustine when he exhorts his Christian brethren not to celebrate that solemn day like the heathen, but to celebrate Him who made the sun. According to Pope Leo the Great, he rebuked the pestilent belief that Christmas was solemnized because of the new sun, as it was called, and not because of the nativity of Christ. The Christian and the Catholic churches both chose the 25th of December in order to transfer the devotion of the heathen from the sun to Him who was called the Sun of Righteousness.

So to sum this up, the festival that was sun worshipped and honoring pagan gods was renamed and reborn as traditional Christianity's popular celebration. The Christmas as we know it today.

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# On God's Word

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Bith of Jesus Christ...Eight Days Later Luke 2:21-40

Continuing in this series on the birth of Jesus Christ, we come to the great record of the prophets Simeon and Anna. After Jesus was delivered, Joseph and Mary meekly obeyed the written word of God concerning post-birth procedures. During this time they encountered two prophets who spoke for God by His spirit in them. The record begins with Luke 2:21, "And when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, his name was called Jesus, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb." according to God's word after eight days they brought the child to be circumcised, and at that time officially named him Jesus. It should be noted that the earlier known texts record his name to be

After the 40 days of Mary's post-birth purification, they brought the child to Jerusalem, to present him to the Lord. They also went to "offer a sacrifice" according to God's law which said, "A pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons." It was very important to God that his child be reared by people who were meek to do His will. Next we come to their encounter with the prophet Simeon in Luke 2:25-35. According to the scripture Simeon was a "just and devout" man who waited patiently for the consolation of Israel, and holy spirit was upon him. The red thread throughout the Old Testament since Genesis 3:15 was the anticipation of the Messiah who would be the savior of mankind. Even David spoke of the Messiah in Psalms 110:1, "The Lord said unto My Lord, 'Sit thou at My right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool." David distinguished between the Lord God and our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ (the son of God). All of Israel was to wait patiently through the generations until the appointed time. That time came while Simeon sat patiently. He was given revelation that he would not die until he saw the Messiah. God led him by the spirit into the temple and eventually showed him the child.

Next he took the child in his arms and began to prophesy as recorded in verses 29-35. What an up-lifting moment for Joseph and Mary. They watched and listened as a prophet of God spoke of the child as "A light to lighten the Gentiles [Isaiah 42:6], and the glory of God's people Israel." He prophesied to Mary that the child was set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel that the deepest thoughts of many might be revealed. Moreover, her whole life would be pierced also. We can hardly imagine the pain Mary must have felt during the time her son was scourged and crucified.

According to Luke 2:36-38, during their time in the temple, they also encountered the prophetess Anna. The word gives detailed background information about Anna. She came, thanked God and spoke of Him to all that looked for redemption in Jerusalem. God sure knew how to build up his servants Joseph and Mary. Anna, Simeon and Elisabeth must have played fantastic and dynamic roles in preparing Mary to raise up God's son.

Finally, we come to this wonderful scripture in verse 40, "And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him." Mary and Joseph did God's will and reared God's son in His wisdom and grace. In the King James Companion Bible, E.W. Bullinger noted that the words "in spirit" were omitted in all the earlier known texts. This is found to be true according to the context of Matthew 3:14-17, Mark 1:9-11, Luke 3:21-23, and John 1:32-34. He was not annointed with holy spirit until about 30 years later.

Mary and Joseph's devoted service toward God brought very good results. His child grew and became strong, filled with God's wisdom, and God's grace was upon him. Others could see God's grace in Jesus' life during his early years. For the archives of On God's Word visit www.geocities.com/christinyou7/love.html.

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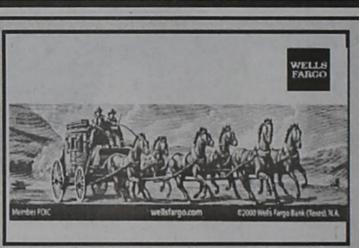
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### by Walter E. Williams

"On Sept. 11, one in 3,000 New Yorkers perished, but in the same terrorist threat that we face, but it surely should be evaluated other charities involved with helping the 9/11 families. year, over one in 1,000 urbanites were murdered in three major cities realistically. Why? It's a resource-allocation question. It's nonin the Western Hemisphere alone," according to Russell Seitz in his optimal to either underestimate or overestimate the terrorist is again involved in a charity telethon - this time for tsunami article "Weaker Than We Think" in The American Conservative threat. I'm sure that some might argue, "Williams, the government victims. And I am watching what happens with the money. (Dec. 6, 2004). He adds that the terrorist attacks on the World Trade can't make us too safe from terrorist threats!" That's not smart. Center and the Pentagon reign supreme among media events not because of the strategic impact of hijacked planes but the power of the media.

Seitz, formerly of Harvard's Center for International Affairs and security. For just one example, banks, brokerage houses, insurers International Cooperation, most of the money never materialized, a Los Alamos National Laboratory consultant, has written extensively on weapons of mass destruction and proliferation. He argues: While information about WMDs is all over the place, functional expertise is relatively rare. Building a nuclear weapon, even in the absence of sanctions, entails hundreds of Ph.D.s directing a small army of people. Seitz also says, "Stealing hydrogen bombs, like breaking into Fort Knox, is hard work; the score is still zero despite a half century of trying."

terrorist groups harbor hate for the United States and intend to do Patriot Act whereby any information gathered under its provisions donations. How did Yassir Arafat become a multi-millionaire? Did great harm to Americans whenever they can. The important point cannot be used in a court of law unless it can be tied to terrorist he win the lottery? that Seitz makes in his article is that "policy must consider the activity? I'm guessing that few politicians and law enforcement capacity for action, not intent alone."

According to Seitz, London's International Institute for Strategic Studies estimates that since Sept. 11 Osama bin Laden has recruited is a vibrant, flexible economy. There's a possibility that massive in Bergen County, N.J., the United Way screwed up big time in the 18,000 men, while some U.S. Department of Defense officials say he's down to his last 3,000. Seitz says that the average al-Qaeda can weaken our economy and thereby threaten national security. Algrunt is not a bright young jihadi but a high school dropout who lives Qaeda type terrorism is not our only national security threat either In a great public relations stroke, he even asked me to be a part of at home. In the wake of a withering attack by a hyperpower and its now or in the future. Keep in mind it was our productive capacity allies, al-Qaeda's main preoccupation is with its own security and

survival and not its anti-western strategy. Seitz concludes, "However tall bin Laden may loom as a scourge of University. To find out more about Walter E. Williams and read civilizations, it is increasingly clear that his arsenal is as phony as features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit his army is small - its shelves are bare of expertise and materiel the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com.

and other financial institutions have been turned into state and most of the hurricane victims had to fend for themselves. informers who must notify the Treasury Department about In 2003, an earthquake flattened the city of Bam in Iran. One privacy can be seen and reported as a suspicious transaction. Our government says only \$17 million arrived. no evidence of wrongdoing.

authorities would agree to such an amendment.

that ultimately won the Cold War.

Walter E. Williams is a professor of economics at George Mason

alike." Don't get me wrong. Neither Seitz nor I seek to minimize the COPYRIGHT 2005 CREATORS SYNDICATE, INC.

# Why trust in Social Security?

### by Jacob G. Hornberger

Isn't a central argument among those who argue for the continuation recipients' children and grandchildren.) of America's premier socialist program, Social Security, that Americans The implicit reason, according to the bureaucrats, is that Americans cannot be trusted to voluntarily take care of the needs of their elderly cannot be trusted to voluntarily help their parents. That is, if Social

a right to get it out." The irrefutable truth is that all the money that way, only bureaucrats, not regular people, can be trusted to help people people "put in" is spent, poof, finis. There is no "I put-it-in" money that in need, albeit with money extracted from regular people through the is earning interest in some investment fund.

Most of the Social Security tax revenue that comes from Social What about old people who don't have children or who have children Security taxpayers is transferred to Social Security recipients. It is who don't want to help or who lack the means to help enough? Well, gone. That is what makes Social Security a transfer program rather what about church groups and community groups and nonprofit than a retirement program. Money is coercively taken from the young charitable foundations? Isn't that what they're all about? Isn't the and productive and distributed to Social Security recipients.

What about the excess - that is, the amount by which the amount to help others in need? collected exceeds the amount paid? Don't look there for hope or for some Ultimately, the commandment "Honor thy father and thy mother" is of your "I put it in" money. The government spends that excess as part addressed to the hearts and minds of individuals. To mean anything in of its general welfare-state expenditures. In return, it inserts government a moral sense, the choice of whether to comply with the commandment "IOUs" into the so-called Social Security fund. What that means is that must come from the heart and mind of the person. Isn't that what free federal officials are promising to pay the Social Security money back, will is all about? How can morality and compassion and obedience to with interest, that they are spending. And where will they get the Godbereconciled with majority rule, the IRS, and bureaucratic decision money to pay back those IOUs? You've got it - through more taxes making? Maybe that's why our American ancestors declined to enact imposed on the citizenry as those IOUs come due.

proportions - and has been since the very beginning. If someone in the Otto von Bismarck) for more than 125 years after our nation was private sector tried something like this, he'd be serving a long sentence founded. in a federal penitentiary.

they are already sufficiently wealthy. Those who aren't financially dependent on Social Security could be cut this mindset by losing trust in themselves to do the right thing, off immediately. Why should young people who are struggling to start voluntarily. That's undoubtedly why they spend their time supporting families be forced to subsidize the lifestyles of the wealthy? If people plans to save and reform the crown jewel of America's socialistic wish to make a donation to someone who is financially well off, they can welfare-state system rather than telling their public officials to simply do that privately and voluntarily.

What about those who truly are dependent on the Social Security history. money? Why couldn't they rely on their children, who now would no Mr. Hornberger is founder and president of The Future of Freedom longer have to pay Social Security taxes? (Keep in mind, again, that the Foundation. Send him email.

source of Social Security money is the taxes that are imposed on

Security taxes were abolished, children would sooner let their parents Let's set aside all the nonsense about "I put it in and therefore I have die in the streets than voluntarily help them out. Or to put it another force of the IRS.

bureaucratic argument the same: that these people cannot be trusted

such socialist programs as Social Security (which originated among The entire Social Security scheme is a lie and a fraud of monumental German socialists during the regime of Germany's Iron Chancellor,

Lack of trust in the American people among the bureaucrats is not Let's divide Social Security recipients into two categories - those who surprising, especially seeing that they have such a large stake in Social truly depend on the government's largess and those who don't because Security (i.e., government salaries and pensions needed to administer the program). What's sad is that ordinary Americans have bought into toss Social Security - and the taxes that fund it - into the dustbin of

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# Making Waves

by Bill O'Reilly

George Clooney is writing me letters again, and that can only mean trouble. You may remember the actor and I went at it over whether celebrities had a responsibility to make sure donated 9/11 telethon money was efficiently dispensed by the charities that received it.

I opined that if you ask somebody for a charitable contribution, you have an obligation to do everything you can to see that it gets to the right place. Clooney disagreed, and he even insisted I fabricated the chaos that initially engulfed the United Way, Red Cross and

Now it is deja vu all over again, as Yogi Berra might put it. Clooney

The truth is that it is enormously difficult to help people in need, Being too safe from terrorist attacks can be costly in at least a especially overseas. In 1999, Hurricane Mitch devastated Central couple of ways. The most costly is our willy-nilly acceptance of America. Countries and individuals around the world pledged \$9 government intrusions on our liberties and privacy in the name of billion to help those affected. But according to the Center on

"suspicious" transactions. Acustomer's attempt to maintain financial billion dollars was pledged to help the people there. The Iranian

financial records can be subpoenaed and examined even if there is When money is involved, there are usually problems. Hostile governments like the one in Iran and chaotic situations like Sri Government officials have always wanted open access to our Lanka make it almost impossible for aid to get to those who need financial records; the war against terrorism gives them the cover to it unless Western organizations are on the ground actually handing There's no doubt whatsoever that al-Qaeda and other Middle East do so. Here's what might be proof: How about an amendment to the it to the folks. For years, corrupt leaders have been stealing foreign

> Even in the USA, where the government is supposed to oversee the charity business, problems abound. The United Way recently had a Most vital to the conduct of any war, including a war on terrorism, huge scandal in Washington D.C. And, according to its own chapter volumes of security regulations and massive security expenditures first few months after 9/11, even if George Clooney won't admit it.

So now, Mr. Clooney and other stars are asking for money again. the tsunami telethon. His invitation stated: "Mr. O'Reilly, either you ante up and help out and be that watchdog that you feel we clearly need, or you stand on the sidelines and cast stones."

My reply: "woof."

Because the telethon donations are all going to the American Red Cross, I have agreed to help the cause. The ARC is now transparent and accountable, and I respect the changes its leadership has put in place since 9/11.

Whether all the money the telethon raised will really help the tsunami victims, I can't say. But generosity is its own reward, and if we can help, we should. Nothing in life is guaranteed, but Americans have always helped the downtrodden, and continuing the tradition is worthy.

Besides, maybe now George Clooney will be my pal. You think? Veteran TV news anchor Bill O'Reilly is host of the Fox News show "The O'Reilly Factor" and author of the book "Who's Looking Out For You?" To find out more about Bill O'Reilly, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at www.creators.com. This column originates on the Web site www.billoreilly.com.

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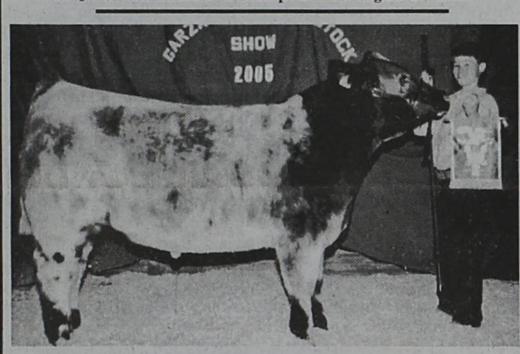
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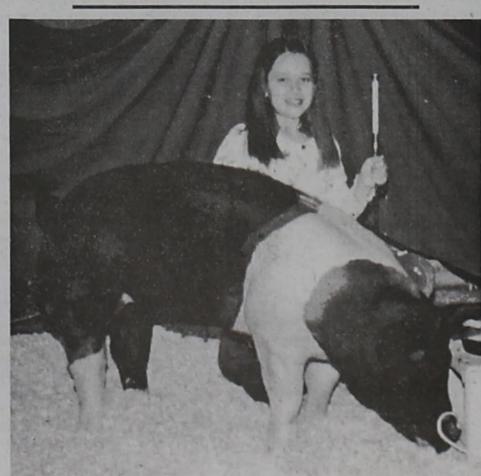
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CAUSE NO.1811 IN THE MAT-RONALD SCOTT METSGAR, DECEASED IN THE COUNTY OF GARZA, COUNTY, TEXAS. NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST ESTATE OF RONALD SCOTT

METSGAR, DECEASED Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Administration upon the Estate of RONALD SCOTT METSGAR were issued to the undersigned, on the 13th day of Janu-

ary, 2005, in the proceeding indicated below my signature hereto, which is still pending and that I now hold such Letters. All persons having claims against said Estate which is being administered in the County below named, are hereby required to present the same in care of my attorney at the address below given, before suit upon the same are barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law. The address to which claims may be presented is: Bradley M. Pettiet Attorney at Law, P.C.

1001 Main Street, Suite 502 Lubbock, Texas 79401 DATED this 24th day of January,

Ronald L. Metsgar Independent Administrator of the Estate of Ronald Scott Metsgar, Deceased

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DE-PARTMENT OF TRANSPOR-TATION (TXDOT) CON-TRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.
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Dist/Div: Lubbock Contract 0905-00-039 for PVMT MARKINGS AND MARKERS in LUBBOCK County, etc will be opened on February 09, 2005 at 1:00 pm at the State Office.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalified information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date. at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO:15435 State Office

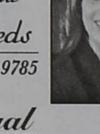
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January 25, 1945

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Garza county men sent for induction

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Arnold Kenley, Wiley Lee Melton, John

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Willard Smith, Joyce Clinton Steel, and

Representatives for "The Addax", a

Rex Everett, Jr., reporters; Senior Joe

Homer McCrary, owner and manager of

nounced this week that Albert Caylor has

West Texas Gas Company office in Post

transferred to the Tahoka office.

Harold Ross Wallace.

joined the firm.

#### 10 Years Ago January 25, 1995

Post youth boxers are preparing for the structed and equipped at an approximate 1995 Golden Gloves competition in cost of \$275,000, was occupied by sixth, Pecos. Planning to attend are Ignacio seventh and eighth grade students on Martinez, Marcus Varela, Chris Guerrero, Mike Martinez Jr, Joseph Ray Martinez semester. and Gonzalo Yescas. Young ladies pre- Katie Lou McClellan, petite forward on paring for the meet are Monica Guerreo, the Post High School girls' basketball Virginia Chavez and Stacey Lee team was presented as basketball sweet-Martinez.

New at the Post United Supermarket is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray McClellan assistant manager Lino Rojas. He joins of the Graham community. store manager Glen Brown.

Sul Ross State University has announced are announcing the approaching marriage the Dean's Honor List for the 1994 fall of their daughter, Dora Ailene, to Harold semester, including Post High School R. Storie, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Storie, graduate Kim Reiter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hart of Gail celebrted Registration for the second term of Mrs. their 50th wedding anniversary Jan. 15. Stallings' Personality Classes will be Feb. They have four children: Ronnie of Post, 1. Children 3 years old and up may en-Kenneth of Capitan, N. M., Syd of Gail, roll. Call Mrs. Stallings at 188 and Jay of Munday.

Brent Wayne McDonald of Post was awarded a Bachelor of Science degree Soldier of the Week: The Soldier of the during commencement exercises last week is Sgt. Rex Harold Voss, former month at Texas A&M University. McDonald graduated cum laude with a the army three years today and has been grade point average between 3.5 and 3.699. His major is Agricultural Sciences. tioned on the island of Siapan in the Pa-

#### 20 Years Ago January 23, 1985

Post Antelope championship football players recognized for their honors include Rodney Hays, Benny Hair, Delton Osborn, Curt Greer, Tracy Price, Kenneth Gill, Bruce Crenshaw, James Mock, Jay Fluitt, Curt Cowdrey, Albert Nava, Keith Osborn, Jay Valdez, Ricky Moore and Joel Kirkpatrick.

Bill Terpening was selected as "Employee of the Week" at Garza Memorial Hospital. Bill has been employed by the hospital for the past 4 years as chief en- school newspaper are: Editor-in-Chief gineer and physical plant director.

Holly Carpenter was selected to the Jun- Duran, Junior David Buster, Sophomore ior High All-Region band following com- Ray Lee Williams, Freshman Joyce petition recently. Also competing were Evans and Mack McCullough and Eighth Kimberly Burnett, Trevor Thuett and Gil- Grader Kay Kirkpatrick. bert Valdez.

Shirley Pruitt was promoted this week by the McCrary Appliance company, anthe First National Bank from assistant cashier to assistant vice president, as announced by President of the Bank, Jack Dick Wood was made manager of the

A whole bunch of people in Post have Monday of this week. The announcement put their names on a special page in this came from Charlie Walden who is being week's issue of The Dispatch to say "Happy Birthday" to a really special fellow, Dr. A. C. Surman who turned 98

#### 30 Years Ago January 24, 1975

Jim Hundley has launched a drive to raise \$10,000 in donations to restore the first floor portion of the front 68-feet of the old Algerita Hotel.

Mrs. Joann Kocureck is the new director of the Youth Center, Mrs. Patty Kirkpatrick, chairman of the Youth Center Board, announced this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Bouchier are honored with a retirement reception in the Graham Community Center. Bouchier has retired as mail carrier on Route 3 after 28 years.

Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Workman of Post, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Ila Geneva, to Steven Roger Daugherty, son of Mrs. C. A. Daugherty of Fluvanna.

Grayling Johnson, Post's senior tackle generally recognized as District 5AA's outstanding football player of 1974, wound up his grid career by being named over the weekend to the second offensive unit of the all-state Class AA grid squad.

#### 40 Years Ago January 28, 1965

Jimmy Overman of the Pleasant Valley community was presented the Post Chamber of Commerce trophy for showmanship following Saturday's annual Junior Fat Stock Show.

Garza Memorial Hospital, 12 years old and out of debt, is going to be completely re-equipped in an effort to attract patients now being sent out of town.

Miss Glenda Kay Converse and Curtis Bain Didway repeated wedding vows Friday, January 22, in the chapel of the First Methodist Church in Pampa.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Davis are the parents of a daughter, Karen Denise, born January 19 in Garza Memorial Hospital.

The sign, "Housing Authority of the City of Post, Texas", was being put up last Thursday afternoon at the project office on the site of the former Lincoln school in northeast Post. With the final inspection of the new 28-unit public housing project the Post Public Housing Authority today appealed for all of those interested in initial rental to contact Luther

#### 50 Years Ago January 27, 1955

Mothers will march on polio here tonight, and a "bucket brigade" will work in downtown Post Saturday afternoon. One long blast of the fire siren at 7 o'clock this evening will signal the opening of the mothers' march. Those wishing to contribute to the drive are asked to leave their porchlight burning or have a light in a window.

"Open House" at Post's new junior high school building will be Thursday night. The "Modernaires", Post High School

# **GS&WCD** accepting water quality program applications

The Garza Soil and Water Conservation District is currently accepting applications for the Senate Bill 503 Water Quality Management Plan Program for 2005. Texas Senate Bill 503 directs the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board (TSSWCB) to implement Water Quality Management Plans (WQMP) in Texas. Awater quality management plan is designed to meet the needs of producers while encouraging sound soil and water conservation.

### Michael J. Turner completes basic training

Army Spec. Michael J. Turner, son of Nora Bryan of Post, has graduated from basic infantry training at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga.

During the eight weeks of training, the soldier received training in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, and Army history, core values and tradi-

Additional training included development of basic combat skills and battlefield operations and tactics, and experiencing use of various weapons and weapons defenses available to the infantry crewman.

Turner graduated in 1996 from Klein Oak High School, Spring, Texas, and earned a bachelor's degree in 2001 from Tulane University, New Orleans,

### Menus

### Post ISD

January 31 - Breakfast - pop tart, sausage link, fruit, milk. Lunch - popcorn chicken, french

fries, salad, pears, milk. February 1 - Breakfast - donut, sausage, fruit, milk.

Lunch - steak fingers, whipped potatoes, green beans, gravy, hot rolls, juice bar, milk.

February 2 - Breakfast - malt-omeal, sausage, toast, fruit, milk.

Lunch - manwich, onion rings, salad, peaches, milk. February 3-Breakfast-cinnamon

toast, sausage, fruit, milk. Lunch - chalupa, spanish rice, salad, rosey applesauce, milk.

February 4 - Breakfast - cereal, toast, fruit, juice, milk:

Lunch - chicken burger, salad, french fries, cake, milk.

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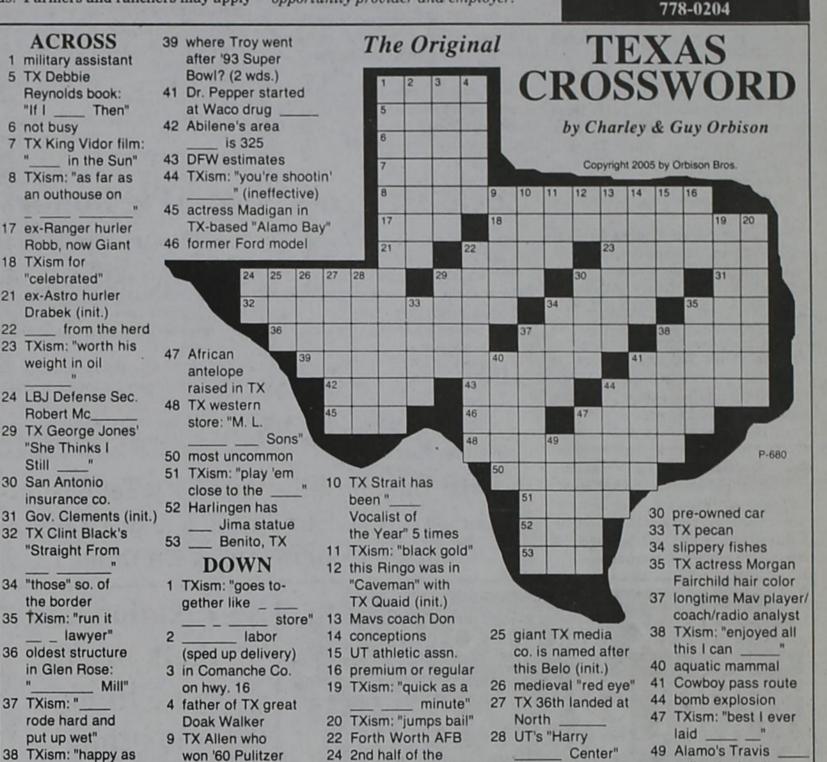
information on the SB 503 program, contact the Garza Soil and Water Conservation District or NRCS office at 495-2056 ext. 3

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### **Got Weeds?**

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Bible (abbr.)

### Cause No.

### Styling

### Legal Description

29 "Buffalo Bill"

89-12-0,4385-CV

County of Garza v. Betty Briggs a/k/a Ms. Charles Briggs Original Town Addition to

1. Part of Lots 9-12, Block 65, The City of Post, Garza County, Texas, an undivided 1/2 interest assessed to Betty

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Briggs. 2. Part of Lots 9-12, Block 65, Original Town Addition to the City of Post, Garza County, Texas, an undivided 1/2 interest assessed to Jim Jenkins.

99-08-0,5547-CV

County of Garza v. Sigyn Lund

District v. Helen Ruth

3. North Huntley Lease Unit Tract 5 99085035 (Glorieta) Sections 9214 & 1298, J R Galbreth Survey, Operator: Graham Royalty

02-10-0,5815-CV Garza Central Appraisal

Houston

Huntley, Garza County, Texas. 4. North Huntley Unit Tract 1

99085035 Pioneer Natural/ Huntley (Glorieta) Section 9214 and 1298 J R Galbreth Survey, 65.430 acres, .001851 Royalty Interest in Garza County, Texas.

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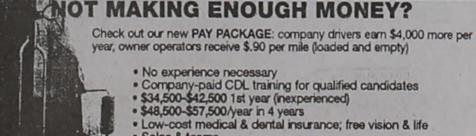
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# Lady Lopes trip Denver City 56-47

The Post Lady 'Lopes started the second half of district play last week with a home win against Denver City.

The team led 14-11 at the close of the first period. Jenee Lott and Sarah Kirkpatrick scored five points each in the quarter.

In the second quarter, the Lady 'Lopes increased their lead to 28-20, with Nikki Norman scoring seven points inside the paint and Kirkpatrick another five, including her second three-point goal.

The Post girls came out of the locker room at the half and jumped on Denver City, outscoring them 20-7 in the third quarter. Norman added seven more points to her total, while Patricia Hester and Rachel Gray added four points apiece.

The Lady 'Lopes closed out the game 56-47.

Scoring in double figures for Post were Norman, 19, and Kirkpatrick, 14. Leading rebounders were Lott with eight and Meagan Hoover with eight.

Individual stats for the Lady 'Lopes, as reported by the coach, were as follows: Lott, five points, two assists, eight rebounds and one three-point goal; Tatum, two points and two rebounds; Gray, five points and three assists; Gregory, two assists and four steals; Hoover, one point and six assists; Wilson, one rebound; Hester, five points, four assists and four rebounds; Copeland, one rebound and one steal; Kirkpatrick, 14 points, four assists, three rebounds, two steals and a pair of three-point goals; and Norman, 19 points, five rebounds and one steal.

Lady Lopes hammer Abernathy 51-27

The Post Lady 'Lopes basketball team avenged an earlier district loss recently by defeating Abernathy 51-27 on their home court.

Post went to work on their inside game as Nikki Norman scored 22 points. Sarah Kirkpatrick hit two three-point shots to pose an outside threat. Team defense allowed Abernathy to score in the double digits one quarter, and that was the fourth when the Lady 'Lopes had pulled away. Jenee Lott had nine rebounds, Kirkpatrick had six assists and Lott and Meagan Hoover added four assists

Scoring by quarters was as follows: Post 11, Abernathy 5; Post 16. Abernathy 4; Post 17, Abernathy 7; and Post 8, Abernathy 10.

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### Local students earn SPC honors

Post residents have been named to the President and Dean's Honor Lists for the fall 2004 semester at South Plains College.

"We wish to recognize these students for their excellent work in maintaining high grade point averages," said Darrell Grimes, vice president for academic affairs. Students named to the President's Honor List must maintain a 4.0 grade point average while carrying a minimum full-time load of 12 semester hours of college-level work.

Students named to the Dean's Honor List must maintain a minimum 3.25 GPA while carrying at least 12 semester hours of college-level work with no

Named to the President's Honor List is Brandi Gray from Post. Named to the Dean's Honor List are Russ Moore, Ronnie Parrish and Sonoe

PHS Basketball - Post City Television Saturday & Sunday @ 1, 5 & 10 p.m. Cebridge Connections Channel 12



Post Lady Lopes' Senior post, Nikki Norman (33), shows form as she puts in two points during last Tuesday's game against Denver City in Antelope Arena. Senior post Patricia Hester (25) stands poised for support under the basket. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

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Post Antelope Sophomore forward Colter Creech (33) shoots for the goal during last Tuesday's game against Denver City in Antelope Arena. Looking on is Senior guard Coco Valdez (21). (Photo by Jerry Taylor) GCSWCD accepts applications

Conservation District is currently accepting applications for the Senate Bill 503 Water Quality Management Plan Program for 2005. Texas Senate Bill 503 directs the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board (TSSWCB) to implement Water Quality Management Plans (WQMP) in Texas. Awater quality management plan is designed to meet the needs of producers while encouraging sound soil and water conservation.

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The Garza Soil and Water at a 75% rate with a maximum of \$10,000 being allocated to a contract. Irrigation efficiency will be the primary focus of this year's program, however we encourage anyone interested in other conservation practices to contact us. Farmers and ranchers may apply for any conservation practice that is found in the NRCS Field Office Technical Guide. All practices included in a WQMP must meet the requirements of the NRCS Field Office Technical Guide.

> To make an appointment or for more information on the SB 503 program,

contact the Garza Soil and Water Conservation District or NRCS office at 495-2056 ext. 3

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