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## Commissioners choose improving existing roadway

by Wes Burnett

After hefty discussions last Friday (2/25/05) and review of costs, the Garza County Commissioners' Court Monday morning approved a plan to repair and improve a county road south of Lake Alan Henry. Mason McClellan opposed the motion, with commissioners Gary McDaniel, John Valdez and Mike Sanchez approving the project.

"We have been talking about this matter for almost two years," County Judge Giles W. Dalby emphasized, "and we need to make a decision."

At Monday morning's meeting, the court heard a report from contract Joe Marts with estimates of the cost of two proposals being considered. Marts estimated a cost of \$55,000 to \$60,000 to repair the existing roadway, with a cost of \$250,000 or more to build a new road around the north end of property owned by rancher Will Senn.

Senn has objected to increased traffic on the existing roadway, which splits his ranch. The "Fuller Road," as it has been known since the 1930s, connects from U.S. Hwy 84 east to the Kent County line, giving access to rancher John Ward. The road has not been maintained by the county for a number of years, and Senn had earlier challenged the determination of the road a county road.

Senn had proposed an alternate route connecting to U.S. Hwy 84 on the section line between the Blakey and Senn property, going north and then west and back south, connecting to the Fuller Road at Ward's east section line.

At a special called meeting Friday, commissioners heard reports about the "rough terrain" on the proposed alternate route. "You already have a road," rancher Jeff Lott emphasized, "it's a waste of tax dollars to build another one so expensive, and difficult to maintain." Lott had provided his helicopter for an aerial view of the proposed alternate roadway.

He pointed out that the deep canyon-like conditions would make the roadway expensive to build and maintain. Developers Jody Ashley and LaWayne Feagin supported Lott's observations, and observations by Marts at Monday's meeting.

Commissioners agreed Monday to provide fencing on both sides of the roadway as part of the improvement, which Senn accepted. Senn had complained of the increased traffic's impact on his ranching operation.

The court agreed to advertise for bids for engineering firms to develop the project. The court also agreed that detailed survey is needed to determine that the current roadway is within the boundaries of the original deeded right of way.

Ward, Ashley and Feagin emphasized the immediate need of repair to the roadway, with Precinct Four commissioner Mike Sanchez agreeing. Sanchez said he hoped to contract the work so that the equipment at Justiceburg would not have to be transported to the site. "It'd be less expensive for us to contract that work than to move that equipment 16 miles every day," he said.

In other matters, the court Monday approved the formation of a committee to review and update the Garza County policy and procedure manual. The court will serve on the committee, along with five appointed employees.

Commissioners agreed to advertise for sale the old Close City voting building. A previously budgeted \$1,200 was approved for payment to the community center for additional part time staffing.

Commissioners accepted an invitation from County Clerk Jim Plummer to attend a special March 10 meeting in Lubbock to review new voting machines. The meeting will take place at the Lubbock County Courthouse general jury pool office from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Plummer said that area county officials have been invited to partici-

pate in the review of voting machine vendors.

Plummer pointed out that all Texas counties have to install new voting machines before the 2006 general election. The project is expected to cost \$60,000 for Garza County's 10 machines.

## January highway traffic collections

by Tim Burnett

Garza County Justice of the Peace Courts collected \$30,575.44 during the month of January largely from highway travel and traffic fines issued, 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 \$13,700.50 which included 123 misdemeanor cases, while JP Court Precinct 2 reported \$16,874.94 involving 172 misdemeanor 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.

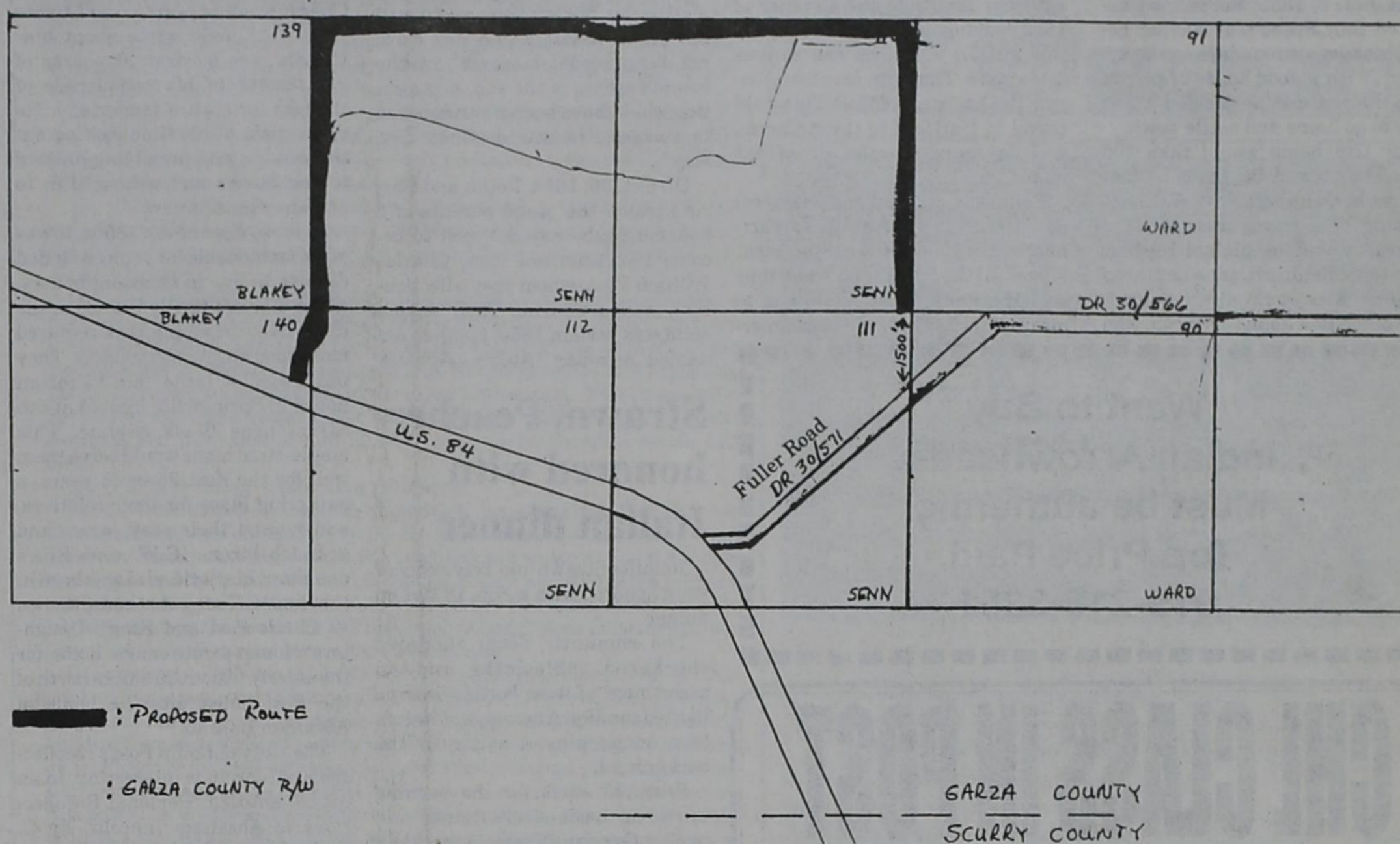
The State of Texas gradually shifted the public perception of the Code's underlying scope so that all travelers appear required to register their automobiles with the State of Texas. A study into the underlying scope of the Texas Transportation Code has revealed exactly who is required to register their 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" is not defined in the Texas Code. According to the United States Transportation Code and Black's Law Dictionary, the term "Transportation" is defined as transportation by a carrier for hire.

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 recognizes the right to travel freely, while at the same time

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## Bill Pool files as mayoral candidate

Monday is the filing deadline for candidates interested in seeking positions on the municipal, hospital district and school district governing boards.

Tuesday afternoon (3/1/05) city council member Bill Pool filed as the lone candidate for mayor. Three term mayor Archie Gill has announced he will not seek reelection.

Dick Odom has filed for re-election to his Ward 2 post, and Kenda Bartlett has opted to seek election to the Ward 1 position.

Bartlett's Precinct 3 seat on the Garza County Hospital District board will be filled in the May election, but no candidates had filed to fill the position as of Tuesday. Wayne Edwards has filed for the open Precinct 4 post currently held by Zoe Kirkpatrick.

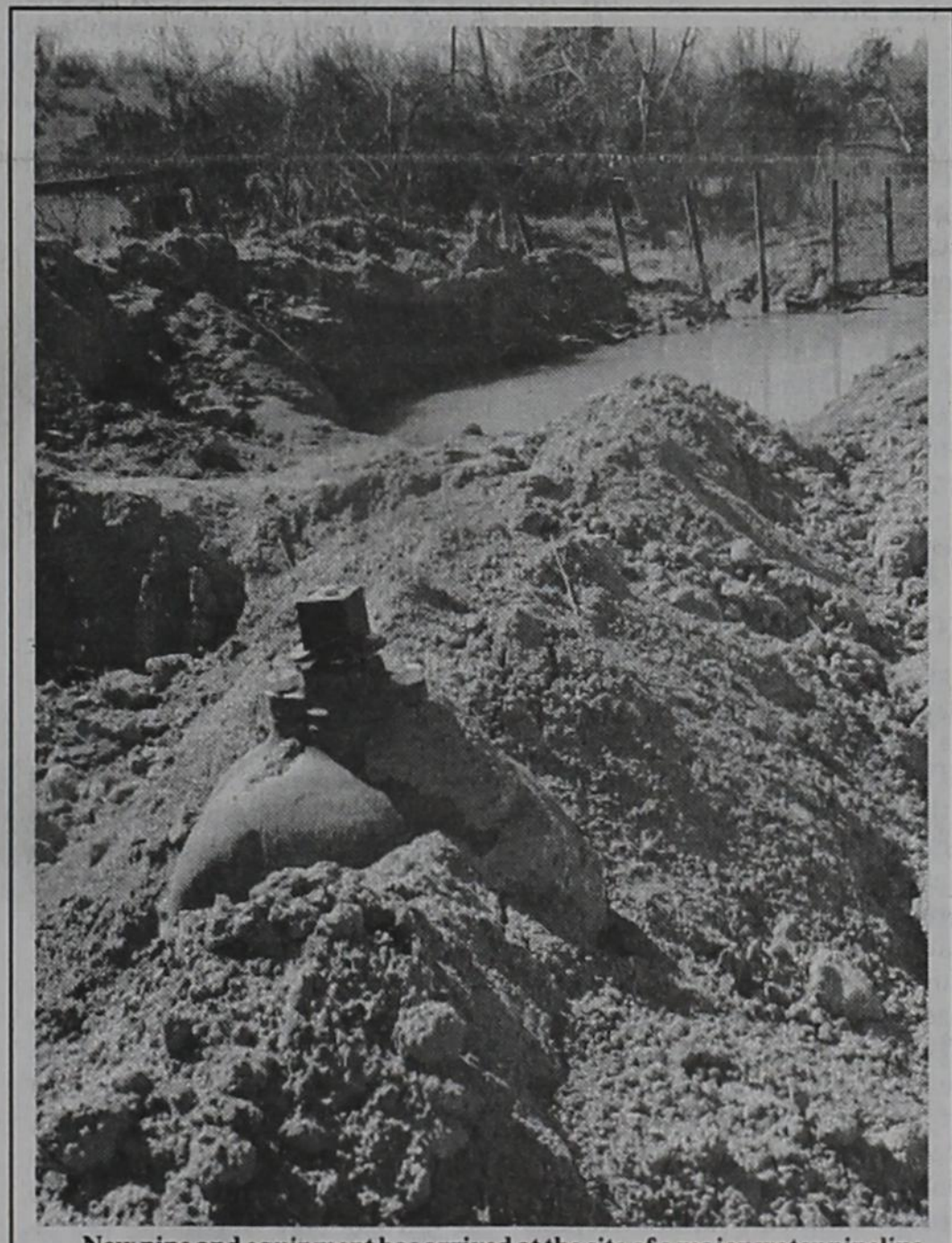
The incumbents—Mark Kirkpatrick and Barbara Hardin—have filed for re-election to the two open seats on the Post Independent School District board of trustees.

No candidates have yet stepped forward to fill three open positions on the Southland Independent School District board. Two full terms and a single one-year unexpired term are to be filled in the upcoming election.

### Master of Memory Improvement Classes

Many people believe that memory loss and aging go hand-in-hand. Not true! Texas Cooperative Extension will begin offering "Master of Memory," a six-lesson class series that will help you understand how your memory works and what may affect your memory. Medical conditions, medications,

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New pipe and equipment has arrived at the site of a major water pipeline break west of town. City crews are working to install the new pipelines, expected to be completed in the next few weeks. (Photo by Tim Burnett)



### Special "Chefs" for engaged couple

Jennifer Strawn and Trey Peacher were honored with a romantic Italian dinner by friends and family recently ... serving as "chefs" for the romantic evening were the uncles and aunts of the bride-to-be: Jackie Reiter, Cindee Reiter, Peggy Graves and Gary Graves. (See related story on Page 2)

## Post Notes

### Coaches and umpires meet March 5

There will be a meeting on March 5th at Wells Fargo Bank beginning at 1 p.m. for anyone interested in coaching or umpiring for Post Little League. This will be a meeting to sign up only. You must attend this meeting in order to be eligible to coach or umpire. For questions you may contact Drew Kirkpatrick at 629-4054.

### Everyone is welcome!

Please come and enjoy "Hallelujah Chorus" directed by Dr. Wayne Hinds, former director of Lubbock Christian University's Acapella Chorus on Sunday, March 13th at 6 p.m. at the Post Church of Christ, 10th and Avenue M.

### Blood drive set March 11

United Blood Services has issued an urgent appeal for blood donations. The use by local hospitals has outpaced donations leading to an exhausted supply of O- and A- blood. All types are currently on short supply. Donation requirements are simple. You must be at least 17 years of age, weigh at least 110 pounds, be in good health, and have valid identification. All donors will receive a choice of a hat or T-shirt. Post donors can donate at Dalby Prison, Friday, March 11th from 1-4:30 p.m. in the blood mobile. Please give Ruby Williams a call to make an appointment at 495-2175.

### Raffle to win a 4 wheeler

First United Methodist Youth are selling chances to win a 2005 4 wheel drive, 400CC Honda 4 wheeler, with electric shift. Chances are \$25.00 per ticket or \$100.00 for 5 tickets. Contact any Methodist youth, or the church office to purchase your ticket. Drawing will be March 12th.

### Flags, magnets available

Individuals needing flags to fly at their home and/or business can call the VFW Post 6797 commander, Chuck Ratliff, for assistance. Magnets also are available. Contact Ratliff at 495-2026.

### SHAPES Recruiting

Shaping Success Headstart is recruiting for the 2004-2005 school year. We serve children ages 3 and 4. Please call 495-2554 for more information.

### Old eye glasses needed

Your help is needed to collect old eye glasses for Missionary, Chris Hena, M.D. of Kazakhstan. There is a great need for eye glasses of all sizes. We will be collecting thru March 1st. Please bring eye wear to the First United Methodist Church, Monday-Thursday from 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. and Friday 9 a.m. until noon. You may also bring them to Redman Redi Lube, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

### Banquet tickets now available

The annual Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau banquet is set for March 12th beginning at 7 p.m. in the Community Center. Tickets for the event are \$15 per person. Theme for the banquet will be "Sunrise Wind," a tribute to Tabana Yuane. Business of the Year, Citizen of the Year, Cowboy Hall of Fame and other awards will be made. A special award, the Legacy Award, will be presented to the family of Frank "Chief" Runkles. Tickets are available at the bureau office or from any director.

### Trailblazers need copy machine

Garza County Trailblazers is seeking a copying machine, new or used, to be donated to the center. Anyone interested in donating for this purpose may call us at 495-2998, Monday thru Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. We have a tremendous amount of paperwork that needs to be copied on a daily basis for business purpose and we just don't have the funds to accommodate this need. Any offers will be appreciated.

### Sign-ups set for baseball and softball

Sign-ups for T-Ball, Minor League, Little League, Jr/Sr League and Girls Softball will be held at the Elementary Gym on March 7th through March 11th from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. There will be an additional child discount this year. Deadline for sign-ups will be March 20th. For questions contact Dawne Stone at 495-1256.

### Fish fry every Friday

Holy Cross Catholic Church will start selling fish fry and trimmings every Friday during lent, Beginning February 11th, from 5-7 p.m. Plates are \$6.00 each.

### Post Little League

Bids for the concession stand will be accepted until March 31st. Please contact Terri Morris at 495-1935.

### Soccer in Post

If you are interested in having a soccer league in Post please call Dawne Stone at 495-1256.



# C.W. Post, an American Icon

(Editor's note: The following is part three of a series of articles compiled by Linda Puckett from the archives of the Garza County Historical Museum and the book "C.W. Post - The Hour and the Man" by Nettie Leitch Major.)

On Jan. 1, 1851, Rollin Post departed San Francisco, leaving behind his adventurous days as a 'forty-niner.' With a good share of profits from the venture, he decided it was time to go home and settle down.

The trip home would take 105 days, stopping in St. Louis to visit his brother, Herbert Post. A chance meeting of a young woman on a sidewalk would seal his fate. Herbert introduced Rollin to Carrie Lanthrop Parsons. She was a direct descendant of the Rev. John Lanthrop, who

came to America with the Rev. Thomas Hooker. She married Abner Parsons of Pittsfield, Mass., in 1844, but their marriage was cut short with the death of her husband and infant child.

Carrie returned to Hartford to be with her family in the summer of 1852, leaving Rollin to pine away for this girl for whom he had serious intentions. Thus the courtship began. By October of 1853, Rollin would travel to Hartford to claim Carrie, and they married on the 10th of that month.

Rollin and his brothers, Lafayette and Herbert, were business partners in a dry goods store in Jacksonville until the fall of 1852 when they sold the store. Their plan was to move to Springfield, where commer-

cial business was more promising, especially with the recent completion of the railroad. There they entered the grain and agricultural implement business.

This move was significant as Ms. Major wrote, "The course of history for Charles William Post might well have been different had this move not been made; however, for the boundlessness of the son, any location would have been a springboard to success. He was destined that way."

On Oct. 26, 1854, Rollin and Carrie became the proud parents of a bouncing baby boy destined to become the American icon, Charles William Post, whom they affectionately called Charlie. Their second child was born in 1856, another son named Aurelian (Aurrie) Atwater

Post. (I might add that last year the granddaughter of Aurrie, Marjorie Post Morrow Jones, came to Post for a visit at the museum. She vowed to return for our 100th anniversary. A very nice lady.) The third son, Carroll Lanthrop Post, was born in 1859.

One of Carrie's and Rollin's letters dated in the summer of 1858 reflects on what was probably the first trip back home for Carrie, traveling by train to Hartford. By this time, Charlie was four years old and Aurrie was two. Carrie wrote about how Charlie was a constant source of amazement in his seriousness of thought for such a tender age. He spent most of his time looking out the window and mumbling prayers to the Savior and asking Him to explain what he saw.

In those days of the 1850s, it was quite fashionable for young married couples to live in boarding houses, which Rollin's family did. Soon the three lively, romping boys required more spacious living quarters. They purchased a large mid-Victorian house in Springfield, located at 6th Street near Black Avenue. This ample-sized home would serve them well for the next 35 or so years, a gathering place for their relatives, and housed their sons, wives and grandchildren. (C.W. and Ella's daughter, Marjorie, also was born in this house. Today it stands, known as Carrie Post and King's Daughters' Home, a retirement home for the elderly.) About 20 blocks north of the Post house sits the home of Abraham Lincoln.

The story of Rollin Post's recollections of Lincoln is interesting. In an article entitled "Personal Recollections of Abraham Lincoln" by C. Rollin Post published in 1912 for the Colorado Springs Gazette, he tells of meeting Lincoln for the first time in 1844 in Waverly when Lincoln was running for Congress.

"I well remember that when it came time for him to address the crowd of 2,000 people, he uncoupled his long legs and rose to his height of six feet four, clad in an old linen duster, with a rent down the back and out at the elbows, to tell the people how he loved them and how they needed him to be sent to Washington," he wrote.

Rollin also recounts attending the Republican Convention in 1860, and that Lincoln remained at home, even though he was aware that he was being nominated for president. Rollin's brother, Truman, was at the newspaper office, as was Lincoln, when a telegram came for the editor. The editor read the message, turned to Lincoln, shook his hand and said, "I congratulate you, sir, as being the next president of the U.S."

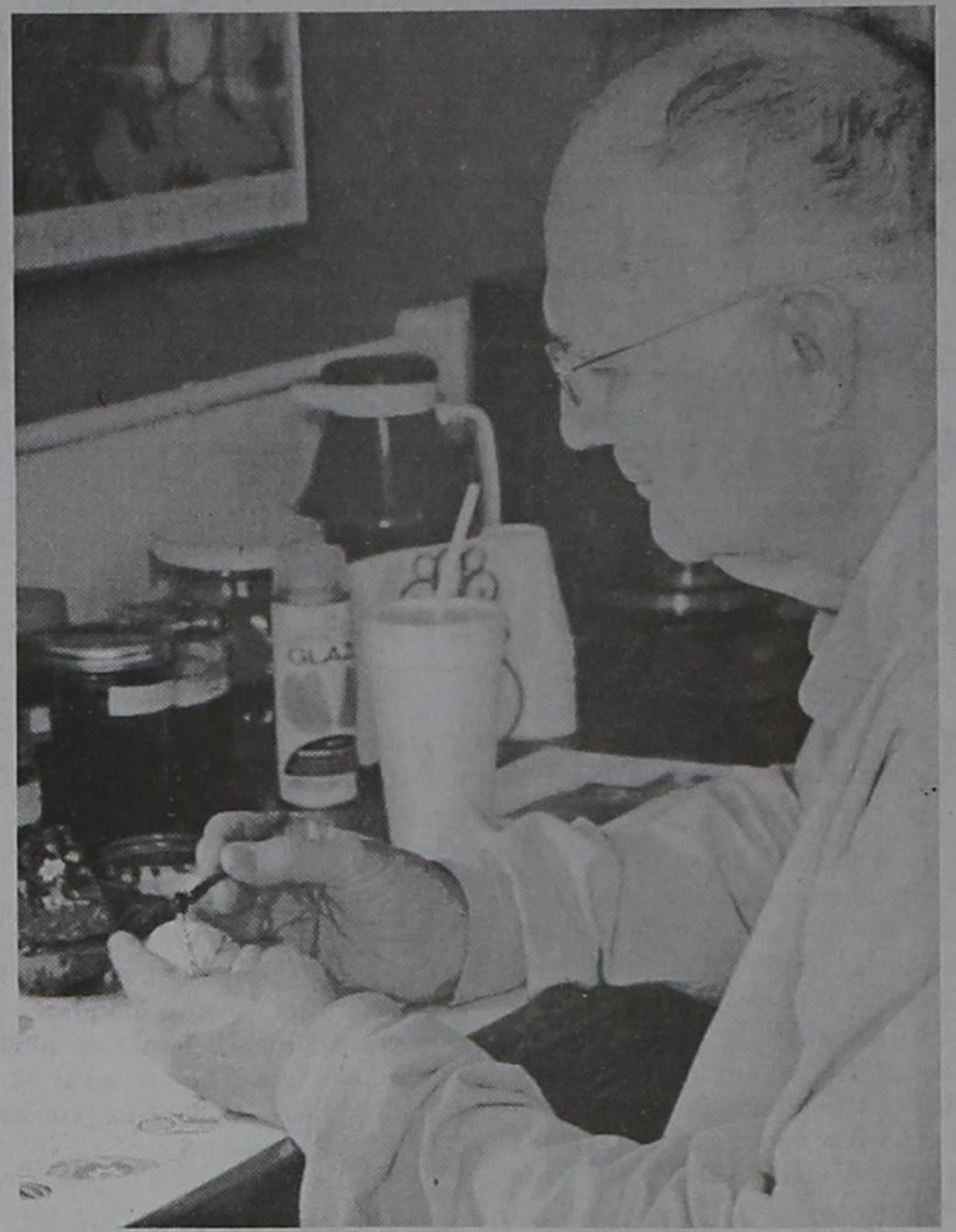
Lincoln, with the dispatch in hand, turned and said, "Boys, there is a little woman up on Eighth Street who will be interested in this. Please excuse me and I will go home."

Lincoln settled his affairs at his Springfield law office of 16 years, telling his partner "that old signboard which hangs on its rusty hinges at the foot of the stairs should remain there undisturbed. Give our clients to understand that the election of a president makes no change in the firm of Lincoln & Herndon."

The president was assassinated on April 14, 1865, and Rollin, who had been elected alderman, was asked to be one of the escorts to return Lincoln's body to Springfield for burial.

Rollin continued in the agricultural implement and grain business with his brother, Herbert, and included his sons as they became of age. In 1887, the Post family left Springfield and moved to Texas, settling on a 200-acre ranch on the outskirts of Fort Worth.

(Part IV will continue with the young Charles William Post.)



## Dr. James Bell to demonstrate egg art at Ruby Lane Books

Dr. James Bell, retired Post minister and missionary, will demonstrate traditional Pysanky Ukrainian egg art at Ruby Lane Books, 127 E. Main Street from Noon to 6:00 pm. Saturday, March 5. The original egg art can also be purchased at Ruby Lane books until the end of April. All proceeds from the sale of Dr. Bell's Ukrainian eggs will go to help Chaplain Grady Shyles purchase Bibles for inmates at the Dalby Unit.

Dr. Bell has been creating Ukrainian eggs for over 19 years and the eggs have become a traditional Easter gift for many. Ukrainian egg art is similar to batik patterns are drawn on the egg with wax, which protects the covered area from individually applied dye. By repeating this process with different colors of dye, a multi-colored pattern is created. Finally, the wax is removed to reveal the colors that were covered up at each stage. The symbols and colors used are rich in meaning; many pre-date the arrival of Christianity in the Ukraine in the tenth century. Over the centuries Christian interpretations have been incorporated to produce egg art with rich ancient roots.

This demonstration is part of the expansion celebration at Ruby Lane Books. The store is now twice its original size with an increased inventory of new and used books, and, beginning March 9, store hours will be Noon to 6:00 pm, Wednesday through Saturday.



## Kelly Langerhans earns TSU honors

Kelly N. Langerhans of Round Rock was named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at Texas State University, San Marcos.

Langerhans is the daughter of John and Sharon Langerhans of Round Rock and granddaughter of Donald and Billie Windham of Post.

To achieve Dean's List recognition, a student must complete 12 semester hours and earn a minimum GPA of 3.5, according to a university press release.

## White River Lake Report Feb. 28, 2005

Gauge reading: 2353.64 Feet below spillway: 18'9" Rise - 0" Rainfall (past week): 0.14" Rain-to-date: 2.52"

Source: Mickey Rogers, WRMWD general manager

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## Strawn, Peacher honored with Italian dinner

Jennifer Strawn and Trey Peacher were honored with a Feb. 18 Italian dinner.

The romantic décor included checkered tablecloths and an assortment of wine bottles bearing lighted candles. A montage of Italian love songs played softly in the background.

Featured chefs for the evening were the bride-elect's aunts and uncles, Gary and Peggy Graves and Jackie and Cindee Reiter. Each was dressed in Italian chef attire to complete the setting.

The quartet cooked and served the three-course dinner, which included homemade lasagna, chicken spaghetti, breadsticks, salad and cheesecake.

Fifty-five individuals, including the bride-elect and prospective bridegroom, their wedding party, family, friends and special guests, attended the event.

Immediately following the dinner, toasts were given by the best man and brother of the prospective bridegroom, Shawn Peacher, and the bride-elect's sister and maid of honor, Lyndee Strawn.

## Memory...

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diet and exercise, among other things, may all play a role in how your memory works. "Master of Memory" will also help you identify and use strategies to improve your memory function. For more information and to sign up for the first session scheduled for March 24, 2005, contact Julie Dirks at (806) 495-4400.

## Traffic fines...

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protects the traveling public by regulating vehicles using the roads for the purpose of "Transportation."

The registration requirement falls within the limited scope of the Transportation Code. The only automobiles that are required by statute 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 Justice of the Peace courts throw out all cases where peace officers attempt to enforce the Transportation Code upon automobiles that do not fall within the limited scope of the Code, and are not voluntarily registered with the State?

# CHL CLASS IN POST

Concealed Handgun License Classes will be held in Post at the Post Community Center, Rotary Room, on dates and times below:

March 9 9:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
5:30 p.m. - 10 p.m.  
March 10 9:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
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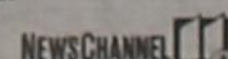
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**CCA News from Post, February 2005**

by JoAnn Mock  
*About Heritage House*

Our Heritage House, a two-floor American Craft house, was built for a nurse's quarters for the Old Post Sanatorium, which is now the Garza County Historical Museum. At the December CCA board meeting, Don Collier of the Texas Tech College of Human Sciences presented plans for the adaptive reuse of the house. A transformation of the lower floor will house a museum workshop, our research room, an oral history room and a library. The upper floor will house offices, additional storage and meeting rooms.

Here is the exciting part: The back apartments will be removed to build a large reception room to be elegantly furnished with a fireplace, window seats, kitchen and other amenities. Double doors will open into a landscaped garden area. The main entrance will open on the north, featuring a large foyer, restrooms and elevator to the upper floor. The exterior will be restored to its original look, and the enclosed upper balcony will be reopened.

The reception room is a much-needed space for Post and will be available for meetings, activities, workshops and seminars. We will focus on preserving oral histories, videotaping, Indian influence and prehistoric history in the facility. Funding applications are being explored.

The CCA decided in July to donate the furnishings not needed for the restoration to several worthy causes. The Woman's Cultural Club of Post also donated furnishings. It has really given us a good feeling to help these folks that are so dedicated.

Donations went to Krios of Lubbock, who works with prison inmates to restore their lives after serving time; the Post Victims Assistance, who works with a lot of domestic violence; and to the Dare to Believe Outreach Center of Plainview for their halfway house for released prisoners. Now, these folks are going to help the CCA announce and show off our Heritage House plans. They suggested a motorcycle rally with gospel music on the museum porch. Maybe a parade, barbecue, etc. Won't that be fun? I'll let you know later about the details and date.

*About CCA Building - Ruby Lane Bookstore*

The CCA sold their downtown office building to James and Rosa Bell. This was done in order to start our funding for the Heritage House. Rosa operated a small bookstore there in the front of the CCA building last summer, and the couple have expanded the store. Now don't forget, I still have my office in the rear and will be here until the Heritage House is restored. The Bells have done a fantastic job in decorating the bookstore. It's absolutely elegant. Rosa is increasing her inventory and a Web site: [www.rubylanebooks.com](http://www.rubylanebooks.com).

Of course, we will always think of it as the CCA Building and are so proud that our building is now one of the most attractive buildings in Post. The upper floor apartment has also been fully redone. So many people have been involved in the building's preservation and restoration over the years. Our thanks to Jim and Janet Plummer for their valuable managerial help this past year. Carolyn and Earl Chapman and Earl's crew with donated work and creative décor when we first moved in, to Bonnie Stewart for restroom furnishings and our entire board of 1986. Artist Randy White moved into the upper floor apartment and traded rent for its repairs and built a deck. David Martin installed lighting. Much of the labor was contributed and the rest was trade outs.

*About Texas Yes Project, June 3, 4, 5*

Last month the chamber sponsored an open meeting with Charles Adams from Texas Tech, who talked about the unique attractions of Post and its potential. The Yes project is a statewide attempt to increase tourism. The City of Post is marching the available funding for promotions and advertising. Post will have a Ranch Days Celebration, with ranch tours and activities on Friday, June 3. Activities downtown will feature strolling musicians sponsored by the businesses and others. The CCA will sponsor Country Music and Cowboy Poetry for Saturday night, June 4, at the Community Center and a special museum exhibit. A play is scheduled at the theatre, and an art exhibit will be in the Algeria Arts Center. Old Mill Trade Days will be active. Details later.

*About Willy Awards*

Garza Theatre's Willy Awards party was the best ever. The beautifully decorated Community Center featured out of this world buffet served by Tessa Blackburn and crew. The awards ceremony was held at the Garza Theatre, with some absolutely fabulous talents. The winners will soon be posted on the Garza Theatre's page at [www.posttexas.com](http://www.posttexas.com). Congratulations to the theatre for a great year.

That's all for now.

**Extension Extras**

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

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**Lamb Camp**

June 12-14 are the dates for the 2005 Lamb Camp at Howard College. Limited to first 200 to register. Cost is \$80 per person for lodging, meals and awards. For more information, call (806) 495-4400 or come by the Texas Cooperative Extension office at 215 West Main in Post.

**Goat Camp**

June 19-21 are the dates for the 2005 Goat Camp at Howard College. Cost is \$80 per person for lodging, meals and awards. Limited to first 200 to register. For more information, call (806) 495-4400.

**4-H Prime Time Camp Sessions**

There are two Prime Time sessions scheduled this summer at the State 4-H Center at Lake Brownwood. The Prime Time I, session for youth ages 12-13, is set for July 17-20, 2005. Prime Time II, for youth ages 9-11, is set for July 20-23, 2005. For more information and registration forms, come by the Extension office at 215 West Main Street in Post.

**SpecTra '05**

This special camp, for youth ages 14-18, is scheduled for July 25-30, at the State 4-H Camp at Lake Brownwood. For more information and registration forms, come by the Extension office at 215 West Main Street in Post.



Rani Cowley, three year old daughter of Joey and Tabatha Cowley, was honored at halftime of the Texas Tech Lady Raider game February 19 as a miracle child for the Childrens Miracle Network at University Medical Center. Rani received third degree burns to 30% of her body on November 10, 2004 and was selected as a miracle child by UMC's Burn Intensive Care Unit as well as the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit. You can hear Rani's story on this years CMN Radiothon Feb 24, 25, 26 on KLLL radio station. She will also be on the CMN telethon in June on KCBD, Channel 11.



**Cheyenne White competes at Regional Tournament**

Cheyenne White, granddaughter of Noel and Orabeth White, was a post player for the Throckmorton Lady Hounds basketball team that competed in the Region Class IA Division II tournament recently at the Texan Dome in Levelland.

The Lady Hounds went 9-0 in district, defeating Benjamin, Roby and Brooksmith en route to the regional tournament.

They defeated Water Valley to win the Region II championship on Friday and advanced to play Nazareth in the state semi-finals on Saturday. Nazareth won and will play for the state title in Austin this week.

The Lady Hounds were awarded bronze medals for their third place finish in state.

On their trip to Levelland, the team stopped in Post to work out at the Antelope Arena.

White, a senior, is the daughter of Steve and Jackie White.

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## Francis Hernandez

Services for Francis Hernandez, 73, of Irving were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 2, 2005, at the Holy Cross Catholic Church with Father Jim O'Conner officiating. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of the Hudman Funeral Home.



She died Feb. 27 at Baylor Hospital in Irving. Born March 9, 1931, in Goforth, she married Florentino Hernandez in 1953 in Phoenix, Ariz. He died June 6, 1983. She was a member of the Holy Family Catholic Church in Irving. Prior to her retirement, she was a self-employed upholsterer.

Survivors include one son, Tino Hernandez of Irving; four daughters, Irene Criado of Grand Prairie, Lily Martinez of Grand Prairie, Olga Hernandez of Irving and Tonie Ayala of Post; three sisters, Marcella Limon of Austin, Felis Colunga of Austin and Bertha Cantu of Dallas; five brothers, Ruben Aleman of Austin, Mike Aleman of Austin, Ben Aleman of Austin, Johnny Aleman of Dallas and Abel Aleman of Dallas; 10 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

## Mary Virginia Custer

Services for Mary Virginia "MaGinny" Custer, 90, of Lubbock were held Monday, February 28, 2005, at Monterey Church of Christ with Barry Stephens officiating.



Interment followed at the Terrace Cemetery in Post, Texas. Arrangements are under the direction of Sanders Funeral Home in Lubbock, Texas.

Virginia passed away on February 24, 2005, after a brief illness.

She was born to Emmitt and Willie Duncan on October 26, 1914 in Itasca, Texas. She married Mike Custer on March 2, 1933 in Lovington, New Mexico.

They resided in Garza County until his death on Oct. 21, 1987. Virginia moved to Lubbock, Texas in 1988 where she resided until her death. She was also preceded in death by her only daughter, Sherry Sue Norman, on May 16, 1994. Virginia was a member of the Monterey Church of Christ.

Survivors include a son, Col. G.C. Custer of Cincinnati, Ohio; three granddaughters, Jill Norman of Lubbock, Texas, Leann Browder of Klondike, Texas and Tammy Heefner of New Braunfels, Texas; two grandsons, Kelly Norman of San Angelo, Texas and Mike Norman of Klondike, Texas and nine great grandchildren.

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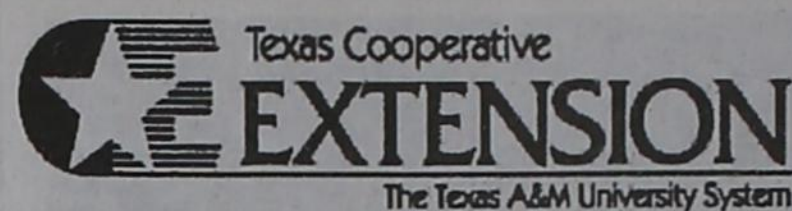
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## Neighbor to Neighbor

by Julie Neitsch,

Garza County Extension Agent-Family & Consumer Science

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### Portion Control 102

Learning to recognize a standard serving size of all foods "by sight" can help you judge how much you are eating. At home measure your food servings and place them on a plate. Here are some "sight" tips to help you in judging serving sizes of the common foods. In the breads and cereal group a cup of cereal flakes should look like a fist and 1 pancake should look like a compact disc. One-half a cup of cooked rice, pasta, or mashed potatoes should look like a 1/2 of a baseball and a serving of cornbread should look like a regular bar of soap.

In the fruit and vegetable group 1 cup of salad greens should look like a baseball, a baked potato should look like a fist or a regular bar of soap and a medium fruit should look like a baseball. One-half cup of canned, frozen or fresh fruit should look like 1/2 of a baseball and a 1/4 cup of raisins like a large egg. In the dairy and cheese food group 1oz. of cheese should look like your thumb, 1 cup of milk or yogurt is about the size of a small hand holding a tennis ball and 1/2 cup of ice cream looks like 1/2 of a baseball.

In the meat and meat alternative group, 1-3 oz. serving of meat, fish, or poultry is about the size of a deck of cards, 3 ounces of grilled or baked fish should look like a checkbook, and 2 Tablespoons of peanut butter looks like a ping pong ball. Finally in the fats and sweets group 1 teaspoon of butter margarine, sandwich spread or jelly looks like a dice and a 1 Tablespoon serving size of dressing for your salad would look like 2 stacked dice.

It is important that you eat a variety of foods each day and it is important to remember that no food or food group is "Bad For You", rather it is the amount or portion of a food that you consume that makes it "Bad For You". The Food Guide Pyramid is an excellent way to design a healthy eating plan that will give your body its daily nutritional requirements. America's focus has been to put too much emphasis on cutting fat, carbohydrates or sugar from the diet while ignoring portion size. Remember that the most important words you need to know in weight management are not low fat, low carb or low sugar, but calorie content, serving size, and portion control!

Here are some web sites that are helpful in managing your weight and in portion control information: The Arthritis Foundation at <http://www.arthritis.org>, and Shape Up America at <http://www.shapeup.org>.

Tone Teen is a free resource site to help kids and teens with weight management and other health and fitness issues and can be found at <http://www.toneteen.com>, and to find The National Institutes of Health's "Aim for a Healthy Weight" web site that contains a Healthy Weight Home Page, Body Mass Index Calculator, and Menu Planner use <http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov>. To access an interactive portion control quiz "The Portion Distortion Quiz" at this same website use <http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/portion/>.

For more information and tips on portion control and for answers to other health questions you may have please contact Julie Dirks at Texas Cooperative Extension here in Garza County by calling (806)495-4400.

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## On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

### The Day and Time of Jesus Christ's Birth

God's word gives us a perfect record of Jesus Christ's birth. The four Gospels together not only provide important details, but they also lay out the chronology of events very nicely. We now conclude this series on the birth of Jesus Christ by pinpointing the exact day and hour that he was born. We recognize Victor Paul Wierwille for his service toward God by synthesizing the biblical, historical and astronomical research of a number of scholars, to the end that more light could be shined on the events surrounding Jesus' birth. Among his many references, we especially note E.W. Bullinger (Witness of the Stars), and Ernest L. Martin (The Birth of Christ Recalculated). In his book, Jesus Christ Our Promised Seed (Chapter 6), Wierwille revealed that the birth of God's son occurred on the Hebrew calendar day that corresponded to our Wednesday, September 11, 3 B.C. The year of 3 B.C. was chosen for various reasons. Wierwille listed eight of sixteen early Christian sources who dated Christ's birth between 4 and 3 B.C. The rest simply dated it after 4 B.C. He also explained the reference by Josephus (Antiquities of the Jews-Book XVII, Chapters 6-8), to a lunar eclipse that occurred just prior to Herod's death. Due to a possible misinterpretation of Josephus' dating, many scholars placed Christ's birth to be around 7 B.C. But Wierwille cited Ernest Martin who proved that the recorded January 9, 1 B.C. eclipse was the one referred to by Josephus. This caused many scholars to start looking at the astronomical events that occurred from 4 B.C. forward. This research helped to identify Jupiter to be "his star" as recorded in Matthew 2:2 & 9. Having set 3 B.C. as the year of Jesus Christ's birth we now go to Revelation 12:1-2 for more information, "And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed

with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars: And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered." The word "wonder" comes from the earlier known Greek word "semeion," which was often used in reference to zodiacal signs. The one constellation that symbolizes the woman is Virgo. It says the woman was "clothed with the sun." On the horizon, the sun was positioned at mid-body in Virgo. According to Wierwille, in the year 3 B.C., Virgo and the sun were in this position for approximately a 20-day period from August 27 to September 15. The scripture says that the moon was "under her feet." In 3 B.C. the moon was positioned under the feet of Virgo on what would be our September 11th. According to Luke 2:8 Jesus Christ was born at night. This means that his birth would have been between sunset and moonset on the Hebrew calendar day that corresponds to our Wednesday, September 11th, 3 B.C. Wierwille laid out the significance of the Hebrew day on which Jesus was born. That day was originally the first of the new calendar year, or Tishri 1. This requires some extensive biblical research, but his main point was that Jesus Christ was born on a special day called The Day of Trumpets. During this day, trumpets could be heard from morning until night. It was the day to recognize Jehovah as the one true King. It was also the day of coronation ceremonies for new kings (see 2Kings 11:12-14). In short, the birth of Jesus Christ was literally heralded by the blowing of trumpets. They not only recognized the ultimate Kingship of God, but unwittingly heralded the birth of His son who would be heir to His Kingdom from heaven.

Amen and praise God!  
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# Busting Buster

by Bill O'Reilly

Buster the bunny is causing a lot of trouble, and he had better knock it off right now. The PBS cartoon character has instigated a brawl between the federal government, PBS and everyday Americans that is shaping up to be a signature battle in the nation's culture war.

For those of you unfamiliar with Buster, he is a curious rabbit that hops around on public TV introducing small children to the wonders of American life. In one of his adventures, Buster showed up in Vermont to check out the maple syrup industry and wound up surrounded by a bunch of lesbians and their children. The connection between the syrup business and lesbians was never really explained, but Buster posed for a picture with the group and looks very happy. But the new secretary of education, Margaret Spellings, wasn't happy and fired off a letter to PBS saying that federal money should not be used to "introduce this kind of subject matter to children." Since the Public Broadcasting Service gets around \$80 million a year in taxpayer funds, that kind of letter gets PBS' attention fast.

The pressure caused PBS to fold, and it did not air the "Buster in Vermont" episode nationally, but some individual stations did show it. Soon after the controversy, PBS President Pat Mitchell announced she was going to quit, but not because of Buster. Although rumor has it the bunny feels terrible about the entire situation.

But not as terrible as Congressman Barney Frank who, as a proud gay man, is outraged that the education secretary dissed Buster visiting the lesbians. Frank wrote a letter to Spellings spelling it out: "You have said that families should not have to deal with the reality of the existence of same-sex couples, and the strong implication is that this is something from which young children should be shielded."

Well, yeah, Barn, that's correct. Many Americans believe that little kids should have a childhood and not be subjected to any kind of sexuality. I don't want to be offensive here, but who in their right mind wants to explain Norma and Barbara's lifestyle to their 4-year-old? Give the kids a break, OK?

It is well known that many in the communications business believe that a subliminal "gay is OK" message is imperative to foster tolerance in America. On paper, the theory looks good, and is good if the child is mature enough to process the situation. But introducing homosexuality into the little kid culture angers many Americans who believe sex in general is an inappropriate topic for small children, and that is a legitimate point of view whether Barney Frank or PBS likes it or not.

The sexualization of children is one of America's great scandals. Kids today are blasted out of a G-rated life far too early thanks to a greedy, irresponsible media and fanatical special interest groups. Yes, there is bigotry against gays, and kids must be taught to reject that at an appropriate age. There is also crazy stuff coming from some religious zealots who believe SpongeBob is cruising gay bars in Key West. That kind of nonsense diminishes the argument that young children need to be protected from too much information, which they do.

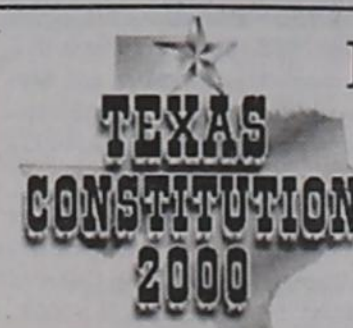
So I am teed off at Buster the bunny because this is all his fault. The guy went up to Vermont to get some syrup and got stuck in a huge jam. Buster should absolutely stay out of sexual politics. It's OK to be happy, Buster, just don't be gay.

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# Social Security deceit

by Walter E. Williams

President Bush's call to allow Americans to take a portion of the money they pay as Social Security taxes to set up private retirement accounts has to be a good idea. Why? The more of what a person earns that's in his pocket and under his control, the better off he will be. At a later date, when the details of the president's plans are known, I'll address the various reform plans under debate. For now, let's look at some of the gross political deceit, lies and unkept promises that have become a part of Social Security.

Here's what a 1936 government Social Security pamphlet said: "After the first 3 years — that is to say, beginning in 1940 — you will pay, and your employer will pay, 1.5 cents for each dollar you earn, up to \$3,000 a year. ... Beginning in 1943, you will pay 2 cents, and so will your employer, for every dollar you earn for the next 3 years. ... And finally, beginning in 1949, twelve years from now, you and your employer will each pay 3 cents on each dollar you earn, up to \$3,000 a year. ... That is the most you will ever pay."

Had Congress lived up to those promises, where \$3,000 was the maximum earnings subject to Social Security tax, controlling for inflation, today's \$50,000-a-year wage earner would pay about \$700 in Social Security taxes, as opposed to the more than \$3,000 that he pays today.

The next big lie is from the same Social Security pamphlet: "Beginning November 24, 1936, the United States government will set up a Social Security account for you. ... The checks will come to you as a right." First, there's no Social Security account containing your money, but more importantly, the U.S. Supreme Court has ruled on two occasions that Americans have no legal right to Social Security payments.

In *Helvering v. Davis* (1937), the court held that Social Security was not an insurance program, saying, "The proceeds of both (employee and employer) taxes are to be paid into the Treasury like internal-revenue taxes generally, and are not earmarked in any way."

In a later decision, *Flemming v. Nestor* (1960), the court said, "To engraft upon Social Security system a concept of 'accrued property rights' would deprive it of the flexibility and boldness in adjustment to ever-changing conditions which it demands. ... That flexibility and boldness mean Congress can constitutionally cut benefits, raise retirement age, raise Social Security taxes and do anything it wishes, including eliminating payments."

If a private retirement company reneged on its promises, we could take it to court. If Congress reneges on its promises, there's no judicial course of action whatsoever.

Vital to any Ponzi scheme, like Social Security, is the ability to recruit as many suckers as possible. In 1999, a little noticed part of President Clinton's plan to "save" Social Security was to force 5 million previously exempted employees into Social Security. If they were forced into Social Security, it would have created billions in additional revenue. Guess what. Twelve senators, including five Democrats — Dianne Feinstein (D-Calif.), Barbara Boxer (D-Calif.), Christopher Dodd (D-Conn.), Richard Durbin (D-Ill.) and Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.) — descended on the White House to demand that President Clinton not support forcing 5 million of their constituents into Social Security. They warned of the adverse impact on employees in terms of lower rates of return and lost flexibility.

Isn't that great? These are the same politicians who are now resisting President Bush's call to allow Americans to take a part of their Social Security taxes to put into private retirement accounts. If they'd go to bat for those 5 million workers to remain out of Social Security, to avoid the adverse impact of lower rates of return and lost flexibility, why would they fight to deny tens of millions of workers a right to use a portion of their taxes to do the same?

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# The war on pain sufferers

by Sheldon Richman

A good deal of air is exhaled over the state of medical care in America. Open state worshipers want a complete government takeover, while a more subtle band of state worshipers, the kind that like to call themselves advocates of limited government, propose instead to use "market incentives" to accomplish their aims. What neither party wants is to let free individuals choose their own aims, applying their own means (incomes) to accomplishing them.

The pseudo-debate is useful "to the pseudo-debaters, that is" because it keeps people's minds off the real government-induced medical scandals, of which there are many.

For example, if you look carefully, you will learn that people who suffer chronic pain are routinely undertreated because their doctors fear that the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will accuse them of being drug pushers, destroy their practices, wipe them out financially, and throw them in jail for good measure. This is no exaggeration. Doctors have even been charged with murder when a patient dies an apparently drug-related death.

The most recent case involved Dr. William Hurwitz of Virginia, who was convicted in December of 50 drug and conspiracy charges. Possible sentence: life in prison. What did he do? He treated many chronic-pain sufferers with opioids. The government claimed that a small percentage of them were faking and didn't "need" the drugs. Some might have sold them in the black market. The prosecutors did not argue, much less prove, that Hurwitz actively conspired with anyone. Rather, they relied on a tacit-conspiracy theory, counting on the drug-hysterical jury to convict. They were not let down.

But this was only the latest travesty. Of course, the convictions are noticed by other doctors, who either stop treating chronic pain altogether or undertreat it in order to avoid the government's talons.

Let's pause to reflect: our all-wise and all-benevolent government has brought about a situation in which people with long-term pain have little choice but to suffer because their doctors live under a reign of terror.

When was the last time you heard your compassionate president, senator, or representative mention that?

The answer is never. In fact, what you hear are new commitments to

redouble the so-called War on Drugs, which is really a war on drug consumers "including chronic-pain sufferers."

It was inevitable that drug prohibition would seriously affect the practice of medicine, all assurances to the contrary notwithstanding. And you thought prohibition would merely deprive junkies of their fixes. So goes the Law of Unintended Consequences.

The head of the DEA says there is no reason that good doctors should be hampered by its efforts. Karen Tandy pledges that her "goal is to ensure that patients with legitimate need have access to pain medications that relieve suffering and improve quality of life.... Doctors acting in good faith and in accordance with established medical norms should remain confident in their ability to prescribe appropriate pain medications."

But as Reason magazine's Jacob Sullum points out, that is no assurance at all. The DEA decides "after the fact" what "legitimate need" means, whether "established medical norms" are followed, and whether the prescriptions are "appropriate." When you go the doctor, a prohibition agent is looking over his shoulder.

What could possibly be worth this cost? The prohibitionists will say that opioids are addictive. But Dr. Jane Orient, executive director of the Association of American Physicians and Surgeons, writes, "Today, there is considerable evidence that patients rarely, if ever, become junkies because of using opioids for pain relief" even though they are as dependent on the drugs as heart patients may be on their heart medicine.... The drugs have been literally lifesaving in countless patients who might otherwise have administered a gunshot wound to their head or suffered a fatal one-car accident."

The war on drug users and doctors is the product of a totalitarian mentality. People should be able to buy whatever drugs they want, subject only to the principles of self-responsibility and liability. Doctors should be able to give their best advice to patients without fear of being second-guessed by prohibition agents. Until then, the government is indistinguishable from our enemy.

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Estate of Johnny M. Robison, Deceased  
c/o William A. Franklin  
P.O. Box 1738  
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All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.  
Dated the 23rd day of February, 2005.

ESTATE OF JOHNNY M. ROBISON, DECEASED  
By: William A. Franklin

## Cotton Market Weekly

Nearly cotton futures at the New York Board of Trade settled slightly weaker Thursday but well off early lows. No fundamental news was seen behind the market's early selloff, analysts said. However, traders were awaiting Friday's release of the latest export sales data from USDA. The figures were delayed due to the President's Day holiday.

According to USDA, net export sales of 137,300 bales in the week ended Feb. 17 were 41 percent less than the previous week and 57 percent less than the four-week average. Major buyers included Indonesia, China, Pakistan and Turkey. Sales of 82,800 bales for delivery in 2005-06 were mainly for Mexico and Canada. China, which celebrated its New Year from Feb. 9 to Feb. 15, did not make a strong presence in the market over the holiday. One cotton analyst noted the despite the fact that USDA's export sales report showed sales at a slower pace, there is anticipation that the market will see firmer sales and good purchases from China in the near future.

Export shipments of 286,200 bales were just one percent more than the previous week and 14 percent better than the four-week average. Primary destinations included Turkey, China and Mexico. On the spot cotton scene, Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas producers sold 65,703 bales online in the week ended Feb. 24 compared to the previous week when 95,445 bales were traded. Prices received by producers selling their cotton online ranged from 34.27 to 36.54 cents per pound versus the previous week's range of 33.99 to 34.71 cents per pound.

Meanwhile, the 2004 crop-year will lay claim to record crops for the state of Texas, for the U.S. and for the world, and harvest is nearing completion as each day passes. Sources on the Texas High Plains now say it looks like area ginners have slightly less than 400,000 bales left to gin from the final tally that is estimated to exceed 4.6 million bales.

Both the Lubbock, Texas, and Lamesa, Texas, Cotton Classing Offices now have surpassed their existing record numbers of bales classed in a season. Lamesa broke their 1988 record of 937,056 bales classed a couple of weeks ago and should be near the million mark before the season is complete.

The Lubbock Classing Office has broken its record, and now stands as the U.S. record holder at 3,277,917 bales classed thus far. The previous office record in Lubbock was set in 2002 when employees there classed 2,711,976 bales.

In other news, the National Cotton Council reported this week that U.S. mills used cotton on a seasonally adjusted annualized rate of 6.18 million bales in the month of January. The figure was lower than most analysts expected as it was well below the December consumption figure of 6.43 million bales.

Despite lower domestic consumption, a USDA economist said this week that he expects the demand for cotton in 2005 to exceed production, drawing down surplus stocks. He said lower U.S. cotton production would support prices in 2005-06. "Even with cotton area in the U.S. rising slightly, a decline from 2004's phenomenal yields will sharply reduce production from last season," the economist said. "U.S. cotton area probably will rise approximately four percent following last year's record-shattering yields, strong program incentives and improving export prospects with China," he concluded.

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# Yesteryears

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## 10 Years Ago February 22, 1995

Nikki Pollard was crowned 1995 PHS Sweetheart at the contest held on Feb. 14. Other winners were first runner-up, Jill Stelzer, and Sonya Harp, second runner-up.

Family Dollar Stores of Charlotte, N. C. plans to open a retail outlet in Post in late March, using the old Winn's building on East Main Street.

A surprise retirement dinner honoring Mike Sanchez was held Feb. 18 in the home of Johnny and Linda Collazo. Mike started with the City of Post in 1967 as a mechanic.

Jo Cash with her son Rex and son-in-law Tim Hartsuck were recognized Saturday night at the Tower Theater with a special birthday song and cake. Tim's birthday is Feb. 22, Jo and Rex share Feb. 25. Jo and A. C. Cash's children were together for the birthday celebration.

Lorena Voss, Salli Bush and Kathy Gerner won first place in the recent Motley County U.I.L. competition. Voss competed in poetry, Bush in persuasive speaking and Gerner in spelling.

## 20 Years Ago February 20, 1985

Danish Imports has moved from its previous location on East Main to the corner of East Main and Ave. I, in the front of the McCrary Building, which has recently been restored.

Betty Newberry and Lee Pitman were named Valentine Queen and King at the recent Twin Cedar Nursing Home party. Bob and Monk Palmer were named as Outstanding Citizens of Post for 1984 during last Friday evening's annual Chamber of Commerce banquet. The brothers were recognized for their consistent personal contributions to a wide variety of community events and organizations.

Martha Compton was surprised with a special party at the First National Bank last week honoring her 40th anniversary as an employee at the bank.

Irma and David Quinonez announce the birth of their daughter, Irene, born Feb. 7 in Garza Memorial Hospital.

## 30 Years Ago February 27, 1975

Eighty-one stranded travelers, delayed here by the worst snowstorm in several years, spent Saturday night as unexpected guests in Post homes. Drifts of four to five feet were encountered although only a four-inch snow was recorded.

The Post Chamber of Commerce banquet was held in the junior high gym with the following honored: Frank Runkles, man of the year. Mrs. Lois Williams, woman of the year and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Middleton as farm family of the year.

Post's Girl Scouts are planning to open Girl Scout Week here March 9-15 with a Sunday afternoon open house to show all parents and others the new Girl Scout House at 506 West 7th.

Winners of the Rocket Race held during the annual Cub Scout Blue and Gold Banquet were Wade Giddens, Den 5; Felix Bustos, Den 2; Greg Massey, den 3 and

overall winner, Jeff Lamb, Den 4; and Jeff Sharp, Den 1.

Three of the five starters on the 5AA champion Post Antelope team coached by John Alexander have been elected. They are Bryan Davis, Tony Conner and Mike Shepherd.

## 40 Years Ago February 25, 1965

The Rev. Clayton Pennington, former pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, has accepted a call as first pastor of the newly-organized Trinity Baptist Church, which is temporarily holding services in the Garza County 4-H building.

Elwood Wright's remodeled Texaco Service Station at 102 North Broadway will hold its Grand Opening all day Saturday during which Elwood plans to give away to his customers a wide variety of gifts worth approximately \$400.

Ronald Simpson and Pamela Stewart were elected "Mr. and Miss PHS" for 1964-65 this week in voting by the Post High School student body.

Dr. and Mrs. Fred B. Willard and son will move to New Braunfels Saturday where he is taking over the practice of a dentist who is retiring. During the last eight months, Dr. Willard has been associated with Dr. B. E. Young here.

Ed Neff has received the first of a "Rugged New Breed" of Massey-Ferguson tractors this week at Neff Farm Equipment Co. on the Tahoka highway and invites area farmers to stop in and take a look.

## 50 Years Ago February 21, 1915

The "All American Deadheads" and the Post High School Antelopes will clash in the high school gym tonight in a game played under girl's rules. Against the Antelopes here tonight, the awesome Deadheads will throw an imposing array of feminine stars. Some of the better-known members of the squad are "Terrible Tillie" Tittle, "Layup" Lee, "Roughhouse" Ray, "Racehorse" Reddell, "Fast Break" King, "Crip Shot" Raphael, "Time Out" Bingham and "Traveler" Morrison. Pvt. Don A. Tatum, of Post, was graduated this week from the Teletypewriter Operation Course, one of the many courses offered at the Southeastern Signal School. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ira D. Farmer of Post.

Miss Dora Ailene Eiland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vestal Eiland of Lockney, became the bride of Harold R. Storie, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Storie, Sr., Friday in Lockney.

Millie Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Huffman and B. F. (Slim) Brumit exchanged wedding vows Wednesday afternoon in the Calvary Baptist Church. Donald A. Tanner, seaman, U. S. Navy son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Tanner of Post is aboard the battleship USS Iowa, which arrived here Jan. 15 for a three-month training tour.

## 60 Years Ago February 22, 1945

On Feb. 6 in a ceremony in Alsace the Distinguished Service Cross, second highest award given by the army, was awarded to Lt.-Col. James L. Minor for

valor above and beyond the call of duty. Minor has been overseas two years in March and has been in combat most of that time. His wife, the former Marian Lee Mason, and son, Jimmy, live in Post with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Mason. The coronation of All-Sports Queens for the Grade school and high school was held Feb. 13. For the Grade school, Barbara Jean of the House of Northcutt, was crowned queen by Miss Haggard. Presiding with her was Kind Dan of the House of Redman. Carrying the crown was Jackie Redman. Iris Joy of the house of Parker was crowned High School All-Sports Queen. Her escort was Don of the House of Shirley. As she proceeded to the throne her train was carried by Wynona Pennington and Tommy Malouf.

Mr. Willie Lambert and Miss Juanita Bryant, both residents of Post, were united in marriage by Minister S. D. Lofton at his home on Feb. 14. The Addax: This week has been declared Carnegie Week. It has given the boys a chance to get back some of the things they have been out on the girls. The girls have to open the doors, carry the books and make the dates. On the dates the girls must pay the fare and furnish the car.



Relay for Life volunteers are preparing for this year's event which will feature "Power of Purple" as its theme.

## Relay for Life theme "Power of Purple"

The Garza County Relay for Life held their Kickoff Meeting on Monday, February 28th. The meeting was a general information meeting for Team Captains, Committee members, and anyone wanting to be involved with the American Cancer Society backed Relay for Life.

Among topics discussed were requirements for teams and team captains; sponsorships and their requirements and benefits; and dates for future meetings. This year's theme is "Power of Purple" and the event will be held on Friday, June 10th and carry over to Saturday, June 11th.

Everyone interested in participating is encouraged to get a team together, whether it be church members, co-workers, friends, or family. This is truly a worthwhile event that affects everyone.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 23rd, at 5:30pm at the First Methodist Church.

If you are interested in Sponsoring a team there are 3 levels at which you can participate: GOLD SPONSOR (\$750)- will cover 15 team members, your name and or logo will be put on the back of the t-shirts everyone will wear, and a banner with the same name and or logo will be placed on the fence at the event; SILVER SPONSOR (\$500)- will cover 10 team members and your name and or logo will be put on a banner and placed on the fence at the event; BRONZE SPONSOR (\$250)- will cover 5 team members and your name and or logo will be put on a sign and placed on the fence at the event.

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If you are a cancer survivor or know a cancer survivor, please fill out the form that is with this article or have them fill out the form and mail it to: Peggy Graves, P.O. Box 146, Post, TX 79356. This year there will be a full meal for the survivors and their immediate family.

When the form is filled out please put the total number of people who will be attending with you—including yourself—in the upper right hand corner of the form and circle. We need these as soon as possible so we can have an accurate count to prepare the food.

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The sign-up deadline for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) has been set for March 18, 2005 for the 2005 funding period. The Garza County priority conservation practices include Terraces, Waterways, Chemigation Valves, Flowmeters, Brush Control, Drip Irrigation, and Irrigation Pipelines; although, farmers and ranchers may sign up for any conservation practice that is listed in the NRCS Field Office Technical Guide.

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  - one of TX JoBeth's characters in film "American Dreamer"
  - TX fried veggie
  - tennis court divider (2 wds.)
  - country of Myanmar before 1989
  - TX Kristofferson film: "Big Top Pee-\_\_\_\_\_"
  - soap ingredient in early TX
  - TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ belongs to me and the bank"
  - LBJ Defense Sec. Robert Mc \_\_\_\_\_
  - Longview is seat of this county
  - fencing sword
  - past Dallas mayor Thornton (init.)
  - TXism: "so many you couldn't stir \_\_\_\_\_ stick"
  - frothy
  - TXism: "more than you \_\_\_\_\_ a stick at"
  - cookin' vessels
  - TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ shuck" (left quickly)
  - "red as a \_\_\_\_\_"
  - poker phrase
  - TX Tommy Tune toured with musical "Bye \_\_\_\_\_"
  - TX theater-in-the-round pioneer Jones
  - white pioneer south of the border
  - "Madame \_\_\_\_\_"
  - any TX town
  - beach shoe
  - African republic



Black team member Dalton Holly leaps for the shot as team mate Nathan Guerra dashes in for support. Red team's Darven Brown and Austin Williams were in on the action for the defense. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

## Cancer Survivor Registration

Please join us for the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life Celebration for Survivors. If you wish to register for the survivor activities, please complete all the information below and provide your signature twice as described below. Thank you for your interest!

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**Privacy Statement:** I understand that by providing my signature and participating in this public event my name, cancer diagnosis, and length of survivorship may be announced; my image and comments may be broadcast in various media formats without compensation; and the American Cancer Society may contact me about other Society programs and events including next year's Relay For Life. I may notify the American Cancer Society at any time if I do not want to be contacted again.

**Privacy Statement Signature (required):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Waiver:** In consideration for being permitted to participate in Relay For Life, I hereby for myself, my heirs, and personal representative assume any and all risks which might be associated with the event, and I further waive, release, discharge and covenant not to sue the American Cancer Society, its officers, members, sponsors, organizers or other representatives, or successors and assigns, for any injuries or damages of any kind whatsoever suffered as a result of taking part in the event and related activities.

**Participant Waiver Signature (required):** \_\_\_\_\_

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- My caregiver will be attending Relay with me.  
 I am on a Relay Team. Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 I would like to be on the Survivor Team.  
 I would like to volunteer to help at Relay For Life.  
 I will need assistance getting around the track for the Survivor Lap.  
I was invited to attend Relay by: \_\_\_\_\_ Team # \_\_\_\_\_

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March 7 - Breakfast - pancake on stick, fruit, milk.  
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Lunch - corn dog, french fries, mixed vegetables, cobbler, milk.  
March 9 - Breakfast - cinnamon roll, sausage link, fruit, milk.  
Lunch - chicken fried steak, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, gravy, jello, milk.  
March 10 - Breakfast - malt-o-meal, toast, sausage link, fruit, milk.  
Lunch - pizza, salad, corn, peaches, milk.  
March 11 - Breakfast - cereal, toast, fruit, juice, milk.  
Lunch - fajitas, refried beans, onions & peppers, salad, fruit cocktail, peaches, milk.



## Plains Trail recognized at state-wide heritage tourism event

The Texas Plains Trail Region (TPTR) was recently represented as a part of Texas Heritage Trails Day in Austin. Melissa Shackelford, Regional Coordinator for TPTR, attended a legislative reception co-sponsored by Preservation Texas and the Texas Heritage Trails and joined the delegation that was recognized in the House and Senate Chambers.

This is the second happening of this event, which promotes preserving Texas history and promoting heritage tourism in Texas. Representatives from the eight active trail regions, Texas Forest Trail Region, Texas Forts Trail Region, Texas Brazos Trail Region, Texas Tropical Trail Region, Texas Mountain Trail Region, Texas Independence Trail Region, Texas Plains Trail Region, Texas Lakes Trail Region, all gathered to participate as an organization in Austin and promote heritage tourism in the state of Texas.

The Texas Heritage Trails Program is a real asset to communities of the Texas Plains Trail Region. Ongoing partnerships with organizations dedicated to preserving and promoting Texas are invaluable as communities seek to recruit tourism dollars, especially in rural areas," Shackelford said.

Senator Todd Staples, R- Palestine, and Representative Lois Kolkhorst R-

Brenham, sponsored legislation recognizing February 16 as Texas Heritage Trails Day. Sen. Staples wrote in his resolution: "Many proud partners of this exemplary

undertaking are in Austin to celebrate the rich history of Texas and the many contributions of this program to the Lone Star State."



Lady Lopes' Alana Zubia demonstrates the power swing during last Monday's 10 - 8 win against New Deal in Post. (Photo by Tabatha Cowley)

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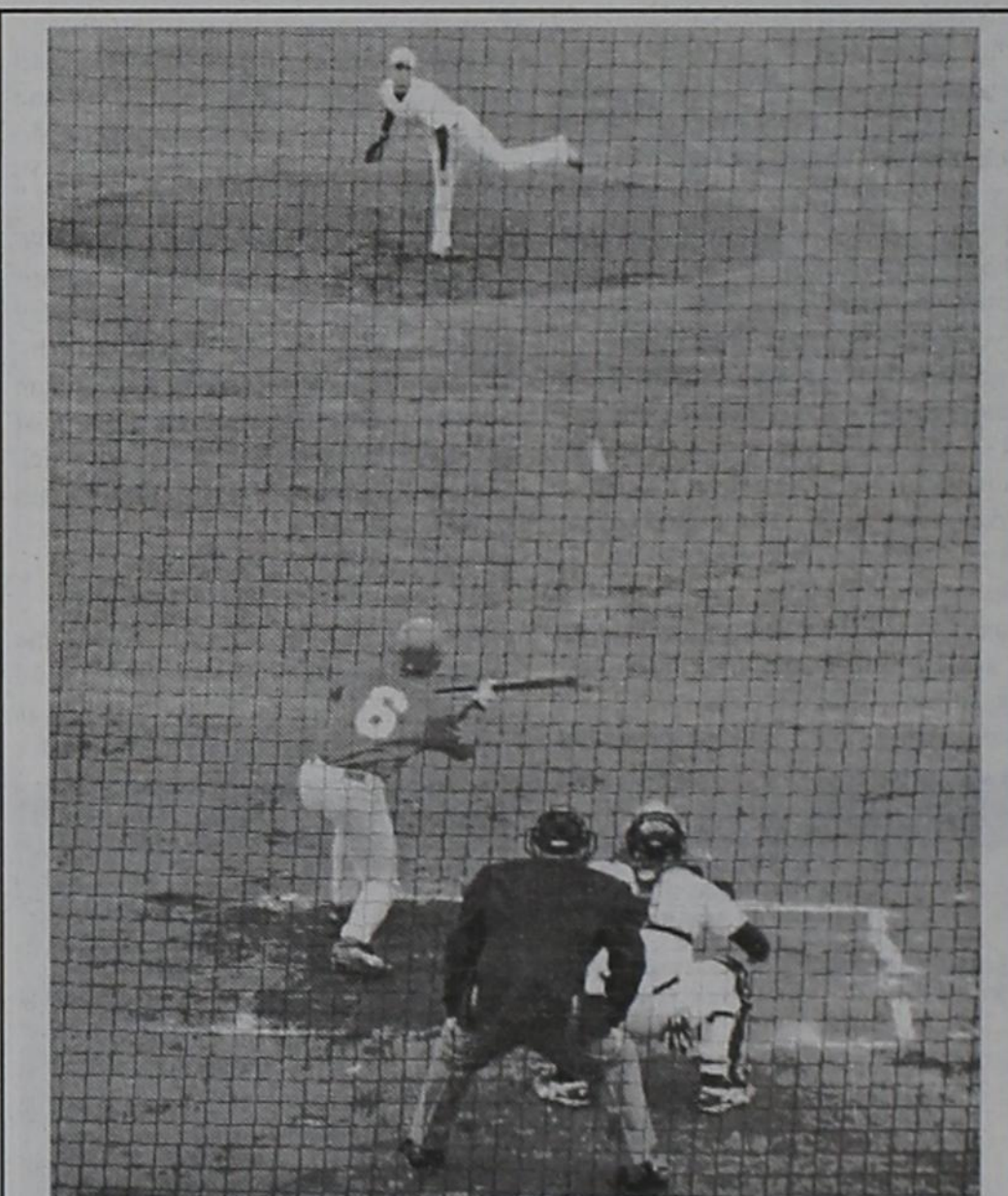
# PHS Spring Sports



Lady Lopes' Cora Crane takes aim for a pass during last weekend's softball tournament in Sweetwater. (Photo by Jaquita Blevins)

### PHS Spring Sports Schedules

<b>March</b>	
3, 4 & 5	Softball Tourney @ Lubbock City Park Varsity Baseball Tourney @ Sweetwater
5	Powerlifting @ Kermit
7	JV Baseball @ Shallowater 4 p.m. Boys Golf @ Idalou 9 a.m.
8	Girls Golf @ Idalou 9 a.m. Tennis @ Levelland
10	Varsity Baseball @ Shallowater 4 p.m.
10-12	Middle School Track @ New Deal
11	Varsity Baseball @ Snyder Tourney Softball @ Hawley
11-12	PHS Track @ New Deal
12	JV Baseball @ Shallowater Tourney
12	Boys Powerlifting Regional @ Roosevelt
15	Varsity, JV Baseball @ Idalou 12 & 4 p.m.
18	Varsity, JV Baseball vs. Tahoka (here) 12 & 3 p.m. PHS Tennis v. Westbrook @ Colorado City
19	Softball vs. Idalou here 11 a.m. Girls State Powerlifting @ Killeen
21	JV, Varsity Baseball @ Slaton 4:30 & 7 p.m. Softball vs. Tahoka (here) 4:30 p.m. Boys Golf @ Sundown 9 a.m.
22	Middle School Track @ Tahoka
23	Girls Golf @ Sundown 9 a.m.
24	JV, Var. Baseball vs Roosevelt (here) 4:30 & 7 p.m. PHS Track @ Tahoka
25	Tennis @ Levelland
26	Softball vs. Seagraves (here) 10 a.m.
28	Powerlifting Men's State Meet @ Houston Girls Golf @ Tahoka 8:30 a.m. JV, Var. Baseball @ Denver City 4 & 6:30 p.m. Softball @ Denver City 4:30 p.m.
31 & Apr. 1	Middle School Track @ Slaton
April 1-2	Tennis @ Abilene
2	PHS Track @ Post
2	Softball @ Roosevelt 11 a.m.
4	Var, JV Baseball vs. Abernathy (here) 12 & 3 p.m. Boys Golf @ Slaton
4	Girls Golf @ Idalou
4	Softball @ Idalou 4:30 p.m.
5	JV Baseball vs. Shallowater (here) 5 p.m.
5	Varsity Baseball vs Shallowater (here) 5 p.m.
6-7	Tennis District Meet @ Slaton
7	Middle School District Track @ Denver City
8	Softball @ Tahoka 5 p.m.
9	Var., JV Baseball vs Idalou (here) 12 & 3 p.m. PHS Track @ Floydada



Post Antelopes pitcher Brice Fagen (5) releases the ball as the Lopes rallied against the Sweetwater Mustangs last Friday in Post. (Staff photo by Tim Burnett)

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District 8A

Rule 37/38 Case No. 0241836  
Date of Issuance: February 17, 2005

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CHOLLA PETROLEUM INC, 5949 SHERRY LN STE 850, DALLAS TX 75225 has made application for a spacing and density exception permit under the provisions of the Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 and 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37 and 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the distance between wells and density of the subject field(s) requirements for the new drilling permit for Well No. 18, Richardson Unit, 297 Acres, Sec. 1282, B.S. & F/B. J. Galbraith Survey, A-652. P.H.D. and P.H.D. (Glorieta) Field(s), Garza County, being 7 miles in a northwest direction from Post, Texas. The location of this well is as follows:

285' from the east line and 282' from the northerly south line of the lease. 2360' from the west line and 1676' from the south line of the survey.

Field rules for both of the fields listed above are 330/660, 20 acres. This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 4999 feet.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF Rule 37 (h) (2) (A), and 38, this application may be granted without a hearing if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Tom Obenchain, at 214-692-7052. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512)463-6701.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE BY March 30, 2005 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

## RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

District 8A

Rule 37/38 Case No. 0241852  
Date of Issuance: February 17, 2005

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285.1' from the westerly east line and 1549' from the south line of the lease. 1083' from the west line and 1549' from the south line of the survey.

Field rules for both of the fields listed above are 330/660, 20 acres. This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 4999 feet.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF Rule 37 (h) (2) (A), and 38, this application may be granted without a hearing if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing

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## RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

District 8A

Rule 37/38 Case No. 0241850  
Date of Issuance: February 17, 2005

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION**  
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223.1' from the westerly east line and 443.9' from the south line of the lease. 1100.6' from the west line and 443.9' from the south line of the survey.

Field rules for both of the fields listed above are 330/660, 20 acres. This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 4999 feet.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF Rule 37 (h) (2) (A), and 38, this application may be granted without a hearing if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Tom Obenchain, at 214-692-7052. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512)463-6701.

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## RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

District 8A

Rule 37/38 Case No. 0241854  
Date of Issuance: February 17, 2005

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION**  
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SL: 505.4' from the west line and 488.7' from the north line of the

lease.

Field rules for both of the fields listed above are 330/660, 20 acres. This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 4999 feet.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF Rule 37 (h) (2) (A), and 38, this application may be granted without a hearing if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing

lease. 505.4' from the west line and 488.7' from the north line of the survey. BHL: 674.9' from the north line and 330' from the west line of the lease.

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PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF Rule 37 (h) (2) (A), and 38, this application may be granted administratively if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Tom Obenchain, at 214-692-7052. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512)463-6701.

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## RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

District 8A

Rule 37/38 Case No. 0241838  
Date of Issuance: February 17, 2005

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330' from the west line and 404' from the north line of the lease. 990' from the south line and 1653' from the west line of the survey.

Field rules for both of the fields listed above are 330/660, 20 acres. This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 4999 feet.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF Rule 37 (h) (2) (A), and 38, this application may be granted without a hearing if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Tom Obenchain, at 214-692-7052. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512)463-6701.

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Rule 37/38 Case No. 0241837  
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tion from Post, Texas. The location of this well is as follows:

944' from the east line and 882' from the northerly south line of the lease. 1700' from the west line and 2276' from the south line of the survey.

Field rules for both of the fields listed above are 330/660, 20 acres. This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 4999 feet.

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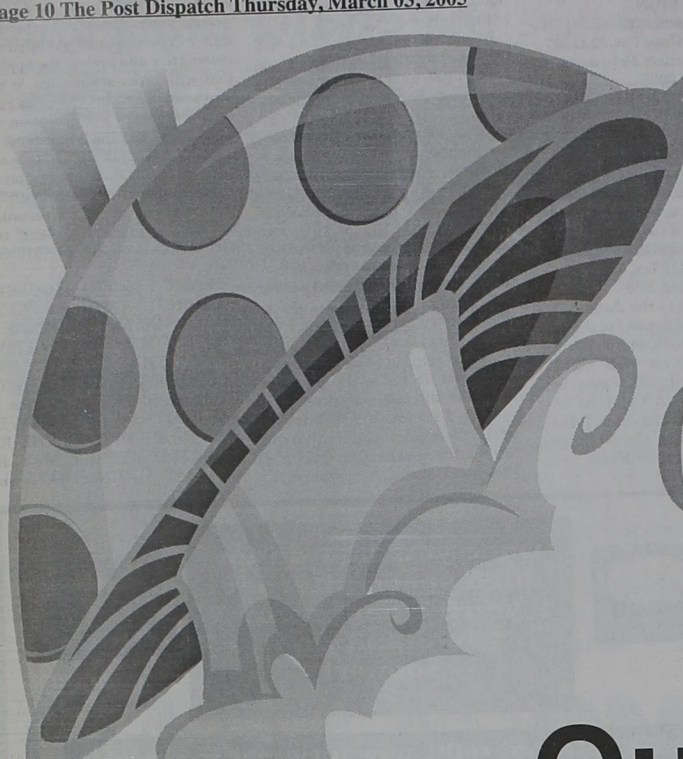


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