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## Recovered property may be spoils of Lubbock-area shoplifting sprees

## Post Notes

#### Assistance continues for Blacklocks

The community-wide effort to assist the Jason and Heather Blacklock family, who lost their home to a fire earlier this month, is ongoing. Accounts remain open at both banks. To make a contribution to the Blacklocks' fund at Wells Fargo, checks should be mailed to the bank in care of Carol Short, 216 W. Main St. Contributions to the Citizens Bank account should be directed to the Heather and Jason Blacklock Fund in care of the bank, 210 N. Broadway. Also, the local United Supermarket continues to accept contributions for the family, they may be placed in a large barrel with the store.

#### VFW district meeting

District 7 VFW men and ladies will hold a district meeting in Lubbock on Feb. 25 and 26 at the Eagles Lodge on 114th street and Tahoka Highway, Registration on Saturday starting at 1:30 p.m. and the Sunday meeting will start at 8:30 a.m. for registration, with flag raising at 9 a.m., meetings will follow. All members of the Post 6797 and Ladies Auxillary are urged to attend and meet visiting state officers.

#### Annual Ladies Aux. trip to Big Spring

VFW Post 6797 Men and Ladies will be going to Big Spring Hospital on Thursday, Feb. 23. If you have any items you would like to donate to the Veterans there call Chuck Ratliff, 495-2026 before 5 p.m. on Thursday. They can use toiletry items, cards, games, puzzles, stationary items and sweets.

#### Christian Renewal at Holy Cross

Prayer group from Post Holy Cross Catholic Church is celebrating their Christian Renewal on Sunday, Feb. 26 from 2-5 p.m. Music Ministry: La Sagrada Familia. Healing Service: Deacon R. Cerna. Fellowship in church hall after service. Everyone is invited.

## Holy Cross Catholic Church

Renovacion Cristiana del Grupo de Oracion de Post los invita a todos a participar de esta gran celebracion el Domingo 26, de Febrero de 2 a 5 p.m. Ministerio de Musica: La Sagrada Familia. Servicio de Sanacion por el Diacono R. Cerna. Habra convivencia en el salon de la iglesia despues del servicio.

## Wayland Baptist Choir set to perform

Wayland Baptist International Choir from Plainview will perform a full concert on Sunday, March 5th for the evening service beginning at 6 p.m. at the First Baptist Church. Local member Juanetta Bocko travels with the international choir.

## Republican convention set at Wells Fargo

You are cordially invited to attend the Republican Party Precinct Convention at Wells Fargo Bank Community Room on Tuesday, March 7 at 7:30 p.m. Help our party grow with your participation.

## Primary early voting under way

Early voting in the March 7 primaries is under way and will run through March 3. The early voting polling place is located on the first floor of the Garza County courthouse. The site will be open weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., including the noon hour.

## Youth night at auditorium

Bethel Assembly will hold a Youth Night on Saturday, March 4 at 6 p.m. at the school auditorium, 211 W. 8th street. Enjoy live music with "Face 2 Face." Founder of "It's a Challenge" Fernando Hernandez will be the event's speaker. A Christian talent show will also be held afterwards. For more information and entry forms call 495-0022.

## Baseball and softball registration

Post Little League will be registering for 2006 baseball season March 20-25 at the Elementary school gym from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. and Thursday, March 23 at Citizens Bank from 5-8 p.m. This registration will be for Jr/Sr League, Little League, Softball Girls 8-9-10 year olds, Minor League, and T-Ball. Please call Drew 787-1617 or Terri 549-0420 with any questions.

## SPCAA energy assistance program

South Plains Community Action Association, Inc. (SPCAA) has received funding from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs to operate the Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program (CEAP), January 2006 through December 2006. The primary intent of this program is to make funds available to enable SPCAA to respond to energy needs affecting low-income households. For additional information concerning this program, contact Billie Williams at 495-2329.

## School board candidate workshop offered

Area school board candidates and citizens interested in learning more about school board service are invited to attend a candidate workshop from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. March 23 at the Region 17 Education Service Center, 1111 Loop 289, Lecture Hall, Lubbock. The workshop

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VOTE Lee Norman for County Judge
Republican Party Primary

March 7, 2006 Experienced Leader Working for Garza County Pd. Pol. Adv. Pd. for by Lee Norman, P.O. Box 566, Post, Texas 79356 by Sheri Lewis

No arrests have been made, but a large amount of property believed to have been stolen was recovered from a residence in the 200 block of East 7th Street last week, according to reports.

Representatives of the Garza County Sheriff's Department, working with local constables, were granted a "consent to search" the residence and recovered what Deputy Tommy Binford described as "a substantial amount of property."

Binford declined to comment on what specific information led officers to the location, stating only that their actions were the result of an ongoing investigation and information obtained from working with the Lubbock Police Department and the Department of Public Safety.

Details of the investigation led sheriff's department officials to believe that property discovered in the residence was unlawfully appropriated.

"We're in the process of determining where (the property) came from," Binford said. "We're trying to confirm whether or not it was stolen."

The sheriff's department is continuing its investigation into what Binford described as "a complex deal."

"We're gathering statements," he said, "and people are cooperating. Property is still being turned over, and we're receiving the names of individuals who have received property."

The day after local officials searched the residence with the consent of its tenants, a search warrant was obtained. More suspect property was located, Binford said.

The types of items seized in the searches include computers, household appliances, a generator, clothes and two-way radios. But according to Binford, this list merely scratches the surface.

"There's a lot of stuff," he said. "There's been a large amount of property recovered."

Authorities suspect that shoplifters who targeted Lubbock and South Plains department and discount stores stole at least some of the items recovered, Binford said.

No dollar amount representing the value of the property has yet been determined.

"We're still trying to keep up with the amount of information coming in," the deputy said, "but we're very pleased with the progress being made on this (case). We continue to make progress every day."

Binford said arrests could be forthcoming as a result of last week's discoveries.

Individuals with information pertaining to this case should contact the Garza County Sheriff's Department at 495-3595.

## Grass fires keep firefighters busy

Local firefighters battled at least three area grass fires during the past week, according to a report from the Garza County Sheriff's Department. At about 4:15 p.m. on Feb. 15, firefighters were called out to a residence in the 800 block of West 7th Street. The backyard of the residence was burning, and firefighters were able to control and extinguish the blaze.

No structural damage was reported as a result of the fire, according to reports.

Two fires demanded attention on Feb. 16. One was reported at 11:43 a.m. about 8 1/2 miles south of the city off U.S. 84 in the Rocker A field. The second occurred shortly after 4 p.m. in the highway median in the Southland area.

## LSO group to perform for Post students today

Musicians with the Lubbock Symphony Orchestra will be in Post today, Feb. 23, to perform at the elementary school auditorium.

The first 45-minute performance, which will target students in grades one through five, will begin at 9:15 a.m.

A second performance is set for 10:30 a.m. for students in grades six

through 12.

The Orchestra will be directed by Darryl Oné.



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Entertaining the Antelope fans during the Friday, February 10 basketball are (left to right), Lauren Lynch, Morgan Lynch, Janikah Callazo, Alexis Callazo and Taylor Gray. Under the direction of Joy Creech with "Jump Start," the dance team dazzled their audience with fancy, high stepping moves to the song "Rock Around the Clock." According to Creech, the community can look forward to another exciting show during the next Trade Days Weekend.

## Earl denies signing contract; county clerk produces document

While there has been some confusion about whether the Garza County Democratic Party has contracted for election services for the upcoming primary election, the party's faithful need not worry: The Democratic Party plans to conduct a consolidated primary of all six local voting precincts in the Teen Room of the Post Community Center on election day, March 7.

The confusion surfaced after last week's Post Dispatch reported on information distributed at a recent Garza County Commissioners Court meeting. In that session, County Clerk Jim Plummer distributed copies of a Feb. 10 report which stated, "The Garza County Democratic Party chairman entered into a contract for election services for the primary and run-off if needed. The contract calls for the use of one voting machine and one ballot counter."

Over the weekend, the local Democratic Party chairman contacted The Dispatch and said he had not entered into any contract for services involving the upcoming primary election.

"If I signed a contract, I'd like to see it," Democratic Party Chairman Lewis Earl said Sunday. "I just have not wanted to sign or enter into a contract with the county clerk because he would be interpreting what the contract says. I would rather depend on what the State of Texas says."

When Plummer was contacted for comment Tuesday, he responded by providing a copy of an eight-page document entitled "2006 Primary Election Services Contract with the County Elections Officer, State of Texas, County of Garza." The document, dated Jan. 27, 2006, bears the signatures of both Earl and Plummer and outlines the specific election services to be provided by the clerk's office.

In December, the clerk's office signed a contract giving the local Republican Party control of six of the county's seven voting machines for the March primary election. According to a report at that time, the Republican Party request was the only one filed with the office prior to the deadline

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Post High School students inducted into the National Honor Society during last Thursday night's induction ceremony are (back row left to right), Steven Short, Colt Mason, Wilson Cash, Blake Nichols, Colter Creech, Call Windham, Allen Heckaman and Tim Wilson (front row), Keeley Bramblett, Suhani Bhakta, Rachael Gray, Samantha Hoover, Kayla Morris and Brenna Postell. (Photo by Shellee Odom, Courtesy of Post ISD)

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#### **NEWS PLEASE**

Please call your news in folks! Rather it is birthday, someone in the hospital, get together or just visitors, I need your input to keep Jabberin going. It is extremely difficult to come to you each week without news. So remember, INEED YOUR HELP (495-0277)

#### **FUNNIES**

One day my housework-challenged husband decided to wash his Sweatshirt. Seconds after he stepped into the laundry room, he shouted to me, "What setting do I use on the washing machine?" "It depends," I replied. "What does it say on your shirt?" He yelled back, "University of Oklahoma." And they say blondes are dumb...

Q: How do you keep your hus-

band from reading your e-mail? A: Rename the mail folder "Instruction Manuals"

#### UPDATE ON DEBBIE

Just to let everyone know, I hear Debbie Mason is doing very well and recovering at home. Just want to let her know she is still very much in our thoughts and prayers.

#### UNTIL NEXT WEEK

Guess that is it for this week. Remember to add rain to your prayer list and remember that God loves ya. See you next week. Judy

#### Local candidates file for May elections

City, school and h-district candidate filings under way

The candidate filing periods for the May 13 city, school district and hospital district elections are under way.

Candidate filings for the City of Post, the Post and Southland school districts and the Garza County Hospital District run through March

Positions open on the Post City Council include the Ward 3 council seat currently held by Josh Whiteley; the Ward 4 seat held by James Easterling; and Harold Craig's Ward 5 seat. All council positions are twoyear terms.

In the Post Independent School District, the board positions currently held by Scott Creech, Alexa Collier and Milton Williams will be filled.

There are three open positions on the Southland Schools Board of Trustees as well. The at-large positions currently held by J.W. Basinger, Joe Patterson and Tina Taylor are slated to be filled. All seats are three-year terms.

Three positions also will be filled for the Garza County Hospital District board of directors. Open posts include Precinct 1, currently held by Edna Owen; Precinct 2, held by Ray Bagby; and the at-large seat held by Fred Howell.



Standing with the abundance of food, clothing and general supplies during last Saturday's "Shower and Pounding" at the 1st Baptist Church of Post are (left to right), Heather and Jason Blacklock with their twins Brailey and Corey. Not pictured is their son Carson. The couple was showered with gifts from the Post community following the devastating loss of their home and cars to a fire on the night of Thursday, February 9.

(Staff photo by Jackie Miner)

#### Democrat Party chairman responds... (Continued from Page 1)

for requests for March 7 primary election services.

On Sunday, Earl admitted he purposely delayed some of his duties as Democratic Party chairman late last year in an effort to plant a local candidate in the race for a state-level office.

"I neglected some of my responsibilities purposely in December," Earl said, noting that time he should have spent persuading Democrats to file as candidates for local offices was used to try to persuade Giles Dalby to file as a candidate for state representative of the 85th District.

Within days of State Rep. Pete Laney's announcement that he did not intend to seek re-election, Earl said he contacted Dalby, longtime Garza County judge, to ask him to consider running for the state post. Dalby has the Austin contacts, a broad understanding of the problems facing West Texas and a sincere desire to serve the people - all tools that would have served him well had he chosen to seek the state representative's post.

After pitching the idea to the judge, Earl said he began calling "everybody that I could" to rally support for a Dalby-for-state-representative campaign; however. Dalby did not file as a candidate for the position.

"In doing that I spent too much time working on (the possibility of a Dalby campaign for state office) instead of talking to people about running for local offices," Earl said.

Although the upcoming Democratic primary in Garza County will include no contested local races, voters will be asked to decide four state-level races and a pair of propositions, Earl said.

## Hospital district board alters employees' health coverage

Employees of the Garza County Hospital District will continue to receive health insurance coverage through Blue Cross/Blue Shield, but action taken by the districtis board last week will generate some changes in

According to district administrator Shirley Taylor, the board reviewed several plans but voted to continue its association with Blue Cross/Blue Shield. District officials did decide to change plans, which will bump deductibles up to \$500 and allow for an increase in employeesí prescription costs, but also voted to add \$30,000 worth of life insurance coverage per employee.

In other business, the board received the monthly report for the Garza County Health Clinic. According to the report, which reflects activities ending Jan. 31, a total of 845 visits and 1,448 procedures were recorded for the month. Revenues totaled \$42,963, while expenses were recorded at \$45,240, creating a deficit of \$2,277.

The board also took action to order the May 13 election. Three board positions ñ Precinct 1 (currently held by Edna Owen), Precinct 2 (Ray Bagby) and the at-large post (Fred Howell) ñ are scheduled to be filled as a result of the election.

Board members reviewed and approved by-laws governing the board and voted to reimburse Dr. Ben Edwards for the final expenses incurred in the recent redecorating effort at the clinic.

After considering financial statements and the payment of monthly bills, board members received the indigent care report for the month of January. Four new clients were added during the month, boosting the total to 14. Expenses for the month totaled \$3,510, putting the year-to-date total at \$10,273. The districtis balance in the indigent health care budget stands at \$89,726, Taylor said.

The boardis next regular meeting is set for 6:30 p.m. March 16 in the Citizens Bank Community Room.

#### **Post Notes** (Continued from Page 1)

will provide information pertaining to what is involved in being elected and serving as a local trustee. The workshop is open to the public; admission is free. For more information, contact Tanya Barnett at TASB, 512-467-0222 or 800-580-8272, ext. 6248.

> Little League taking bids for concession

Post Little League are accepting bids for the concession stand for the 2006 baseball season starting the end of April. Anyone interested should call Drew at 787-1617 or Terri at 549-0420.

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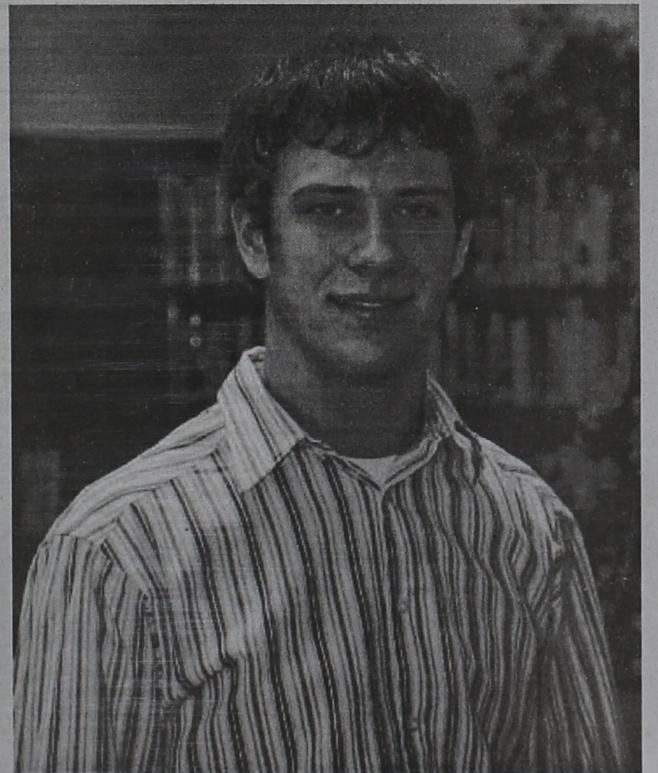
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Post High School Brass Sextet members advancing to State UIL Solo & Ensemble contest on May 29 are (left to right), Eric Reyna, vince Robles, Meagen Howard, Adam Meredith and Jonathan McGregor. The group performed theri piece at the UIL Solo & Ensemble contest on Saturday, February 11, at Lubbock Coronado High School.



Pride of Post Band members performing solos in the UIL Solo & Ensemble contest on Saturday, February 11 at Lubbock Coronado High School are (back row left to right), Joey Guerra, Colt Mason, Allen Heckaman, Travis Rasbeary and Adam Meredith (front row), Patricia Wright, Susan Littrell and Ashley Crane. Joey Guerra will advance to State UIL Solo & Ensemble contest with his solo on Monday, May 29.

## Principals, athletic director contracts extended by 6-1 vote

The contracts of several "midmanagement" employees of the Post Independent School District, including that of Athletic Director Tim James, were extended at the Feb. 12 school board meeting.

Receiving contract extensions were the athletic director, the assistant principal at the high school, the middle school principal, the elementary school principal and assistant principal, the principal at the Garza County Juvenile Detention Center and the curriculum and technology coordinators, according to Superintendent Marlin Marcum.

All contracts were approved as recommended either single or two-year extensions by a vote of 6-1, Marcum said. Board member Scott Creech cast the only dissenting vote.

The vote came late in the board meeting, which opened with about 40 members of the public on hand to express support for the athletic director.

The board also voted to offer an incentive pay plan for all professional staff "teachers and administrators "who play a role in campus" ratings handed down by the TEA.

According to the new plan, professional staff members involved in a campus" "exemplary" recognition in 2006 each will receive a \$1,000 stipend. Those involved in a campus" "recognized" rating would receive a \$500 stipend.

Marcum said those eligible to take part in the one-year incentive program must be direct participants in earning the ratings.

The TEA annually awards ratings to campuses based on TAKS performances and other accountability measures.

In other business, the board:

• Received an update on the cafeteria project. Although the district's architect was not present, Marcum reported that the Feb. 15 pre-bid conference drew six contractors; another four picked up paperwork. District officials anticipate that six to 10 bids will be submitted by the Feb. 28 deadline. If everything goes as planned, construction on the project could get under way in late March, with

a prospective finish date of sometime during the holiday break.

• Received a report from the superintendent regarding a problem with a roof cap at the arena. After extensive negotiations, the warranty holder has committed to completing the needed repairs.

• Appointed Jeff Lott and Royce Hart to continue as the school board"s representatives to the Garza County Appraisal District board of directors.

• Ordered the May 13 trustee election. Three positions "those belonging to Alexa Collier, Creech and Milton Williams "are slated to be filled. The election calendar and a list of election officials also were approved. Election officials include Melissa Flanagan, election manager; Billy Cross, election judge; Melissa Hudson, alternate election judge; and Reyes Pequeno, interpreter.

• Approved the district's application for a state waiver to allow the TAKS testing date to be moved to eliminate a conflict with UIL academic events.

Approved budget amendments

Approved a tax refund.

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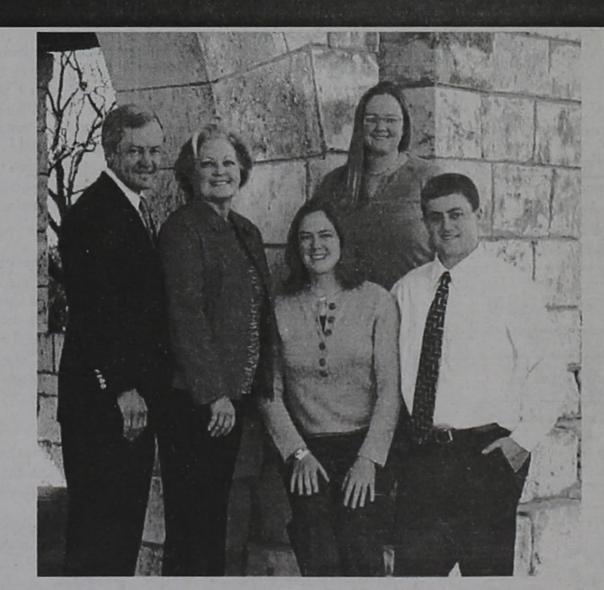
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## Obituaries

Joseph Frances Lappen Jr.

Memorial services for Joseph (Joe) Frances Lappen Jr. of Belton, formerly of Post, will be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 25, 2006, at the Family Harvest Church with Mike Holly officiating.

He died Feb. 16.

He was born Nov. 5, 1957, in Elkhorn, Wisc. Survivors include his mother, Jean Collins (Richard) of Post; one brother, Alex Lappen (Peggy) of Midland; five sisters, Frances Benham of Post, Agnes Lyons (Chris) of Slaton, Judy Rush (Rick) of

Tatum, N.M., Helen Blevins (Billy) of Odessa and Rita Mitchell (Dwain) of Lubbock; one brother-in-law, Michael Davis of Lubbock; 30 nieces and nephews; 34 great-nieces and great-nephews; and numerous aunts, uncles. cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by his father, Joseph Lappen Sr.; one sister, Beverly Davis; and three brothers-in-law, Danny Lyons, Freddie Rush and David Benham.

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will be happy to answer any questions you may have. If you have concerns at this time, call me at 495-4683.

Pd. Pol. Adv. Pd for by Jerry Windham, Rt 3, Box 197, Post, Texas 79356

#### Mildred Inez Redwine Tannehill

Services for Mildred Inez Redwine Tannehill, 97, of Abernathy were held 2 pm Monday, February 20, 2006 at First United Methodist Church in Abernathy with Rev. Lloyd Stice, pastor of First United Methodist in Post and Rev. Jerry Don Cheshire, pastor of First United Methodist in Abernathy, officiating.

Burial followed in the Center Plains Cemetery in Cotton Center under the direction of Abell Funeral Home of Abernathy.

She died February 17, 2006 at Golden Plains Nursing Home in Post,

She was born September 30, 1908 in a dugout in Lynn County, Texas. She graduated from Tahoka High School in 1927. She married Frank Elvene Tannehill on November 3, 1935 in Dickens, Texas.

She was a den mother for the Cub Scouts in the 1950's. She worked for Abernathy ISD from 1957-1963 and Pinson Pharmacy from 1964-1985. She was a membr of Order of Eastern Star, serving as Worthy Matron in

She was active in the First United Methodist Church and served as a Sunday school superintendent in the 1950's.

She is survived by two sons: Lane and his wife Margie Tannehill of Post, Texas and Mike and his wife Judy Tannehill of Marshall, Texas; 1 grandson, Tim and his wife Cheryl Tannehill of Big Spring, Texas; 2 granddaughters, Traci and her husband Kirk Stevens of Post, Texas and Mika and her husband Brian Beverly of San Antonio, Texas; 6 great grandchildren, Ryan,

Tyler and Tobyn Tannehill, Branda and Blace Stevens and Katherine Renee Beverly.

She was preceded in death by her father, James Michael Redwine in 1961, her mother, Gertrude Ellie McReynolds Redwine in 1970, her husband in 1969, a grandson, Stephen Wayne Tannehill in 1968; brothers, Alfred, James Michael, Jr. and Frank Redwine and sister, Alene Prather.

The family suggests memorials be sent to First United Methodist Church, Abernathy and Vista Care Hospice of Lubbock.

## VOTE **Charles Morris**

**County Commissioner, Precinct 2** March 7 Republican Party Primary Pd. Pol. Adv. Pd. for by Charles Morris, Rt 3 Box 85, Post, Texas 79356

## Letters to the Editor

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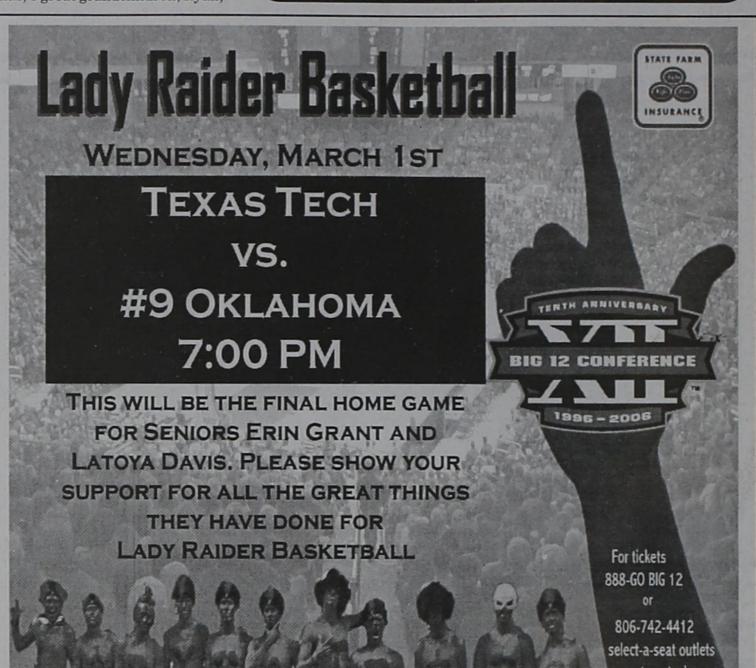
Last week there was need to call for an ambulance to UMC when my blood pressure rose extremely high. It was only minutes until my home was filled with medics to help me at 3 a.m.

This was the second time in 2 1/2 years they have been called, and each time they have been most gracious and professional in their aid. They are terrific people. They showed their care and concern all the way to UMC. I am extremely grateful to these fine professionals.

Another thank you to Deputy Joe, who when my wife started to call Allsup's (84) where I work the night shift, said, "Don't worry. I'll take care of that. I'll let them know you're in the hospital."

Thank you all again. Steve Colleps

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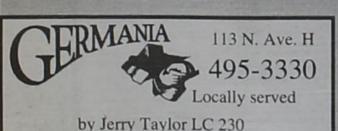
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## On God's Word

By Timothy W. Burnett

## Receive the Holy Ghost...Acts 8:15-17

A couple of weeks ago we studied Acts chapter 2 and showed that Peter's statement, "receive the gift of the holy ghost" referred to speaking in tongues. The next area that uses the word receive in the context of the holy ghost is found in Acts 8:15-17, "Who when they came down, prayed for them, that they might receive the holy ghost. For as yet he was fallen upon none of them. They were only baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus."

Phillip went to the city of Samaria and taught about Jesus Christ. The people began to listen closely to him and heed his words because of the miracles he did. Unclean devil spirits came out of many who were possessed and others were healed. The result was great joy prevailed in the city. There was a man named Simon who was a true sorcerer and corrupted the people of Samaria because he made himself out to be a great individual. For years many people gave their attention to him as if he was the great power of God."

After Phillip began to teach the truth, the people believed and were baptized (see Acts 8:12). To be baptized meant to be baptized with holy spirit. What did they believe to be baptized? They believed with their hearts that God raised Jesus from the dead (Romans 10:9-10). Look at verse 13 and see the extent of God's love, "Then Simon himself believed also, and when he was baptized, he continued with Philip and wondered, beholding the miracles and signs which were done."

Simon had to believe with his heart that God raised Jesus from the dead in order to be baptized. Isn't that just beautiful? Even Simon who walked by the power of satan was filled with holy spirit just like the first 12 recorded in Acts 2:4. Continuing with verse 18, "And when Simon saw that through laying on of the apostles hands the holy ghost was given, he offered them money. He said, 'Give me also this power, that on whomsoever I lay hands, he may receive the holy ghost."

Wait a minute! Didn't we just read that Simon was baptized in the name of Jesus Christ? He had just been filled with holy spirit. Why did he ask for "this power?" What did he see and hear that caused him to say this? There is only one possible answer. He must have seen them speak in tongues just as the first people did in Acts 2:4. He saw the power of God being manifested in speaking in tongues.

After the people were baptized, word got to the apostles in Jerusalem that Samaria had received the word of God. They came to Samaria to help them receive the holy ghost. The word "receive" in the context of the word of God came from the Greek word "dechomai" and meant to favorably receive information. It is directly related to believing with the heart that God raised Jesus from the dead. The word "receive" in the context of the holy ghost came from the Greek word "lambano" and meant to lay hold of or seize unto something with ownership.

When they received (dechomai) God's word about Jesus Christ with a favorable frame of mind they were filled with holy spirit. Then they received (lambano) the holy ghost when they started speaking in tongues. Next week we will look at Acts 10-11 and see clearly how speaking in tongues was directly related to receiving the holy ghost.

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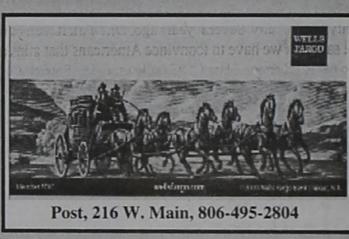
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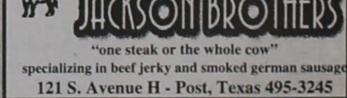
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# Modern silly talk

by Walter E. Williams

President Bush, during his State of the Union address, said, iAmerica is addicted teachers. According to the National Center for Education Statistics (2001), students to oil, which is often imported from unstable parts of the world.î I decided to check out laddictionî in Merriam-Websteris dictionary and found: lcompulsive need for and use of a habit-forming substance (as heroin, nicotine, or alcohol) characterized by tolerance and by well-defined physiological symptoms upon withdrawal; persistent compulsive use of a substance known by the user to be harmful.î

Yesteryear, before it became popular for emotions to guide one's thinking, anyone suggesting that the use of oil in large quantities amounted to an addiction would have been seen as a lunatic, but not today. Today, it's seen as caring about the environment and conservation. President Bush could have just as easily chided Americans for our egg addiction; we guzzle almost 72 billion eggs a year, exposing ourselves to chickens that might be harmful, not to mention high cholesterol.

Donit get me wrong. Iim not bashing the president for that kind of thinking; he has plenty of company. Several years ago, Dr. Mark Rosen of the Centers for Disease Control said that we have to iconvince Americans that guns are, first and foremost, a public health menace.î His CDC colleague, Dr. Patrick OíCarroll, was quoted in the Journal of the American Medical Association (Feb. 3, 1989) as saying, iThe way weire going to do this [bring about gun control] is to systematically build a case that owning firearms causes death.î

If I werenit so busy pushing back the frontiers of ignorance at George Mason University, I might take a trip to the CDCis Atlanta headquarters and give their medical staff a lecture on Kochis Postulates of Pathogenicity, a logical series of scientific steps medical practitioners use to prove that a microorganism is directly responsible for causing a particular disease. Iid let them know that bullets and guns have no infectious properties. Not having been to medical school, I could be proven all wrong about this. In that case, Iid urge the CDC scientists to work on an inoculation for gun violence.

Speaking of not bashing the president, ibashingî is another stupidly used term. During a recent stint hosting the iRush Limbaugh Show,î I commented that one component of Americais education problem was the quality of many, not all, who select education as their major have the third-lowest SAT scores of 18 majors listed. When education majors graduate and take the LSAT for admission to law school, or the GRE for admittance to graduate school, they score lower than any other major (http://ace.acadiau.ca/arts/phil/why phil/scores.htm).

After the show, letters arrived accusing me of bashing teachers. I checked out Merriam-Webster for ibashing.î The first meaning was ito strike violently.î Iíve never hit a teacher, so part of the second meaning must apply, namely, ito attack physically or verbally.î To equate a suggestion that we need higher academic competence in the teaching profession to verbally attacking, bashing, teachers reflects how far weive fallen in our thought processes.

Corruption of language is pervasive, much of it, methinks, for political purposes. When I was young, there were bums, vagabonds, tramps and hobos. Today, theyive disappeared to be replaced by homeless people. Also, during my youth, we played cowboys and Indians; now itis cowboys and Native Americans. People used to be categorized by sex; now itis gender. Among other things, that means there are gender, rather than sex, reassignment operations because, given the state of technology, we havenit learned how to change chromosomes, hence, sex change operations are impossible. Gender, however, is a grammatical term: ithe classification by which nouns and pronouns (and often accompanying modifiers) are grouped or inflected.î

John Milton predicted, iWhen language in common use in any country becomes irregular and depraved, it is followed by their ruin and degradation.î

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## Reject the 'War on Drugs'

by Jacob G. Hornberger

Conservatives never cease to fascinate me, given their professed devotion reporters. to "freedom, free enterprise, and limited government" and their ardent support of policies that violate that principle. One of the most prominent examples is the drug war. In fact, if you're ever wondering whether a person is a conservative or a libertarian, a good litmus-test question is, How do you feel about the war on drugs? The conservative will respond, "Even though I believe in freedom, free enterprise, and limited government, we've got to continue waging the war on drugs." The libertarian will respond, "End it. It is an immoral and destructive violation of the principles of freedom, free nonsense, especially given the massive Prohibition-related violent crime enterprise, and limited government."

The most recent example of conservative drug-war nonsense is an article entitled "Winning the Drug War," by Jonathan V. Last in the current issue of The Weekly Standard, one of the premier conservative publications in the country. In his article, Last cites statistics showing that drug usage among certain groups of Americans has diminished and that supplies of certain drugs have decreased.

He says that all this is evidence that the war on drugs is finally succeeding and that we just need to keep waging it for some indeterminate time into the future, when presumably U.S. officials will finally be able to declare "victory."

Of course, we've heard this type of "positive" drug-war nonsense for the past several decades, at least since Richard Nixon declared war on drugs back in the 1970s. What conservatives never tell us is how final "victory" will ultimately be measured. Like all other drug warriors for the past several decades, Last doesn't say, "The statistics are so good that the drug war has now been won and therefore we can now end it," but rather, "Victory is right around the corner. The statistics are getting better. Let's keep going."

Last failed to mention what is happening to the people of Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, where drug lords compete violently to export illegal drugs into the United States to reap the financial benefits of exorbitant black-market prices and profits that the drug war has produced. Recently drug gangs fired highpowered weapons and a grenade into the newsroom of La Manana, killing Jaime Orozco Tey, a 40-year-old father of three.

Several other journalists have been killed in retaliation for their stories on the drug war, and newspapers are now self-censoring in fear of the drug lords. There are also political killings in Nuevo Laredo arising out of the drug war, including the city's mayor after he had served the grand total of nine hours in office. According to the New York Times, "In Nuevo Laredo, the federal police say average citizens live in terror of drug dealers. Drugrelated killings have become commonplace."

The New York-based Committee to Protect Journalists says that the U.S.-

Mexico border region is now one of the world's most dangerous places for

Not surprisingly, Last did not mention these statistics in his "We're winning the drug war" article.

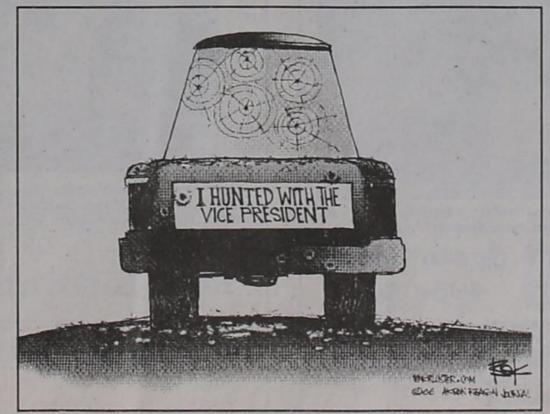
During Prohibition, there were undoubtedly people such as Last claiming, "Booze consumption is down. We're winning the war on booze. Al Capone is in jail. We've got to keep on waging the war on booze until we can declare final victory."

Fortunately, Americans living at that time finally saw through such that the war on booze had spawned. They were right to finally legalize the manufacture and sale of alcohol and treat alcohol consumption as a social issue, not a criminal-justice problem.

Both conservatives and liberals have waged their war on drugs for decades, and they have reaped nothing but drug gangs, drug lords, robberies, thefts, muggings, murders, dirty needles, overcrowded prisons, decimated families, record drug busts, government corruption, infringements on civil liberties, violations of financial privacy, massive federal spending, and, of course, ever-glowing statistics reflecting drug-war "progress."

Americans would be wise to reject, once and for all, the war on drugs, and cast drug prohibition, like booze prohibition, into the ashcan of history. Jacob Hornberger is founder and president of The Future of Freedom

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## Self-Deception about Medicare

by Sheldon Richman

Sloppy thinking can make intelligent people say stupid things. Take Christine Cassel. She has been a physician specializing in geriatric medicine for 30 years and recently published Medicare Matters, a brief against privatization of the huge, brittle government program. Interviewed recently on National Public Radio, she made this argument for public support of Medicare: It is not simply a program for the elderly, she said. "It is a family program. If Medicare didn't exist, we'd be paying those bills."

I don't know who Dr. Cassel thinks is paying the bills now, but I have a pretty good idea it's you and I and anyone else who pays taxes. I truly can't imagine what Dr. Cassel thought she was saying. It's possible she was engaging in sophistry, but she might really believe what she said. For many people, government's distribution of money is completely unrelated to its collection of money. On days they are thinking about distribution, the furthest thing from their minds is collection. It's self-deception, but it's effective.

This may be why such people can't see government for what it is: a massive transfer machine. In the end, all government can do is move money from one person to another. Whether you think that's right or wrong, let's at least agree on what it does. Government takes from A to give to B, and it uses the threat of physical force (such as incarceration) to ensure that A will surrender whatever is demanded of him. Government looks a lot less attractive when described in those terms -- which may be one reason why people such as Dr. Cassel don't want to think of it that way. It's too unpleasant.

Once we see the nature of government clearly, her fallacy becomes glaring. Not everyone has sick elderly parents. Obviously, they would not be paying additional medical bills if Medicare did not exist. Many people have sick elderly parents who would have had medical insurance had Medicare not existed. Those people also would not have had additional medical bills. True, some people have sick elderly parents who would not have had medical insurance. Does that justify Medicare? How so? Ordinarily, we think that being unable to afford something does not justify taking it from someone else. Why is this principle suspended when it comes to medical care?

A large part of Dr. Cassel's erroneous thinking lies in her failing to realize that if you change one thing, you will necessarily change others. She looks at all the elderly people on Medicare and imagines that if government is subtracted from the picture, all medical care is subtracted with it. Not so. Most people, knowing the government was not going to pay for their care, would have bought private insurance. But that's only the most obvious answer. Long before there was Medicare and Medicaid, many people of modest and low income received decent medical care through fraternal organizations. Lodges would sign contracts with doctors, in effect buying services in bulk that, throughout the year, would be distributed to members and their families at affordable prices. The system made medical care accessible while maintaining self-responsibility and cost-consciousness.

It was so successful that other doctors, fearing that competition would reduce their incomes, got their government-backed medical societies to crack down on "lodge practice." Who would argue that today's precarious method of providing medical care and insurance -- through government and bosses -- is superior?

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## **Spring Sports Calendar**

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28 Lady Lope Softball @ Abernathy, 5 p.m.

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## 'Lopes open baseball season

by Wes Burnett

Blankets and cold winter gear set the stage for Post Antelope baseball fans Tuesday evening as the team opened the 2006 season, hosting Lubbock Cooper. Results of the game were not available at press time.

"We haven't had much practice time," coach Max Katwinkel, "due to weather conditions."

Katwinkel reports 14 players on the roster, with nine seniors, four juniors and one sophomore.

"We've got a good balance of talent and dedicated players," he added, "and we're excited about this season."

Senior players are Aaron Fox, pitcher/outfielder; Kenny Garay, outfielder; Sterling Smith, pitcher/outfielder; Chris Rangel, outfielder; Colt Mason, pitcher/first baseman; Josh Lee, outfielder; Miles Gray, shortstop; Eric Reyna, pitcher/outfielder and Roby Lester, first baseman.

Junior team members are D.J. Baiza, second baseman; Blake Nichols, catcher/pitcher; Wilson Cash, outfielder/catcher and Zach Witcher, third baseman/pitcher.

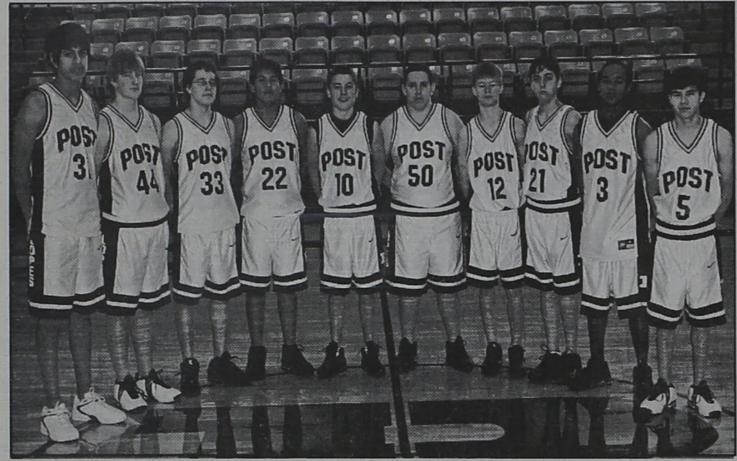
Pat Reiter, pitcher/outfielder, is the lone sophomore on the varsity

The 'Lope baseball team travels to Colorado City Friday for a 5 p.m. start, then on Tuesday (February 25) hosts Lockney for a 3 p.m. opening ceremony at Norm Cash Field.



Post Lady Lope softball pitcher Allison Blevins winds up to strike out a Borden County batter during last Wednesday's scrimmage at Borden County. In the back stands Alana Zubia ready for the catch at 3rd base. (Photo by Tabatha Cowley)

## Congratulations J.V. 'Lopes



Post Junior Varsity Antelopes (left to right) Jovanni Garay, Timothy Wilson, Chad Miller, Jesse Vera, Tyler Odom, Kamron Shumard, Jarrett Blevins, Travis Rasbeary, Roosevelt Brown and Adrian Nava.

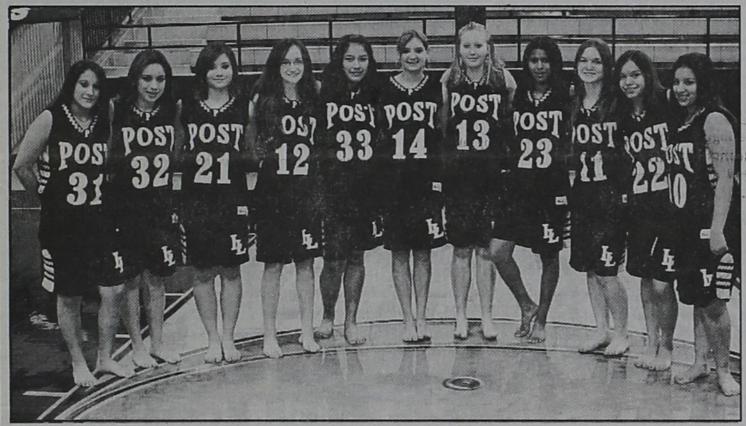
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## Congratulations Freshmen Lady Lopes



Post Lady Lope Freshmen (left to right) Cloudia Hernandez, Valerie Moreno, Gabi Gomez, Haley Lester, Shyra Perez, Whitney Williams, Kenzie Mason, Shawnda Wiley, Jackie Slaugh, Sabrina Sanchez and Gaby Vergara. Loyd F. Mashburn

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Post Lady Lope Junior Varsity (back row, left to right) Steffi Norman, Keisha Odom, Lori Jones, Brenna Postell, Claire Kirkpatrick, Lauren Gonzales, Marlee Plummer, (front) Sabrina Sanchez, Shyra Perez and Jackie Slaugh.

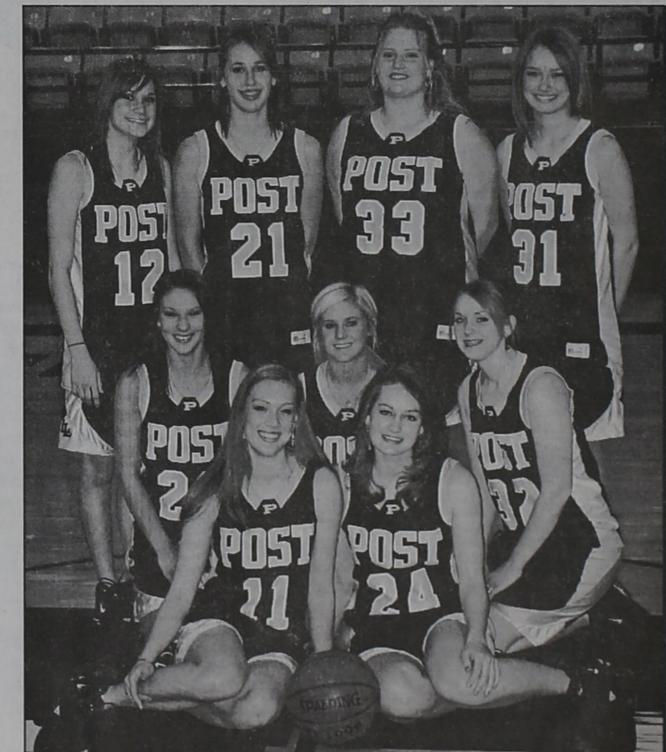
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Post Lady Lope Varsity (back row, left to right) Rachel Gray, Samantha Hoover, Kadie Vernon, Jackie Hays, (middle) Tamara Raymundo, Jeneé Lott, Kylie Easterling, (front) Laurel Tatum and Ashley Wilson.

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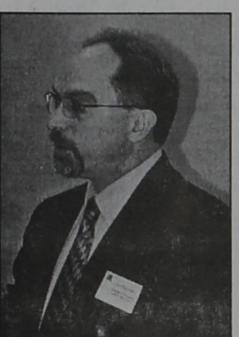
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## Candidates express ideas at Post Rotary Club sponsored forum

Economic development, water and education were the hot topics at Saturday's candidate forum conducted at the Post Community

Hosted by the Community Services Division of the Post Rotary Club, the forum drew all but two of the candidates whose names will appear on ballots in the Garza County Republican and Democratic primaries.

About 50 people attended the morning event. A brief summary of each candidate's statement follows. Candidates are listed in the order in which they addressed the crowd:

State Representative, District 85 Joe Heflin (R) - A native of West Texas, Heflin holds a law degree from Texas Tech University. For the past five years he has served as Crosby County judge. He also served two terms on the Crosbyton City Council. Heflin believes his experience as a county judge and city council member have provided him with a strong overview of the problems facing West Texas. He is a "strong believer" in public education and sees water as a "critical issue."

• Jim Landtroop (R) - Currently a State Farm agent in Plainview, Landtroop is active in community and church activities. He is running for state representative "to make a difference." Among the most important issues facing District 85 residents are education ("need a state-funded teacher pay raise) and values (he supports right-to-life causes and was a strong supporter of Proposition 2 in the recent Texas constitutional amendment election).

 Drew Mouton (D) - A Big Spring resident for the past 28 years, he holds a law degree. He and his wife both practice law in addition to operating a title and real estate company. The most important issues facing the district are economic development ("got to stop the bleeding"), public education (smaller schools should be protected), rural health care and agriculture (must be adequately represented in Austin).

District Judge, 106th District

• James Napper (D) - A native of Lamesa, he has served as county attorney for Lynn County since 1998. He has experience in handling cases in Garza County and has experience in prosecuting a variety of cases. In studying the recent handling of the district judgeís office, has seen a "substantial" increase in the officeís operating costs - about a 90 percent increase. "I can control those costs,"

 Carter Schildknecht (R) - Appointed district judge in 2001 by the governor, after taking office she realized a backlog of more than 2,000 cases existed because no organized caseload system was in place. To increase the officeis efficiency and effectiveness, additional staff members were hired, and more revenues have been required to satisfy the Texas Fair Defense Act requirements. Was elected to a full term in 2002.

County Judge

• Lee Norman (R) - A product of Post schools, he is a Rotarian who served as a Garza County commissioner for 12 years. The primary issues affecting Garza County residents include water, development and working to ensure efficiency within the county. Norman emphasized his support of the county's partnerships with other entities to provide local programs and stressed the importance of character in public service.

• Phil Mathews (R) - A PHS graduate, he is a veteran of the U.S. Air Force, having served in Vietnam. He logged more than 28 years as a state law enforcement officer, including 19 years with the Highway Patrol (six years in Post). He believes citizens have a right and a duty "to question our government." Is interested in looking at cutting spending, seeing that citizens are better informed and creating "an atmosphere of trust."

County Commissioner, Precinct 2

• Charles Morris (R) - A farmer, Morris said he believes it is important for members of the Commissioners Court to "get to know people." He also sees a need to strive for "efficient spending" to keep taxes low - to "cut corners and use a common sense approach." Morris is a native of the county and a PHS graduate. He resides in Close City and is a former Post ISD trustee. He has served on several ag-related boards and committees.

County Commissioner, Precinct 4 Mike Sanchez (D) - Sanchez has a long history of employment with both Garza County and the City of Post. He has served as county commissioner for the past seven years. He first began working with Garza County in 1947. In 1967 he began his employment with the city. He served as acting city manager for 1 1/2 years and

holds numerous licenses. He said he has accomplished much while on the court, but "still more needs to be done."

 Cliff Kirkpatrick (R) - A third-generation rancher, Kirkpatrick said he tends to make decisions with "quite a bit of thought" and "fact-finding." He said he believes this practice will serve him well if elected to the Garza County Commissioners Court. He presently serves on the board of directors of a multi-state rodeo association. County Clerk

• Jim Plummer (R) - Plummer, who is running unopposed, focused his comments primarily on the new voting machines the county will introduce in the upcoming primary elections. He fielded several questions about the machines and the faux election conducted as part of the candidate forum.

**County Treasurer** 

• Fred Howell (R) - A native of Kermit, he holds bacheloris and masteris degrees and has experience in budgeting, performance reporting and analysis, long-range planning and auditing. After comparing the Garza County budget to those of counties of similar sizes, he determined the county spends \$1.4 million more per year than the average. An analysis of these differences should be completed and long-range planning should be implemented.

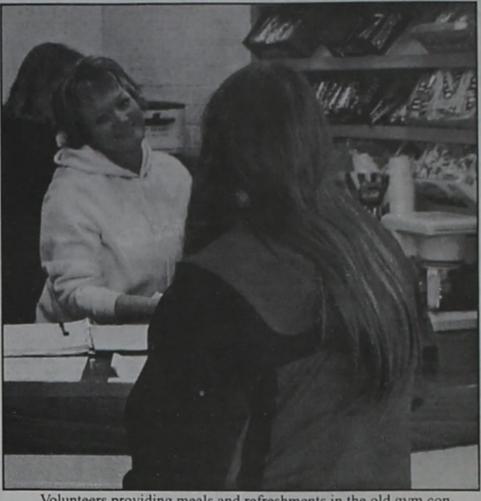
• Ruth Ann Young (D) - She has served as county treasurer for the past 15 years. Noted that "every penny" of the county's money is in interest-bearing accounts, with \$850,000 in CDs, money market accounts or investment pools. The money is invested in accordance with the Public Funds Investment Policy, which stresses "safety, liquidity and yield." Young cited information that indicates that of Texasí 254 counties, 166 have higher tax rates than Garza

Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2

 Suzi Clary (R) - She has studied basic finance and administration and completed some legal classes. She grew up in Sudan, the daughter of business owners and farmers, so she "knows the importance of sound budgeting." As office assistant for the county attorney for almost six years, she has obtained "a good legal background." Clary has served on the chamber board and president of the women's chamber organization.

• Gordon Terry (R) - A 28-year resident of Post, has owned and operated a tire business and, more recently, has been employed with the local prison. Both jobs, he said, has given him experience in "working with people from all ends of the spectrum." He wants to "give back to the community and make a positive difference in our county." If elected, he will observe an open-door policy and emphasize fairness.

Rotarian Les Acker, who served as primary moderator for the event, said the forum was the first such undertaking by the organizationis Community Services Division. The event was organized to give local voters the opportunity to meet and hear the candidates and learn more about them so that "everyone can be more informed."



Volunteers providing meals and refreshments in the old gym concession stand for students participating in last Saturday's Bold Gold Classic UIL meet are Michele Rasbeary (back) and Donna Jones

Republican Party Primary Ballot (Names listed in ballot order)

U.S. Senate: Kay Bailey Hutchison U.S. Rep., District 19: Randy Neugebauer Governor: Rick Perry, Rhett R. Smith, Star Locke, Larry Kilgore Lt. Governor: Tom Kelly, David Dewhurst Attorney General: Greg Abbott Comptroller of Public Accounts: Susan Combs Commissioner of General Land Office: Jerry Patterson Commissioner of Agriculture: Todd Staples Railroad Commissioner: Buck Werner, Elizabeth Ames Jones Chief Justice, Supreme Court, Unexpired Term: Wallace Jefferson Justice, Supreme Court, Place 2: Don Willett, Steve Smith Justice, Supreme Court, Place 4: David M. Medina Justice, Supreme Court, Place 6: Nathan Hecht Justice, Supreme Court, Place 8, Unexpired Term: Phil Johnson Presiding Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals: Sharon Keller, Tom Price Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 7: Barbara Parker Hervey Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 8: Charles Holcomb, Robert W. Francis, Terry

Member, State Board of Education, District 15: Bob Craig State Representative, District 85: Jim Landtroop, Gerald (Jerry) Lee Middleton, Drew

Chief Justice, 7th Court of Appeals District, Unexpired Term: Brian Quinn Justice, 7th Court of Appeals District, Place 2: Mackey K. Hancock Justice, 7th Court of Appeals District, Place 3: Walt Weaver, Pat Pirtle District Judge, 106th Judicial District: Carter T. Schildknecht County Judge: Phil Mathews, Lee Norman County Commissioner, Precinct 2: Charles Morris County Commissioner, Precinct 4: Cliff Kirkpatrick District and County Clerk: Jim Plummer County Treasurer: Fred Howell Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1: Gordon Terry, Suzi Clary County Chairman: Irene Howell **Ballot Initiatives:** 

· Photo ID: The Texas Legislature should enact legislation requiring that voters provide valid photo identification in order to cast a ballot in any and all elections conducted in • Private Property Protection: The Texas Legislature should place on the next

constitutional amendment election ballot a proposition to protect private property from being taken for economic purposes. • Spending Cap: Every government body in Texas should be required to limit any annual increase in spending to the combined increase of population and inflation, except for additional spending authorized by a vote of the people or for official state of

emergencies declared by the federal or state government. Appraisal Cap: In order to address the inequity of homeowner's property taxes increasing at a rate far above the rate of inflation, the current 10 percent cap on the rate of increase of appraised value for all homesteads shall be reduced to 5 percent or less.

**Democratic Party Primary Ballot** 

(Names listed in ballot order) U.S. Senate: Barbara Ann Radnofsky, Gene Kelly, Darrel Reece Hunter U.S. Representative, District 19: Robert Ricketts Governor: Rashad Jafer, Bob Gammage, Chris Bell

Lt. Governor: Benjamin Z. Grant, Adrian De Leon, Maria Luisa Alvarado Attorney General: David Van Os Comptroller of Public Accounts, Fred Head Commissioner of General Land Office: VaLinda Hathcox Commissioner of Agriculture: Hank Gilbert, Koecadee Melton Jr. Railroad Commissioner: Dale Henry Justice, Supreme Court, Place 2: William E. "Bill" Moody Presiding Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals: J.R. Molina State Representative, District 85: Joe Heflin District Judge, 106th Judicial District: James J. Napper County Commissioner, Precinct 2: Jerry Windham County Commissioner, Precinct 4: Mike Sanchez Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2: Dee C. Justice

County Treasurer: Ruth Ann Young

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3 p.m.

7 p.m.

County Chairman: Lewis Earl Ballot Initiatives: · 1: Do you support lifting millions of families above the national poverty line by increasing the state minimum wage above its current level of \$5.15 per hour? 2: Do you support the restoration of Texans' full rights to a trial by jury in civil cases?

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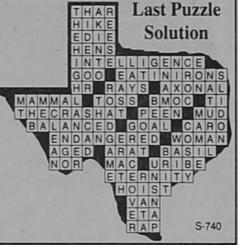
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## Yesteryears

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10 Years Ago February 22, 1996

Jill Stelzer was crowned this year's PHS Sweetheart Friday night. First runnerup was Natalie Pollard and second runner-up went to Aleida Martin.

Post ISD principals Joe Giddens, high school; Marita Jackson, middle school; and Dan Rankin, elementary school, were awarded contract extensions following a closed session at the regular board meeting.

"Salute to 80 Years of Vaudeville," a nostalgic tribute to that early form of entertainment, will open Friday at the Garza Theatre.

Post High School has qualified two students for the 1996 University Intercholastic League State Cross-Examinimation Meet to be held in Austin. Qualifiers include the team of Jeff Redman and Jill Stelzer.

20 Years Ago February 26, 1986

Pru Basquez and Tom Middleton have both filed for reelection to the Post ISD board of trustees. Larry Waldrip, David Murphy and Jack Alexander tossed their hats into the city council race, facing incumbents Charles Wallace, Weaver McKamie and Lewis Holly. Ronny Ammons and David Tyler remain the only candidates filing for the Garza Memorial Hospital board.

The Post City Council Monday approved the recommendation of the Library Advisory Board to name Jeanette Bell as librarian. Mrs. Bell fills the vacancy created by the March 31 retirement of Pee Wee Pierce.

The Caprock Community Theater has announced the cast for its first production, Robert E. McEnroe's "The Silver Whistle." On the cast are Ronnie Gradin, Preston Poole, Anne Leake, Marie Waters, Pat Bilbo, Jack Alexander, Jennifer Miller, Jack King, Debbie Chambless and David Murphy.

Southside Barber Shop is now open at Ronnie Morris was honored with a party a new location. Ronnie Metsgar will be open Tuesday-Saturday at 110 N. Broadway, (across from United.)

> 30 Years Ago February 26, 1976

There are no contests certain yet for any of the local April elections, but at least both the city and school district now have at least one candidate filed for each position. Only the Garza Memorial Hospital district election is still without candidates. Three filing in the last seven days have "perked up" the city race a bit. Dr. William C. Wilson, local physician, and Jim Jackson, local meat packer, have both filed for reelection. The third city candidate is Benny Valdez. The three school trustee candidates include Syd Wyatt, Earl Chapamn and Robert

Macy. Several members of the Post Antelope Band participated in the UIL Solo and Ensemble contest at Monterey High school in Lubbock. A rumpete trio, made up of Mike Hair, Ray Martinez and William Halford, received a First Division rating.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Adams of Tahoka announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jo Anna, to Jay Tol Thomas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Thomas of Post.

40 Years Ago

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50 Years Ago February 23, 1956

Committeemen representing the towns of Post, Spur and Crosbyton organized the White River Municipal Authority at a meeting here Saturday in the City Hall. Tom Bouchier of Post was elected chairman of the group.

Post's Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow has been named. Sonja Childs has earned through competitive examination the honor of representing Post High School in statewide judging. Miss Cora Baker is in the spotlight this week having worked at the Postex Mill for 35 years, longer than any other employee. Being the oldest child in her family, she went to work at the mill when she was 16 to help her mother support the family.

on his 17th birthday, Feb. 17, in the Lubbock home of his aunt, Mrs. Paul Hedrick. Refreshments were served to Jacky Carpenter, Mary McCrary, Troy Cartmill, Barbara Shytles, Jerry Don McCampbell, Dottie Harrison, Glenn Huntley, Orabeth Maxey, Don Beard, Marcia Dean Holland, Jan Thomas, Sharon Woods, Allane Norris, Jan Haynie Clydine Rutherford, Corky Ammons, James Williams, Ray Gary and Charles Morris.

60 Years Ago February 21, 1946

An evening of grand entertainment is promised to everyone when "Enter Mr. Patricia" is presented by the Senior Class in the Post High scool auditorium. Selected for the play were as follows: Louis Mills, Doris Cross, Nora Blacklock, Bill Fumagalli, Ganell Babb, Joy Smith, Wayne Hundley, Tommie Chandler, Alarah Pierce, Pat Morrow, A. C. Thomas, Joy Shepherd, Louella Gilmore, Paul Duren, Jimmy Bird and Hubert Masters.

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February 24, 1966

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Post ISD February 27- Breakfast - Waffles, butter&syrup, sausage link, fruit, milk. Lunch - Popcorn chicken, smiley fries,

A meeting has been scheduled for to-

salad, pears, milk. February 28 - Breakfast - Donut, sausage,

Lunch - Stew, grilled cheese, fried okra, pears, milk. March 1 - Breakfast - Oatmeal, bacon,

toast, fruit, milk. Lunch - Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes/gravy, english peas, hot rolls, pudding, milk.

March 2 - Breakfast - Cowboy bread, sausage link, fruit, milk. Lunch -Tamales, pinto beans, salad, juice

March 3 - Cereal, toast, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch - Cheese burger, salad, french fries,

apple, milk. Southland ISD February 27- Breakfast - Scramble eggs,

sausage, toast, juice, milk Lunch - HB steak/gravy, blackeyed peas, oven fries, rolls, peach cobbler, milk. February 28 - Breakfast - Cinnamon roll, yogurt, juice,, milk.

green beans, rolls, jello, milk. March 1 - Breakfast - Cereal, graham crackers, apple juice, milk.

Lunch -Beef tips&rice, cream potatoes,

Lunch - Enchilidas, rice, beans, salad, orange, cookie, milk. March 2 - Breakfast - Biscuit & gravy,

bacon, juice, milk. Lunch - Steak fingers/gravy, macaroni & cheese, cream potatoes, rolls, cake, apple,

March 3 - Breakfast - Muffin, banana, cereal, graham cracker, juice, milk. Lunch - BBQ sandwich, potato salad, corn on cob, ice cream, milk.

TRAILBLAZERS

February 27 - Chopped BBQ beef, oven potatoes, fried zucchini, wheat rolls, cobbler. February 28 - Brisket, oven potatoes, greens, macaroni salad, biscuits, cake.

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AUCTION TUESDAY, FEB. 28....10:00 a.m.

LOCATION: O'Donnell, TX (Lynn Co.) U.S. 87 and South Loop 76 (Allsups 7-11 Store), Go 1.5 Miles South on Loop 76 to JD House and continue south on black top road.

MRS. QUAYDENE CASWELL & OTHERS...OWNERS

TRACTORS / EQUIPMENT: '83 JD 4650, '82 JD 4640, Approx. 50+ Farm Equipment including 7300 JD Maxi Emerge Planter, 7100 JD Planter, JD Lister (Good), Box Scraper (Like New), 19 r. Sandfighter (Good), V-Ripper Plow (Good), Chisels, Wheat Drills, Springtooths, Tandem Disc, and much more

PLUS: Spray Equipment, 9 Various Tanks, 10 Trailers, Miller Welder, and more. CONTACT: Quality Auctioneers (806) 866-4646. James Fullwood (806) 787-8101, Charles Macha, Auctioneer #6911 (806) 893-7151.

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AUCTION THURSDAY, MARCH 2....10:00 A.M.

LOCATION: Levelland, TX (Hockley Co.) From Int. of FR 300 and 385, Go south 5 miles on 385 (Brownfield Hwy) 1 miles west of FR 1585 and south 1.5 miles on Black Gold Road.

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TRACTORS / HARVEST: '95 JD 8300 MFWD, '85 JD 4650 MFWD, '81 JD 4440. '61 JD 4010, '61 JD 4010, 3 Sets Duals, Gleaner G Combine, 4-JD #283 Strippers, Caldwell Boll buggy, Grain Tractor Mount Semi-Truck Loading Rig, JD #1210 Grain

Kart EOUIPMENT: 50+ Pieces of Assorted Farm Equipment including JD #1700 Max Emerge Planter (Good), Buster Planters, Wheat Drill, Listers, Rev. Breaking Plows, Red Ball Hooded Sprayer, Wylie Hooded Sprayer, Miller Off-Set Disc, JD #71 Flex Planter Units, Hyd. Rodweeder, Lilliston Rolling Cult, Kent Springtooth, 60 Ft. Wylie Sprayer w/300 gal, tank and more

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EIGHTH GRADE GIRLS WIN TOP TROPHY

Post a 8th grade girls show the first place trophy they won in the junior high basketball tournament. From left to right arer Ginny Edwards, Kay Altman Glenda Bilberry, Pam-Petty, Nancy Hart, Shoron Windham, Jan Wilks, Janet

Cheshire, Sandy Dixon, Barrie Gilmore, Karon Windham, Barbara Lucas Debra Hays, Nina Young Parts Feel, Nancy Norman, Beth Feel, Judy Lotton, Kay Hinton, Dairy Smith and Susan Valdez

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night at the city auditorium to organize **VOTING IN AMERICA...** a Veterans of Foreign Wars post here, YOUR VOTE IS A SECRET according to information given the Post **NO ONE KNOWS HOW YOU VOTE** 

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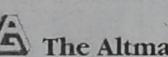
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Providing the Post area with Pharmaceutical services are the staff at Hometown Pharmacy (left to right), Regena Isbell, Terry Stafford, Alisa Peters (owner) and Aaron Borden.

## Hometown Pharmacy ensures medical needs for local customers

Hometown Pharmacy is working hard to ensure that the medical needs of Post and Garza County residents can be met right here at home.

Since taking over the business almost two years ago, its owners, Lisa and Lennis Peters, and son, Aaron Borden, have expanded Hometown Pharmacy to include not only prescriptions and items traditionally found in pharmacies, but also medical equipment and supplies – test strips, wheelchairs, glucometers and breathing equipment, for example – that previously had to be purchased in Lubbock or another out-of-town location.

"We're trying to be more diversified and meet the needs that are here," said Lisa Peters, the pharmacist. "We're new at it and there's a little bit of a learning process. I feel like people are going to give us an opportunity to help them out."

Hometown Pharmacy recently became a Durable Medical Equipment Provider, which means the business can directly bill Medicare for items such as lift chairs, oxygen concentrators, hospital beds and breathing machines.

beds and breathing machines. "Our customers no longer have to leave town or wait for assistance,"

The pharmacy also is a provider of diabetic shoes in varying styles and widths – from work boots to tennis shoes – in both men's and women's sizes. Shoes are special-ordered to safely fit the diabetic's feet; delivery takes about a week.

In addition to expanding its stock to better serve the community's health needs, Hometown Pharmacy also prides itself on accepting all health plans, including the new Medicare Part D enrollment federal drug plan.

Aaron Borden, the pharmacy's in-house "Medicare expert," works directly with customers, helping senior citizens with their prescriptions. "He helps them decipher all of that," Lisa Peters said. Once Hometown Pharmacy has a customer's information, the business can bill Medicare and the customer's supplemental provider directly, requiring no money up front, she said.

Hometown Pharmacy, located at 132 W. Main, is open from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. The pharmacist is on call on weekends.

To utilize Hometown Pharmacy's services or for more information, call 495-2535.



Serving as Co-Managers at Rick & Carolyn's Burgers & Fries are (left to right) Shelly Duran and Debra Puckett.

## Rick & Carolyn's Burgers & Fries specializes in quality food, service

Quality food, great service and a menu that has something for everyone – that's what you'll find at Rick & Carolyn's Burgers & Fries.

For almost four years, Rick and Carolyn Daffron have served up delicious meals and tempting treats at their 601 N. Broadway location in Post. They offer "a varied menu," which features a variety of fresh-meat hamburgers and specialty sandwiches, mouth-watering appetizers, creamy ice cream concoctions, daily specials and fried catfish – all-you-can-eat or by the plate – on Fridays.

How about a grilled chicken sandwich? A steak sandwich. A fajita chicken sandwich or salad. Or maybe one of the restaurant's newest specialty sandwich: the Grilled Chipotle Jack Burger: a half-pound patty, roasted garlic, grilled tomato and onion, chipotle sauce and two slices of pepperjack cheese served on sour-dough bread.

Or try something from the restaurant's appetizer selection: onion rings, cheese sticks, wild chili jalapeno poppers, fried mixed veggies or the new bottle caps and onion scoops (sliced, beer-battered jalapeños and beer-battered onion petals deep-fried to a golden brown).

"We're always developing new items," Rick Daffron said.

It's what the Daffrons of Abilene have been doing since opening their first Rick & Carolyn's in May 1992. And it's earned them success and a lot of attention.

The Daffrons operate six of the restaurants, including four in Abilene,

one in Sweetwater and the Post location. They also work with their daughter and son-in-law with three more restaurants, all while operating three convenience stores.

Despite the hectic pace, Rick & Carolyn's has made its mark. For the

past 11 years, the restaurant has been recognized as having the Best Burger in the Big Country in an Abilene Reporter-News readers' survey.

"We feel pretty good about that," Rick Daffron said. "We never sacrifice quality for speed. We're not fast food. We don't claim to be – we never

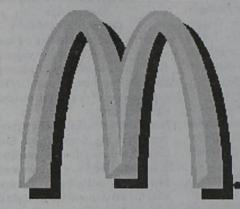
Open from 10:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily, Rick & Carolyn's in Post offers the same quality as its sister stores in the Big Country. Need to check it out for yourself? Call 495-0546 for call-in orders to be picked up at the restaurant's drive-through. Or drop in for your next meal. You'll be glad you did.

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