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## Norman, Terry win contested Republican Party races

A historic voter turnout for a Garza County Republican Party primary election was recorded Tuesday, with County Judge candidate Lee Norman capturing 632 votes, compared to 270 for Phil Mathews. The unofficial tally showed Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 candidate Gordon Terry with 449 votes and Suzi Clary garnered 119.

Detailed totals of the election will be published in the March 16 edition of The Post Dispatch.

### High School principal hired

A Sonora man was tapped to take over the position of Post High School principal Tuesday.

John D. Berry, who currently serves as principal of Sonora Middle School, earned approval from the Post Independent School District board of trustees to take over the high school spot, according to reports.

Berry brings 14 years of experience to the position.

The new principal will replace Johnny McGregor, who announced in December his plans to retire.

The new principal's contract is expected to begin July 1, according to earlier reports.

## Candidates filing for May elections

Several have filed for candidacy in the May 13 city and school district elections, but no candidates have stepped forward to serve on the Garza County Hospital District board of directors.

The filing deadline is Monday.

Contested races have developed in two of the three open positions on the Post City Council. Two candidates - Mo Herridge and incumbent Josh Whiteley - have filed for the Ward 3 council seat, while Rodney Tidwell and incumbent Harold Craig will vie for the Ward 5 position, according to a report Monday from City Hall. James Easterling has filed as a candidate for the Ward 4 seat he currently holds.

Three candidates for the Post Independent School District board of trustees had filed as of Monday. Mike Holly and incumbents Scott Creech and Alexa Collier have filed, according to reports. Three positions - those held by Creech, Collier and Milton Williams - will be filled in the election.

All three incumbents - J.W. Basinger, Joe Patterson and Tina Taylor - have filed for re-election to their posts on the Southland schools board of trustees as of Monday, according to a report from school officials.

No filings have been received for the three open positions on the Garza County Hospital District board of directors, hospital district administrator Shirley Taylor said Monday morning. 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.

## Post City Celebration lays out courthouse beautification

by Sheri Lewis

The Garza County courthouse could have a little more curb appeal next year if plans devised by the Post City Celebrations Inc. Project materialize.

Last week, Garza County commissioners gave the plans the go-ahead, but there's still much to do before the landscaping around the courthouse's front lawn is revitalized.

According to Thressa Harp, a member of the Post City Centennial Committee that operates under Post City Celebrations, the project may have a green light from the county, but funding has yet to be secured. The project will not require any input of tax dollars from the county.

"There is no funding yet," she said. "We hope to secure funding through a number of sources, mostly private."

Plans call for the renovation of the exterior east side of the courthouse to be updated, with newly planted evergreens, drip irrigation, landscape lighting, fresh concrete and park benches and areas filled with inscribed pavers.

The pavers portion of the project will serve as a fundraising effort for the Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau, Harp said. Pavers that were previously pulled from local streets will be cleaned up and inscribed - for a fee.

"They'll be sold to individuals in the City of Post and Garza County or to veterans," Harp said. "Then they'll be inscribed with the name or information

requested and installed."

The pavers will be installed in an area to be marked: Citizens of Post and Garza County Who Made C.W. Post's Dream a Reality.

Although no funding has yet been secured, Harp said measurements pertaining to the project were taken last week to assist project coordinators in securing cost estimates.

Plans call for the project to be completed prior to the June 2007 centennial celebration.

"We'd like to have it in place to take advantage of a growing season, but there's a lot of work to be done," Harp said. "We're hoping that the really updated features will showcase the courthouse from the intersection of 84 and 380. We want people to be able to look down the street and want to go down there."

Wyvonne Kennedy will head up the pavers portion of the project. Harp said. The first pavers probably will be available at the Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau banquet on Saturday.

Bo Jackson will serve as project manager, handling design, estimates and construction. Assisting him will be Lee Norman.

Anyone interested in contributing to the courthouse beautification project should contact Linda Puckett at 495-2207 or Harp at 495-2467.

## Post Notes

### Garza County U&FWCD Election notice

Garza County Underground and Fresh Water Conservation District will hold an election for Board of Directors positions: Precinct 2, Precinct 4 and At-Large on May 13. Incumbents are Precinct 2, Dicky Wallace, Precinct 4, John Boren, and At-Large, Ronald Thuett. The deadline for candidate filing is no later than 5 p.m. March 13 at the Water District office at the Garza County Courthouse.

### Ladies Auxiliary meeting set Monday

Ladies Auxiliary Post 6797 will meet Monday, March 13 at 6 p.m. at the post on the Clairmont highway. Any member needing a ride call Janet 495-2026 on Monday, before 5:30 and someone will be glad to pick you up.

### Post 6797 to meet March 13

Post 6797 men will meet on Monday, March 13 at 7 p.m. at the post on the Clairmont highway. All members are urged to attend.

### Little Dribbler tryouts Saturday

Little Dribbler tryouts will held on Saturday, March 11 at the old high school gym: Girls, 1st-2nd grade, 9-10:30 a.m.; 3rd-4th grade, 10:30-12 noon and 5th-6th grade, 12 noon-1 p.m. The boys should meet at the jr. high gym: 3rd-4th grade, 10:30 a.m.-12 noon; 5th-6th grade, 12 noon-1 p.m. You can still register at the tryout.

### Graham Ole Opry March 18

The second quarterly Graham Ole Opry will be held Saturday, March 18 at 6:30 p.m. at the Graham Community Center. A wide variety of talent will perform until 10 p.m. A chili supper will be served for donations. All proceeds go to the Graham Community Center repair fund. Plan now to attend for an evening of old fashioned fun.

### Baptist selling tamales

First Baptist Church Youth Department are taking orders for tamales. All money raised will be applied to the youth mission trip in June to New York City. \$6 per dozen pre-paid orders or \$7 per dozen on day of pick up. All orders ready for pick up March 18. Place orders at 495-1222, ask for Rebecca.

### Baseball and softball sign ups

Post Little League will be registering for 2006 baseball season March 20-24 at the Elementary school gym from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. and Wednesday, March 22 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. Little League tryouts will be April 1 beginning at 10 a.m. Also, coaches sign up and meeting will be held Saturday, March 25 at 1 p.m. Please call Drew 787-1617 or Terri 549-0420 with any questions.

### Sale to benefit drug-free party

A bake sale will be held on Tuesday, March 21 during the Post JV and Varsity baseball games from 5-8 p.m. Monday raised will go towards Post High School 2006 Drug-Free After Prom Party. SAM's Club will match the money raised! This is an important event for our high school kids. Please come and donate what you can and get something yummy in return. If you have any questions, please contact Meg Kattwinkel or Dianne James at 495-2770.

### Youth camp rummage sale

The 5th Annual White River Youth Camp Rummage Sale will be March 17-18 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Mad Dads building. Proceeds will benefit White River Youth Camp and provide scholarship for those who could not otherwise afford to attend. Thousands of items will be available for sale including furniture, clothing, toys, household items, and much more. For further information you may contact Salli Bush at 495-2132 or 773-4503.

### 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 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.

### Memorial fund set up Gonzales brothers

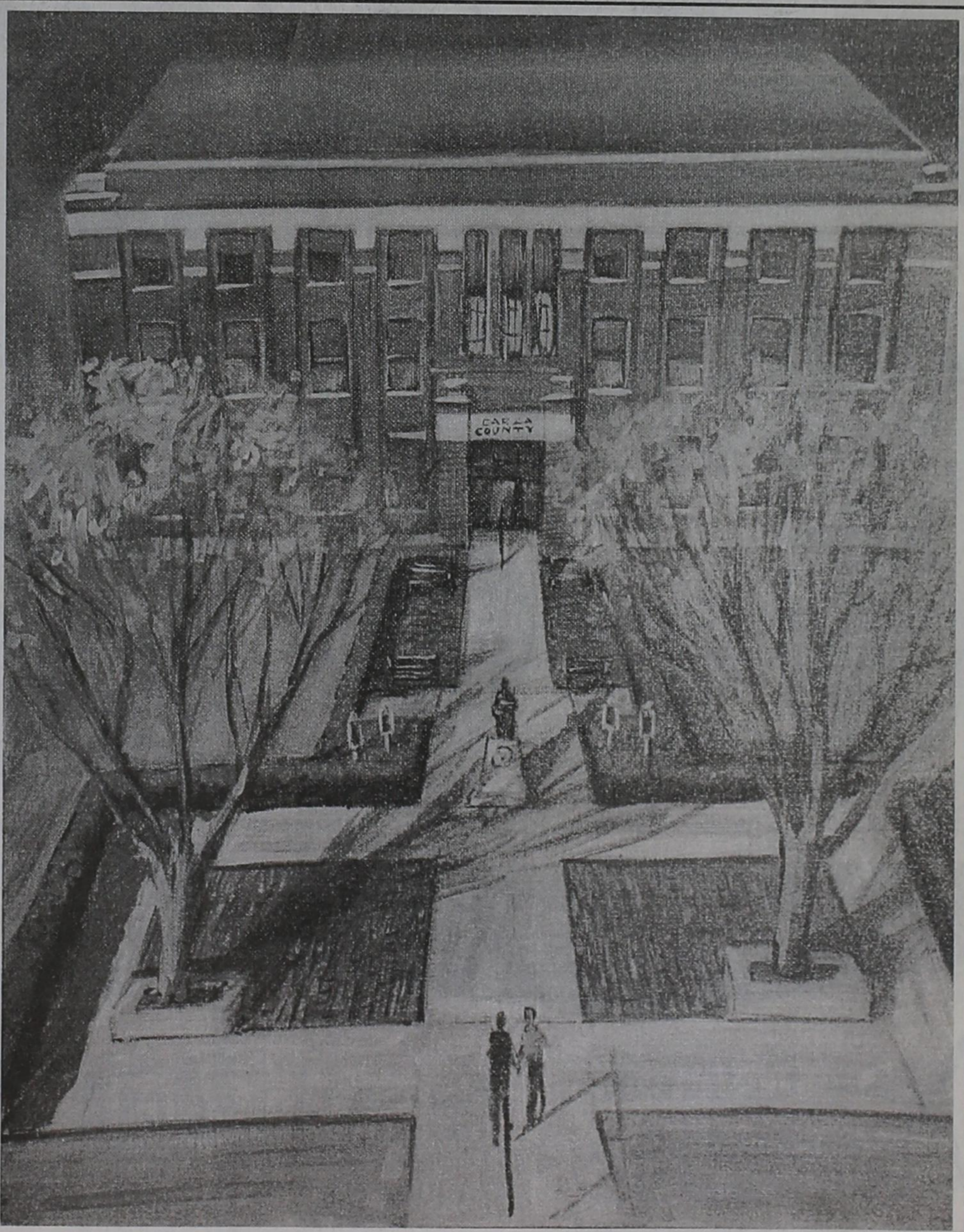
A memorial fund for funeral expenses has been set up for Mikey and Patrick Gonzales at Citizens Bank in memory of Jackie Gonzales. All donations are greatly appreciated.

### Fish fry set for Friday

Holy Cross Church will hold a fish fry on Friday, March 10 from 5-7 p.m. Plates will include fish, potato salad, beans, hush puppies, trimmings & tea. \$6.50 each.

### New Centennial Ornament available

The Women's Division of the Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau has just received the First Edition of the new centennial ornament. The ornament, created by Nelda Laney, may be purchased at Plum Crazy, 495-0888 or the Garza County Historical Museum, Linda Puckett at 495-2207.



An artist's rendition of Post City Celebration Committee proposal for beautification of the courthouse grounds in preparation for the Garza County and Post City Centennial in June 2007

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## Judy's Jabberin'

by Judy Ballentine Bush

Hello,  
Well, here we are for one more week. I am fighting the urge to go outside and plant flowers! These past few days have been beautiful and I am ready to get out in the yard.

But--- my mother tells me that we are still going to have more cold weather, maybe even snow and I know she is probably right.

Jane's (my sis) plum trees are blooming and every single time they do that this early we have a hard freeze. So, don't put your winter clothes up yet.

### THANKS

Just wanted to say thanks to everyone that has called or dropped by to ask about Rick after his surgery.

He is doing fine, one arm and all. It was so nice of everyone to think of us.

### SYMPATHIES

I wanted to send my sympathies and prayers to Mikey and Patrick Gonzales. Jackie was a wonderful friend and this is just so sad for everyone.

Both of you boys are fine young men and had wonderful parents, both whom I considered to be my good friends. Just know that our prayers and thoughts are with you.

### HAPPY LATE BIRTHDAY

I really goofed last week and left my precious granddaughters birthday out of my column. So even though it's late, happy birthday Kaylyn and we love you.

### DOG STORY

Dog Story A guy is driving around and he sees a sign in front of a house: "Talking Dog For Sale." He rings the bell and the owner tells him the dog is in the backyard. The guy goes into the backyard and sees a Labrador retriever sitting there. "You talk?" he asks. "Yep," the Lab replies. "So, what's your story?" The Lab looks up and says, "Well, I discovered that I could talk when I was pretty young. I wanted to help the government, so I told the CIA about my gift, and in no time at all they had me jetting from country to country, sitting in rooms with spies and world leaders, because no one figured a dog would be eavesdropping. I was one of their most valuable spies for eight years running." "But the jetting around really tired me out, and I knew I wasn't getting any younger so I decided to settle down. I signed up for a job at the airport to do some undercover security wandering near suspicious characters and listening in." "I uncovered some incredible dealings and was awarded a batch of medals. I got married, had a mess of puppies and now I'm just retired." The guy is amazed. He goes back in and asks the owner what he wants for the dog. "Ten dollars," the guy says. "Ten dollars!?! This dog is amazing. Why on earth are you selling him so cheap?" "Because he's a liar. He never did any of

that stuff."

### UNTIL NEXT WEEK

Guess that is it for this week. God bless each of you and see you next week.

Judy



Mickey McGregor of Post was the winner of \$100 at Old Mill Trade Days during the Cash Giveaway at the March event. The Cash Giveaway will continue at OMTD at the next event, April 7-9. Shoppers who present receipts from Trade Days vendors totaling \$50 or more are allowed to draw for money from \$1 to \$100, free passes to OMTD or coupons from vendors.

### National Weather Service Monthly Summary March 7, 2006

#### Post:

Average high - 75.7

Average low - 49

Monthly average temp - 62.3

Normal temp - 53.3

Monthly total precip - 0"

Normal precip - 0.76"

Year-to-date precip - 0"

Lake Alan Henry

Average high - 76.8

Average low - 48.3

Monthly average temp - 62.6

Normal temp - 53.4

Monthly total precip - 0"

Normal precip - 1.00"

Year-to-date precip - 0.09"

Source:

Monthly Climate Summaries  
for Area Cities,  
National Weather Service,  
Lubbock



Marita Jackson, who has served 20 years as secretary/treasurer of the City of Post-Garza County Airport Board, has announced her retirement. Board members have expressed their deep appreciation to her for her "hard work and service."

## Birth



### Kendall Erin Swaffar

Brad, Mikki, and Brooke Swaffar proudly announce the arrival of Kendall Erin.

Kendall was born on January 10, weighed 6 pounds and 8 ounces, and was 19 1/2 inches long. Kendall's grandparents are Kim and Patsy Wilks of Post, Robert and Sue Barnes of Olton, and Gene and Gayle Swaffar of Woodrow.

Great grandparents are Betty Stanley, Ginger Phillips, and Bennie Wilks of Post, W.L. and Clementine Carthel of Lockney, and Elmer Swaffar of Lubbock. Great great grandmother is Lena Perkins of Jayton.

## White River Lake Weekly Report March 6, 2006

Gauge reading: 2347.20 feet below spillway; 25.3" Rise-0" Rainfall (past week); .02" Rain to-date; .06" Rainfall 2004; 43.58" Rainfall 2005; 15.57"

White River's daily average demand for 2005 was 1.6 million gallons per day for all customers.

The well field developed for emergencies can produce 1.6 million gallons per day to serve all four members cities if needed.

The lake was slow over the weekend. Fishing was slow.

The 1000-foot of line replacement on the Post line has been successfully completed.

Replacement of the ground storage tank on the Post line should begin soon. The preconstruction meeting was conducted Feb. 9.

Source: Mickey Rogers, WRMWL general manager

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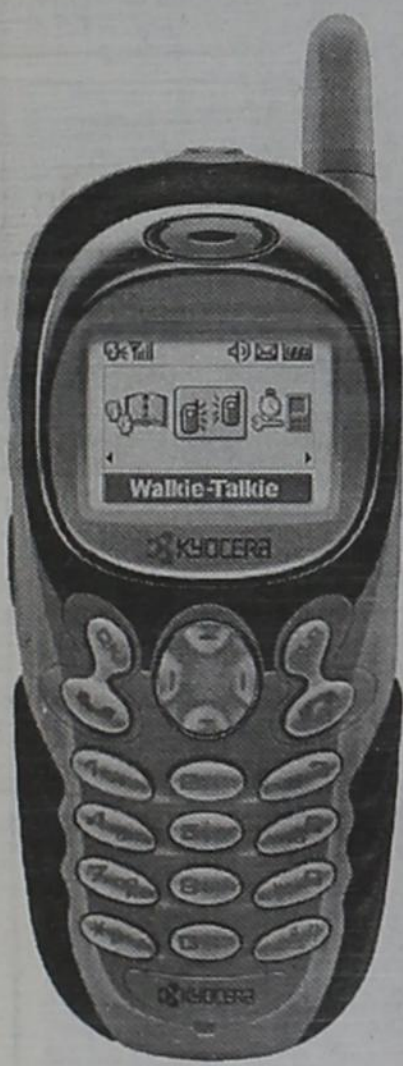
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### Happy 1st Birthday Trace-J Price

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Benjamin Trace-J was born Friday, March 11, 2005 in Midland, weighing 7 lb. 15 oz. and 19 1/2 inches long. Proud parents are Amanda and Tracy Price of Midland. He is also welcomed home by Brooklyn and Izailh Landa of Midland. Grandparents are Lee Roy Holly of Post and Tammye and Butch Griffin of Eddy. Great grandparents are Wayne and Jo Thomas and Joy and the late Bill Holly all of Post.

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## Post High School student musicians treated to recording time with John Lennon Songwriting Contest

School buses are a common sight around the Post High School campus; however, the bus that sat outside the high school Monday was anything but ordinary.

The John Lennon Educational Tour Bus rolled into town after 18-year-old PHS senior Jonathan McGregor was recently named winner of an essay contest organized by the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal. The John Lennon Educational Tour Bus Essay Contest asked students

to write 200- to 250-word essays describing how music influences lives. McGregor's essay was tapped as the winning entry.

As a result, McGregor had the chance to spend the day on the bus, writing and recording an original song in the mobile recording studio housed within the vehicle. A team of on-bus studio engineers was at McGregor's disposal. McGregor asked several of his

classmates - Vincent Robles, Colt Mason and Joey Guerra - to assist him in his recording session. Band director Aaron Rathbun also took part in the process.

The group recorded a song written by McGregor and a music video. Copies of the CD and DVD were provided to the participating students and the school.

PHS students toured the bus, and each received a "goody bag" that featured two Maxell CDRs, a Maxell battery pack, one Disc Maker, a

John Lennon Songwriting Contest newsletter and a copy of Guitar Player magazine.

The John Lennon Educational Tour Bus is a non-profit effort designed to encourage students to "play music, write songs, engineer recording sessions and produce music video projects using the latest audio, video and live sound equipment," according to the JLETB Web site.

In addition to spending time in the recording studio, McGregor also was awarded an iPod Shuffle, a jacket and a T-shirt and a bag of Maxell products. McGregor's fellow recording students also received T-shirts and Maxell bags.

In recognition of McGregor's win, Post High School received several prizes, including a Roland Cube-60 guitar amplifiers; Apple Logic Pro 7 software; Elixir guitar strings; Sibelius G7 music; and notation software.

### USDA issues \$63 million for ECP

Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns announced today that USDA is making \$63 million in Emergency Conservation Program (ECP) funds available to assist agricultural producers struck by hurricanes in the Gulf of Mexico region during the calendar year 2005.

"USDA was on the ground providing food and housing assistance in the immediate aftermath and we remain committed to the recovery," Johanns said. "These funds are one more way we are reaching out to help Gulf Coast farmers rehabilitate operations damaged by last year's devastating hurricanes.

Producers in counties that were declared presidential or secretarial disaster areas due to hurricanes of 2005 are eligible.

Eligible agricultural producers may receive up to 100 percent cost-share to remove debris and restore fences and conservation structures.

This \$63 million is the first allocation from \$199.8 million available in ECP funds. Additional funds for oyster, nursery and poultry producers and forest landowners will be made available when new rules authorizing assistance are published in the Federal Register. USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) is developing these rules and plans to publish proposed rules for public comment in the near future.

For additional information and to apply for ECP assistance, eligible producers should visit their local FSA office.

## Ethics Commission to review Norman's campaign practices

by Sheri Lewis

Lee Norman, who captured the Republican Party nomination for the position of Garza County judge in Tuesday's primary election, is not expected to face an opponent in the November general election, but he will face a Texas Ethics Commission review of some of his campaign practices.

In a letter dated Feb. 24, the state agency notified Norman by certified mail that a sworn complaint had been filed against him concerning several elements of his political campaign.

The complaint was lodged by Phil Mathews, who also sought the Republican Party nomination for the county judge's post in Tuesday's primary election.

Last week, Mathews received from the TEC a copy of its letter to Norman.

Mathews said Monday he did not file the complaint to color the election or its outcome; instead, he did so because Norman's Election Code violations were "numerous."

"I wasn't doing it to (make him) look bad before the election," Mathews said. "I wasn't even sure we'd get an answer (from the TEC) before the election. I did it to get his attention. He's not above the law. The public needs to be aware.... I had given him a warning first on one of the violations and decided I was only going to be a nice guy once. He kind of thumbed his nose up at the law, and I wanted the Ethics Commission to get his attention."

When contacted this week, Norman declined to comment on the situation.

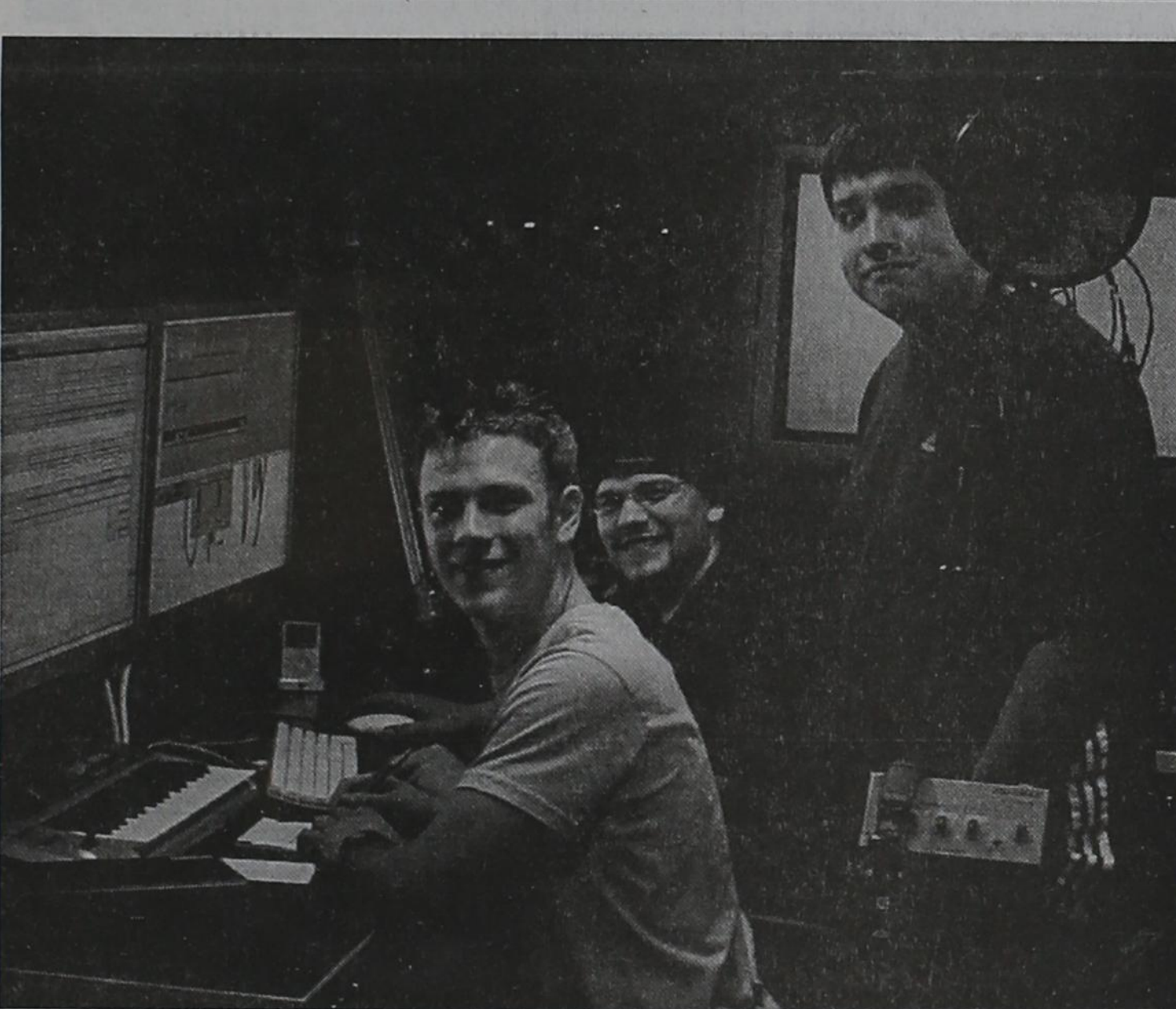
According to the letter addressed to Norman and copied to Mathews, the Texas Ethics Commission received the sworn complaint Feb. 16.

"The complaint alleges that you failed to include a political advertising disclosure statement on political advertising in violation of Section 255.001 of the Election Code and that you represented in a campaign communication that you held a public office that you did not hold at the time the representation was made in violation of Section 255.006 of the Election Code," the letter states. "The complaint also alleges that you failed to fully disclose campaign expenditures or contributions you made or received in December and January for advertising in a newspaper in violation of Section 254.031 of the Election Code."

The commission's receipt of a sworn complaint "sets in motion a process that may include a preliminary review as well as informal or formal hearings," according to the TEC Web site. "A sworn complaint may be resolved at several points in the process. The commission may ultimately resolve a sworn complaint by dismissal or imposition of a civil penalty."



Joey Guerra (back) and Colt Mason (front) take advantage of the special John Lennon Educational Tour Bus recording equipment which stopped in Post Monday.



Enjoying creating music in the special John Lennon Educational tour bus are PHS students Johnathan McGregor (left) Vincent Robles (right). They are assisted by one of the tour coordinators (center).

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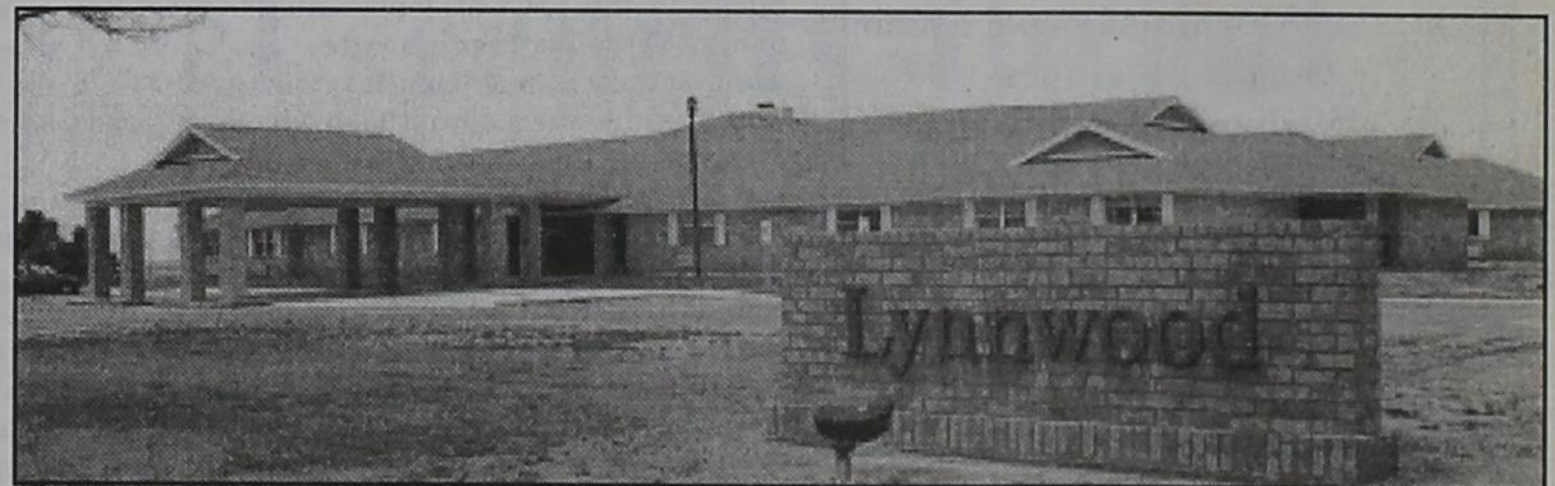
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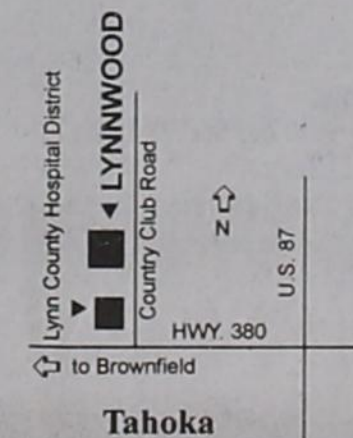
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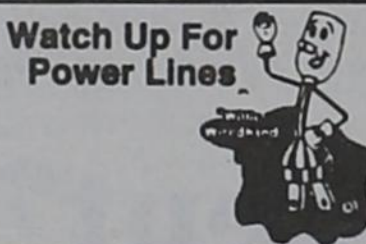
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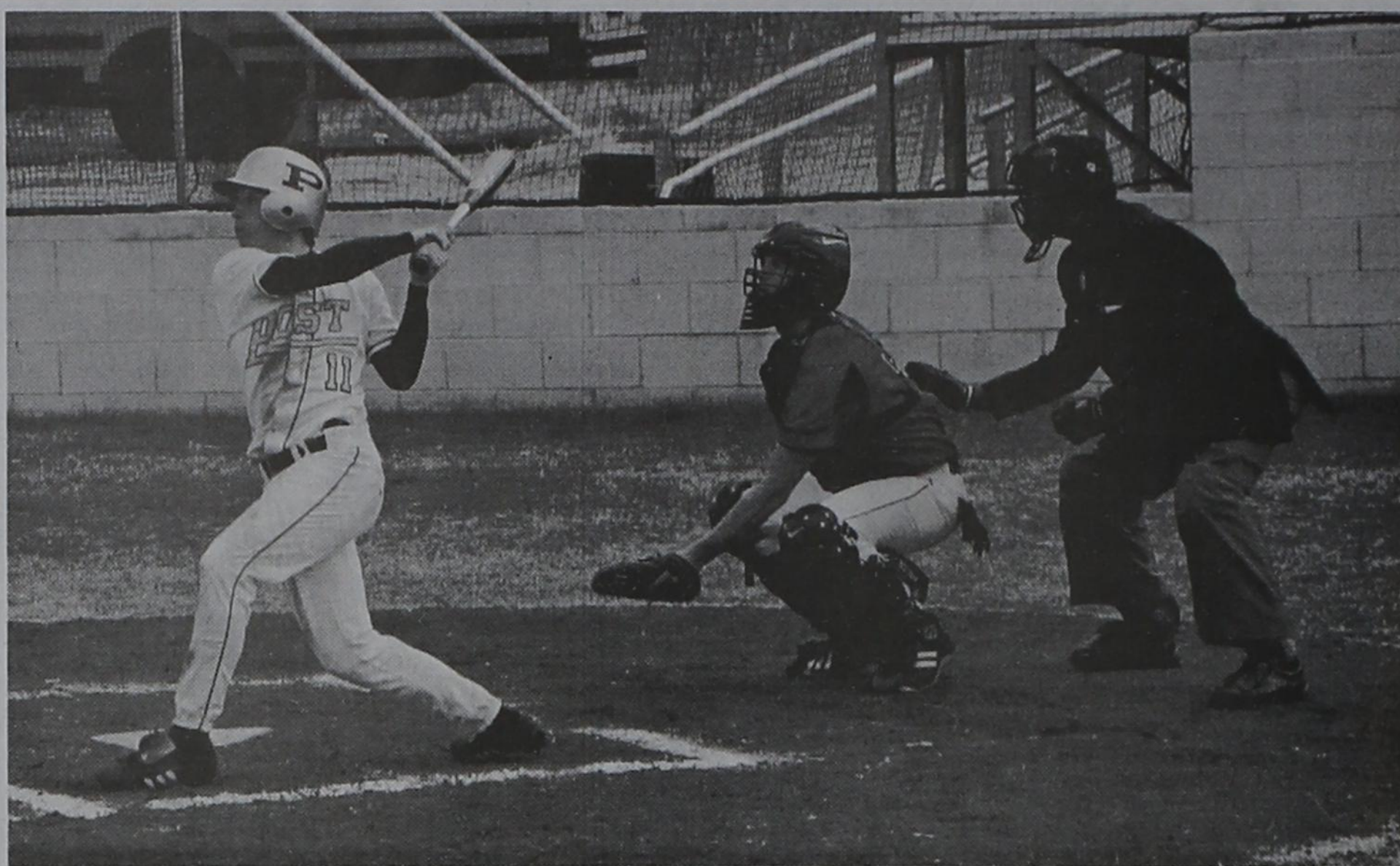
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# Spring Sports



Post Antelope Wilson Cash belts a one base hit with one RBI during the game against Colorado City on Saturday, February 25 at Norm Cash Field.

## Post ISD spring sports crowd calendar for athletes

Contributed by Joy Creech

The first track meet for the Middle School is this Thursday (3/9/06) at New Deal. The first high school track meet is Friday at New Deal.

Golf Coach Kevin James reports the teams competed at last week's Denver City tournament and were at Idalou on Monday and Tuesday of this week.

Tennis - Coach Nick Dickson reported that the team competed in a tournament last week in Snyder. Kylie Easterling took second in girls' singles. Adrian Nava made it to the quarterfinals. Other participants were Dionn Heckaman and Suhani Bhakta in girls' singles, and Chase Miller in boys' singles.

The tennis team competed at Levelland earlier this week. At that

### PHS Spring Sports Schedule

- March 9, 10 & 11  
Varsity Baseball Tournament @ Seminole  
JV Baseball Tournament @ Post
- March 10  
Track @ New Deal
- March 11  
Powerlifting @ Brownfield  
Boys' Regional  
Softball Tournament @ Slaton
- March 13, 14  
State CX Debate @ Austin
- March 14  
Softball @ Idalou, 5 p.m.  
Baseball vs Idalou @ Post, JV Noon, Varsity 2:30 p.m.
- March 16, 17  
Powerlifting Girls' State Meet @ Killeen
- March 17  
Softball vs Tahoka @ Post, 4:30 p.m.  
Baseball @ Tahoka, JV noon, Varsity 3 p.m.
- March 18  
Tennis @ Plainview

tournament, Bhakta and Miller competed in mixed doubles along with Steffi Norman and Nava. Heckaman and Easterling competed in girls' singles. Their next tournament will be held on March 18 at Plainview. Coach Dickson stated that they are "off to a good start" for the year.

Powerlifting - WOW - The girls won the Region I Powerlifting meet held in Abilene over the weekend! Two young ladies will be going to state, Alana Zubia and K'Nell Dalby. That meet will be held on March 17 at the Killeen Convention Center in Killeen, TX.

Zubia placed second overall at the meet and was the number one 2A representative. Dalby placed third overall and was also the number one 2A representative.

Other competitors were Erica Ortiz 7th overall in her weight class, 2nd 2A rep, and Alex Hart, 8th overall in her weight class and 4th 2A rep. Also competing was Allison Blevins who failed to make her weight at the meet, but whom Coach Wright said had an amazing year, juggling both softball and powerlifting at the same time.

In addition to the awesome performance of the young ladies, Coach Wright was named "Outstanding Coach" at the Meet. He said that "this has been a great year, and he couldn't be more happy."

"This weekend was definitely the most fun we have ever had at a power lifting meet. All of the girls had their best total of the year. You couldn't ask for more." Coach Wright also commented that he felt like the girls who came before this group, Jessica and Zane Mason, Gentry Creech, Christin Collier, and Kayla Dunn, deserved a lot of the credit for how well this group of girls performed. "They paved the way for girls powerlifting at Post" stated Coach Wright.

Israel Beggs and Blake Nichols will compete at Regional this Saturday in Brownfield. Coach Wright is expecting great things from them as well.

## Lady Lopes hammer Abernathy 23-3

In a blistering show of power hitting and pitching, the Post Lady Lopes overwhelmed Abernathy last week by a score of 23-3, invoking the 10 run rule in the 5th inning.

"We had great pitching," coach Whitfil emphasized. The team collected 18 hits with Alana Zubia hammering a home run and four RBIs. Steffi Norman also recorded a home run. "It was just a great hitting and team work effort," the coach added.

A tighter game against Denver City set the Lady Lopes back with a 5-7 loss. "We lost our focus in the 7th inning," the coach reports, "But we out-played them most of the game." Allison Blevins got a home run and 2 RBIs with Alana Zubia credited with one RBI. Ashley Powell also had one RBI.

"Errors got the best of us and let them back into the game," the coach concluded.



Lady Lope 2nd basewoman Steffi Norman (right) catches a pop fly ball against Denver City last Saturday in Post. Also in the play is Ashley Powell (left).

## Little League Baseball & Softball Signup

• March 20-24 @ Elementary School Gym, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.  
\* Wed., March 22 @ CitizensBank, 5 to 8 p.m.

Coaches & Signup Meeting, Sat., March 25 @ CitizensBank, 1 p.m.  
Little League Try-Outs  
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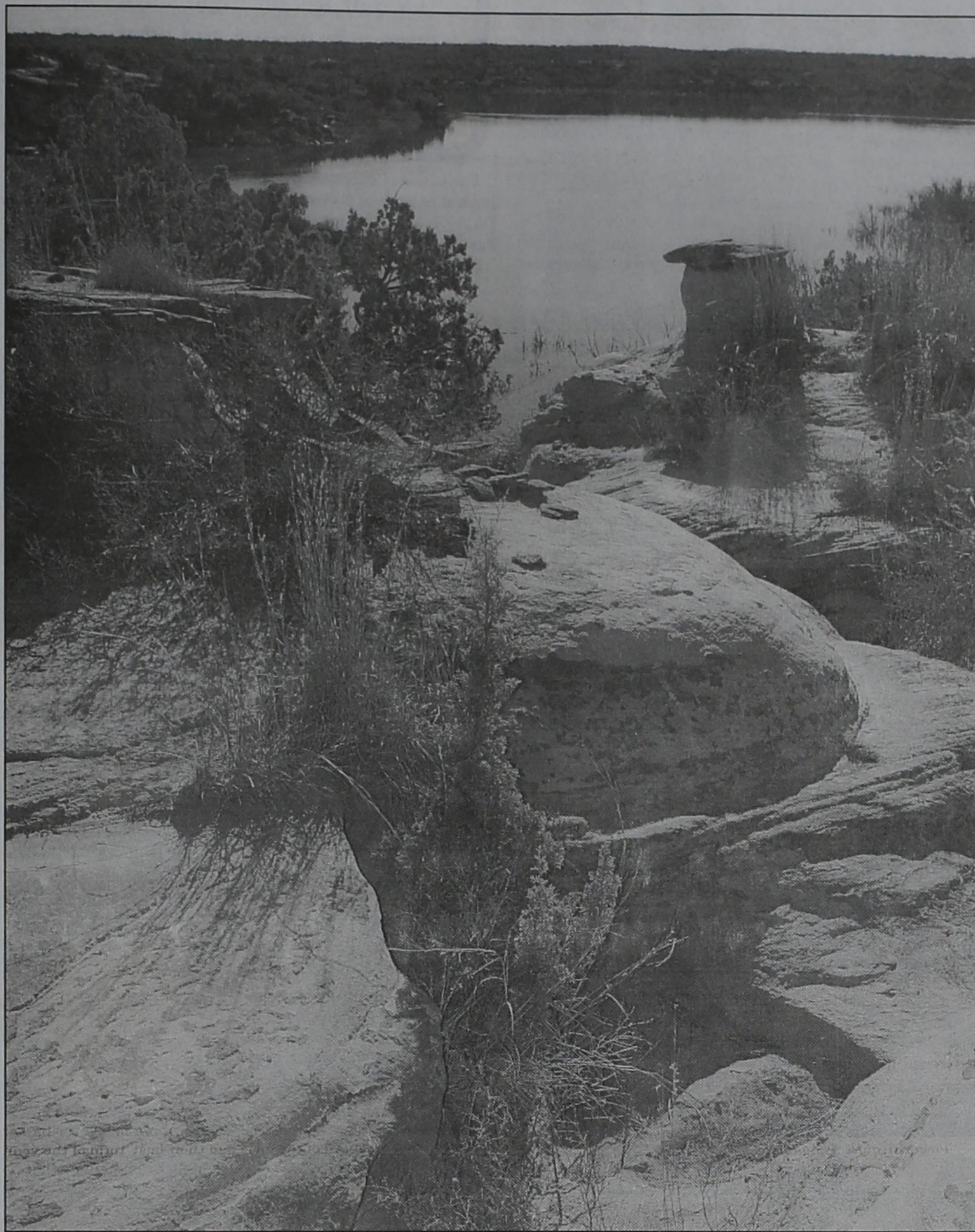
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# Lake Alan Henry Special

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Even you're not a fisherman, you can still enjoy nature's beauty at Lake Alan Henry. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

## Catchin' the big one!

by Capt'n Mike

Somebody is going to catch a big fish soon I hope. But it will probably be after the big rain that I hope we get. Please everyone practice catch and release and watch out for fires it is so dry, it will go up in a second. The lake is a couple of feet low but in great shape for spring.

Post and Garza County will defiantly be seeing a large amount of new faces in town this year. This promises to be the best fishing year yet.

### Fishing Report

Sunday night just got back from the lake, most were singing the blues but a couple of fellows who fish the lake all the time said that it was a pretty good weekend with the big fish in the 5# range.

They also said that a 10#er had been caught on top water. Lots of bugs flying around the lake. On Feb.28 I killed a mosquito on my arm, that is very unusual for West Texas this time of year.

Top water fishing seems to follow the bugs. The crappie seem to be improving. There was several folks on the crappie house Sunday night. That's a good sign, more folks mean more fish being caught.

If I were fishing these staging bass, I still think the white spinner big gold blade is good, but I might start throwing some top water and maybe a buzz bait and let it run under the water some.

Be lazy about it the fish still are.

Capt'n Mike (email mburk@door.net)

### Capt'n Mike's points of interest on Lake Alan Henry

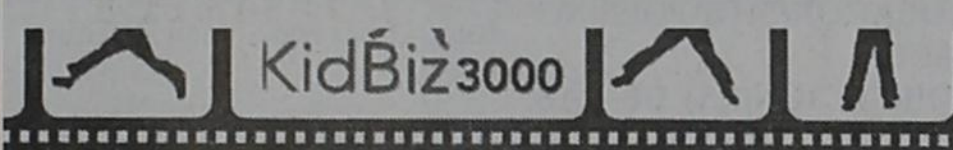
To the right of the boat ramp up the first draw to the left, there is a live oak tree that three of us can barely get our hands around, what a tree. The biggest I have seen in Garza County.

## Lake Alan Henry Open Tournaments

- March 11 – Fun Fishing Bass Tournament, Mel Phillips, 806-353-3654
- March 18 – American Bass Anglers, Joe Parker, 806-252-1119
- Hub City West Texas Anglers – Roger Cockrell, 806-777-6541.

Source: Lake Alan Henry Web site, City of Lubbock Parks & Recreation Department

## Post Middle School students excel at Science Fair



### You Rate the Movie Contest Winner

We want to know what you think of a movie you've seen. Write a movie review and send it in to us.

#### Cheaper By The Dozen

Cheaper By The Dozen is one of the best family films I have seen in a long time. Moving can be hard but this group of a dozen kids makes it the hardest! Steve Martin is absolutely hilarious and made me laugh throughout the whole movie! At first the kids find out they're moving and take a vote thinking that they can talk their parents out of moving but end up moving anyway because their dad got a way better coaching job! They move into a huge house and go to big schools, but they really don't fit in. In my opinion I would recommend going to rent if not buy this movie, I really enjoyed it and I think you will too!

Kari Dunn  
Grade 6  
Post Middle School



Kari Dunn

The Post Middle School Science Fair was held earlier this month and we have the following students advancing to the Regional Science Fair in Lubbock on March 24, 2006: Mysty Ayala, Brittny Bouldin, Alex Miller, Cheyenne Bouldin, Sierra Hodge.

Kari Dunn won a Kid Biz prize for having an outstanding movie critique. She entered through the encouragement of Mrs. Gini Aldridge.

Kari was honored at the Awards Assembly on February 24, 2006. Mrs. Aldridge, our sixth grade Reading and Language Arts teacher, has herself been given a wonderful honor.

She was selected for inclusion in the 10th Edition of Who's Who Among America's Teachers, 2005/2006.

This is generated by a student who has been named in the Who's Who Among America's Students

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## Living on the Edge of the Caprock

by Greg Jones, County Extension Agent

### Garden Checklist for March, 2006

- Check with your local county agent for the average last killing freeze date for your area. Killing freezes can and do occur after this date, but it will be a good indication.

- Prepare beds for planting warm-season flowers and vegetables.

- For early color in the landscape, try some of the following annuals as transplants: ageratum, cockscombs, coreopsis, cosmos, cleomes, marigolds, nasturtiums, petunias, phlox, portulacas, salvias, sweet alyssums, sunflowers, and zinnias.

- Start hanging baskets of petunias and other annuals for another dimension in landscape color.

- Select and order caladium tubers as well as geranium and

coleus plants for late April and early May planting. Do not plant caladiums until soil temperatures reach 70 degrees F.

- As camellia and azalea plants finish blooming, fertilize them with three pounds of azalea-camellia fertilizer per 100 square feet of bed area. Check mulch on azalea and camellia beds and add where needed.

- Beware of close-out sales on bare-root trees and shrubs. The chance of survival is rather low on bare-root plants this late in the season. Your best bet at this time of year is to depend on container-grown or balled-and-burlapped plants for landscape use.

- In North Texas there is still time to plant seeds of your favorite annuals in flats to be transplanted out-of-doors

when danger of frost is past.

- Fertilize roses every 4 to 6 weeks from now until September. The traditional heavy pruning practices are appropriate for Hybrid Teas, but most antique and shrub roses require less severe methods. Weak or dead canes should be removed or shortened to healthy tissue any time during the year.

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Source: William C. Welch, Professor & Landscape Horticulturist

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Post Middle School students winning at the recent Science Fair are Mysty Ayala, Brittny Bouldin, Alex Miller, Cheyenne Bouldin, Sierra Hodge. The students will advance to Region Science Fair in Lubbock on Friday, March 24.





# Yesteryears

Compiled by Donna Jones  
From The Post Dispatch archives

10 Years Ago  
March 7, 1996

Post ISD was the host last week for a UIL practice meet. Post students placing first were Nikki Pollard, Jayson Fry, Cassie Short, Jill Stelzer, and James Cahill.

Jennifer Smith and her family have some visitors that she says are welcome to stay as long as they like. Smith discovered two swans that have been identified as Trumpeter Swans, a very rare breed that was almost killed off in the late 1800's. There are only 2,700 in the United States today, and these two are the first ever found in Texas.

Don and Ruth Walls of Post have recently been notified that their son, Cliff Walls has been promoted to the rank of Sergeant in the United States Marine Corps.

Members of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Post VFW recently presented a special cake, along with other donated items, to veterans at the Big Spring VA Hospital. Joining in the event were Janet Ratliff, Alva Shepherd, Ruth Walls, Shirley Williams, Fay Johnson, Carrol Jean Light, JoAnne Stelzer and Melvis Taylors.

20 Years Ago  
March 12, 1986

C. David Morrow, a former resident of Post now based in Austin will be appearing the leading role in "She Swoops to Conquer" at Zachary Scott Theatre Center in Austin.

Floyd Johnson was recently named to the Vice President's Honor Roll at the Texas State Technical Institute. Johnson is the son of Johnny and Madie Johnson of Post.

The Post Lady Lopes took the first place trophy at the Idalou Wildcat Relays. Awarded first place include: Christina Martinez, Rene Craig, LaDonna Scott and Tyra Alexander, 400 meter relay, 51.76; Kim Wulfjen, Traci Tannehill, Rene Craig and Tyra

Alexander, 1600 meter relay, 4:29.26, Martinez, 100 meter hurdles, 16.24 and Kim Wulfjen, 400 meter dash, 65.3.

Norman Baumann has filed as a candidate for the Garza Memorial Hospital board, joining incumbent David Tyler and challenger Ronny Ammons for the two positions to be decided in April.

30 Years Ago  
March 11, 1976

Dr. William C. Wilson and Mrs. Jessie Lee Lancaster, local second grade teacher, were honored as Post's "mand and woman of the year" at the Chamber banquet. "Farm family of the Year" was awarded to the Ronnie Dunn family. Also honored with a special award was George (Scotty) Samson in a fitting tribute to Post's 92-year-old "first citizen" in this bicentennial year. Samson came to this community in 1907.

A bulldozer rips up parking area in front of the old Parrish Grocery & Market as work begins on the remodeling of the super market building into the Post Community Center.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall R. Reno of Post announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Nancy Jo, to Chris Alan Wyatt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Syd Wyatt, also of Post.

Three Post Antelopes and two Post Does were named last week to District 5AA all-district basketball teams by district coaches. Center Mike Waldrip, Forward Bryan Davis and Guard Mike Shepherd were the Lopes who were honored. Joni Hays, the Does' scoring ace, and Kim Mitchell, a guard were the two Post girls named.

40 Years Ago  
March 10, 1966

Half-miler Ruben Solis and miler Pete Morales set new records and the Post Antelopes finished third in team standings at the track meet in Idalou. The team is coached by Glynn Gregg and



Brownie Troop 363 (back row, left to right) Jessica Rodriguez, Erica Ruiz, Rachel Gray, Nicole Pala, Gabrielle Patz, Keisha Odum, Presilla Soto, Laura Pedersen, (front row) Victoria Fannon, Martina Norman, Rebecca Striblin, Kelli Martin, Bailey Odum, Allison Blevins, Betsy Ortiz and (standing) leader Shellee Odum. Not available for photo: Josie Butler, Amber Ray, Naquisha Taylor and assistant leaders Grace Patz and Kristi Odum.

Exclusively from the archives of The Post Dispatch, Thursday, March 7, 1996

Billy Hahn. Ricky McMillin, 8th grade; Irene Walls, 7th grade, and Linda Stewert, 6th grade, have been selected as "Citizens of the Month" for March at Post Junior High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Norm Cash and two children have returned to Eldorado following a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bandy Cash, and his grandfather, E. M. Woodard.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Simpson, who have made their home in Post for for 12 1/2 years, left for Denton where they will build and operate a miniature golf course. Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Livingston have purchased the Simpsons' home at 1015 Sunset Drive here in Post.

50 Years Ago  
March 8, 1956

Patricia (Pat) Wheatley, Post eighth grade student and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wheatley, outspelled six other contestants in the district courtroom to win the championship of the fourth annual Garza County Spelling Bee.

Post's newest business firm, the Morgan Studio & Camera Shop, will hold its formal opening all day Saturday, owner N. I. Morgan has announced. The shop is located at 109 W. Main.

Facts and Fad... around P. H. S. by Ruby Montgomery: Couples seen together recently around town include: Royce Josey and Sherry Taylor, Jerry White and Glenda Pierce, Ronnie Morris and Linda Davis, Glenn Huntley and Ora Beth Maxey, Novis Pennell and Rexene Welch, Carol Davis and Alice Joy Nichols, Jim Jackson and Darlyene Hulsey, Kenneth Smith and Charlotte Cornett, and Jerry Windham and Pat Gartman.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Fluitt, long-time residents of the Graham community, are moving soon to make

their home in Post. The Harlan Morris family of Post, former residents here, will move to the Fluitt farm.

60 Years Ago  
March 7, 1946

The Post Dispatch is authorized to announce the following candidates for office, election to be subject to action of the Democratic primary. District Attorney, 106th Judicial District: Calloway Huffaker; County Judge: J. E. Robinson; Sheriff-Tax Assessor/Collector: Percy Printz, L. E. (Fay) Claborn, Jr.; Charlie O. Reed; County/District Clerk: Ray N. Smith; County Treasurer: H. D. Moreman; County School Superintendent: Dean A. Robinson;

Commissioner Pct. 1: Ernest Henderson; Commissioner Pct. 2: L. E. "Buck" Gossett, Conner Parson; Commissioner Pct. 3: W. C. Quisenberry; Commissioner Pct. 4: W. T. Parchman.

Announcement was made Tuesday by F. F. Keeton, who has been a resident of Post for sometime and for the past three years has been engaged in the trucking business, that he has purchased the grocery store owned by J. A. Gary.

Mrs. Ben L. Owen who, before her marriage, was Edna Mae Pierce, was honored with two parties just before she left to join her husband at El Paso, where he is stationed at Fort Bliss.

## Menus

- Post ISD  
Spring Break  
Southland ISD  
Spring Break  
TRAILBLAZERS  
March 13 - Baked chicken w/mushroom sauce, mashed potatoes, broccoli, salad, biscuits, lemon cake.  
March 14 - Baked ham, oven potatoes, spinach, salad, cornbread, cake.  
March 15 - Hamburger steak w/brown gravy, rice, squash, wheat rolls, jello.  
March 16 - Chicken spaghetti, mixed veggies, salad, garlic bread, banana pudding.  
March 17 - Brisket, au gratin potatoes, fried okra, wheat rolls, cobbler.

## Six indicted by grand jury

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The following list of grand jury indictments, all matters of public record, was provided by the Garza County Sheriff's Department. It should be noted that in the U.S., all individuals are considered innocent until proven guilty. A grand jury indictment merely means a grand jury has reviewed evidence in the case and determined that enough evidence exists to send the case to trial.)

- District Court Feb. 10  
• J.W. Jolly III, aggravated sexual assault, a 1st degree felony; indecency with a child, a 2nd degree felony.  
• Jason Lee Curtis, burglary of a habitation, a 2nd degree felony.  
• Jose Villegas-Moreno, aggravated assault, a 2nd degree felony; assault, a 3rd degree felony.  
• Timothy Crenshaw, sexual assault, a 2nd degree felony.  
• Michael Jan Bauer, possession of a controlled substance/methamphetamine, a state jail felony.  
• Shawn Eric Bevers, possession of a controlled substance, a state jail felony; methamphetamine in a drug-free zone, a state jail felony enhanced.

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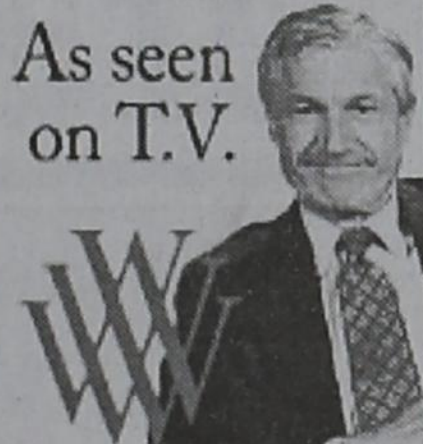
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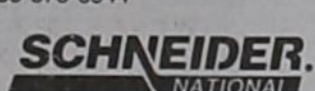
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### ACROSS

- Remington painting in Fort Worth's Amon Carter Museum: "A \_\_\_ for the Timber"
- "Lady Bird" name: Claudia \_\_\_ Taylor Johnson
- TXism: "bone \_\_\_" (study)
- TX Audie Murphy's "To Hell and \_\_\_"
- TX fiddle master Robertson
- Southlake Carroll athletes
- Austin spring plant sale "Flora \_\_\_"
- TXism: "still wet \_\_\_ ears"
- TX Super Handyman Carrell
- TXism: "plays his cards close to the \_\_\_"
- TXism: "does a fat man sweat?"
- Gib Lewis' hometown
- TX Audie '59 film: "No \_\_\_ Bullet"
- summer cooler (abbr.)
- TX Alan Bean walked \_\_\_
- Galleria in Houston or Dallas
- in Parker Co. on farm road 2376
- trees you'll find in TX High Plains region (2 wds.)

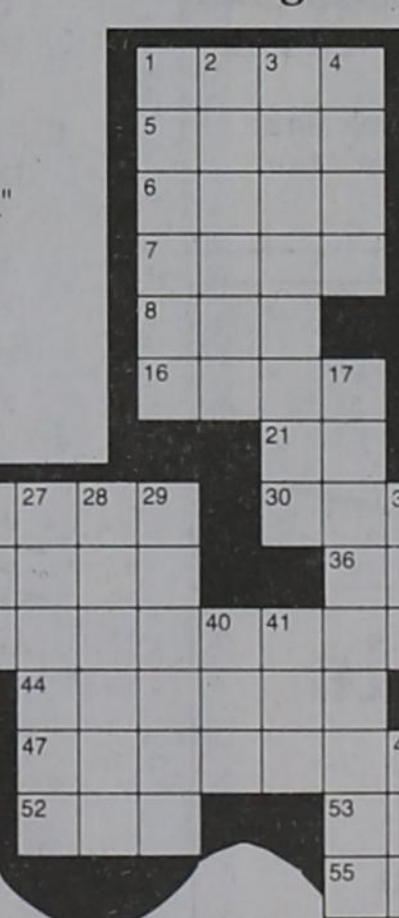
- book: "Texas Goes \_\_\_"
- sentence stopper?
- Paso
- TXism: "half \_\_\_" (little)
- "believe \_\_\_"
- cancel an order
- 2,000 lbs.
- TX Roger Miller tune: "Dang \_\_\_"
- loud metallic sound

- TXism: "a real stem winder"
- showy flower
- Grande
- Angelo
- TX Perot's old co.

### DOWN

- TXism: "mud \_\_\_" (wasp)
- TX H.L. Hunt novel
- Ozona newspaper (or cattleman)
- TX singer Thompson
- this TX Blocker was "Hoss" (init.)
- Colt .45
- TXism: "active as a fox in \_\_\_ house"
- the central idea
- TXism: "you can bet the farm \_\_\_"

### The Original



## TEXAS CROSSWORD

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- in '70 UT beat this team to be nat'l champ (abbr.)
- pig enclosure
- San Antonio arena
- \_\_\_ shoulders above the rest"
- social companion
- TX Shelley Duval's "Popeye" character (init.)
- legendary TX pitcher Ryan (init.)
- flightless bird
- TXism: "mad enough \_\_\_ nails"

- TXism: "useless as panty \_\_\_ a pig"
- golf club (2 wds.)
- Olympic TX runner Whitfield
- UT grad Wallach
- running off to wed
- TV "Dallas" clan

- Abilene's Dyess \_\_\_ Force Base
- TX gov't. bldgs. are \_\_\_-smoking
- TX Bush family has been involved in a mess of these
- school book
- TXism: "gave his pall bearers the \_\_\_" (recovered)
- TXism: "he \_\_\_ strut sitting down"
- TX Randy Quaid's \_\_\_ of the "Starring Class"
- Homer epic poem

# Congratulations for your academic excellence!

**Post High School  
'A' Honor Roll**  
 Alexandria Hart  
 Haley Lester  
 Chad Miller  
 Travis Rasbeary  
 Jaclyn Slaugh  
 Suhani Bhakta  
 Kris Crenshaw  
 Kelsey Hays  
 Allen Heckaman  
 Samantha Hoover  
 Meagen Howard-Griffis  
 Steven Short  
 Timothy Wilson  
 Call Windham  
 Wilson Cash  
 K'Neil Dalby  
 Kylie Easterling  
 Heath Fellhauer  
 Rachel Gray  
 Adrian Nava  
 Blake Nichols  
 Chelsey Reed  
 Kelsey Bramblett  
 Courtney Copeland  
 Jose Guerra  
 Diorin Heckaman  
 Brandon Hernandez  
 Veronica Hernandez  
 Roby Lester  
 Jenee Lott  
 Emily Marcum  
 Colt Mason  
 Jonathan McGregor  
 Jace Pollard  
 Shannon Rasbeary  
 Vincent Robles  
 Jared Smith  
 Sterling Smith  
 Laurel Tatum  
 Ashley Wilson  
**'A/B' Honor Roll**  
 Ericka Cravy  
 Lauren Gonzales

James Griffin  
 Natanneal Jurado  
 Zachary Kocurek  
 Blake Lester  
 Marc Ayala  
 D.J. Baiza  
 Allison Blevins  
 Ashley Brown  
 Colter Creech  
 Jackie Hays  
 Claire Kirkpatrick  
 Ana Macias  
 Wes Mason  
 Rosanna Menjares  
 Steffi Norman  
 Bailey Odom  
 Erica Ruiz  
 Anai Saucedo  
 Becca Striblin  
 Lawrance Adams  
 Braden Bratcher  
 Alejandra Ceja  
 Aaron Fox  
 Clarissa Gamez  
 Miles Gray  
 Ashley Guerrero  
 Maria Mares  
 Kayla Morris  
 Kassie Parrish  
 Keshia Perez  
 Eric Reyna  
 Eric Soto  
 Jarin Tyler  
 Ryan Ulm  
 Adrian Zubia

**Post Middle School  
'A' Honor Roll**  
 Madison Cash  
 Kari Dunn  
 Kambry Mason  
 Samantha Morley  
 Alexis Dunn  
 Sydnee Jones  
 Amber Wilson

Chandni Bhakta  
 Spencer J. Nolan  
 McClinton Windham  
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 Jordan Aguilar  
 Nicole Alvidrez  
 Shirley Araiza  
 Raegan Belongia  
 Teraka Cowley  
 Amanda Duran  
 Pauline Hernandez  
 Madison Herridge  
 Grant James  
 Skylar Jones  
 Hannah Kirkpatrick  
 Aubree Lester  
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 Denise Rodriguez  
 Vanessa Rodriguez  
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 Jessica Pool  
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 Colby Crispin  
 Brittany Day  
 Aaron James  
 Ross James  
 Alexandra Miller  
 Lindsey Morrow  
 Michael Porter  
 Joshua Rodriguez  
 Crystal Sanchez  
 Latasha Soto  
 Branda Stevens  
 Kaleb Tanner  
 Quinton Valdez  
 Toni Wait  
 Reed Williams

**Post Elementary  
'A' Honor Roll**  
 Alexis Antillon  
 Adryonna Armendariz  
 Preston Bryant  
 Janikah Collazo  
 Triana Curtis  
 Jose DeLuna  
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