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## Republicans plan expanded primary voting places, Democrats balk at joint voting locations

by Sheri Lewis

The local Democrat and Republican party heads are butting heads over plans for the March primary elections.

In recent meetings of the Garza County Commissioners Court, it has become apparent that Democrat

Party chairman Lewis Earl is not satisfied with the proposal that his party and the Republican Party share voting machines and locations in the upcoming primary elections.

Several changes preceded the proposal that the Republican and Democrat parties share voting machines

and polling places. Earlier this year, Garza County officials trimmed the number of voting precincts from nine to six, and in an effort to satisfy the Help America Vote Act, seven new voting machines - one for each of the county's voting precincts and one for use with early voting - were purchased at a cost of almost \$38,000. (HAVA, according to the secretary of state's Web site, is federal legislation that requires that each polling place have a minimum of one "accessible voting system per polling place.")

Also, voters participating in past Republican primaries in Garza County cast ballots in a single location; beginning with the March primary, however, the Republican Party plan to use the existing six county voting places.

"In the past, Garza County Republicans voted at one location only, but the state party is encouraging us to vote in more locations," said Garza County Republican Party chairwoman Irene Howell. "In the primary we will have a candidate in every race, so we're spreading out the polling places to accommodate the voters and so they'll know where to go to vote in November (2006)."

However, Earl is resisting the move to consolidate polling places.

"I can't," he said. "Not for the primaries. What (the Republicans) want to do is share polling places and do a little electioneering there, and I don't want them there. If they're in the same polling places, they're going to be doing a certain amount of electioneering, and I don't even want to face the possibility of it."

Earl said legislation passed several years ago allowing joint primaries is, in his opinion, "not appropriate."

"I think it poses an unfair position on small counties of under 50,000 population," he said. "We've done voting a long time by paper ballots and they've been generally, I think, pretty accurate, and we can get them counted in a pretty reasonable time.... Accuracy is more important than speed."

Charges that Republican Party supporters would campaign within the confines of the polling place are unfounded, Howell said.

"I don't really understand that concern. I can say the Republican Party would not be participating in electioneering," she said. "I think people are going to vote the way they choose to."

After "four different opportunities to have Mr. Earl work with" the Republican Party, Howell said she contacted the attorney general's office to seek advice. A representative with the AG's office indicated that the Republican Party, in proposing that the parties share voting machines and locations, made "reasonable offers." It was suggested that the Republican Party enter into a contract with the Garza County clerk's office to secure use of the county-owned voting machines.

A contract requesting the use of six county-owned voting machines during the March primary was submitted to the clerk's office Tuesday, according to County Clerk Jim Plummer.

As of Tuesday morning, the contract had not been signed; however, if the document is signed by the county clerk, it is subject to approval by the office of the Texas Secretary of State.

"We don't want to be perceived as being hard or overbearing," Howell said. "We've offered repeatedly to compromise, but (the Democrat Party representatives) haven't been interested in compromising at all. At some point, if they want to do something with us, we're open to that. Even at the eleventh hour, we'll work with them. That's our whole position."

However, Earl said he plans to work up a budget for the March primary to submit to the Secretary of State's office. The state could provide funding for the lease of voting machines, which would be located in polling locations independent from those used by the Republican Party during the primary.

"My problem right now is how to get the machines, but I think it can



Getting ready for Friday's opening of "FrUitCaKes" are Garza Theatre cast members (back row, left to right) Patrice Fay, Rick Fay, Stan Tucker, Roy Willis, Angelia Gentry, Virginia Solomon, Holly Baker, Grayson Young, Nolan Bryan, Bethany Ratliff, Clarissa Baker, Nick Smith, Nate Smith, (front row) Connor Elston, Katherine Voyles, Rebekah Ratliff, Josh Quinton, Madison Bryan, Hannah Solomon, Ryan Opton and Savannah Baker. Not available for photo are cast members Cameron May and Elizabeth Elston. The play opens Friday and continues December 3, 4, 9, 10, 16 and 17. Call the box office at 495-4005 for reservations. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

## Post Notes

### Church set to sell mexican plates

Holy Cross Catholic Church will be selling a variety of mexican plates on Saturday, December 3, including hamburger meat, chicharron and gordita plates. \$5 per plate.

### Event postponed

Cocktails on the Caprock has been postponed indefinitely, according to a release issued last week. Completed underwriting packages may be directed to Tonya Kirkpatrick, Box 486, Post, TX 79356. The next Relay for Life event is scheduled for June 9. For more information, contact Kathy Wilke at 806-792-7128.

### Free GED classes

There is open enrollment for GED classes which are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the high school. These classes are free to the public. For more information call 495-2770.

### Elementary and Middle School UIL Meet

On December 7th Post Elementary and Middle School will host the district UIL literary competition for District 5-2A. We will not have school this day for these two campuses. Those students that are not involved in the UIL competition will be off this day to allow for full use of the facilities. Only those students that are participating in the UIL literary teams will be in attendance on their campus.

### Cowboy Christmas Ball

Come to the Post Community Center Saturday, December 3 at 8 p.m. for a real boot skootin fun time. Dance to the music of Rex Thomas and Band until midnight and start your Christmas season in cowboy style. BYOB Tickets available from any Post Commerce and Tourism director or at the door. \$15 single or \$25 couple.

### Reception for PCTB Members

A reception will be held for all members of the Post Commerce and Tourism Bureau, The Women's Division of the PCTB and The Post Merchants Association at 7 p.m. on Saturday, December 3rd at the Post Community Center.

### Lighted Christmas Parade

Santa will be in Post on Saturday, December 3 for the Lighted Christmas Parade. Be on Main Street at 6 p.m. for the parade which includes, floats, PHS Band, horse drawn surreys, and various vehicles. You may still enter by calling 495-3461 or 778-4469.

### "A Place in the Christmas Choir"

The 4th and 5th grade music students at Post Elementary will present their annual Christmas musical entitled "A Place in the Christmas Choir" in the elementary auditorium at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Thursday, December 1. The Science Fair will also be conducted on the same day at 6 p.m. We would like to invite all parents and the community to attend.

### Sew 'n So's holiday bazaar

The Sew 'n So's Club will hold a Holiday Gift Bazaar on Saturday, December 3 from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. at the Post Manor Community Room located at 802 W. 15th Street. Come shop with us for a variety of home crafted holiday gifts for family and friends. For more information call Carolyn at 495-3041 or Faye at 495-2253.

### Community Christmas Sing set Dec. 14

It's that time of year to begin preparing for the annual Community Christmas Sing. This year's event will be held Wednesday, Dec. 14th at 7 p.m., at the First United Methodist Church. If your group or choir, or any individual would like to sing 1-2 selections, please contact Patty Kirkpatrick at 495-2868 or Pixie Grisham at 495-2942 no later than Monday, Dec. 12. The church will be open for those who would like to practice the morning of the event. All are invited to participate or attend and enjoy the festive music of the season.

### Francis celebrates 90th birthday

You are invited to a 90th Birthday Celebration honoring Johnnie Coleman Francis on December 10th from 2-3:30 p.m., 604 West Main Street, Post, TX. Your presence will be her cherished gift.

### Benefit supper for Reyna

A benefit brisket supper is planned Saturday, Dec. 10 from 5-7 p.m. at the school cafeteria for Eric Reyna. Help us send him to Australia! Plates include brisket, beans, potato salad, and dessert. \$5 per plate. Take out available.

### Revival set December 4th-8th

Grassland Church of the Nazarene invites everyone to attend "Renewal of Praise" Sunday, December 4th through the 8th beginning this Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Evening worship will start at 6 p.m. The revival will feature Worship Revivalist Marcus Whitworth. Come and together let's seek God's presence and renew our worship of him!

Visit us online at [www.marcuswhitworth.com](http://www.marcuswhitworth.com).

### Holiday window contest announced

"Christmas in Post" will be the theme for the Post City Merchants window contest. Local merchants are encouraged to decorate their storefront windows. A \$150 cash prize will be awarded to the best entry. All businesses will be considered in the contest (businesses need not be a member of PCM to participate and/or win).

### Monthly meetings begin Dec. 12

Post Antelope Booster Club begin monthly meetings on Monday, Dec. 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the Post High School Library (enter at the west door). Booster Club supports all sports and urge parents of student athletes to attend meetings and assist in decisions about enhancing programs for all student athletes.

### Santa Letters

The annual "Letters to Santa" will be published Thursday, December 22 in The Post Dispatch. Deadline for letters is Friday, December 16. Please submit by mail to P. O. Box 426 or drop off at the office (123 E. Main) or by e-mail to [postcitydispatch@yahoo.com](mailto:postcitydispatch@yahoo.com).

### Toys for Tots donations

Post Lions Club are asking for help again this year for donations and toys. Good used toys will also be accepted. We appreciate all the help we can get. Last year 98 children received toys. If it weren't for our community and your support this would not be possible. Call Shelly at 777-4783. Please help!

### Graham Chapel Church of Christ

The internationally known Hallelujah Chorus under the direction of Dr. Wayne Hinds (former LCU chorus director) will present their "Christmas Special" on Sunday, December 4th beginning at 5 p.m. at the Graham Chapel Church of Christ, located at 15th Street and Avenue S. The public is invited to attend.

## Post celebrates opening of Christmas season with fun-filled Saturday events

Holiday shoppers have enjoyed the bargains and the benefits of Black Friday, the day after Thanksgiving, and Cyber Monday, the busiest online shopping day of the year, but there's one more special shopping day ahead - Post Saturday.

On Saturday, shopper from in and around the Post area will be treated to a unique shopping experience, thanks to the efforts of the Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau, the Post Merchants Association and Post City Celebration Days. Lots of holiday entertainment opportunities - a magic show, a Cowboy Christmas show and a performance of the Garza Theatre's production of "FrUitCaKes" - also are planned.

The day's events will kick off at 9 a.m., with the opening of Old Mill Trade Days and a holiday bazaar at the Post Manor Community Room.

Beginning at 10 a.m., downtown merchants will begin welcoming holiday shoppers. Holiday-themed window displays, part of a competition sponsored by the Post Merchants Association, will help set the mood for the day while enticing shopper into stores. (Note: Merchants need to have their window displays completed by Saturday night. Jennifer Vogel of Lubbock's Channel 11 will judge the windows.)

In conjunction with holiday shopping in the downtown area, a scavenger hunt game also will be offered. Participants will be asked to visit participating merchants where they will "hunt" for letters in each store. Each participant will be asked to fill out a game form and drop it in the box at his or her favorite shop. Prizes, which can be viewed at the Garza Theatre, will be awarded at 5:30 p.m. prior to the parade (must be present to win).

Outdoor music and holiday carols will fill the air as shoppers stroll from one stop to the next along East and West Main streets and Broadway. Santa also is expected to make a guest appearance, dropping in on many of the downtown stores.

Beginning at 10 a.m., Tim A. McKenzie, author of "Baxter Barret Brown's Bass Fiddle," will be at the OS Ranch Shop to autograph his children's book. He will be signing books until 3 p.m.

Another must-see in the downtown area will be the OS Museum, which will feature its Christmas at the OS Museum: Where Wonders Abound exhibit. The museum's Saturday hours are 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The Garza County Historical Museum also will be decorated for the holidays and will feature a special display. The museum will be open from 10 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The December OMTD is one of the most colorful events of the year, and many new vendors are expected to be on hand to offer great gift items for the holidays. The marketplace also will be filled with Christmas music performed by children's choirs, bell choirs and vocal groups. The Family Harvest Church Youth Group will be manning a gift-wrapping

booth, and the Post Art Guild and Morning Life Drawers of Lubbock will be exhibiting and selling original art.

Santa also will be visiting with shoppers during the afternoon hours and is slated to assist with the auction to be held in the OMTD Weaving Room beginning at 2 p.m.

Shuttle buses will provide service between the downtown area and Old Mill Trade Days.

But the fun won't be done when the sun goes down. As always, the downtown Post area will be sparkling with lights as the Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau hosts its annual lighted Christmas parade beginning at 6 p.m. The parade will travel from the Golden Plains Care Center to East Main.

Individuals, families, businesses and organizations interested in entering a lighted entry in this year's parade should contact the bureau office at 495-3461 or Thessa Harp at 778-4469 to enter.

Following the parade, still more activities are planned. A reception for member of the Post Commerce &

Tourism Bureau, the Women's Division of the PC&TB and member of the Post Merchants Association is planned.

The Women's Division will host a Christmas magic show at 7:30 p.m. at the elementary school auditorium, and at 8 p.m. the bureau will play host to a Cowboy Christmas Ball at the Post Community Center. The public is invited to "put a little glitz and glitter on your denim and boots" and join in the evening of fun with the Rex Thomas band.

Tickets to the ball may be purchased at the bureau office, Plum Crazy, OMTD, Brady's Package Store, Best Western Motel, Garza Bed & Breakfast, Radio Shack and The Frame Shop. Cost for tickets is \$15 or \$25 for couples.

For those with a sweet tooth, "FrUitCaKes," the Garza Theatre's current comedy production, will take the stage at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$9 for adults and \$6 for children ages 6 to 12. Tickets may be purchased at the theatre's box office. For more information on the show or tickets, call 495-4005.

## Weekend begins Friday at Old Mill Trade Days

by Rosa Latimer Bell

A special line up of entertainment will be offered at Old Mill Trade Days this weekend. Friday at 11 a.m., the 3rd grade children's choir from Post Elementary will perform. The group, led by Karen Nichols, will sing Christmas music throughout the park.

Saturday the Jubil-Heirs from Seagoville, TX will present a concert on the Rainmaker Stage beginning at 11:30 a.m. followed by Rendition, a women's quartet from Lubbock, who will stroll through OMTD singing Christmas carols. T

he Jubil-Heirs is a gospel group of 6 vocalists who also play a variety of instruments. This group is performing the music for the Magic of Christmas show at the elementary school in Post Saturday evening," explained Rosa Latimer, OMTD General Manager.

"That event is sponsored by the Women's Division of the Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau; however, the group has agreed to arrive in Post early enough to also perform at Old Mill Trade Days."

Sunday afternoon at 2:00 the Little Dazzlers drill team of Post, coached by Joy Creech, will perform on the Rainmaker Stage. This will be the premier performance by these 16 girls, aged preschool through 3rd grade. "In addition to entertainment, Santa Claus will visit Old Mill Trade Days beginning at noon on Saturday," Latimer said. "We'll also have our auction Saturday at 2:00 in the SE corner of the Weaving Room." Registration and viewing for the auction begins at 1:00.

The merchandise, offered by OMTD vendors, will include antiques, glassware, an antique Singer sewing machine, bicycles, scooters, NFL checker games and many other items.

"The December event at Old Mill Trade Days is always exciting and we do make shopping fun! Our vendors have many great items for Christmas giving and the Family Harvest Church group will be providing a gift wrapping service for our customers." Latimer concluded.

Old Mill Trade Days is the first Friday, Saturday and Sunday of each month. Friday admission to OMTD is \$1.00 and Senior Adults are admitted free. Saturday and Sunday admission is \$2.00. There is no admission for children under 10 and parking is free. Call 495-3529 for more information.

## Filing deadlines end Jan. 2

Filing dates for the 2006 national, state and local elections begin Saturday and end Jan. 2.

Democrat and Republican party primaries will be held March 7, with early voting beginning Feb. 21.

Local offices to be filled in next year's general election include county judge; county commissioner, Precinct 2; county commissioner, Precinct 4; county treasurer; county and district clerk; justice of the peace, Precinct 1; and justice of the peace, Precinct 2.

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# Judy's Jabberin'

by Judy Ballentine Bush

Hello, Well was that wind Sunday disgusting or what?? I really thought my Christmas decorations would end up 45 miles away from here but to my amazement they are all still in my front yard!!

### PLEA FOR HELP

I wanted to get this out to as many as possible for this young lady, Ashley Reese, daughter of

Mike and ReNell Patterson, is the focus of a fundraising campaign to assist with her medical expenses. Born on May 15, 1989, Ashley was diagnosed with Budd Chiari Syndrome, and doctors at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston recommended a life saving liver transplant.

An estimated \$100,000 is being raised by Lubbock volunteers to

assist Ashley with her transplant related expenses.

Ashley's grandparents are Wanza and Bruce Basinger of Southland and Robert and Carolyn Mock of Slaton. She is the great granddaughter of Everette Windham of Post and Virginia Gentry of Midland.

There will a benefit dinner December 5th at 4 Bar K in Lubbock at 6:30 pm. Tickets are \$10.00. You may also donate on line at [www.cota.org](http://www.cota.org) (go to Ashley Resse's campaign) or at Bank of America in Lubbock. Be sure to specify Ashley ReNell Reese account. If you have any questions please call me at 495-0277.

### DON'T FORGET THE PARADE

Please be sure and remember the lighted Christmas parade Saturday night. It will begin at 6pm and from what I understand there are several entrees so this should be a good one. Special guest will be Jennifer Vogel (you see her on streets of speed, channel 11). She will be judging the windows downtown and leading the parade.

The scavenger hunt sponsored by Post City Merchants will be lots of fun, so come on downtown and join in.

### HAPPY LATE BIRTHDAY

Forgot to say happy birthday last week to our daughter, Krisha. She celebrated her birthday Thanksgiving day. I will be nice and skip over her age, don't won't her mad at me. Anyway, happy late birthday Krish.

**ALSO LATE ANNIVERSARY**  
To Sid and Lil Conner, happy anniversary. They celebrated their 52nd anniversary November 20th.

**THANKSGIVING GUESTS**  
Guests at chuck and Janet Ratliff's for the Thanksgiving holiday were the following: Their three daughters, their families and their grandkids. (Chuck and Janet's great grandkids.)

Dorothy Timms, Lubbock; Charles Timms and friend Tracy Boland, Lubbock; Tiffany Graves and husband Sidney, Post; Carolyn Ray and husband Dennis, Gunter, Texas; Tim Mize, Gunter, Texas; Barbara Boeley and husband Bo, Lubbock; Jennifer Chandler, San Antonio; Taylor, Ashley and Blaine Graves, Post and Jordan, Allison and Zachary Chandler, San Antonio.

The only grandchild not in attendance was Chris Malony. He is stationed in San Antonio and due to leave for Afghanistan in January.

**TILL NEXT WEEK**  
Guess that is it for this week. Please everyone be downtown Saturday night and get in the Christmas spirit. May God bless each of you. See ya next time.

## Primary elections...

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be done," Earl said. "I've got time to do it, and the Secretary of State is supposed to provide money for us to run the primaries."

But Howell has expressed concern about leasing equipment.

"It would be wasteful of taxpayer funds to purchase or lease more (machines) when a workable procedure is so evident," she said in a statement provided to The Dispatch. "Other considerations regarding leasing equipment could involve potential legal matters. If the primary managers do anything wrong by going outside to contract for voting equipment, the county is liable and could be open to federal monitoring of future elections."

In Monday's meeting of the Garza County Commissioners Court, Plummer said he had contacted the firm from which the county purchased its voting machines. The company offers no lease program.

"That could have an effect on negotiations," Plummer said. "There's still time up until the last minute to reach an agreement, but we've got to get the ball rolling on plans."

According to information supplied to The Dispatch by Howell, there are several options that satisfy Garza County's Republican and Democrat voting needs during the primaries:

1 Utilize three voting precincts, with two voting machines (one for use by Democrats, one for use by Republicans) located at each precinct site (separate polling places within the precinct for each party primary); one voting machine with both parties' ballots on it used for early voting at the courthouse.

2 Utilize six voting precincts with one voting machine located at each site (each machine programmed with both Democrat and Republican ballots); one voting machine with both parties' ballots on it used for early voting at the courthouse.

3 Utilize six voting precincts: separate primary elections with separate voting equipment (would require the purchase of six additional voting machines at a cost of \$5,400 each, as well as the purchase of an additional voting machine for use in early voting; additional scanning equipment also would need to be purchased).

The recommendation to conduct joint elections during the primaries was made primarily for the benefit of voters, Howell said.

"We recommended that. Actually, the Secretary of State recommends that procedure as a cost-saving measure," she said. "We're trying to accommodate the voters. Trying to save money."

The current disagreement between parties could have been avoided, Earl said, if the county had purchased enough voting machines.

"This came to a head because the Commissioners Court, in all their wisdom, ordered only seven voting machines," he said.

## Praise Revival begins Dec. 4

A Renewal of Praise Revival with worship revivalist Marcus Whitworth will take place Dec. 4-8 at the Grassland Church of the Nazarene. Services will begin at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. on Sunday and at 7 p.m. Monday through Wednesday. The revival is being billed as a "celebration of the Spirit-filled lifestyle of private and public worship." For more information, go to [www.marcuswhitworth.com](http://www.marcuswhitworth.com).



Sami Toivola and Kasey Hardin

## Kasey Hardin, Sami Toivola announce engagement

Charles and Barbara Hardin of Post are honored to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kasey, to Sami Toivola, son of Raimo Toivola and Eevi Lindholm, both of Kokkola, Finland.

The bride-elect, a graduate of Post High School, holds a Bachelor of Science degree in kinesiology from the University of North Texas. She is the granddaughter of Everett and Frances Martin of Spur and Eugene and Winnell Hardin of McAdoo.

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Kiviniity Upper Secondary School in Kokkola and holds bachelor's and master's degrees in economics from the University of Turku, Finland.

A Feb. 25, 2006, wedding is planned at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort in Bonita Springs, Florida.

Following the wedding, the couple will make their home in Columbia, Maryland.

## Gordon Terry seeks JP office

Gordon Terry has announced his intention to run for Garza County justice of the peace in Precinct 1 in the Republican primary.

"Garza County has been fortunate to have Sheila Melton as justice of the peace for the past 23 years," Terry said. "These will be big shoes to fill, but with your support I would strive to fill this office with the same dedication and commitment."

Terry and his wife, LuAnne, have lived in Post for 27 years. "We are both very proud to call Post our home," he said. "We have raised three children here - Justin, Todd and Mandy - all three being Post High School graduates."

For 29 years Terry owned and operated Terry Tire in Post. "During that time, not only did I have the opportunity to do business with the residents of Garza County," he said, "I also had the pleasure of getting to know most of the people."

From 2000 to 2004, Terry worked at the Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility. He recently returned from Iraq after spending 15 months serving on a corrections mission that involved training Iraqi correctional officers.

"I believe my years of business experience and the opportunity to do law enforcement training have prepared me for the challenge of the office of justice of the peace," he said. "Fairness and consistency would be a priority I would focus on."

"I would greatly appreciate your support in the upcoming election."

## Candidate filing deadline...

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Republican Party chairman Irene Howell said the party will welcome anyone interested in filing as a candidate for any of the offices listed above. For information regarding filing fees, petitions, applications for a place on the ballot, qualifications for office, etc., contact Howell at 495-1203.

"The Republican Party welcomes questions about our platform and position on local and national issues," she said. "Please feel free to contact us individually, or we will be glad to arrange a speaker for a group meeting."

The Republican Party will host an open house in early January so local residents can meet Republican candidates and their families.

"We look forward to getting to know you personally as we work together to preserve the West Texas conservative values we all treasure," Howell said.

### Saturday's Special Events At a Glance

- Old Mill Trade Days opens 9 a.m.
- Holiday Bazaar, Post Manor Community Room 9 a.m. to noon
- OS Museum Christmas exhibit 9 to noon & 1-5 p.m.
- Downtown stores open 10 a.m.
- Santa visits & carolers, downtown 10 a.m. to noon
- Garza Co. Historical Museum 10 to noon & 1-5 p.m.
- Auction, OMTD Weaving Room 2 p.m.
- Lighted Parade, traditional route 6 p.m.
- Christmas Magic Show, elem. school 7:30 p.m.
- Cowboy Christmas Ball, Community Center 8 p.m.
- "FrUiTCaKeS," Garza Theatre, 8 p.m.

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Justin Stice and Jamie McGuire

**Justin Stice, Jamie McGuire set wedding date**

Jerry and Jodie McGuire of Floydada have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jamie, to Justin Stice, son of Lloyd and Shirley Stice of Post.

The bride-elect, a graduate of Floydada High School, earned a bachelor's degree in nursing at West Texas A&M University. She is employed as a registered nurse in the Pediatric ICU of University Medical Center in Lubbock.

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Sanford-Fritch High School. He is employed as youth pastor at the First United Methodist Church in Childress.

A Feb. 11, 2006, wedding in the First United Methodist Church in Floydada is planned.



Audree Williams placed 3rd at the recent 4-H District Food Show with her fresh pineapple sa nutritious snack.



Sara Greer placed 1st at the recent 4-H District Food Show with her chicken tetrazzini main dish.

Saturday, December 3

# Scavenger Hunt

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| Plum Crazy            | Main Street Mercantile |
| Garza Theatre         | McDnald's              |
| Porter Hardware       | Hudman Furniture       |
| Post Beverage Barn    | La Posta               |

- "Hunt" for the missing letters in each store
- Fill Out the Form
- Drop in the "Box" at your favorite store
- Drawing will be held at 5:30 Dec. 3 at the Garza Theatre
- Must be present to win!

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Garza County 4-H members participating in he recent District Food Show competition in Levelland are (back row, left to right) Caroline Poe, Raegan Belongia, Shuhani Bhakta, Audree Williams, (front) Meagan Tidwell, Teraka Cowley, Kelbie Oden and Sara Greer.



Garza County 4-H Food and Nutrition Project members recently toured Mr Gatti's Kitchen and learend about mass production, food safety and careers in marketing. Participating in the vent were (back row, left to right) Jackie Milton, Carolone Poe, Cheyenne Morris, Meagan Tidwell, Teraka Cowley, Raegan Belongia, Shamuada Taylor, Janice Curtis, (front) Audree Williams, Chelby Morris, Britt Steggs, Taylor Osborn, Sara Greer, Destiny Cowley and Chelcie Hair. Not available for the photo: Kelbie Oden.

**Sheriff reports 11 arrests here**

Eleven arrests were made in Garza County in recent days, according to a report provided by the sheriff's department.

Those arrested include a 28-year-old female charged with interfering with public duty; a 42-year-old male picked up on a Travis County warrant; three men, ages 51, 49 and 47, charged with public intoxication; and a 35-year-old female jailed for driving while license invalid.

Also jailed were a 56-year-old male picked up on a Garza County indictment; a 32-year-old male charged with assault/family violence; a 23-year-old male arrested on a Portland warrant; a 17-year-old male charged with possession of marijuana, under two ounces; and a 36-year-old male picked up on a pair of Garza County warrants.

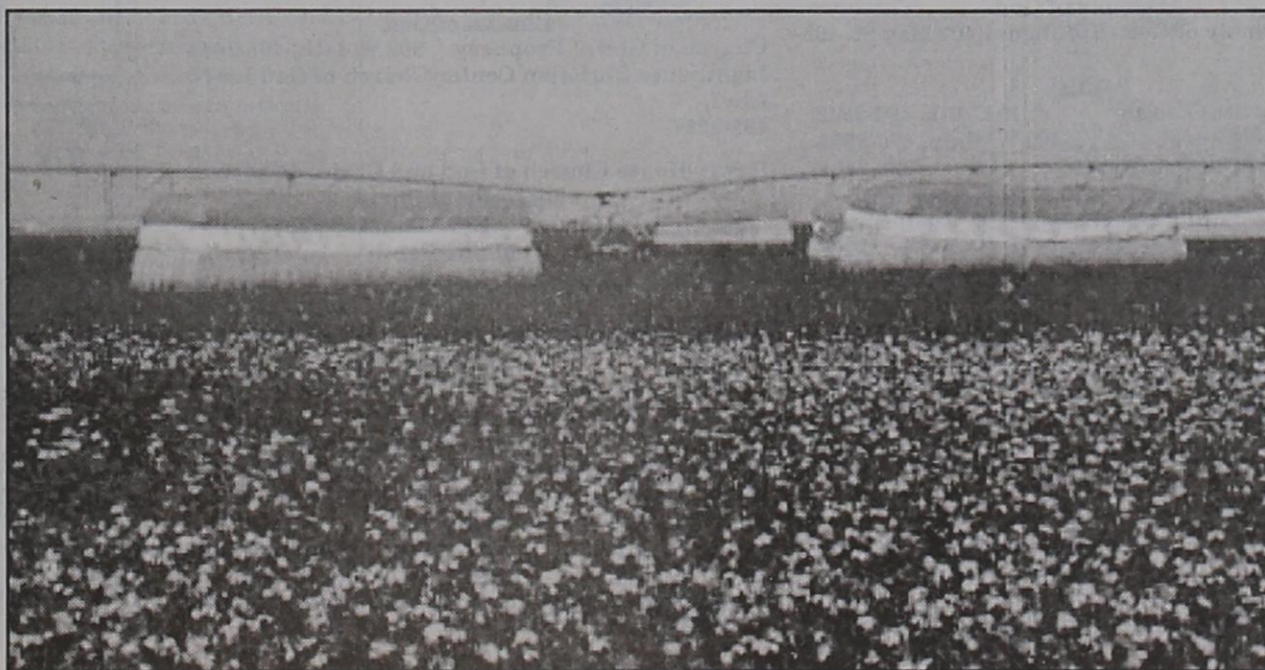
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## Letters to the Editor

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### Local officers praised...

The enclosed was published in The County Tribune recently. As a Post ex and a 1948 graduate of Post High School, I was so proud of the paragraph about Post. Mr. Jones is a resident of Seagraves, Texas, where I was a resident for over 50 years, and I was very proud of the reference about Post. It really touched my heart, and I wanted the citizens of Post to see the compliment of the law enforcement officers they have there.

Billie Rogers Dempsey San Angelo  
*(EDITOR'S NOTE: The following is the copy from the newspaper clipping provided by the letter writer. The clipping is from the "What About..." column penned by Mark A. Jones, who owns funeral homes in Brownfield and Plains.)*

"Beth and I were privileged and honored to do a service for one of our active duty U.S. soldiers. It was an honor and a service some funeral directors never get to do.

"Sgt. Steve Morin of Brownfield was killed when a device blew up under the vehicle he was driving in Iraq.

"I was impressed as we worked out the details with the Army officer assigned to Mrs. Morin and the kids. He would speak with her, then call and give us the information. We worked between about six different officers of the U.S. Army, as well as the base in Dover Army Air Base in Delaware, Wash.

"As is customary, I drove to Dallas-Fort Worth Airport to meet the plane. Sgt. Morin's body was flown to the nearest airport to his hometown of Brownfield, which can accommodate the larger planes. When we got there, we were met by his wife and the Army officer who would escort her. When the plane arrived, we met the sergeant major who had accompanied the remains from Washington, D.C.

"As we got loaded and ready to leave, (a) Texas Department of Public Safety escort vehicle led us with lights flashing out of Dallas.

"It was so moving to see those red-and-blue flashing lights escorting us across Texas all during the night. Not only would adults stop on the streets, in stores, drive-ins or just walking, but also teens. Everyone knew someone important was coming through their town.

"As we entered different counties of our great state, as well as small town you would never think even had a police department, you could see the lights up ahead. The different agencies would assist the DPS officer in getting us through their county and city safely and without stopping.

"I'll never forget Post, Texas. Around 2:30 a.m., as we entered their city, they fell in front of us and behind us. As we got to each intersection, the city officer

would draw himself to attention and some of the sharpest salutes we had seen all night. The city's stores and drive-ins would come to a halt as they would see officers step out of the vehicles and salute a fallen soldier. In the lights of the vehicles, you could even see an occasional tear streaming down their faces.

"As we entered Brownfield, I requested that the procession of city, Terry County Sheriff's officer, myself, Mrs. Morin and the military escorts take Sgt. Morin by his home one more time. So at 3:30 a.m., the procession drove slowly to a stop in front of Sgt. Morin's parents' home.

"A fallen soldier had finally come home."

### Congrats to Post businesses

Congratulations to the Post merchants for the beautiful decorations and spirit that is evident in our downtown area! And a special thanks to Donna Degan and the Post City Merchants for their leadership in organizing both the decorating effort and other activities to help remind us to "shop at home first." Unfortunately Ruby Lane Books will not be ready for a re-opening for a few weeks. We're sorry to miss all the fun! Rosa Latimer-Bell

## Extension Extras

### 4-H Christmas Party

County 4-H Christmas party will be Thursday, December 8, at 6:30 p.m. at the Extension office at 215 West Main Street in Post. Each 4-H member is asked to bring a Christmas ornament and \$1 for 4-H Katrina victims. There will be a Scavenger Hunt and Pizza supper.

### Showmanship

Clinic A Showmanship Clinic as well as Quality Counts Training and Livestock Quiz Bowl will be on Saturday, December 10 at the show barn. All exhibitors need to bring your livestock to practice exhibiting and learn proper withdrawal times and administering medications and wormers. A Quiz Bowl will be held for all those in attendance. Schedule of activities are: Goat/Lamb Showmanship - 10:00-11:00 A.M. Hog Showmanship - 11:00-12 Noon Lunch Break - 12 Noon - 1:00 P.M. Quiz Bowl/Quality Counts - 1:00-2:00 P.M. Steer Showmanship - 2:00-3:00 P.M.

### Home for the Holidays

Due to being without an FCS Agent at this time, those interested are invited to attend a Home for the Holidays program offered in one of the neighboring counties this year. Locations and dates are as follows: Scurry County, Thursday, December 1, 6:30 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 2700 College Avenue, Snyder; Borden County, Monday, December 5, 6:30 p.m., Community Building, FM 699 & Wilbourn (behind courthouse), Gail; Mitchell County, Thursday, December 8, 6:30 p.m., Wallace Center, South 208, Colorado City. There will be a nominal fee to cover food costs. Please RSVP to 495-4400 three days before the date you choose to attend.

### Ag Waste Pesticide Collection

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## On God's Word

By Timothy W. Burnett

### A tribute to Mary the Magdalene

The night after God raised Jesus from the dead must have been intense for Mary of Magdala and the other Mary. According to Matthew's account, they came to see the sepulchre during the time of sunset on the weekly sabbath as the first day of the week drew near (Matthew 28:1). They arrived in time to experience an earthquake and witness an angel descend from heaven, roll the stone from the opening of the grave and sit down on the stone. While on their way to the disciples, the women were confronted by our Lord Jesus for the first time after his resurrection.

John shared the story of how Mary the Magdalene returned to the sepulchre early that morning while it was still dark. She noticed that the stone was moved away and immediately dashed over to the disciples as she did the evening before. By this time Mary was convinced that somebody stole Jesus' body. Just the night before, she left the sepulchre with reverence and great joy. She embraced the feet of our Lord Jesus and even talked with him. We don't know exactly why she changed, but it is possible the disciples' unbelief influenced her through the night. Yet with all this, she still returned to the grave by herself.

What a sweet and believing heart she must have had. Yes...she was probably influenced to think that Jesus' body was stolen. But she still returned alone to the grave early in the morning. I could be wrong about this, but there is only one record in the Gospels of women traveling alone during the night hours. Also, God did not leave her confused. He gave her an opportunity to talk with Jesus again.

Later in the morning at sunrise, the same Mary returned to the sepulchre with the other women in order to prepare Jesus' body. The records of this event are in the Gospels of Mark and Luke.

They arrived to find the stone rolled away and Jesus missing from the grave. After encountering the angels, they became afraid and perplexed. Based on what we've learned about Mary's night, we can safely conclude that she was not afraid like the others.

It touched my heart to see that Mary of Magdala was listed first in all four Gospels (Matthew 28:1; Mark 16:1; Luke 24:10 and John 20:1).

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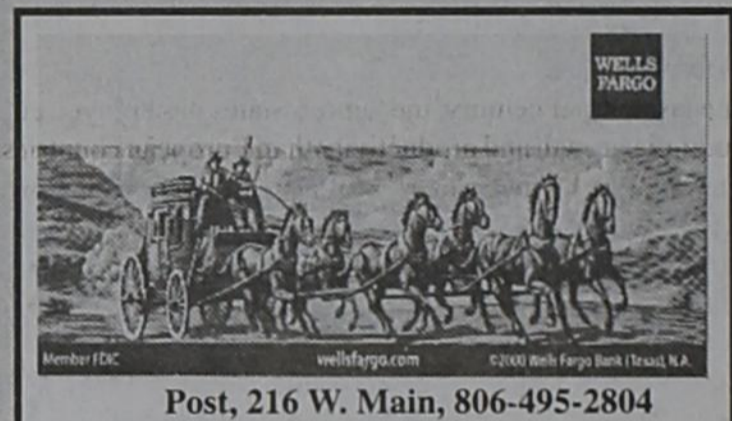
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## San Francisco Blues

by Bill O'Reilly

It is hard to figure out the mindset of many Americans living in the secular progressive paradise of San Francisco. A couple of weeks ago, they voted to oppose military recruiting in the city's public schools, including colleges. In the middle of a vicious war on terror, the City by the Bay says no to the people who volunteer to protect us.

When I criticized the vote on radio and television, there was wailing and the gnashing of teeth. The basic thrust of the indignation was that San Francisco objects to the methods some military recruiters use. Of course, Proposition One on the ballot said nothing about that. It asked a simple question: Should the city oppose military recruitment in schools? Sixty percent of San Franciscans voted yes.

That vote is flat out disrespectful to the American Armed Forces. Remember, the military has no political power. It goes where America's elected leadership orders it to go. Men and women sign up to protect their country, and they do their duty. Yet they are not welcomed in San Francisco's schools.

No one should be surprised by that vote. The San Francisco area is rated the most liberal in the country according to a study by the non-partisan Bay Area Center for Voting Research. Nancy Pelosi is the congresswoman, and the district went for Al Gore by 61 points over President Bush.

In the recall of former California Gov. Gray Davis, 80 percent of San Franciscans voted to keep him, while the rest of the state voted overwhelmingly to boot him out. So you could say that not only is San Francisco out of touch with traditional America, it is out of touch with its own liberal state.

And San Francisco is the city that never learns. It passed an insane law that handed out \$410 a month to any homeless person who showed up. Predictably, thousands of indigents, many of them addicted, poured into the downtown area, panhandling and using the parks as outdoor restrooms. Businesses and families went crazy, and the city council was forced to cut the payments down to \$59 a month.

The progressives also gleefully hopped on the medical marijuana bandwagon. But now, Mayor Gavin Newsome wants to shut down most of the 35 clubs that have opened up selling pot to anyone who has a headache. SFPD Captain Rick Bruce told me: a lot of our local drug dealers actually have medical marijuana cards, and they're using them as get-out-of-jail free cards every time they're arrested for dealing drugs on the street.

It has been said that people get the government they deserve, and in San Francisco's case, that could not be more true. The city's streets are chaotic, quality of life has deteriorated, and the prevailing wisdom would please Fidel Castro.

But most of us don't live there, so why should we care? Well, it is still part of America, and we're supposed to be all in this war on terror together, right? But by banning military recruiting, are those folks looking out for us?

My solution is to have San Francisco form its own militia, a concept first put forth by the Founding Fathers in the Second Amendment of the Constitution. A S.F. militia could take over for the U.S. military if that city were ever attacked.

But there's just one problem with that militia idea. On the same day San Francisco voted to oppose military recruiting, it also voted to prohibit the sale, manufacture and distribution of firearms.

Never mind.

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 Thomas Jefferson



## Leftist hate for America

by Walter E. Williams

Princeton University professor and columnist Paul Krugman deservedly won Forbes' Dunces of the Week award for his New York Times column *French Family Values* (July 29, 2005). But are European economies really doing that badly? The answer is no, adding that Americans are doing a lot of strutting these days, but a head-to-head comparison between the economies of the United States and Europe shows that the big difference is in priorities, not performance. We're talking about two highly productive societies that have made a different tradeoff between work and family time.

Krugman's assertion is basically this: The income gap, about 40 percent, is not the result of lower efficiency in Europe. It is the result of Europeans working less than Americans. Not because they can't find work, but because they work fewer hours, preferring to spend more time with their families and on leisure activities.

Contrast Krugman's nonsensical argument with New America Foundation senior fellow Joel Kotkin's findings in *America Still Beckons*, published by *The American Enterprise* magazine (October-December 2005). Kotkin says that Europe has weakened considerably. Since the 1970s, America has created some 57 million new jobs, compared to just 4 million in Europe (with most of those in government). For the last quarter century, the United States has enjoyed consistently higher rates of economic growth and productivity than European countries, and the gap has been widening. The United States is now at the forefront in many critical global industries, particularly finance, technology, and entertainment. Europe's portion of world GDP dropped from 34 percent to 20 percent between 1913 and 1998, while the United States held its own at about 22 percent of global GDP.

In the same edition of *The American Enterprise*, Karl Zinsmeister's article, *Europe Learns the Wrong Lessons*, says, in France, Italy, Germany, and Belgium, approximately a quarter of all workers under 25 are currently unemployed. High minimum wages and employment protection regulations make it nearly impossible to fire people, thereby making it costly to hire them. Europe's stagnation and decline might explain why its best brains are leaving in droves.

Kotkin reports: Some 400,000 E.U. science and technology graduates currently reside in the United States, and barely one in seven, according to a recent European Commission poll, intend to return. It's not only the best brains who migrate to our country; poor people come as well. There's one important difference between the world's poor who come to America and those who go to Europe. The poor tend to prosper much more here than they do in Europe. American success and European jealousy might explain some of their anti-Americanism, particularly virulent among Europe's elite.

Zinsmeister reports that when asked which countries are the biggest threat to world peace, Europeans name the U.S. as often as North Korea and Iran (each are picked by 53 percent). Countries characterized by Euros as less menacing than the U.S. include Syria, Iraq, Russia, China, Afghanistan, and Libya.

Olaf Gersemann's article in *The American Enterprise*, *Europe's Not Working*, says, "Nearly every top politician in Germany is on record giving a grave, smug warning about the danger of letting American conditions seep into the German economy. In Germany's economic debate, American conditions is code for stiff economic competition, low taxes, minimal state intrusion, and limited duration welfare payments. Many American elites share Europeans' anti-Americanism. They're also against American conditions and want us to have Europe's high taxes, highly regulated economy and socialized medicine. They also want us to share the European lack of will to protect themselves.

In the past, Europeans were unwilling or unable to protect themselves against Nazism and communism. Now they demonstrate an unwillingness to protect themselves against Islam hell-bent on conquering the West. We just might have to pull Europe's chestnut out of the fire again.

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## Must our senators embarrass us so?

by Sheldon Richman

An open letter to the American people:  
 Like you, I was embarrassed by those senators holding the hearing on oil-company prices and profits the other day. Hard to believe that adults could act so childishly before television cameras.

Let's face it: those senators made such fools of themselves for one reason only - to impress you and me. Of course, we saw through their stunt.

Pete Domenici, the Republican senator from New Mexico, told the oil executives, Americans have been experiencing painful prices at the pump - whether you think so or not, they think so. The oil companies owe the American people an explanation. Indeed, we did see oil and gas prices rise, although they were already falling as the senators engaged in their tomfoolery. But you and I understand why they went up. World demand for oil has grown, and then hurricanes hit a key refining area. So when Domenici says the American people are owed an explanation, he is insulting your intelligence. He pretends that you don't know that the explanation is available in any economics book. It's called supply and demand.

Byron L. Dorgan, the North Dakota Democratic senator, chimed in, "None of us knows much about pricing. But we see the pain of the consumers, and we see the gains of the companies. Now there was a refreshing confession of ignorance. That's rare in the U.S. Senate. He may not know how the price system works, but you and I do. We understand that when supply falls and demand increases, a process kicks in that encourages new production and reduced consumption. The pain is therefore temporary - if the market process is protected from meddling politicians who admit they know nothing about economics.

Want to hear something funny? When ExxonMobil chairman Lee Raymond explained the price system to the senators, Domenici said, "I don't think my constituents are going to understand your answer. See? The politicians think you're dummies. I suggest that Domenici speak for himself, and perhaps Byron Dorgan. The rest of us have heard of supply and demand.

Here's another laugher. House Speaker Dennis Hastert said he had a ivory frank discussion in which he told Raymond he should invest the company's profits in expanded production. Wow! I'll bet Raymond never thought of that! What would businessmen do without these guys? (Psst: the companies have been investing billions in new production.)

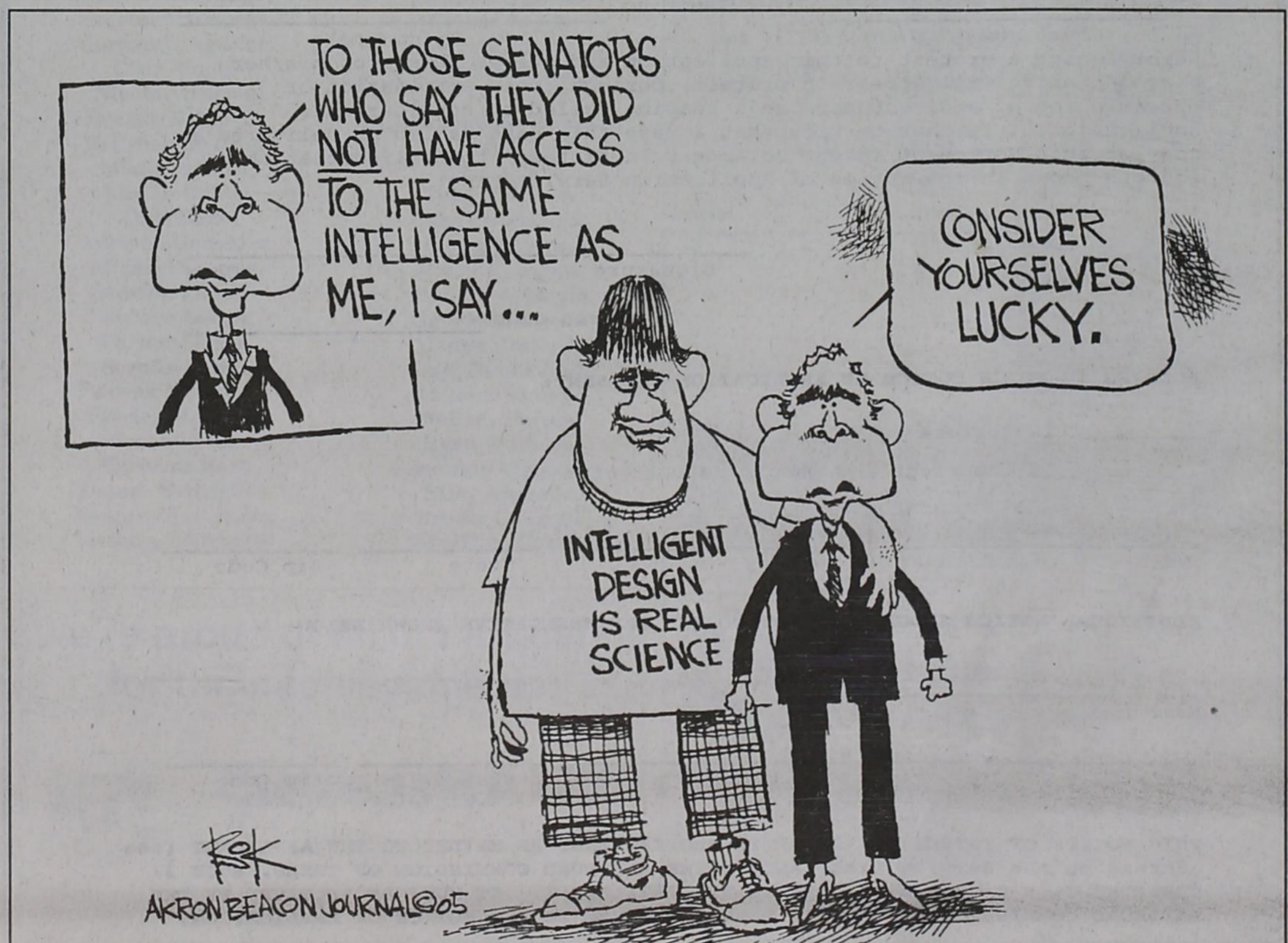
I'm curious: altogether how many gallons of gasoline have Hastert, Domenici, and Dorgan produced?

Apparently, the Bush administration didn't want to be left out of the silliness. Spokesman Scott McClellan contributed this gem: "Energy prices have been too high and energy companies have realized significant increases in profits. It's important that the private sector be good corporate citizens and invest in the energy infrastructure and support those who are in need. Thank goodness we have such wise people running the country. But is expanding production really a matter of good citizenship? I thought it was a way to make more money for the company owners, who might be you and me, since we could own stock through our 401(k)s. And what's this about supporting those in need? Isn't producing energy, which is increasingly cheaper in real terms, support enough?"

The senators kept pointing out that ExxonMobil made nearly \$10 billion in the last quarter. But that was on \$100 billion in sales. In other words, the return during an extraordinarily profitable period amounted to less than 10 cents on the dollar. For years, the oil companies' profits were below the industrial average. You can look it up.

So here is my message to you, my fellow Americans. We can spare ourselves such foolishness in the future. How? Write your senators and representatives today and tell them you support the free market because it is the only way to have cheap, plentiful energy. And tell them you want no windfall-profits tax or regulations because they will only hurt us. Yes, take away any oil-company subsidies, but leave the producers alone.

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FIELD: P. H. D.

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Lease/Unit Well No. : 22  
Lease/Unit Acres : 64.0  
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This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 4999 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant at (214) 6927052.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, 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 any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512)463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission at

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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

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Rule 37 Department, P. O. Box 12967  
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NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST

APPLICANT: CHOLLA PETROLEUM, INC.  
P-5 Organization No. 150683  
District: 8A  
Rule 37 Case No. 0245323

I, \_\_\_\_\_, representing \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Name) (Print Name)

hereby enter a protest to this application and states he/she or his/her representative will appear in protest, through cross-examination or presentation of a direct case at a hearing called to consider this application. I further certify that I have this date mailed or delivered a copy of this Notice of Intent to Appear in Protest, to Applicant at the address shown in the Notice of Application Service List.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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The South Plains Wildlife Rehabilitation Center nurses and releases a bald eagle at White River Lake.

## Veterans Day marks release of bald eagle

Veterans Day was marked by a special occasion at White River Lake Friday.

A bald eagle nursed back to health at the South Plains Wildlife Rehabilitation Center was released to commemorate the federal holiday.

The bird, a female juvenile, was injured earlier this year when it was struck by a vehicle in the Dallas area. Suffering from head trauma and blindness, the bald eagle was transferred to the Lubbock center on Aug. 8 where volunteers with the organization worked to prepare the bird for eventual release.

The eagle made a full recovery, and center officials decided Veterans Day would be an appropriate release date for the national bird.

The eagle was released near the flagpole at White River Lake, according to White River Municipal Water District general manager Mickey Rogers.

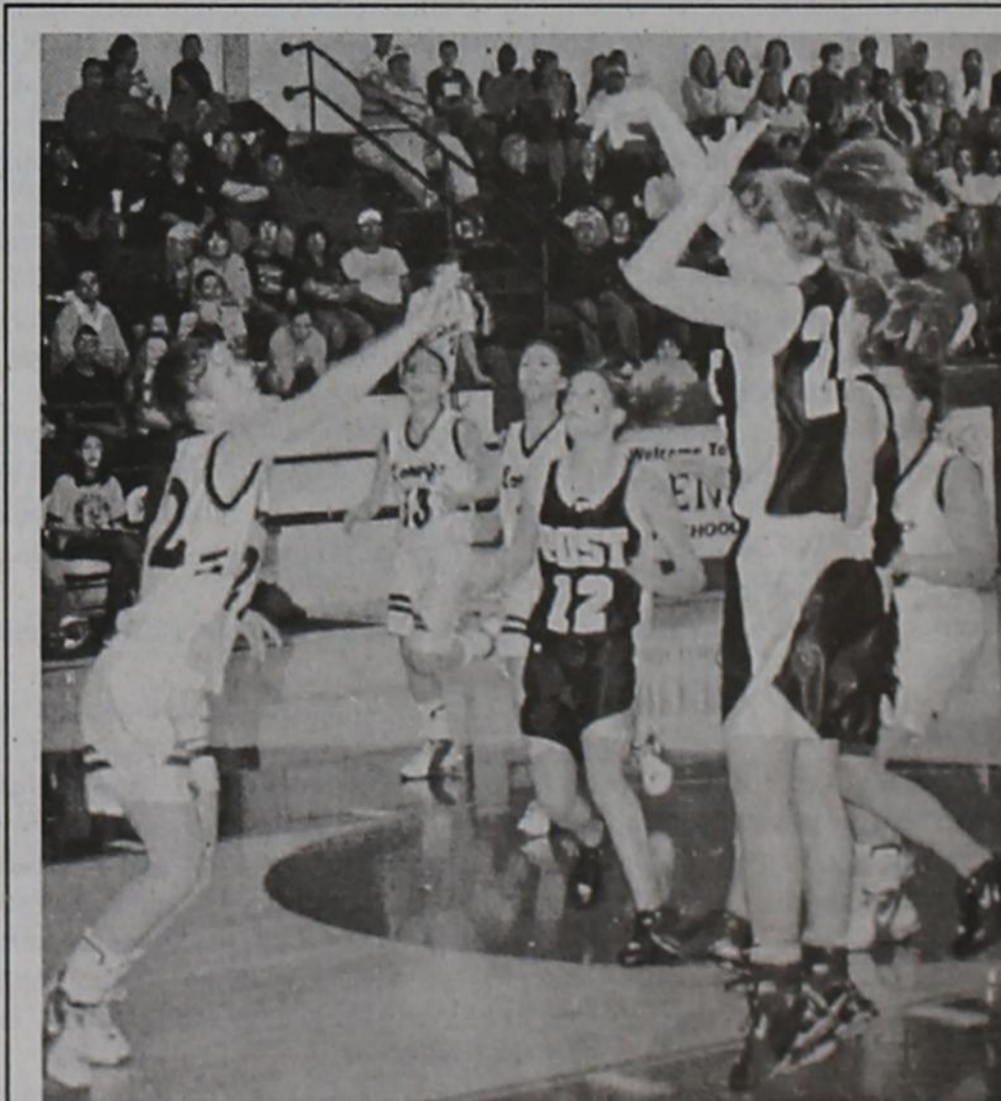
Debbie Tennyson, manager of the South Plains Wildlife Rehabilitation Center, said the bird was released at White River for two reasons: Another adult bald eagle has been sighted in the winter months at that location in recent years, and White River Lake not only provides an adequate body of water for fishing, but also is in close proximity to other area lakes.

"We try to make sure that when we release an animal, we give it the best opportunities as possible," she said.

The South Plains Wildlife Rehabilitation Center is a non-profit, all-volunteer organization licensed by the state and federal governments to care for native wildlife.



Sterling Smith (10) jumps for a shot against fierce competition from the Lorenzo defense last Tuesday at Lorenzo. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)



Lady Lopes Ashley Wilson (24) puts the ball in the hoop during last Tuesday's basketball action at Lorenzo. Rachel Gray (12) stands by for the rebound. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)



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# Yesteryears

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10 Years Ago November 30, 1995  
Participating in the recent FFA district radio contest in Lamesa were PHS instructor Perry Smith, FFA members Bobbie Joe Davis, Jeff Redman, Micaela Eagle and Clay Ashley. The team placed first in the district. Post ISD athletic director and head football coach Dewayne Osborn submitted his resignation to the Post ISD last week. Leslie Acker is congratulated on the opening of his office last week by Post Chamber of Commerce board members Jim Plummer, Barbara Hardin, Wanda Mitchell and Pat Bilbo. Acker's law practice is located at 122A E. Main St. Elected by their teammates as 1995 Post Antelope football captains were Saul Martinez, Alvin Reed, and B. J. Hart. Post parents, Bart and Vivian McMeans literally have their hands full with new triplets, Mallory, Zach and Mollie. Two performances of *The Wizard of Oz* will be offered this week by the Post High School drama class, featuring actors and actresses from all grade levels. The play is under the direction of Candace McConnell. Army Specialist Four James M. Greer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Greer of Post, has recently been awarded the Army Achievement Medal. Ray Hodges and Annie Caffey were united in marriage November 15, 1935 at Tahoka.

Friends and relatives celebrated the Hodges 50th wedding anniversary with a reception in the Hodges home on Nov. 28. Ann Bratcher has been named Post Art Guild Artist of the Month for December, with her art on display in the lobby of the First National Bank. Margie Harper and Ethel Edwards visited in Venice Florida with Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Harper and family over Thanksgiving holiday. The 1975-76 Post High School Does basketball team has been picked to finish second in district 5AA. Members of the team are Kim Mitchell, Genetta Kennedy, Joni Hays, Linda Wynn, Karen Williams, Amy Cowdrey, Hope Johnson, Brenda Price, Sharon Johnson and Debbie Wyatt. Leigh McCook and Kathy Davis were winners in the birthday card contest sponsored by the women's division of the Post Chamber of Commerce. Joe Clary, son of Mr. and Mrs. Neal Clary and Sandra Bostick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bostick, were presented the highest county award offered in the 4-H program, the Gold Star. Postings: From Thanksgiving time on they start working weekends at Jim and Bo Jackson's spiffy meat packing plant here processing deer for area hunters. Right now, the plant has 150 deer awaiting processing. Malcolm Bull has purchased Garza Farm Store from Junior Gray, the two announced today, and is combining the stock with that of his Bullis Ranch and Farm Supply. Dr. C. H. Bausman moved to

Post this week from the Lamb County town of Earth and became associated Wednesday with Dr. James G. Casey in the practice of medicine and surgery at Dr. Casey's office, 605 West 7th St. Jack Reno is the best known of the four Banner Records recording artists who will headline the three-hour hootenanny here Saturday afternoon during Post's Christmas Fiesta. His latest record, *The Biggest Man* has already hit the most popular national record charts. Four members of the Post Antelope squad were named to the All-District, 4AA team. The four include Donnie Cornell, Luis Ayala, Rickey Welch and Jack Huff. Mr. and Mrs. Lester Nichols, who observed their silver wedding anniversary Nov. 21, were feted at a surprise party in their home Thanksgiving evening. Frances Craig scorched the hoops for 26 points Tuesday night of last week to lead the Post High school girls' basketball team to a 39-29 victory over Ralls. For as little as \$3.34 a week you can own an Imperial automatic washer by Frigidaire, and an Imperial automatic dryer for as low as \$3.09, after a small down payment. Be sure and see Homer McCrary at McCrary Appliance Company. County Judge Pat N. Walker and commissioners Boone Evans, Elva Peel, Ozell Williams, and Sid Cross plan to attend a program at Calgary this Friday celebrating opening of the new Spur-Calgary farm-to-market road.

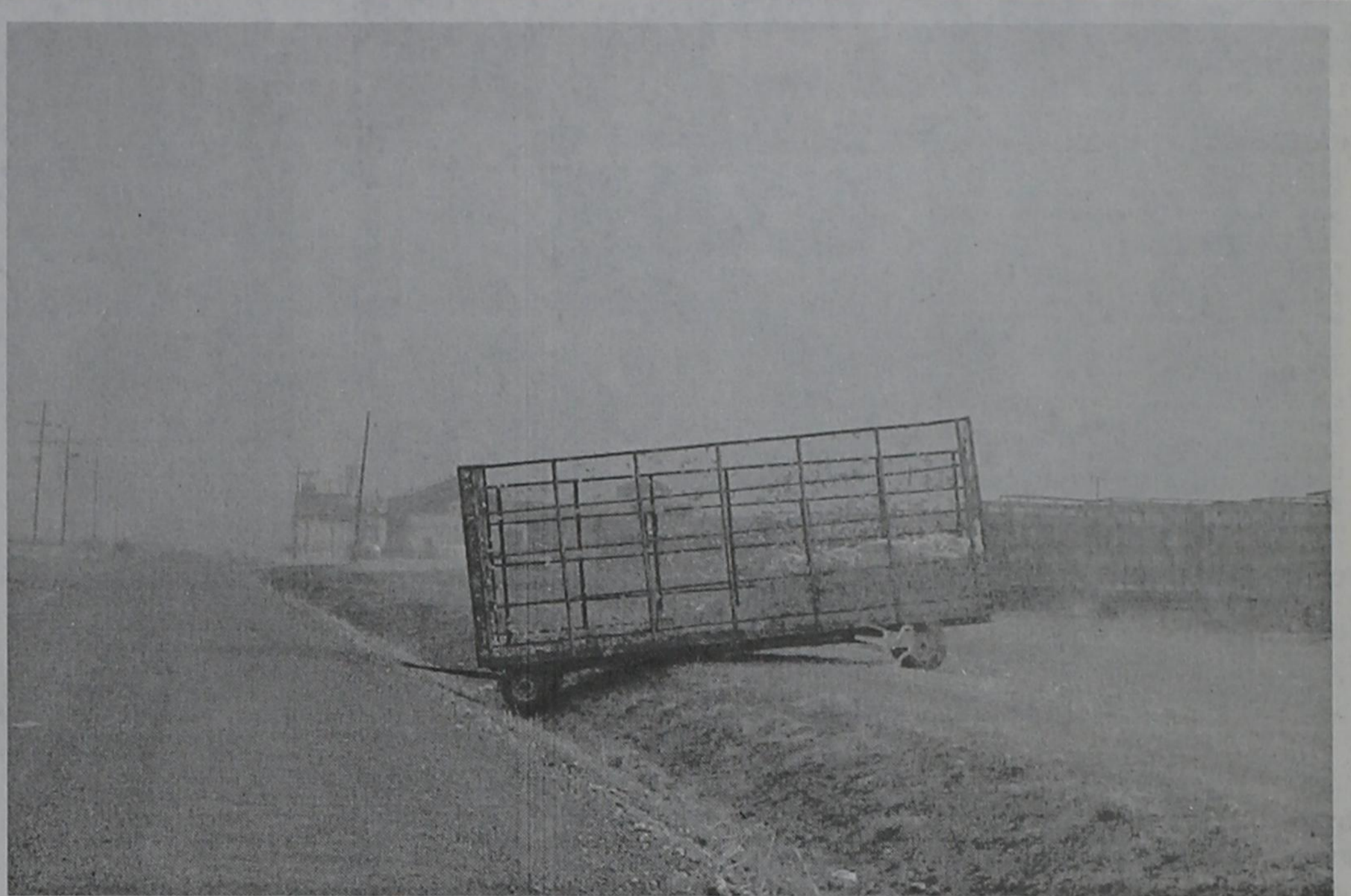
60 Years Ago November 29, 1945

In indoor athletic events planned for Friday night by iLefty Solis, Post High school athletic director, are expected to draw a packed gymnasium. A fine boxing and wrestling card has been arranged for the two hour show, preliminary tryouts for Golden Gloves, with the school's best scrappers participating.

Topping the boxing card is a three-round bout between Bobby Pennington and Jimmy Puckett. Heading the wrestling card is bantam weight match between Wayne Thomas and J. W. King. The next top billing is between Harold Rena and Maurice Fluitt. As an added attraction to the fight events, Miss Iris Floyd, Post High school student, will present a tumbling exhibition. Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Holly are expecting two sons home from the armed forces this week. W. O. Holly, jr, who was recently discharged from the Army and Pfc. L. B. Holly who serves with the 28th Marines. Announcement was

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made of the opening of a tire repair shop. The new business, owned and operated by Thurman Francis and Max Gordon, who have returned from Dallas, is located in the building formerly occupied by Bullard's Tire Shop, 30 W. Main.



A West Texas brown isnowi storm hits the Post area with high winds in excess of 50 miles per hour shutting down daily travel and activities. Close City Gin reported cotton trailers weighing over 1000 pounds were rolled out into the road by the winds. (Photo by Molly Riewe)



Keleece Bratcher, left, a senior at Loop High School, and Jordan Bratcher, a freshman, were among players for Loop High School who won the championship at the recent Lynn County Classic Tournament in Wilson. Keleece was named tournament Most Valuable Player, while Jordan was selected as a member of the All-Tournament Team. The girls are the daughters of Ronnie and Diann Bratcher of Loop and granddaughters of Ann Bratcher and Corkey and Allane Ammons of Post.

## Menus

**Post ISD**  
December 5 - Breakfast - Cheese sandwich, sausage, fruit, milk.  
Lunch - Corn dog, french fries, mixed vegetables, cobbler, milk.  
December 6 - Breakfast - Cowboy bread, sausage link, fruit, milk.  
Lunch - Antelope wrap, salad, fruit cocktail, reece's cup, milk.  
December 7 - Breakfast - Oatmeal, bacon, toast, fruit, milk.  
Lunch - Chicken fried steak, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot roll, gravy, jello, milk.  
December 8 - Breakfast - Muffins, sausage, fruit, milk.  
Lunch - Pizza, salad, corn, peaches, milk.  
December 9 - Cereal, toast, fruit, juice, milk.  
Lunch - Manwich, onion rings, salad, pears, milk.  
**Southland ISD**  
December 5 - Breakfast - Lunch - Burrito, tossed salad, apple, peach cup, milk.  
December 6 - Breakfast - Lunch - Corn dog, chips, vegetarian beans, green salad, orange, cookie, milk.  
December 7 - Turkey & dressing, mashed potatoes, green beans, cranberry sauce, rolls, fruit salad, yams, pie, milk.  
December 8 - Breakfast - Lunch - Taco, grated cheese, lettuce, tomato, pinto beans, pudding, milk.  
December 9 - Cheeseburger, salad fixings, fries, frozen yogurt, milk.

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## Post City Television

Daily Program Guide

• December 2 thru December 8

Friday, December 2  
7 a.m. Old Mill Trade Days Entertainment  
9 a.m. Healthy Living  
10 a.m. This Week In Post City  
1 p.m. Healthy Living  
5 p.m. This Week In Post City  
7 p.m. Healthy Living  
11 p.m. Old Mill Trade Days Entertainment  
Saturday, December 3  
7 a.m. Old Mill Trade Days Entertainment  
9 a.m. This Week In Post City  
11 a.m. Healthy Living  
2 p.m. Post Lady Lope Basketball  
5 p.m. This Week In Post City  
8 p.m. Garza Theatre Act I "FrUitCaKes"  
9 p.m. Old Mill Trade Days Entertainment  
10 p.m. Post Antelope Basketball  
Sunday, December 4  
2 p.m. Post Lady Lope Basketball  
5 p.m. This Week In Post City  
8 p.m. Post Antelope Basketball  
10 p.m. Healthy Living  
11 p.m. Garza Theatre Act I "FrUitCaKes"  
Monday, December 5  
7 a.m. Antelope Weekly  
9 a.m. This Week In Post City  
11 a.m. Healthy Living  
1, 5 & 10 p.m. Post Church of Christ Sunday Services  
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, November 29, 30 & Dec. 1  
7 a.m. Antelope Weekly  
9 a.m. Garza County Commissioners' Court  
11 a.m. Post ISD Board of Trustees  
1 p.m. Garza County Hospital District  
3 p.m. Post City Council  
5 p.m. Healthy Living  
7 p.m. Antelope Weekly  
9 p.m. Garza Theatre Act I "FrUitCaKes"

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## ACROSS

1 cowboy hat material  
5 this continent gets half of TX mohair  
6 TXism: "all come out in the wash"  
7 former conference for UTSA (abbr.)  
8 Houston golfer Blancas (init.)  
9 Cowboy Larry Allen was in '05 Bowl  
12 TXism: "in a skillet would have more fun" (bored)  
17 TXism: "if it \_\_\_\_\_ a snake it would have bit you"  
20 TXism: "useless as panty hose \_\_\_\_\_"  
22 to sign as payee  
23 TXism: "laid \_\_\_\_\_" (buried)  
24 Susan Sarandon wanted to avoid TX in "\_\_\_\_\_ & Louise"  
29 lopsided victory  
30 lodging at a TX campsite  
31 El Paso's Ranger Peak has an \_\_\_\_\_ tramway  
32 identifying tag  
36 TX Ivory Joe sang "\_\_\_\_\_ I Met You Baby"  
37 TXism: "safe as \_\_\_\_\_ in a haystack"  
43 attenders of Kerrville Folk Festival  
45 Travis asked Alamo defenders to \_\_\_\_\_ the line

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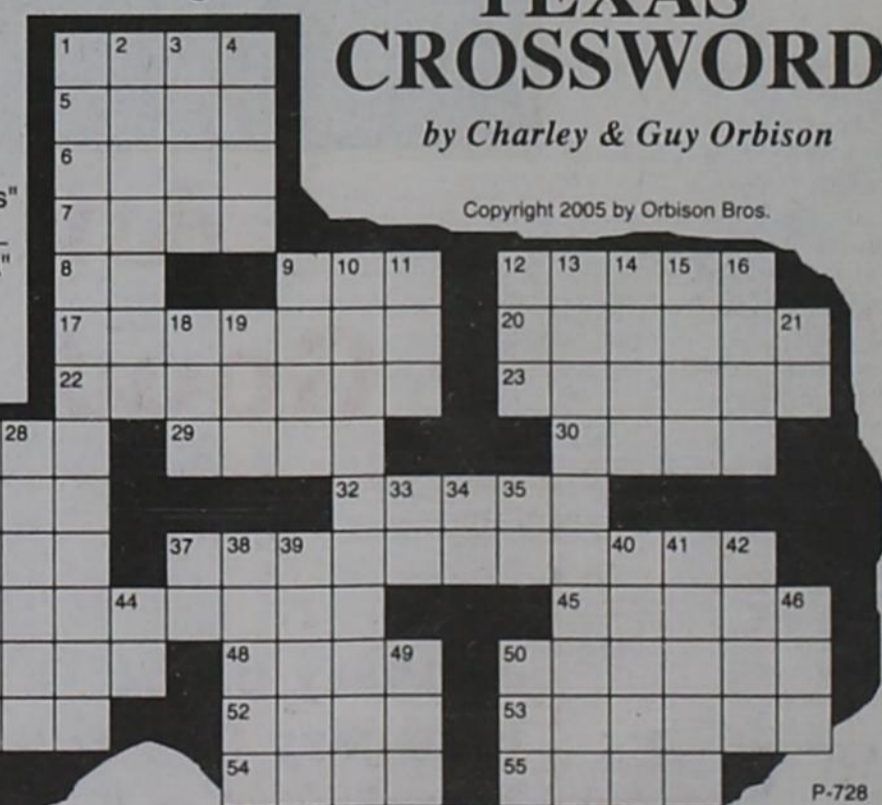
1 TXism: "it'll take a \_\_\_\_\_ fix it" (badly broken)  
2 first known black person in TX  
3 San Antonio mayor in '91, Cockrell  
4 TX's softest mineral  
9 a UT alumnus was this country's pres.  
10 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ in church"  
11 Dublin is no. \_\_\_\_\_ milk producing co.  
12 TX-sized phone co.  
13 Whitman toled rifles up UT's tower in one

## The Original

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14 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ as hens' teeth"  
15 TXism: "your barn door is \_\_\_\_\_"  
16 meat of the matter  
18 this Dolores starred with TX Ginger in "Flying Down to Rio" (init.)  
19 Halloween word  
21 TX Tierney (init.)  
24 \_\_\_\_\_ ta (goodbye)  
25 TXism: "if \_\_\_\_\_ a rooster, he'll crow"  
26 actor Estrada  
27 \_\_\_\_\_ scrimmage  
28 this TX Meredith was Billie Joe in "Petticoat Junction"  
33 Rangers baseball league (abbr.)  
34 Darin of TX-filmed "State Fair" (init.)  
35 "Gig \_\_\_\_\_ Aggies!"  
37 this Albert was smart enough to be a Texan (init.)  
38 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ married" (newlywed)  
39 TXism: "taint"  
40 drug testing sample  
41 TX George \_\_\_\_\_  
42 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ bien"  
44 famous TX case: Roe \_\_\_\_\_ Wade  
46 Bush, Jr. to Bush, Sr.  
49 describing Nieman-Marcus store  
50 Swiss mountains  
57 coral snake: "red and yellow, \_\_\_\_\_ a feller"





Post Antelope varsity's D.J. Baiza goes up for two points in the game last week at Lorenzo. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)



Post Lady Lopes edged Lorenzo last week as Jackie Hays (31) goes for a two-pointer. Joining in the action are Kylie Easterling and Samantha Hoover. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

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## Varsity Antelopes slip in contest with Lockney

The Post High School varsity boys dropped a 49-37 game to Lockney in a Nov. 18 match-up played at home. Scoring for the 'Lopes were Colter Creech with 17 points, Chris Rangel with six, Heath Fellhauer with five, Wilson Cash with three and Kenny

Garay, D.J. Baiza and James Griffin each with two points. The Longhorns were led by Trevor Morris, who had 26 points in the game. "I was extremely proud of our overall effort," coach Kevin James said.

"We are extremely young and lacking varsity-level experience, and with each game I can see these guys improving and gaining confidence in their abilities."

## Lockney upends JV 'Lopes

The Post High School junior varsity boys fell to Lockney 46-21 in a home game played Nov. 18.

Roosevelt Brown had eight points in the game, while Jared Blevins and Tim Wilson each scored four points. Jovanni Garay logged two points, while Tyler Odom, Jessie Vera and Chad Miller each scored one point, according to a report by coach Nick Dickson.

"It wasn't a bad first game, but we need a lot of improvement," the coach said.

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April 7, 8 & 9  
May 5, 6 & 7

June 2, 3 & 4  
July 7, 8 & 9  
August 4, 5 & 6  
September 1, 2 & 3

October 6, 7 & 8  
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